USF Open Water Scuba Class

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The USF Campus Recreation Center sponsors a SCUBA class open to the general public. The class culminates with a nationally recognized SCUBA certification issued by the National Association of Underwater Instructors (NAUI). In order to receive this certification, all certification requirements MUST be met.

The class meets 2 nights per week on a Monday and Wednesday schedule for a total of 4 weeks. Each class begins at 7 PM and is scheduled until 10 PM. A typical evening consists of 1 ½ hours of lecture followed by 1 ½ hours in the indoor heated pool. To earn your certification you must pass a water evaluation, attend and successfully complete all pool sessions, the written exam and satisfactorily complete the 5 open water dives. The checkout dives are held over 2 separate days on the weekends. The dives must be completed in succession - the Crystal River dives must be successfully completed before you can attend the dives at Blue Grotto.

A typical class schedule (see website for starting dates)

**Week One**

Monday  Orientation/Registration – approx. 1 ½ hour – no water session/no gear needed

Wednesday  1 ½ hour lecture / 1 ½ hour pool session

**Week Two**

Monday  1 ½ hour lecture / 1 ½ hour pool session

Wednesday  1 ½ hour lecture / 1 ½ hour pool session

**Week Three**

Monday  1 ½ hour lecture / 1 ½ hour pool session

Wednesday  1 ½ hour lecture / 1 ½ hour pool session

**Saturday (following the 5th pool session) - Crystal River Dives 1, 2 & 3**

**Week Four**

Monday  1 ½ hour lecture / 1 ½ hour pool session

Wednesday  Final Exam – no pool session

**Saturday (following the 6th pool session and FE) – Blue Grotto Dives 4 & 5**
**Costs:**

Tuition $ 200.00

Book Package $ 80.00 (includes NAUI textbook, log book, dive tables, e-learning code, required paperwork, assorted promotional items, and **NAUI certification fee**)

Crystal River Dives $ 40.00

Blue Grotto Dives $ 55.00

All students need to supply their own mask, fins, and snorkel for the course. You do not need these items for the first evening of class (orientation). We will be covering how to properly fit and purchase the items needed during the first class. This will allow you to become properly educated before shopping for gear.

If you have any additional questions please contact either:

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