Coaching Specialization Curriculum (Masters Degree)

The Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion offers a M.S. degree with an emphasis in Coaching. All students choosing this program tract must complete the following Department core and specialization courses effective Fall 2010.

The master's degree with an emphasis in coaching is directed primarily at preparing students to be coaches at the elementary school, middle school, high school, and collegiate levels. Students who have an initial teacher certification in Physical Education have the opportunity to pursue a Rank II advanced teacher certification while completing their master's degree in coaching.

Required Core Courses:

Any graduate Statistics class (usually EPE 557, EDP 570, EPE 570 or STA 570) (3)
KHP 644 - Research Methods in Kinesiology and Health Promotion (3)

Coaching Emphasis Required Courses (9 credit hours required)

KHP 601 - Teaching Effectiveness and Leadership in Kinesiology and Health Education (3)
KHP 676 - Current Issues in Sport - Sport Law (3)
KHP 781 - Diversity in Sport Organizations (3)

Possible Electives for Coaching Emphasis

The following are examples of possible elective courses listed by interest area. Courses are not limited to those listed, but all courses are selected in consultation with an advisor. Even though possible electives are listed for each separate emphasis, it can be permissible to take electives from any of the three areas of specialization (teaching, coaching, and sport leadership). For example, a student may be interested in the teaching emphasis but may wish to choose some electives from the Coaching or Sport Leadership Emphases. Design of the program MUST be done in conjunction with the advisor.

EPE 684 – Higher Ed & Athletics: A Historical Analysis (3)
KHP 546 – KHP Workshop (in consultation with advisor) (3)
KHP 547 – Psychology of Sport & Physical Activity (3)
KHP 580 – Introduction to Team Dynamics (3)
KHP 687 – Practicum (3)
KHP 695 – Independent Study in Kinesiology & Health Promotion (1-3)
KHP 768 – Res. Credit Masters Degree (1-6)
KHP 781 – Sport Biomechanics (3)

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