MISSION STATEMENT: As a leader and innovator in experiential education, the University of Montana Western educates undergraduate students through immersive practices in their field of study, strives for continuous improvement, and achieves evidence-supported student learning and achievement outcomes.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY: Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated and will be fully prosecuted. Students are expected to read and understand the current issue of the Student Code of Conduct (published by Student Affairs: https://www.umwestern.edu/student-code-of-conduct/) regarding student responsibilities and rights related to academic misconduct.

ADA STATEMENT: Students with medical, psychological, learning, or other disabilities desiring academic adjustments, accommodations, or auxiliary aids will need to contact Disability Services, located in the Student Affairs office or by contacting Dr. Randal Johnson, Director of Student Success, by telephone at (406) 683-7311 or by email at randal.johnson@umwestern.edu. The Disability Services office determines eligibility for and authorizes the provision of services. If the instructor requires attendance, students will need to seek ADA accommodation to request an exception to this attendance policy. Please contact Disability Services to determine what, if any, ADA accommodations are reasonable and appropriate.

ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE: Policy 203.1 states that regular class attendance is critical to student success. Faculty determine requirements for satisfactory completion of courses they teach and usually specify attendance policies at the start of each course. Students are responsible for knowing attendance and course completion requirements for each class in which they are officially enrolled. Students are encouraged to communicate regularly with instructors concerning academic progress and attendance. Students who register for a course and fail to attend will receive an “FN” as a final grade. Students must officially drop the course(s) or withdraw from UMW on or before the published deadline for these actions to avoid receiving failing grades in these situations. Withdrawal dates can be found at this website and links therein: https://www.umwestern.edu/section/academic-calendar/.

HOLD HARMLESS: Policy 200.7 states that the University of Montana Western administration and faculty agree that students will be held harmless for absences due to University sanctioned activities insofar as possible. The intent of the policy is to ensure that students are not harmed academically for absences due to University-sanctioned activities. The process for affected faculty and students to develop a plan for completion of academic expectations for a class can be found here: https://www.umwestern.edu/section/200-7-hold-harmless/.

DISCLAIMER STATEMENT: Information contained in this syllabus, other than the grading, late assignments, makeup work, and attendance policies, may be subject to change with advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.