

Annual Report for the Department of Kinesiology and Sport Management 2020

In the spring of 2020, the Department of Kinesiology and Sport Management was comprised of 39 faculty (23 tenure-track faculty, 2 assistant professors of practice, 1 continuing appointment instructor, 4 one-year instructors, and 9 part-time instructors). In the fall of 2020, the department was comprised of 33 faculty (20 tenure-track faculty, 2 assistant professors of practice, 1 continuing appointment instructor, 4 one-year instructors, and 6 part-time instructors). The department had lost three tenure-track faculty. Due to a budget cut and increased funding for more doctoral students, the number of part-time had to be reduced.

- Total number of undergraduate majors = **1,750** in fall of 2020: Kinesiology = 1347; Sport management = 403
- Total number of graduate students = **93** in fall of 2020: M.S. in Kinesiology = **39**; M.S. in Sport Management = **38** Ph.D. = **16**

Departmental Awards in 2020

- **Departmental Excellence in Teaching Award in 2020: This award recognized the department's dedication to provide high-quality instruction to undergraduate and graduate students.**
- **Institutional Effectiveness Excellence Award: This award recognized the department for its commitment to continuous improvement and for enhancing student learning at the degree program level.**
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Excellence in Teaching (out of a 5.0 scale)

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Scholarly contributions by 19 tenure-track faculty, omitting Vice Provost Hart

- **7** chapters in books and **1** book
- **86** articles published
- External grants (N = **7**)
 - Amount of funds in these new external grants = **\$117,765**
 - \$43,494 8 POiNT, LLC (Grant Tinsley)
 - \$32,271 Legion Athletics, Inc. (Grant Tinsley)
 - \$20,000 Vital Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Grant Tinsley)
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 - \$1,000 American College of Sports Medicine (HuiYing Luk)
 - \$1,000 Korean American Association for Sport Management (Nari Shin)

- Internal grants (N = 6)
 - Amount of funds in these new internal grants = **\$17,910**
 - \$6,000 IMeasureU (John Harry)
 - \$4,000 College of Arts and Sciences (Nari Shin)
 - \$3,500 TTU Catalyst Grant (Jimmy Sanderson)
 - \$2,000 TTU International Affairs (Nari Shin)
 - \$1,210 TTU Catalyst Grant (Katie Brown)
 - \$1,200 TTU Institute for Peace and Conflict (Nari Shin)
- Presentations at professional conferences (N = 76)

Accomplishments of Departmental Goals for 2020 Aligned with Strategic Plan

- Increase and maintain the median number of peer-reviewed publications for tenure-track faculty members to 4.0 annually and maintain the expectation of an average of one or two publications annually for each tenure-track faculty member.
 - **The range of publications by 19 tenure-track and tenured faculty was 0-27 with the average 4.5.**
- Renovate space in the Kinesiology and Sport Management Building to provide appropriate research laboratories for new faculty.
 - **Construction using departmental funds was completed on two faculty offices and three research labs in 109 Kinesiology and Sport Management Building.**
- Increase number of Ph.D. students to 16.
In the fall of 2020, enrollment in the Ph.D. program grew to 16. One student who did not want to conduct research in the area of his mentor dropped out after the fall semester. Another student chose to complete the PhD coursework and graduate in May of 2021 with a MS in Kinesiology because his research interests did not match his mentor's research.
- Increase master's degree students to 90 students (40 in Kinesiology and 50 in Sport Management).
In the fall of 2020, enrollments in the master's degree programs were 38 in Sport Management and 39 in Kinesiology. Decreased funding available for graduate teaching assistants contributed to this lack of growth.
- Increase diversity of undergraduate and graduate students.
 - **Of the undergraduate students in Kinesiology, 46.2% were minorities.**
 - **Of the graduate students in Kinesiology, 42.9% were minorities.**
 - **Of the undergraduate students in Sport Management, 41% were minorities.**
 - **Of the graduate students in Sport Management, 41.7% were minorities.**
 - **Of the PhD students in Exercise Physiology, 36.4% were minorities.**
- Increase retention and graduation rates of undergraduate and graduate students.
 - **The one-year undergraduate student retention was 86.5%.**
 - **The two-year graduate student retention was 89.66%.**
- Offer study abroad course.
 - **The pandemic prevented study abroad opportunities.**
- Involve all faculty members in presenting at least one outreach and engagement activity.
 - **Faculty continued to share their expertise with 11 outreach presentations listed in the department's spring newsletter. A few presentations were made virtually to community groups during the summer and fall. Marc Lochbaum continued offering**

after-school physical activity programs in East Lubbock. He also led the Ector College Prep Success Academy Physical Activity Program.

- Identify transformative, high impact learning experiences for each undergraduate major.
 - **All Sport Management majors complete a three-credit-hour internship, which meets this requirement. Several Kinesiology students work in faculty research labs. The department is making plans to establish a Health Screening Clinic, a TTU service activity for faculty and staff focusing on health assessments as a component in the required course KIN 4306 Exercise Testing and Prescription to begin in fall of 2021.**
- Initiate accelerated bachelor's-master's degree program in Kinesiology and in Sport Management in fall semester.
 - **Students may choose either of these two accelerated programs. One student began the Kinesiology accelerated program in spring of 2020.**
- Nominate several faculty members for teaching, research, and service awards through the Faculty Recognitions Committee.
 - **Melanie Hart was nominated for and received the Faculty Distinguished Leadership Award.**
 - **Aaron Arreola was nominated for the College of Arts & Sciences Excellence in Teaching Award.**
 - **Audra Day was nominated for the Spencer A. Wells Award for Creativity in Teaching.**
 - **Arturo Figueroa was nominated for the College of Arts & Sciences Excellence in Research Award.**
 - **John Harry was nominated for the Texas Tech Alumni Association New Faculty Award.**
 - **Jimmy Sanderson was nominated for the Hemphill-Wells New Professor Excellence in Teaching Award.**
 - **Heather Vellers was nominated for the Hemphill-Wells New Professor Excellence in Teaching Award.**
- Conducted three search committees:
 - **In the spring semester, the department hired an assistant professor in exercise physiology, Dr. Kembra Albracht-Schulte. She delayed her start until fall of 2021 so she could continue a post-doc fellowship that she will complete in the department. A search for an assistant professor in sport management began in the spring but was stopped due to the pandemic. Another search for this same position began in the fall semester and concluded successfully with hiring Hoyoon Jung. A search for an assistant professor in kinesiology was conducted in the fall semester with Dr. Yasuki Sekiguchi hired.**
- Initiated a speaker series
 - **One speaker was scheduled before the pandemic. This goal continues for 2021.**
- Provided financial support for students to enhance the research culture within the department.
 - **Eight undergraduate, four master's degree, and five PhD students presented their research, with nine recognized for their work, at the Texas American College of Sports Medicine conference in February.**
- Published spring and fall newsletter to publicize the achievements of faculty, staff, and students.

Spring and fall issues of the newsletter were distributed to all KSM students, faculty, and staff, alumni with known email addresses, TTU colleagues, and posted on the department's website.