

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN KINESIOLOGY (ADAPTED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY)

Web Site: <https://twu.edu/kinesiology/graduate-programs/adapted-physical-activity/>

Degree Requirements

Total Semester Credit Hours Required

96 semester credit hours, including approved semester credit hours from master's level work and 6 semester credit hours for dissertation.

Code	Title	SCHs
Required Courses		
KINS 5033	Applied Statistical Principles (Research tools)	3
KINS 6043	Statistical Inference (Research tools)	3
KINS 6113	Seminar	3
KINS 6143	Research Design in Kinesiology (Research tools)	3
HSC 6831	Integration of Theory and Research in Health Sciences	1
Dissertation		
KINS 6983	Dissertation (I)	3
KINS 6993	Dissertation (II)	3
Total SCHs		19

Adapted Physical Activity Emphasis

Code	Title	SCHs
KINS 5603	Growth and Perceptual Motor Development for Individuals with Low Incidence Disabilities	3
KINS 5853	Assessment in Adapted Physical Education	3
KINS 5793	Pedagogy I: Behavior Management in APE Environments	3
KINS 5863	Pedagogy II: Instructional Strategies in APE Environments	3
KINS 5843	Pedagogy III: APA and the APENS Theory to Practice	3
KINS 5963	APA I: Disability Sport and Fitness	3
KINS 5883	APA II: Disability Sport and Fitness	3
KINS 6611	College Level Instructional Design and Delivery in Kinesiology (Taken a minimum of 3 times)	3
KINS 6711	Advanced Research in Adapted Physical Activity Doctoral Seminar (Taken a minimum of 3 times)	3
KINS 6813	Advanced Research in Kinesiology	3
Minor or Related Studies (As approved by Advisory Committee)		24

May include

EDSP 6603	Social Constructs of Disabilities (Research Tools)	
PSY 6863	Qualitative Research Methods and Program Evaluation (Research Tools)	

HDFS 6793	Advanced Qualitative Research Methods In Family Sciences (Research Tools)	
Elective or Appropriate Courses from Master's Degree (As approved by Advisory Committee)		23
May include		
KINS 6133	Professional Internship	
KINS 6853	Practicum: Appraisal in Adapted Physical Education	
HSC 6803	Grant Writing	
HDFS 6343	Effective College Teaching Methods	
Total SCHs		77

Required Courses

13 semester credit hours.

Emphasis

77 semester credit hours, depending on emphasis area and recommendations of the Advisory Committee. Includes Minor or Related Studies and/or Electives and Appropriate Coursework from Master's Degree in consultation with the Advisory Committee.

Dissertation

6 semester credit hours of dissertation work with the committee chair. The first 3 credit course focuses on the development and oral defense of the research proposal. The student enrolls in a second 3 credit course to conduct the dissertation study, analyze results, and present findings. Both courses may be repeated, but only three hours of credit count toward the degree for each course.

Special Requirements

At least nine semester credit hours of coursework must be taken outside the major.

Research Tools

The student in consultation with the Advisory Committee will determine 12 semester credit hours designated as research tools.

Qualifying Examination

Candidates for the doctoral degree must pass a qualifying process and comprehensive examination ascertaining a student's:

- breadth and depth of knowledge requisite to perform successfully within the profession,
- understanding and application of a discipline's foundational literature, and
- readiness to complete a dissertation.

The exam is comprised of four written sections over selected areas of the student's emphases and an oral defense of written responses. May be repeated once. Students are eligible to begin the comprehensive exam process during their final semester of coursework and after completing all prerequisites (if admitted conditionally), all research tools, and all core courses. The exams may be repeated only once. A student who fails a second comprehensive exam attempt will be removed from the Kinesiology doctoral program.

Final Examination

Oral examination conducted by the Dissertation Committee over the candidate's research after the dissertation is completed. May be repeated at the discretion of the committee.