# LEHMAN COLLEGE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

### **DEPARTMENT OF EXERCISE SCIENCES AND RECREATION**

# **CURRICULUM CHANGE**

1. **Type of change**: New Course

| Department(s)                                       | Exercise Sciences and Recreation  |
|---|---|
| Career  | [X] Undergraduate [ ] Graduate  |
| Academic<br>Level                                   | [X] Regular [ ] Compensatory [ ] Developmental [ ] Remedial   |
| Subject Area  | Exercise Science  |
| Course Prefix & Number                              | EXS 365   |
| Course Title  | Psychology of Sport   |
| Description   | Theories, concepts, and intervention techniques of sport psychology. Topics covered may include motivation theory applied to sport, team dynamics, psychological skills training, the psychology of sport injury, and burnout in sport. |
| Pre/ Co   | EXS 265 or Departmental Permission  |
| Requisites  |   |
| Credits   | 3   |
| Hours   | 3   |
| Liberal Arts  | [ ]Yes [X]No  |
| Course Attribute (e.g. Writing Intensive, WAC, etc) |   |
| General<br>Education<br>Component                   | X Not Applicable Required English Composition Mathematics Science Flexible World Cultures US Experience in its Diversity Creative Expression Individual and Society Scientific World  |

## 3. Rationale:

The psychological aspects of sport can have a major influence on performance; as such, practitioners in the field of exercise who work with athletes must be aware of the underlying psychological factors and interventions that can be employed in this regard to optimize fitness-related outcomes.

#### 4. Learning Outcomes (By the end of the course students will be expected to):

- Identify and explain major theoretical frameworks used in sport psychology research.
- Describe causal mechanisms of the major psychological theories that have been employed to study human behavior in the context of sport.
- Demonstrate an ability to apply theoretical knowledge to encounter challenges commonly associated with sport and physical activity.
- Critically evaluate social and psychological research and discuss its application to practical settings.
- Discuss appropriate intervention strategies for sport performance enhancement.
- 5. Date of Departmental Approval: 1/30/2024