

KINESIOLOGY

Personal Training Certificate

This 26 credit-hour program prepares the student for entry-level employment in the fitness industry as a personal trainer with the option to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Exercise Science, Kinesiology, Physical Education or Sports Medicine, or continue in Allied Health. The program can be completed in two consecutive semesters and prepares students to pass a national certification exam from the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) and the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA).

The curriculum emphasizes the application of the structure and function of the human body as it applies to movement integrating physiology, anatomy, biomechanics, nutrition, psychology, and methodologies of exercise technique and programming. The program provides students with a comprehensive learning environment including practicum experiences, laboratory instruction, and face-to-face classroom interaction. The program is designed for the student to gain practical experience working with clients under the supervision of faculty who are certified as personal trainers.

Employment opportunities include personal training or positions available at health clubs, wellness centers, corporate fitness facilities, medical centers and senior centers.

F = Fall only course S = Spring only course U = Summer only course

Required:

	Number	Course Title	Credits
KIN	202	Standard First Aid and CPR ¹	3
KIN	214	Exercise Technique and Instruction (F)	2
KIN	230	Exercise Science (F)	3
KIN	231	Fitness Assessment and Programming (F)	3
KIN	234	Personal Training Practicum (S)	3
KIN	236	Functional Anatomy (S)	3
NTR	101	Fundamentals of Nutrition	3
SPE	101	Fundamentals of Speech Communication ²	3

Electives: Students must complete three credit hours from the following list of courses:

	Number	Course Title	Credits
BIO	260	Human Anatomy	4
BIO	261	Human Physiology	4
HED	200	Health	3
HED	204	Women's Health (F)	3
HSC	112	Medical Terminology	2
KIN	111	Basic Weight Training	1
KIN	200	Introduction to the Field of Kinesiology	3
KIN	203	Wellness for Life	3
KIN	223	Sports Psychology (S)	3
PSY	101	Introduction to Psychology ²	3

¹ Students who currently have American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) and Heartsaver First Aid certificates may choose to substitute a 3 credit hour course from the list of electives in place of KIN 202.

² Students must meet the prerequisite of placement into ENG 101 prior to registering for this course.