

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY
2023 Bridger Bowl Ski/ Snowboard Program Syllabus
ACT 120, 121, 122, 220, 221, 288, 289 One Credit Pass/Fail

COURSE CONTENT AND EXPECTATIONS:

- You will ski/ ride with a professional instructor, learning technique and tactics appropriate to your ability.
- Montana State University expects all students to conduct themselves as honest, responsible, and law-abiding members of the academic community and to respect the rights of other students, members of the faculty and staff and the public facilities. While at the mountain, you will be expected to abide by Bridger Bowl Ski Area policies, your Responsibility Code and Montana State Law.
- Appropriate winter clothing is important to your success. You must supply your own:
 - ski pants, parka, ski gloves, ski helmet, and goggles. Advanced class may access the ridge terrain at Bridger Bowl during the course.
- Instructors will determine which advanced students are able and will provide training in ridge skiing protocols during weeks 1-3. If placed in a group that will be accessing the ridge, you will need to have a helmet, ridge pack and avalanche transceiver.

PLACE AND TIME:

- Classes are offered Tuesday through Friday and begin with the Wednesday class on the 18th.
- Classes are held on snow at Bridger Bowl Ski Area -16 miles from MSU. It is recommended that your prior class end by 12:50 pm, to allow travel time.
- On the first day of class, be ready to ski or snowboard! Report to the Snowsports School Office in Saddle Peak Lodge at Bridger Bowl to pick up your Bridger Bowl Card, collect a class admittance slip and receive directions on where to meet your instructor. On day one, we suggest arriving by 1:45 pm or 1:15 pm if you need to rent equipment.
- **Students registered in beginner classes must attend the first class of the semester.**
- Classes begin promptly at 2:10 p.m. and end at 4:00 p.m. You are to be checked in, with your instructor and ready to load the lift by 2:10pm.

ATTENDANCE AND GRADE POLICIES:

- **Attendance on the 1st day of beginner classes is required – there are no “never-ever” classes after week one.**
- You must be on time and attend at least 8 of the 9 full classes in order to pass.
 1. You are responsible for reviewing your attendance with your instructor. Students with more than one unexcused absence will fail the class.
- Making Up Policy: If you cannot attend a regular scheduled class, you must make it up by **March 28!** You can makeup classes by:
 1. Attending class on a different day, Tuesday – Friday. Classes are not available over spring break.
 - Check with the MSU coordinator to confirm when your lesson type and ability are available.
 - Arrive early on the day of your make-up and pick up a make-up card from the Snowsports Office **BEFORE** attending class.
 2. Free skiing: available ONE TIME ONLY, and
 - **for a minimum of 3 hours** on a Saturday, Sunday, Monday or over Spring Break.
 - **for a minimum of 3 hours** in the morning, but it is \$38 to upgrade your lift ticket.
 - Not available Tuesday-Friday afternoon. You must attend a makeup class at that time.
 - **You must complete a make-up card at the Snowsports Office before skiing.**
 3. OR communicate excused absences via written notification to the HHD advising office at 218 Herrick Hall, or to Tony Brown at the Bridger Bowl Snowsports Office for class credit.
- Should Bridger Bowl have to close or cancel class on your regularly scheduled class day, we will post it on the Bridger Bowl Snow Phone (406) 586-2389 and at the HHD Advising office in Herrick Hall on campus. You can call the Snowsports school (406) 556-5662. If only one class is cancelled, a makeup class is not required.

LIFT TICKETS:

- If you do not have a season pass, please see lift ticket information in the Class Fees section.
- Your Bridger Bowl Card should be in a secure but accessible ski parka pocket in order to board the lifts.

CLASS FEES:

- Your course fee is collected by MSU. It does not include purchase of the Bridger Bowl Card, lift tickets or equipment rental. If you need them, please purchase the following **before** your first day of class:
 - Bridger Bowl Card (non-refundable and non-transferable) \$5
 - 9 afternoon Half Day lift tickets (if you don't have a season pass) \$252
 - 9 afternoon ski or snowboard rental \$165
- The lift ticket package provides 9 non-transferable afternoon half-day (12:30pm-4:00pm) lift tickets
 - The URL code to access the discount lift tickets and rental products is also non-transferable. Sharing of this code may result in termination of your Bridger Bowl Card.
 - You may upgrade your afternoon half day lift ticket to a full day ticket to be able to ski in the morning as well by paying an additional \$38.00 in the Snowsports School office at Bridger Bowl.
 - **Refund due to injury must be requested by the last day of scheduled ski classes.**
- You need to register for the course through MSU and register with Bridger Bowl
 - **Full instructions for registering with Bridger Bowl are found in the Bridger Bowl Instructions for registration handout, which will be emailed to you.**

EQUIPMENT RENTAL:

- Please arrive at the Snowsports Office at Bridger at least 45 minutes early on the first day to accommodate rental fitting prior to class. On subsequent class days your equipment should be pre-set and ready for you.
- If you are attending on a different day of the week to make up a class, you must show your makeup card to obtain your Bridger Bowl rental equipment.
- Be aware that your reserved rental equipment may not be available other than your regularly scheduled day.

TRANSPORTATION:

- A Bridger Bowl Shuttle Bus (First Student school bus) will depart the loading area at the SUB at 1:05 p.m. You will need to move quickly upon arrival at to be ready to ski at 2:10 p.m. The bus will depart Bridger at 5:00 p.m.
- **If you are driving, allow at least 45 minutes travel time by car.**
- Ride sharing is one way to help share trip costs and help the environment. **DROPS & REFUNDS:**
- You must notify the HHD office and the Snowsports School of your intention to drop, within the drop period assigned by MSU.
- Last day to Drop online is Jan 25, 2023 or with a signed Add/ Drop slip is Feb 1, 2023.
- **Upon request to Bridger Bowl Snowsports School, unused lift ticket and rental fees will be refunded to your account, less a \$10.00 drop charge each. No lesson, lift ticket, or rental refunds will be issued after the February 2nd.**
- **Refund due to injury must be requested by the last day of scheduled ski classes.**
- The last date to withdraw with a "W" is 2 weeks before the last scheduled class, or **March 11, 2022**. The HHD Advising office can also assist you in class sections changes if you need to switch from Snowboard to ski or vice versa, or switch days, etc.

CONTACT NUMBERS:

- Bridger Bowl Snowsports School- (406) 556-5662 or tbrown@bridgerbowl.com
- HHD Advising- (406) 994-4001, FAX (406) 994-6314, or at 218 Herrick Hall on campus