

# SCHOOL OF KINESIOLOGY, RECREATION AND SPORT

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The School of Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport (KRS) recognizes the importance of quality undergraduate and graduate degree programs for professionals seeking knowledge related to human movement, recreation, leisure, and sport management. The school is student-centered and known for its innovative teaching, research, and community-based service activities. In the School, we offer majors in the areas of Physical Education pedagogy, Exercise Science, Recreation Administration, and Sport Management. The minors within the school include Athletic Coaching, Nonprofit Administration, Outdoor Experience Leadership, Facility and Event Management, and Tourism.

To facilitate student preparation, KRS has designed rigorous professional preparation programs of study. For more information regarding any program in KRS, please visit our department website at <https://www.wku.edu/krs/>. You may also consider contacting the appropriate program coordinator for specific questions about a major, minor, or graduate degree.

When planning a program of study in KRS, each student should be aware of the University's academic requirements and regulations contained in this catalog in the chapter "Academic Information." Specific attention should be given to the subsections in the chapter entitled (a) Academic Programs, (b) Colonnade Requirements, and (c) Academic Requirements and Regulations. Students should be aware that some academic programs may require additional scholastic regulations and standards not specified in the catalog. To obtain a copy of these regulations, students should contact the school or visit the KRS webpage.

## Degrees

- Exercise Science, Bachelor of Science (554) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/exercise-science-bs/>)
- Physical Education, Bachelor of Science (587) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/physical-education-bs/>)
- Recreation, Park, and Nonprofit Administration, Bachelor of Science (5010) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/recreation-administration-bs/>)
- Sport Management, Bachelor of Science (572) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/sport-management-bs/>)

## Minors

- Athletic Coaching, Minor (320) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/athletic-coaching-minor/>)
- Facility and Event Management, Minor (367) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/facility-event-management-minor/>)

- Nonprofit Administration, Minor (422) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/nonprofit-administration-minor/>)
- Outdoor Experience Leadership, Minor (442) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/outdoor-leadership-minor/>)
- Tourism and Events, Minor (319) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/tourism-minor/>)

## Certificates

- Athletic Coaching, Certificate (1770) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/athletic-coaching-certificate/>)
- Esports Management, Certificate (1766) (<http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/health-human-services/kinesiology-recreation-sport/esports-management-certificate/>)

## Faculty Professor

Kenneth J. Crandall PhD (Exercise and Sport Science), University of Utah, 2004

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