2024-2025 Assessment Plans and Reports

MS in Kinesiology - MS-MSPE

Academic year 2024-2025

MS in Kinesiology - MS-MSPE Learning Outcomes

Learning outcome 1 - Research Design MET

The students will design a mock research study consisting of an introduction with a review of pertinent literature, proposed methods of conducting the research and references. The methodology associated with successful completion of a realistic research project is taught within the course. The research proposal can be regarded as an examination of the student's acquired knowledge of research methodology. Students will compare and contrast two common research designs utilized in Kinesiology.

MEASURES	RESULTS	ACTIONS
Assessment 1: Mock Study	MET Summary	No actions have been added.
Assessment 1: Mock Study The components of the grade include: 1. Understanding of problem to be researched, (2) Appropriateness of proposed methodology, (3) Literature cited in correct format (APA format standard, others may be accepted with the permission of the professor), (4) Quality of writing. Because the understanding of professional literature and study design is vital for all graduate students, this SLO was chosen to assess MS Kinesiology students' ability to understand the components and methodology associated with technical writing and research design. Direct - Assignment Research Methods: KINT 5360 Target At least 75% of the students enrolled in the course will achieve a grade of ≥80% on their mock study assignment.	KINT 5360 was not taught in the 2024-25 academic cycle, it will be taught Fall 2025. Analysis This is a new assessment and no data was collected during the 2024-25 academic year.	
Assessment 2: Design Comparison Correct identification of type of research design. (2) Strengths and weaknesses of both reaerch designs. (3) Identifying the correct application of each design. Because the understanding of professional literature and study design is vital for all graduate students, this SLO was chosen to assess MS Kinesiology students' ability to understand the components and methodology associated with technical writing and research design. Direct - Assignment Research Methods: KINT 5360 Target	MET Summary KINT 5360 was not taught during the 2024-25 academic cycle, it will be taught Fall 2025. Analysis This is a new assessment and no data has been collected during the 2024-25 academic year.	No actions have been added.

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At least 75% of the students enrolled in the course will achieve a grade of ≥80% on their research design comparison.		
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Conclusion

The assessments in KINT 5360 are new and will be gathered in the fall 2025 semester, at this time there is not data for the objective

Learning Outcome 2 - Applying and Evaluating Reasearch MET

Ability to critically evaluate research related to the discipline of Kinesiology. The student shall write three summary papers evaluating research. The research evaluated will come from peer-reviewed journals within the discipline of Kinesiology (e.g. sports performance, physiology of exercise, exercise and health issues, etc.). Each student will select one of the three articles and present the paper in class.

MEASURES	RESULTS	ACTIONS
Assessment 1: Evaluating articles	MET Summary	No actions have been added.
Assessment 1: Rubric for summary papers: 1. What is (are) the research question(s)? (3 pts) 2. What is the study design (methods)? Look at their methods, and describe the study design (i.e. subjects, group(s), training protocol, measurement(s)). (3pts) 3. How did the researchers address the question(s)? What did they do in the research design to answer the question(s) (Statistics)? (4pts) 4. Description of findings (3pts) 5. What did the researchers conclude and why (discussion)? (2pts) 6. Students opinion (5 points) What did the student think of the study? Does the study have a practical application? Direct - Assignment Stats Application Kinesiology: KINT 5365 Target At least 75% of the students enrolled in the MS in Kinesiology program will achieve an average grade of 80% or better on the three research evaluation papers submitted. Twenty points are possible for each of the three summaries, therefore the grade should be greater than or equal to 48 points.	Over 90% of MS Kinesiology students achieved a grade of 80% or greater on the three articles reviewed. Analysis The MS Kinesiology students were able to demonstrate an understanding of current literature in the field and surpassed the target for this objective.	
Assessment 2 Oral presentation Assessment 2 Oral presentation Presentations are to be no more than five slides. Explanations do not go on slides Slide one: Explanation Title and research question(s) Explain how the researchers address questions. Slide two:	MET Summary Over 90% or MS Kinesiology obtained a score of 80% or greater on their presentations. Analysis The target for this objective was met as MS Kinesiology demonstrated the ability	No actions have been added.

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Measurements	to understand and interpret the meaning	
What measurements were taken and how	of articles in the field of Kinesiology.	
often. Slide three:		
Findings: Use a table, graph, stats		
What did the findings tell us i.e. do we have		
significant differences, if		
so where?		
Slide Four:		
Conclusion		
What did the researchers find.		
Slide Five:		
Your opinion		
You may use one more slide if you need		
more room (i.e. more that one table in		
findings).		
Presentation graded on: (1) Proper		
interpretation of content (10 pts), (2) Format of slides (5 pts) and (3) Clarity of oral		
presentation (5 pts)		
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At least 75% of the students enrolled in the		
MS in Kinesiology program will achieve an		
average grade of 80% or better on the three		
research evaluation papers submitted. Twenty		
points are possible for the presentation,		
therefore the grade should be greater than or equal to 16 points.		
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Conclusion

The ability to find, read and comprehend research in the area of Kinesiology is a vital skill for any profession of MS Kinesiology students. The article reviews and presentation demonstrated that this competency was achieved.

Learning Outcome 3 - Exercise Physiology Competency MET

Physiology content

Kinesiology graduate students shall demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the basic physiological adjustments/adaptations to both acute and chronic exercise. The students will provide written answers to questions regarding the physiological adaptations to exercise. These questions will be graded on 4-point standards-based scale.

Identify fitness test

Students must be able to identify the appropriate laboratory and field tests to evaluate human performance. The students will provide written answers to questions regarding testing of the physiological adaptations to exercise. These questions will be graded on 4-point standards-based scale.

MEASURES	RESULTS	ACTIONS
Assessment 1: Physiology content	MET Summary	No actions have been added.
Assessment 1: Physiology content Kinesiology graduate students shall demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the basic physiological adjustments/adaptations to both acute and chronic exercise. The students will provide written answers to questions regarding the physiological adaptations to exercise. These	Over 90% or MS Kinesiology students achieved a mean score of 3 or better on their written answer to competency question on exercise physiology. Analysis	

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questions will be graded on 4-point standards-based scale. Direct - Assignment Scientific Basis of Exercise: KINT 5340 Target At least 75% of the students enrolled the MS in Kinesiology program will achieve a mean score of greater than or equal to 3 on both the content questions.	The MS Kinesiology students were able to demonstrate content mastery of exercise physiology n their written responses.	
Assessment 2: Identify fitness test Students must be able to identify the appropriate laboratory and field tests to evaluate human performance. The students will provide written answers to questions regarding testing of the physiological adaptations to exercise. These questions will be graded on 4-point standards-based scale. Direct - Assignment Scientific Basis of Exercise: KINT 5340	MET Summary Over 90% of MS Kinesiolgy students achieved a mean score of 3 or greater on the written answers provided over fitness test. Analysis The MS Kinesiology majors were able to demonstrate content knowledge on fitness test that surpassed the target for this assessment.	No actions have been added.
At least 75% of the students enrolled the MS in Kinesiology program will achieve a mean score of greater than or equal to 3 on fitness testing identifications.		

Conclusion

Overall assessment of outcome 3 was that students were able to demonstrate content knowledge in exercise physiology and fitness testing that met and exceeded the target for this outcome.