

EXERCISE SCIENCE: FITNESS SPECIALIST, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

To earn a Certificate of Achievement in Exercise Science: Fitness Specialist, students complete 18 or more specified units. The Fitness Specialist Certificate of Achievement will prepare students for careers in entry level jobs in the fitness and health industry. This program provides applied knowledge and leadership skills necessary for students to become Personal Trainers and/or Group Fitness Instructors. In addition to acting as a primary hiring qualification for major fitness employers, the earning of this certificate may also serve as a means for current fitness professionals to earn wage increases and career advancement.

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
General Education		
Required Courses		
BUS M30	Introduction to Business	3
KIN M16	Personal Training Principles	3
KIN M17	Teaching Group Fitness	3
KIN M18	Foundations of Fitness	3
Program Electives		
Select a minimum of 6 units from the following:		6
ANAT M01	Human Anatomy ¹	4
BIOL M01	Introduction to Biology ¹	4
HED M03	Nutrition, Fitness, and Stress Management	3
HED M05	First Aid, CPR, AED & Emergency Procedures	3
KIN M13	Prevention and Care of Athletic Injuries	3
KIN M80	Internship in Kinesiology	1-4
NTS M01	Introduction to Nutrition Science	3
PHSO M01/M01H	Human Physiology ¹	4

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Students planning on transferring to a university should select two of the following courses: ANAT M01 Human Anatomy (Units: 4), BIOL M01 Introduction to Biology (Units: 4), or PHSO M01 Human Physiology (Units: 4).

Year 1		Units/Hours
Fall Semester		Units/Hours
BUS M30	Introduction to Business	3
KIN M16	Personal Training Principles	3
KIN M18	Foundations of Fitness	3
Units/Hours		9
Spring Semester		Units/Hours
KIN M17	Teaching Group Fitness	3
Units/Hours		3
Total Units/Hours		12

Year 1		Units/Hours
Fall Semester		Units/Hours
Program Electives (6 units):		
ANAT M01	Human Anatomy	4
BIOL M01	Introduction to Biology	4

HED M03	Nutrition, Fitness, and Stress Management	3
HED M05	First Aid, CPR, AED & Emergency Procedures	3
KIN M13	Prevention and Care of Athletic Injuries	3
KIN M80	Internship in Kinesiology	1-4
NTS M01	Introduction to Nutrition Science	3
PHSO M01	Human Physiology	4
Units/Hours		25-28
Total Units/Hours		25-28

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- understand and demonstrate the necessary skills for being successful within the field of personal training.
- understand and demonstrate the core components to foundations of group fitness.
- be prepared to test for two accredited personal training certifications: National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM) and National Strength Conditioning Association (NSCA).
- be prepared to take the certification exam for the American Council on Exercise (ACE) group fitness instructor.