Kinesiology, BS

Most kinesiology undergraduate students aspire to attend graduate school. You will feel well-prepared and ahead of the pack when it comes to success in graduate programs because of this program's rigorous curriculum. You also have opportunities to engage in research, community outreach, attend conferences and work one-on-one with faculty.

Program Description

A BS degree in kinesiology prepares students for graduate study in physical or occupational therapy, physician assistant programs, medicine and other health-related professional programs. In order to be successful in these programs, students need to have a deep understanding of how the human body works.

In kinesiology, all aspects of human function are studied, but it is done from the perspective of human movement. The curriculum provides a scientifically inclusive approach to human movement, studying mechanical, anatomical, neural, developmental, physiological and psychological mechanisms. This gives students in the program a well-rounded understanding of all aspects of human function as it pertains to movement and exercise.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** [College of Health Solutions](#)
- **Location:** [Downtown Phoenix campus, ASU@Lake Havasu](#)
- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 170 - Precalculus
- **Math Intensity:** Moderate

Required Courses (Major Map)
Accelerated Program Options

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor’s and master’s degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an accelerated bachelor's and master's degree with:

Clinical Exercise Physiology, MS

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students will be advised by their academic departments to apply.

Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should refer to https://changingmajors.asu.edu/request for information about how to change a major to this program.

Transfer Options

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use the Transfer Map search to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/pathway-programs.
Global Opportunities

Global Experience

Kinesiology students gain cultural competency, language skills and vital leadership experience while studying abroad. Programs that range from Spain to Australia to Greece provide the chance to experience unique health environments, practice alternative approaches to health care and witness the human condition in a global context. Opportunities also exist for hands-on research and community-based service, which can prepare students to lead in a 21st-century career. https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/

The College of Health Solutions recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in kinesiology: http://links.asu.edu/SAO.kinesiology.

Career Opportunities

An undergraduate degree in kinesiology prepares students for graduate study in a variety of clinical and research occupations including:

- chiropractor
- dentist
- occupational therapist
- pharmacist
- physical therapist
- physician
- physician assistant

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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<td>Athletic Trainer</td>
<td>22.8%</td>
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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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