Course Description

Teaches basic skills of downhill skiing; selection and use of equipment; terminology and safety rules. Includes field experience. Part II of II. Lecture 0.5 hour. Laboratory 1 hour. Total 1.5 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

This health-related physical activity course develops cardiorespiratory endurance, muscle strength, and muscle endurance. It also develops skill-related physical activity including agility, balance, coordination, reaction time, and speed through participation in an intermediate level individual sport.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

All students must have a basic ability to read, write and speak English. The course requires the ability to participate in physical activities including walking, running and using the arms and hands. Modifications will be made for students who have a Memorandum of Accommodation (MOA) from Disabilities Services if the MOA indicates that an adapted physical program is required. The student can present the MOA at any time during the semester; but the adapted services are not effective until the MOA is provided to the instructor. For more information and eligibility, contact Disability Services at http://www.nvcc.edu/current-students/disability-services/index.html.

Course Objectives

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

a) Exhibit intermediate level skiing (wedge, parallel turning, stopping, getting up, proper use of poles)
b) Explain skiing terminology and safety at a refined level

Major Topics to be Included

a) Conditioning exercises
b) Review of terminology, background, and safety rules
c) Review skills of turning, stopping, getting up, and proper use of poles
d) Review of proper clothing, maintenance and care of equipment
e) Parallel turns and stops at an intermediate skill level on intermediate slopes