KINESIOLOGY, MS

for the degree of Master of Science in Kinesiology

Major areas of specialization at both the master’s and doctoral degree levels include:

• Cultural, Interpretive and Science Studies
• Exercise Physiology
• Exercise Psychology
• Motor Control / Biomechanics
• Pedagogy & Physical Activity

Admissions

Students may apply to either the M.S. or the PhD program. Applications are due on January 15 for Fall admissions. Applications are due on October 1 for Spring admissions.

Admissions to the M.S. degree program requires a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education, a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (A = 4.0) for the last two years of undergraduate study and any graduate work completed.

All applicants are required to submit three letters of recommendation, resume, official transcripts and a personal statement that addresses the following prompts:

• What developed your interest for graduate study.
• Who, from the designated faculty, would you like to work with.
• Why do you believe you would be a good fit with aforementioned faculty.
• What do you expect to gain from a graduate experience and how will this experience prepare you for your intended career.

Although the GRE scores are not required, the scores may provide helpful supporting information in some cases. Applicants who have taken the GRE and feel their scores would benefit their application are encouraged to submit the scores. If you would like to submit scores, we recommend you scan your official score report as a PDF file and attach it to your application. You do not need to submit official scores through ETS, but if you decide to, please use our University code of 1836.

• International and some domestic students may be required to show proof of English Proficiency (https://grad.illinois.edu/admissions/instructions/04c/).
• Students for whom English is not their native language and who wish to be considered for a teaching assistantship must achieve a score on the speaking sub-section of (TOEFL or IELTS) (https://grad.illinois.edu/admissions/taengprof.htm).

Information listed in this catalog is current as of 12/2023
4. **Programming and Assessment**: Students will apply best practices in developing, implementing, assessing, and evaluating programs and interventions related to health promotion, physical activity adoption and adherence, and the prevention and treatment of diseases in culturally diverse populations.

5. **Leadership and Engagement**: Students will demonstrate leadership and effective communication skills, showcasing an appreciation and commitment to health and physical activity as they develop and sustain productive relationships and work for the common good at local, national, and global levels.

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Kinesiology, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/kinesiology-phd/)

Joint Degree Program: Kinesiology, PhD and Master of Public Health, MPH (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/joint-degree/public-health-mph-kinesiology-phd/)

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