

# MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Offered by the

**School of Physical Education and Tourism Management  
Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)**

## **Program Objectives**

The Master of Science in Physical Education curriculum provides students with an interdisciplinary approach to understanding physical education and the exercise sciences. The objectives of the program are to: (1) provide challenging, in-depth coursework and experiences that promote higher learning, (2) develop community and university-based partnerships that facilitate cutting-edge research and learning opportunities, and (3) encourage students to develop professionally. For additional information, go to our website at [http://petm.iupui.edu/pe\\_degrees.htm](http://petm.iupui.edu/pe_degrees.htm) or call 317-274-2248.

## **Curriculum**

In this 35 credit-hour program, students choose one of the two following tracks to guide their course work: (1) exercise science or (2) teaching and curriculum. Each track features a core of required coursework combined with additional related elective courses. The elective courses will be decided upon through the collaborative efforts of the student and his/her assigned graduate advisor.

## **Admission Requirements**

Applicants to the program must demonstrate a strong desire and commitment to the field and the intellectual capacity to complete graduate work. For applications to be considered, applicants must have or provide:

- (1) official transcripts from a baccalaureate degree in a related area (e.g., physical education, health/wellness, exercise science, or psychology) from an accredited institution. If you have completed course work from any Indiana University campus, you do not need a transcript. We will access those transcripts for you;
- (2) a minimum GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale;
- (3) a satisfactory score on the Graduate Record Examination taken within the past five years (Note: Graduates of IUPUI Department of Physical Education are not required to take the GRE).
- (4) three letters of recommendation that address the student's potential for academic success in a graduate program. Students should provide these individuals with a recommendation form (enclosed) and a self-addressed stamped envelope addressed to: School of Physical Education and Tourism Management, Recorder's Office, 901 West New York Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202;
- (5) a candidate's statement (500-1000 words) regarding your professional experiences, personal goals, career aspirations and how earning an M.S. degree relates to each;
- (6) completed the graduate program application and paid the non-refundable \$50 application fee (made payable to the *IUPUI School of Physical Education and Tourism Management*); and,
- (7) international students: a score of 550 or above for the paper-based TOEFL and 213 or above for the computer-based TOEFL.

Students applying to the program without the required prerequisite coursework and/or experience will have to take additional undergraduate courses before being admitted into the program. Work or professional experience is strongly desired for all applicants.



**Application for Graduate Admission**

**School of Physical Education and Tourism Management  
Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis**

*Instructions:* Please type or print all information clearly.

(Do not use this form if you are not a citizen of the United States or have a degree from a foreign institution. You should contact the IUPUI Office of International Affairs, 902 West New York Street, ES2126, Indianapolis, IN, 46202-5167; email [intlaff@iupui.edu](mailto:intlaff@iupui.edu); phone 317-274-7000.)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Area Code)

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Area Code)

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: Male \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_

Indiana Resident? \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Citizen? \_\_\_\_\_

Semester and year you plan to enroll? \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Background\*

Institution and Location	Dates	Major	Degree

\* **Official** transcripts of all previous colleges and universities attended, except for Indiana University, must be provided.

Professional Experience

Employer	Dates	Position

Memberships in Professional, Student, or Honorary Organizations

Organization Name	Dates	Level of Involvement

List of Persons Providing Letters of Recommendation

Name	Address	Relationship

Graduate Record Examination

I took the GRE on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

I expect to take the GRE on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

I am a graduate of the IUPUI Department of Physical Education and am not required to take the GRE (date of graduation): \_\_\_\_\_

GRE scores should be sent to Recorder, School of Physical Education and Tourism Management, 901 West New York Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202-5193. Information and application for the GRE may be obtained by contacting Educational Testing Service (Phone: 608-771-7670), P.O. Box 6000, Princeton, NJ 08541-6000.

Candidate's Statement

Please attach to this application a 200-300 word statement regarding your professional experiences, personal goals, career aspirations and how earning an M.S. degree relates to each.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Applicants will be advised in writing of the decision of the Admission Committee.

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<b>File Complete</b>	_____	<b>GRE Scores</b>	_____
<b>Undergraduate GPA</b>	_____	<b>Graduate GPA</b>	_____
<b>Admit: Yes</b>	_____	<b>Conditional</b>	_____
		<b>No</b>	_____
<b>Transfer Hours Accepted</b>	_____	<b>Notification Sent</b>	_____



## **APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

Note: Applicants should check to be sure that they have attended to materials that are needed for their application to be considered complete.

- Completed application
- Official transcripts from a baccalaureate degree in a related area from an accredited institution; minimum GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale required.
- Graduate Record Examination scores (taken within the past five years) (Note: Graduates of IUPUI Department of Physical Education are not required to take the GRE).
- Three letters of Recommendation
- Candidate's Statement
- \$50 non-refundable application fee
- International students: a score of 550 or above for the paper-based TOEFL and 213 or above for the computer-based TOEFL.

Send all application materials to:

**SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION & TOURISM MANAGEMENT  
RECORDER'S OFFICE  
901 WEST NEW YORK STREET  
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46202-5193**

## ADDITIONAL GRADUATE PROGRAM INFORMATION

### Prerequisite Academic Preparation

Students who have a bachelor's degree in an unrelated area or discipline may be granted admission upon the completion of a series of undergraduate courses to be determined by the admissions committee. Minimal requirements include the completion of the following courses or their equivalents:

- BIOL N217-Human Physiology (5 hrs) or BIOL N214 & N215- Human Biology (4 hrs);
- BIOL N261-Human Anatomy (5 hrs) or HPER P205 Structural Kinesiology (3 hrs);
- HPER P215-Principles and Practice of Exercise Science (3 hrs);
- HPER P391-Biomechanics (3 hrs);
- HPER P409-Basic Physiology of Exercise (3 hrs)

### Admission Status

An applicant for admission into the graduate program in the School of Physical Education will be classified in one of the following admission categories:

1. **Unconditional Admission** – The applicant in this category has met all of the requirements for admission into the program and may begin course work immediately.
2. **Conditional** – The applicant is admitted provisionally pending the completion of certain prerequisite courses.
3. **Denied** – The applicant is denied regular admission into the program and may not pursue the degree at this time. Reconsideration of the application can be requested if new evidence is presented to the admissions committee. If that new evidence includes graduate course work taken at Indiana University or another accredited institution, that course work would not normally be accepted toward the degree if the student were subsequently accepted.
4. **Non-degree** – The applicant holds a bachelor's degree and wishes to pursue advanced study as an adult non-degree student in the School of Physical Education and Tourism Management. Non-degree students must obtain permission to enroll in classes each semester. If a non-degree student later applies for unconditional admission in order to complete a degree, no more than nine hours taken before formal admission may be applied toward the degree.

### Academic Regulations

Degree requirements for students in the School of Physical Education and Tourism Management are established by the faculty of the School and may change from time to time. Students are bound by rules and regulations established by the faculty at the time of their initial matriculation as a graduate student. Every graduate student will be assigned an advisor who will work cooperatively with the student to plan a course of study based on their experiences and educational objectives. The Master of Science degree consists of a 15-hour core of major topics in physical education and human performance, and an additional 20 hours of elective hours, a minimum of nine of which must be completed in the School of Physical Education and Tourism Management.

### **Grades**

Quality points are assigned for purposes of determining the cumulative grade point average as follows: A+ or A = 4 credit points; A- = 3.7; B+ = 3.3; B = 3.0; B- = 2.7; C+ = 2.3; C = 2.0; C- = 1.7; D+ = 1.3; D = 1.0; D- = 0.7; F = 0. No points are assigned for grades of I, S, P, or W.

### **Transfer of Credit**

A maximum of nine credit hours of graduate work may be transferred from other institutions for application to the master's degree. The admission committee will determine the distribution and acceptance of those transfer hours at the time of admission. Once enrolled in the Master of Science degree program in the School of Physical Education and Tourism Management a student must receive advanced approval from the advisor and Department Chair to take work at another institution for transfer credits to IUPUI. This limitation does not apply to coursework taken at any other Indiana University campus.

Transfer credit bearing grades of Pass (P) or Satisfactory (S) cannot be accepted unless there is official documentation from the transferring institution to verify that these grades are equivalent to at least a B on a graduate grading scale. No credit can be transferred for a course that cannot be officially documented as carrying graduate credit.

### **Graduation**

At least six months prior to the date of expected graduation from the Master of Science program, the student should file an application for graduation with the School of Physical Education and Tourism Management Recorder, Room 258, Physical Education / Natatorium Building. Students are ultimately responsible for knowing, understanding and completing all degree requirements in a timely manner. IUPUI holds a single commencement ceremony in May each year. In order to participate in commencement activities the student must have completed all degree requirements by the prior December or expect to complete them no later than August following the May commencement exercises.