KINESIOLOGY
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
(Focus: EC – 12th Grade Teacher Certification)

This program leads to a profession which requires an occupational license as defined under Texas Occupations Code 58.001 This requires that all applicants seeking to become licensed must undergo a criminal background check prior to licensure. Students in this program should check with the College of Education and P-16 Integration on the requirements for a criminal background check prior to student teaching.

The Department of Health and Human Performance has a focus on preparing Kinesiology majors to function professionally in a changing and diverse society, and to improve the quality of life through the understanding, delivering and promotion of health, physical activity, and wellness.

A – GENERAL EDUCATION CORE – 42 HOURS
Students must fulfill the General Education Core requirements. The courses listed below satisfy both degree requirements and General Education core requirements.

Required

020 - Mathematics – 3 hours
MATH 1314 College Algebra

030 - Life and Physical Sciences – 6 hours
BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I three-hour lecture
BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II three-hour lecture

040 - Language, Philosophy, and Culture – 3 hours
Choose 3 hours from Anthropology, Communication, English, or Philosophy.

090 - Integrative and Experiential Learning – 2 hours
BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I one-hour lab
BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II one-hour lab

B – MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – 39 HOURS (30 advanced)
KINE 1306 First Aid and First Responder
KINE 1351 Introduction to Sports and Exercise Science
KINE 2315 Individual Sports
KINE 3314 Teaching Movement Arts to Children and Adolescents
KINE 3315 Advanced Sport Skills
KINE 3341 Principles of Conditioning and Fitness
KINE 3353 Physiology of Exercise
KINE 4356 Motor Development
KINE 3370 Biomechanics
KINE 4310 Measurement Techniques in Physical Education and Sport
KINE 4351 Adapted Kinesiology
KINE 4302 Kinesiology Curriculum for Elementary Students
KINE 4309 Kinesiology Curriculum for Secondary School Students

C – TEACHER CERTIFICATION – 27 HOURS (24 advanced)
Area of Certification: Physical Education (EC-12)
EDFR 2301 Intercultural Context of Schooling
EDUC 3301 The Teaching Profession and Student Learning in Contemporary Schools
EDUC 3302 Knowledge of Student Development and Learning
EDUC 3304 Instructional Planning and Assessment in Culturally Sustaining Classrooms
EDUC 3306 Evidence-Based Teaching in Positive Learning Environments
EDUC 4306 Implementing and Assessing Effective Secondary Content Pedagogy
READ 4305 Disciplinary Literacy in Content Area Classrooms
EDUC 4611 Student Teaching Secondary or All-Level

D – MINOR – 18 HOURS (6 advanced)
Area of minor must have Teacher Certification available.

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION – 126 HOURS
TOTAL ADVANCED HOURS – 60 HOURS
The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
ADMISSION, PROGRESSION, AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, if applicable:

Admission requirements
For admission, students must complete of 60 hours of course work, have Junior standing, and be admitted to the Teacher Education program.

Progression requirements
A grade of ‘C’ or better must be maintained in all advanced coursework. For teacher certification, students must apply for admission and be accepted to the College of Education and P-16 Integration prior to enrolling in teacher certification courses, except for EDFR 2301 which is open to all students.

Student Teaching requirements
For clearance to student teach must take and pass both the TExES Physical Education EC-12 158 and the Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities (PPR) EC-12 160.

Graduation requirements
A GPA of 2.75 or greater in each section is required for graduation.