

Graduate Assistantships

There are several types of assistantships offered in the Graduate Physical Education Teaching program:

- 1. Activity Course Teaching:** Teaching physical activity elective courses to college students (see page three of Graduate Assistantship application for preference listing), First Aid/CPR courses, freshman level Healthy Lifestyle general education course.
- 2. Public School Physical Education Teaching:** Plan and implement instructional program in local elementary and secondary schools, and assist university faculty with clinical supervision of undergraduate physical education teaching majors. Must possess current physical education teaching certification by starting date of assistantship (mid- August).
- 3. Adventure Education:** Teaching adventure education and outdoor pursuits in the ESS activity program. Courses could include rock climbing, backpacking, canoeing and mountain biking. Additional duties would include facilitating challenge course experiences and indoor rock climbing experiences for the community groups.
- 4. Adapted Physical Education:** Funding is available to assist with on-campus APE programs for children, including adapted aquatics; PK-12 public school APE programs; adapted sport programs; and fitness for adults with disabilities. Must possess physical education teaching license. Contact Garth Tymeson, Ph.D., at 608.785.5415.
- 5. Research:** Assisting research projects in the Physical Activity Pedagogy Laboratory. Recent projects include understanding physical activity behavior in physical education settings, applying adventure education to inclusive physical education, and assessing physical activity levels and patterns of children and adolescents.

Contact Jooyeon Jin, Ph.D., for more information on available assistantships or for details on the tuition waivers which may come with assistantships. Apply for a Graduate Assistantship at <https://employment.uwlax.edu>.



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Physical Activity Pedagogy Lab

Faculty and students in the Physical Education Teaching program conduct and disseminate physical education/physical activity research. Our goal is to improve student learning in physical education settings. Contact Jooyeon Jin, Ph.D., at 608.785.8182 or jjin@uwlax.edu for more information on lab activities.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHING GRADUATE PROGRAM

The Exercise and Sport Science-Physical Education Teaching program is a practitioner-oriented degree for professionals seeking advanced expertise in physical education teaching. Emphasis is placed on current national trends and issues throughout the curriculum.

Students may select a thesis or non-thesis option. The thesis option includes courses in research methods and statistics and a six-credit thesis project. The non-thesis option requires courses in research methods and assessment. Students choosing the non-thesis option must also successfully complete a graduate project.

ADVENTURE EDUCATION EMPHASIS

Graduate students in this emphasis specialize in a wide variety of outdoor pursuits. Students complete national ACCT challenge course certification training as well as learn challenge course management skills. Additionally, students are required to plan and implement field trips for K-12 students within an educational setting. Students also study the most current research and trends in outdoor pursuits/adventure education. The emphasis for students is trip planning and curriculum development in public schools and private business. Expedition planning and extended programming is beyond the scope of this emphasis. Past classes have included rock climbing in Colorado, sea kayaking on Lake Superior, canoeing in the boundary waters and climbing Anchor Schools at Devil's Lake, northern Wisconsin and Rocky Mountain National Park areas. We truly believe in making physical education an adventure!

Contact Matt Maurer, Ph.D., at 608.785.6535 or mmaurer@uwlax.edu for more information on the adventure education emphasis.



ADAPTED PHYSICAL EDUCATION EMPHASIS

Many students pursue our nationally known and comprehensive adapted physical education teaching (APE) emphasis on a full- or part-time basis. Full-time students are eligible for funding opportunities and complete the MS degree in Physical Education Teaching with an emphasis in APE. This emphasis prepares teachers to provide direct service instruction to students with disabilities, consultation to general PE teachers, participation at IEP and motor team meetings with school staff, and leadership to school district APE programs. Students completing this program receive Wisconsin APE 860 certification. Our alum obtain jobs in all parts of the country as PK-12 APE specialists.

Currently practicing teachers can complete coursework on a part-time basis to attain Wisconsin APE teaching certification. These non-degree students can complete coursework on campus in the evening during the academic year and during the day in summers.

Contact Garth Tymeson, Ph.D., at 608.785.5415 or gtymeson@uwlax.edu for information and APE funding opportunities. Visit our APE website at: www.uwlax.edu/Physical-Education-Teaching-MS/Adapted-Physical-Education-Graduate-Study

