

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

School of Education • Department of Kinesiology and Health Education

Degrees Available at SIUE

- Bachelor of Science

Teacher Certification: Grades Kindergarten – Grade 12 (Type 10 certification) in the State of Illinois

Why Physical Education?

The Physical Education Teacher Education (PETE) program prepares students for rewarding teaching careers in public and private elementary, middle, and secondary schools. The field of Physical Education provides teachers the opportunity to engage pupils in movement activities outside of the traditional classroom setting, and it aids in the development of skills needed to maintain a healthy lifestyle. For students who desire to teach physical education at the Kindergarten through Grade 12 level in community schools, completion of the PETE program effectively prepares students for the testing required in order to obtain the Illinois teaching certificate.

Physical Education at SIUE

A unique feature of SIUE's PE program is that students go through the program in a cohort, which means they take all their major classes together. This creates a strong learning community which enhances the academic and social aspects of college life. The program is based largely on practical experiences. Students receive as many live experiences as possible to supplement classroom learning. As a result, students spend a great deal of time in local classrooms seeing practical applications of what they are learning. The PE program partners with the Early Childhood Center on campus and Special Olympics to provide Physical Education majors a chance to work with children outside of the traditional school setting as well.

Career Outlook

Graduates of the PE program may work in private or public school settings, from Kindergarten to High School. PE teachers in an elementary school setting will work with younger children on developing motor skills. High School PE teachers teach older children and young adults about health, fitness, exercise, and team and individual sports.

How to Apply

siue.edu/physicaleducation

Admission Requirements

To be considered for entrance, students must:

- Complete 42 hours of course credit and have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Pass the designated skills test Illinois Certification Testing System - Basic Skills Test (icts.nesinc.com). For testing schedule and registration, see www.icts.nesinc.com
- Earn a grade of C or better in English 101 and 102 and required General Education Skills courses; successfully complete CI 200 or equivalent, with a grade of B or higher. Students with a combination of the highest GPA, scores on the Basic Skills Test, and grades in CI 200 will be given the highest consideration for admission into the major.
- Successfully pass a criminal background check

Other factors will be considered on a case-by-case basis. (e.g., candidate experience and/or background may influence admission); Meeting the minimal criteria does not guarantee admission into the program.



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1999, West Virginia University

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Sample Four-Year Curriculum

	FALL	SPRING
YEAR 1	ENG 101 English Composition I (3) PHIL 106 Critical Thinking or MATH 106 Deductive Reasoning (3) SPC 103 Interpersonal Comm (IGR) or SPC105 Public Speaking (3) Intro Fine Arts & Humanities (3) Total hours 12	CI 200 Introduction to Education^ (2) CMIS 108 Computer Concepts or STAT 107 Concepts of Statistics (3) ENG 102 English Composition II (3) Intro Social Sciences (3) Intro Natural Sciences & Mathematics (3) TAKE ICTS BASIC SKILLS TEST Total hours 14
YEAR 2	Dist Fine Arts & Humanities (3) Intergroup Relations (IGR) (3) Intro GENERAL EDUCATION (3) Intro GENERAL EDUCATION (3) Total hours 12	HED 201 Healthful Living (3) Dist Natural Sciences & Mathematics (3) Dist Social Sciences (3) Internat'l Issues/Internat'l Culture (II/IC) (3) Total hours 12
YR 3	Physical Education Program Classes Total hours 17	Physical Education Program Classes TAKE CONTENT AREA TEST Total hours 17
	Summer Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) (3), EPFR 315 Educational Psychology (3), SPE 400 The Exceptional Child (3) Total hours 9	
YR 4	Physical Education Program Classes EPFR 320 Foundations of Education in a Multicultural Society Total hours 14	Physical Education Program Classes Total hours 15 (Full time student teaching semester) TAKE APT TEST

+ Field-based courses. ^ Can be taken over the summer following the second semester but should be taken no later than the third semester. All courses listed above must be passed with a 'C' or higher for certification requirements.

TRANSFER STUDENTS Maximize your transfer experience - complete the **bolded** courses/requirements pre-transfer **AND** satisfy the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Ed Core or receive an AA, AS, or AAT (early childhood, special ed, or math) degree from an IAI community college. If 'Minor' requirements are shown, discuss careful course selection with the academic advising contact listed. Transfer Credit Equivalency Guides are located at siue.edu/transfer/

Exit Requirements

Courses must be repeated if minimum grade expectations are not met. If pursuing the major with teacher certification, students must complete student teaching and all other requirements pertaining to eligibility for secondary or K-12 teacher certification, including content area test in Physical Ed K-12 (test #144) and the Assessment of Professional Teaching Special K-12 (test #104). All students must complete the senior assignment as a part of the course requirements in KIN 455 or KIN 464.

Application Deadline

There will be three rounds of admission for the fall only program start. Contact an advisor for details.

Kinesiology and Health Education Programs at SIUE

Undergraduate Programs

- Health Education
- Exercise Science
- Physical Education

Graduate Programs

- Exercise Physiology
- Physical Education and Sport Pedagogy
- Sport and Exercise Behavior

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