

A Special Message from the Department Chair

On behalf of the faculty and staff of the Department of Kinesiology and Sport Management (KSM), we are delighted you have visited our website to learn more about what we do. Our department is home to over 1600 undergraduate majors in kinesiology and sport management, along with hundreds of students completing one of our six undergraduate minors in kinesiology, sport management, athletic coaching, sports medicine, health, and public health, and over 90 master's degree students in kinesiology and sport management. In the fall of 2019, we will have 12 Ph.D. students enrolled in this exercise physiology degree. Our department also offers Personal Fitness and Wellness classes to all Texas Tech University students, with over 2500 students enrolled in a variety of classes from aerobics to yoga.

We encourage you to review our 2018-2025 Strategic Plan aligned with the University's and College of Arts and Sciences' strategic plans. In these plans, you will learn specifically how we collaboratively work to achieve three strategic priorities.

1. Educate and empower a diverse student body
2. Enable innovative research and creative activities
3. Transform lives and communities through strategic outreach and engaged scholarship

Action plans underneath these strategic priorities include increasing the retention and graduation rates of undergraduate and graduate students in KSM, continuing to reward the outstanding teaching of our faculty, expanding opportunities for undergraduate and graduate student research with faculty mentors, increasing the external grant funding and scholarly publications of faculty, and expanding the strategic outreach and engaged scholarship of faculty with the community.

KSM houses 17 fully equipped research labs, 5 classrooms, and faculty and staff offices. Among our staff are three outstanding advisers who help all undergraduate majors make steady and smooth progress in earning their Bachelor of Science degrees in kinesiology and sport management.

Graduate faculty advise students earning Master of Science degrees in sport management and kinesiology. Within kinesiology, students choose to specialize in clinical exercise physiology, integrative physiology, and human performance, or exercise and sport psychology/motor behavior. M. S. students in sport management also can choose to complete dual degrees with the School of Law (J.D.) or the Rawls College of Business Administration (M.B.A.). Ph.D. students work with and are mentored by a faculty mentor.

Our graduates take jobs in cardiac rehabilitation, fitness and health promotion, allied health sciences, counseling services for athletes, human performance enhancement, coaching, higher education, sport marketing, sport event and facility management, intercollegiate athletics, professional sports, and the fitness industry.

If we can answer any questions for you or help you join our department, please call KSM at 806-834-7625 for more information or contact me at angela.lumpkin@ttu.edu. You can come visit us

in the Kinesiology and Sport Management Building located at 3204 Main Street (across Main Street from the tennis courts, beside the Physical Plant, and near the Rec Center).

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