Health and Human Development Department

Kinesiology Program: Graduate Program Assessment Plan

Department:

Health and Human Development Department, Kinesiology and Physical Education Program

Graduate Coordinator:

Lorrie Brilla

Departmental Mission:

The mission of the Health and Human Development Department is to educate individuals to improve personal and community wellness and quality of life through human movement, health, and leisure experiences.

The goal of the Department is excellence in teaching, research and service. Programs in the department:

• Provide professional preparation based on a foundation of liberal education.

• Provide intellectually challenging programs of study through a variety of teaching techniques, including active student involvement in the learning process, practica, service learning and participation in faculty research.

• Provide instruction that enables students to communicate effectively, think critically and creatively and to work cooperatively.

• Provide academic advisement that assists students in achieving their academic and professional goals.
• Prepare students to be competent and ethical professionals who model a commitment to lifelong learning and healthy living.

• Prepare students to be stewards of environments that promote healthy living and quality of life.

• Prepare students to live and work in a culturally diverse society.

Kinesiology and Physical Education Program Mission:

The Kinesiology and Physical Education Program develops graduates who make informed decisions about human movement and performance that foster health and physically active lifestyles for themselves and others. To this end, faculty are dedicated to quality teaching, scholarship and service.

Kinesiology Graduate Program Student Learning Objectives:

Graduates of the program will be positioned to contribute to their profession and be life-long learners in a diverse society by demonstrating:

• skilled written and oral communication
• critical and creative thinking
• effective information acquisition and utilization
• content-specific technology use
• collaboration and collegiality
• professionalism and ethical behavior
• the capability of synthesizing and applying information across the field of Kinesiology
• the ability to apply appropriate methods to develop and investigate research questions
• mastery of content knowledge in the core and applicable specialization areas of Kinesiology
• mastery of content application in the core and applicable specialization areas of Kinesiology
## Student Learning Outcomes Assessed:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SLOs Assessed</th>
<th>Assessment Measures</th>
<th>Use of the Information</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>skilled written and oral communication</td>
<td>Evaluate writing assignments in graduate Kinesiology classes</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>critical and creative thinking</td>
<td>Evaluate case studies and problem solving assignments in graduate Kinesiology classes; thesis completion</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>effective information acquisition and utilization</td>
<td>Evaluate writing assignments in graduate Kinesiology classes; thesis proposal approved</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>content-specific technology use</td>
<td>Evaluate assignments in graduate Kinesiology classes, specifically KIN 510 in Exercise Science option; thesis completion</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>collaboration and collegiality</td>
<td>Evaluate group project assignments in graduate Kinesiology classes; KIN 502</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>professionalism and ethical behavior</td>
<td>Evaluate presentations in graduate Kinesiology classes and professional meetings; internships</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>the capability of synthesizing and applying information across the field of Kinesiology</td>
<td>Evaluate assignments and exam performance in graduate Kinesiology classes; thesis completion</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>the ability to apply appropriate methods to develop and investigate research questions</td>
<td>Evaluate assignments in graduate Kinesiology classes; thesis completion</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>mastery of content knowledge in the core and applicable specialization areas of Kinesiology</td>
<td>Evaluate exam performance in graduate Kinesiology classes</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>mastery of content application in the core and applicable specialization areas of Kinesiology</td>
<td>Evaluate assignments, case studies and exam performance in graduate Kinesiology classes; internships; thesis completion</td>
<td>Assessment outcomes will be used to guide modifications in related course materials and thesis procedures.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>