

IUP Graduate Handbook
M.Ed.in Health and Physical Education

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Department of Kinesiology, Health and Sport Science

The Kinesiology, Health, and Sport Science Department is a diverse and interdisciplinary department that offers multiple nationally accredited programs of study designed to promote lifetime health, fitness, and physical activity across the lifespan.

Curriculum requirements are specific to each program of study and include opportunities for student-centered learning and “hands-on” practical experiences. Students learn and apply their skills using up-to-date technology in the classroom and clinical settings. Classes are taught by outstanding faculty members who are active in research and service to their academic disciplines and who are committed to student professional development.

Graduates are prepared to assume leadership roles in a variety of occupational settings, including educational, corporate, medical, and community sites.

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Admission

Admission Requirements

To be admitted to the Kinesiology, Health, Sport Science Department, the applicant must have completed the requirements for a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university and must fulfill the general requirements for admission to the School of Graduate Studies and Research for a master's degree. A minimum TOEFL score of 540 (paper-based) which converts to a computer-based score of 193 is necessary for international students.

Other admission requirements to be admitted to the K-12 Teacher Certification program include:
Fulfillment of requirements set by the College of Education and Educational Technology.

International Students

In addition to the policies and resources described in the Graduate Catalog, International Students should also refer to the Office of International Education <http://www.iup.edu/international/> and the International Students website <http://www.iup.edu/page.aspx?id=10035> for guidance regarding required forms, ESL/academic assistance, transportation, and social events. The International Student Handbook <http://www.iup.edu/page.aspx?id=10039> is also a valuable resource for international students attending IUP.

Graduate Admissions www.iup.edu/admissions/graduate/

The School of Graduate Studies and Research: www.iup.edu/graduatestudies/
Graduate Catalog: www.iup.edu/gradcatalog
Office of the Bursar: www.iup.edu/bursar/
Office of the Registrar: www.iup.edu/registrar/
Disability Support Services: www.iup.edu/disabilitysupport/
Office of Social Equity: www.iup.edu/social-equity/
IUP Campus Library: www.iup.edu/library/

apply to this program. The majority of coursework can be completed online or through video conferencing, perfect for the working adult. Students in this track are required to attend a 4-week summer residency at IUP and complete a 6-12 student teaching experience. Teachers who are certified in another area and wish to add health and physical education to their credentials only need to complete 6 semester hours of student teaching. Students certified in another K-12 content area will complete an internship experience. Students must complete and pass the PRAXIS II exams. These exams are Fundamental Subjects Content Knowledge (5511/0511) and Health and Physical Education Content Knowledge (5857).

Community Health Education

Focuses on advocating and instructing health-related topics in the community, government or private settings. Graduates can seek employment as health educators in agencies involved in the training and prevention of health related behaviors and conditions. Graduates will have the prerequisite knowledge eligible to sit for the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing (NCHEC) Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) Exam. This track does not lead to teacher certification.

Adapted Physical Activity

Designed for students who have an interest in working in school, community, or recreational settings where adapted physical activity programs are offered. Graduates will demonstrate the ability to develop, instruct, and assess adapted physical activity programs.

KHSS26	HealthScienceInstruction	3cr	3cr
KHSS15	ProgramDesign		

Professional Practice for Teacher Certification (6-12cr)

Students seeking certification as health and physical education teachers must also student teach as required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Students demonstrating acceptable levels of knowledge, skills, and disposition will be permitted to enroll in EDUC 421 and/or EDUC 441 Student Teaching. A review of the student teaching applicant's graduate record will be conducted by the HPE Graduate Pedagogy Committee, which will determine if the student has met all requirements to move ahead with certification. Those who are determined to be deficient will not be permitted to student teach. They will receive a degree without Pennsylvania teaching certification.

Those who are certified as elementary teachers will complete six credits in secondary student teaching. Those certified as secondary teachers will complete six credits of elementary student teaching.

Non-certified students must complete both the elementary and secondary student teaching for a total of 12 credits. A culminating activity is required. The total credit hours for the teacher certification track is 36 credits, and the total credit hours with certification is 42-48 credits.

*Students seeking teacher certification in health and physical education who do not have prerequisite methods courses may be required to take additional courses. Individual programs will be designed based on a review of your transcripts.

Certificates and/or Certification and/or Licensure

K-12 Teacher Certification Students seeking certification as health and physical education teachers must also student teach as required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Course Descriptions

Please visit the following link for a list of the graduate course descriptions:

www.iup.edu/graduatestudies/catalog/course-descriptions/khss--kinesiology,-health,-and-sport-science/

Evaluation of Students

Students that are in the M.Ed. in Health and Physical Education and K-12 Teacher Certification will be evaluated by the follow criteria.

Requirement

1. A minimum grade of C in all professional education courses and an overall grade point average of 3.0
2. Review and recommendation by the major academic advisor indicating completion of all departmental teacher education requirements.
3. Completion of student teaching with a minimum grade of C.
4. Successful completion of the two required PRAXIS exams (see page 6 for further information).
5. Competency in working with students with special needs

Applications for Teaching certification cannot be processed until the student completes the M.Ed degree requirements.

For more information regarding School of Graduate Studies and Research Policy on grading, view the Graduate Catalog www.iup.edu/gradcatalog

Deadlines

Know the [deadlines](#) for submitting your [research topic approval form](#) [applying for graduation](#) and [final submission](#) of your thesis or dissertation and [applying forms](#). Missing one of these deadlines will impact your plans for graduation.

Thesis Completion

Thesis Process or Protocol

Thesis defenses use a closed (only the committee and chair of the project) process.

Evaluation Outcome for Dissertation and/or Thesis

Effective fall 2017 for students admitted and students admitted after -Dissertation and thesis credits will be assigned Pass or Fail as the final evaluation outcome for the taken credits and carry no quality points weighted towards a student's CGPA.

For more information, view the view the Graduate Catalog www.iup.edu/gradcatalog

Access forms processed through the School of Graduate Studies and Research, click on Current Students <http://www.iup.edu/graduatestudies/>

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University Policies and Procedures

University policy is the baseline policy Programs may have policy that is more stringent than the University baseline policy; however, not less stringent than the University baseline policy. For questions regarding this statement, please contact [Program Coordinator] or the School of Graduate Studies and Research.

Academic Calendar

View the IUP Academic Calendar www.iup.edu/news-events/calendar/academic/

The following University and SGSR policies can be found at www.iup.edu/gradcatalog

Academic Good Standing

Signature Page

My signature below indicates that I am responsible for reading and understanding the information provided and referenced in this department/program student handbook.

_____ [please initial] I understand my program ~~could~~ may share this document with the School of Graduate Studies and Research.

Print Name

Signature

Date

Submit to Dr. David Wachob by the start of your first official term in the program.

The KHSS department will keep ~~the~~ signed document on file.