Rationale: Survey data collected from 130 participants that included Fitness and Sports majors, as well as coaches and athletic coordinators from the public schools, revealed that there is a great deal of interest in the development of graduate course work in Fitness and Sports. The particular areas of interest include exercise physiology, sports psychology, curriculum development, and research-based instructional and assessment practices.

Individuals earning a master’s degree with a minor in Fitness and Sports have several potential benefits. Such individuals can significantly enhance their content knowledge and pedagogical content knowledge and skills to help them more effective physical education instructors and thus enhance the educational experiences for their students. Additionally, in certain instances, these individuals have the opportunity to apply for scholarships offered by their school districts to help them defray costs associated with their schooling. Further, once they earn their master’s degree, these persons can increase their earning power and paid salary. Moreover, students earn a master’s degree with a minor in Fitness and Sports could apply for positions such as campus athletic coordinator or assistant athletic director for a school district. Finally, these individuals with 18 graduate semester credit hours in Fitness and Sports could apply for a full-time teaching position at a community college or as an adjunct professor at a university.
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**Graduate Minor for Fitness and Sports**
It will meet general requirements for minor in selected Master of Science Degrees delivered by the College of Education.

The Fitness and Sports Minor can consist of 12 to 18 semester credit hours depending on the degree into which it is incorporated within the College of Education. (examples: Curriculum and Instruction (15-18 hours), General Special Education (12 hours), Early Childhood Education (12 hours), Bilingual Education (12 hours), Reading (12 hours)

The required courses for the Fitness and Sports minor area can be selected from the following:

- EDFS 5301 Advanced Exercise Physiology
- EDFS 5303 Physiology of Aging
- EDFS 5311 Performance Enhancement in Sports
- EDFS 5313 Applied Sports Psychology
- EDFS 5321 Sports Pedagogy
- EDFS 5323 Curriculum in Physical Education

**Prerequisites for Enrolling in Fitness and Sports Graduate Minor (9 sch)**

- Sports Psychology or its equivalent
- Exercise Physiology or its equivalent
- Foundations of Fitness and Sports or its equivalent
Graduate courses for Fitness and Sports Minor

1. **EDFS 5301 Advanced Exercise Physiology (3 semester credit hours)**  
   This course is an in-depth study of physiological aspects of exercise. The physiological adaptations occurring with acute and chronic training, as well as different environmental conditions and disuse will be discussed. Also, a weekly laboratory hour will be assigned to improve students’ practical knowledge of exercise physiology. Prerequisite: Exercise Physiology or equivalent course approved by graduate advisor.

2. **EDFS 5303 Physiology of Aging (3 semester credit hours)**  
   This course examines the relationship between aging and the cardiovascular, respiratory, digestive/nutrition and reproductive systems. Also, aging induced disabilities and possible interventions for attenuation and/or prevention will be covered. The homeostatic functions associated with bone metabolism and fluid balance will be discussed. Prerequisite: Exercise Physiology or equivalent course approved by graduate advisor.

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   This course will examine the mechanisms by which athletes can exceed their perceived physical limitations. Strategies such as visualization, meditation, hypnosis, autogenic training, biofeedback, and progressive relaxation will be examined. Prerequisite: Sports Psychology or equivalent course approved by graduate advisor.

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5. **EDFS 5321 Sports Pedagogy (History, Principles, and Philosophy of Physical Education) (3 semester credit hours)**  
   This course will examine pedagogical research in education and relate it to the specialty area of physical education. Intensive study of key research paradigms that influence inquiry in physical education and link to current practices in effective teaching will be emphasized. Prerequisite: Foundations of Fitness and Sports or equivalent course approved by graduate advisor.

6. **EDFS 5323 Curriculum in Physical Education (3 semester credit hours)**  
   The course will examine the foundations of curriculum development in Physical Education. Special consideration is given to curriculum change, curriculum patterns and programs in physical education which can help address the needs of a culturally diverse, global society. Prerequisite: Foundations of Fitness and Sports or equivalent course approved by graduate advisor.
EDFS 5301 Advanced Exercise Physiology

College of Education

Instructor: Sukho Lee
Office: KL 419C
Office hours:
Phone: 956-326-2672
E-mail: slee@tamiu.edu (Best way to contact)
Class time:

Course Description: This course is an in-depth study of physiological aspects of exercise. The physiological adaptations occurring with acute and chronic training, different environmental conditions and disuse will be discussed. Also a weekly laboratory hour will be assigned to improve students’ practical knowledge of exercise physiology. Prerequisite: Exercise Physiology or equivalent course approved by graduate advisor.

Course Objectives: Upon completing this course students will have a deep understanding of the physiology of exercise. Also, students will be able to assess several physiological variables and prescribe appropriate exercise programs.


Attendance: Attendance will be taken randomly during the semester and used to give up to 5 extra credit points at the end of the semester. Also, it will be used to determine the grade of a student on the borderline.

Important Schedule
Quiz: TBA
Class writing (given topic): TBA
Midterm: TBA
Final exam: TBA

The tests (exams) will consist of multiple choices, fill in blank and short essay questions.
Project Report & Presentation

Student will pick any topic related to the information given during the class.

Project Report Due Date: TBA.
Double space, follow APA manual. Maximum 15 pages including title, references.

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EDFS 5303 Physiology of Aging

College of Education

Instructor: Sukho Lee
Office: KL 419C
Office hours:
Phone: 956-326-2672
E-mail: slee@tamiu.edu (Best way to contact)
Class time:

Course Description: This course examines the relationship between aging and the cardiovascular, respiratory, digestive/nutrition and reproductive systems. Also, aging induced disabilities and possible interventions for attenuation and/or prevention will be covered. The homeostatic functions associated with bone metabolism and fluid balance will be discussed. Prerequisite: Exercise Physiology or equivalent course approved by graduate advisor.

Course Objectives: Upon completing this course students will have a deep understanding of the aging process. Also, students will acquire an in-depth understanding of various aging induced disabilities and possible interventions for attenuation and/or prevention.


Attendance: Attendance will be taken randomly during the semester and used to give up to 5 extra credit points at the end of the semester. Also, it will be used to determine the grade for an individual on the borderline.

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EDFS 5311

Performance Enhancement in Sports

College of Education

Instructor: Rafael Romo
Office: KL 416 C
Office hours:
Phone: 956-326-2695
E-mail: rromo@tamiu.edu (Best way to contact)

Course Description: This course will examine the mechanisms by which athletes can exceed their perceived physical limitations. Strategies such as visualization, meditation, hypnosis, autogenic training, biofeedback, and progressive relaxation will be examined. Prerequisite: Sports Psychology or equivalent course approved by graduate advisor.

Course Objectives: Upon completing this course students will have a deep understanding of performance enhancement issues dealing with sport psychology. Also, students will acquire an understanding of how to help athletes increase their performance through mental strategies that are linked to performance enhancement.


Attendance: Attendance will be taken randomly during the semester and used to give up to 5 extra credit points at the end of the semester. Also, it will be used to determine the grade. Five points will be deducted from final grade for each unexcused absence, and two points will be deducted for each tardy.
Important Schedule
Quiz : TBA
Class writing (given topic): TBA
Midterm : TBA
Final exam : TBA
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Research Paper & Presentation
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Research Paper Due Date: TBA.
Double space, follow APA manual. Maximum 15 pages including title, references.
Presentation Date: TBA.
Each student will present his/her study to the class using Power Point (10 mins)

Grading Policy
Quiz = 10
Research Paper = 15
Presentation = 10
Class writing evaluation = 5
Mid-term exam = 25
Final exam = 35
Extra credit (from attendance) = 5  Total : 105 points.

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EDFS 5313

Applied Sports Psychology

College of Education

Instructor: Rafael Romo
Office: KL 416 C
Office hours:
Phone: 956-326-2695
E- mail: rromo@tamiu.edu (Best way to contact)
Class time:

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Course Objectives: Upon completing this course students will have a deep understanding of the theories underlying Sport Psychology and demonstrate their ability to apply these theories in sport psychology contexts. Also, students will be able to explain and demonstrate how the sport psychologist interacts with the individuals that compete within the sports arena and provide effective professional guidance for the performance enhancement of athletes.


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EDGR 5321 Pedagogical Research on Teaching
Physical Education

College of Education

Instructor: Todd Farmer
Office: KL 419A
Office hours:
Phone: 956-326-2685
E-mail: tfarmer@tamiu.edu (Best way to contact)
Class time:

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EDFS 5323 Curriculum in Physical Education

College of Education

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