

**HED 385**  
**Safety Education**  
**Sam Houston State University**  
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**Course description:** At the completion of this course, the student will be alerted to the magnitude of the accident problem, the competencies needed to cope with the problem, and possible solutions

**Content:** This course is designed for lecture, discussion and participation.

**Required Text:** No textbook required

**Student Requirements:**

- 1) Attendance in class is mandatory (see attendance policy)
- 2) Observation and Discussion
- 3) Participation in class activities
- 4) Safety Item/Presentation/Summary Paper
- 5) Residential Safety/Security Review
- 6) Written review of safety articles
- 7) Examinations
- 8) No cell phones

**Evaluation**

3 exams @ 100 points each	300
Residential Safety/Security Review	100
Safety Item /Presentation/Paper	100
4 Safety Articles @ 25 points	<u>100</u>
	<b>600</b>

**Grading**

540-600	A
480-539	B
420-479	C
360-419	D
Less than 360	F

### ***Safety Item/Presentation/Paper***

Bring and present a new safety item in class. The presentation should be 3-5 minutes in length. You may use Powerpoint or any other visual aid to enhance your presentation. At the time of the presentation present the instructor with a typed, one page outline identifying the item, history and its unique value and market price. The order for presentations will be randomly selected in class.

### ***Safety Articles***

Students will be asked to submit and write a brief review of a journal or news article dealing with some aspect of the safety issue. Topics and due dates will be discussed in class.

### ***Residential Safety and Security Review***

Utilizing the format presented in class and review your residence.

### ***Attendance Policy***

Attendance will be taken at each class meeting. Essential to your understanding of the material is your presence and participation

0-3 absences:	No penalty
4 absences:	Reduction of final grade by 1 letter
5 absences:	Reduction of final grade by 2 letters
6 absences:	Reduction of final grade by 3 letters
7 or more absences:	Automatic failure of course

### ***Disability Statement***

Students with a disability that affects their academic performance are expected to arrange for a conference with the instructor in order that appropriate strategies can be considered to ensure that participation and achievement opportunities are not impaired. The physically impaired may contact the Director of Counseling Center as chair of the Committee for Continuing assistance for Disabled Students by telephone (extension 1720).

### ***Student Absences on religious Holy Days Policy***

Section 51.911 (b) of the Texas Education Code requires that an institution of higher education excuse a student from attending classes or other required activities including examinations, for the observance of a religious holy day, including traveling for that purpose. A student whose absence is excused under this subsection may not be penalized for that absence and shall be allowed to take an examination or complete an assignment from which the student is excused within a reasonable time after the absence.

University policy 861001 provides the procedures to be followed by the student and instructor. A student desiring to absent himself/herself from a scheduled class in order to observe (a) religious holy day(s) shall present to each instructor involved a written statement concerning the religious holy day (s). This request must be made in the first fifteen days of the semester or the first seven days of a summer session in which the absence (s) will occur. The instructor will complete a form notifying the student of a reasonable time-frame in which the missed assignments and/or examinations are to be completed.