About the Wayne State College of Education

For more than a century, the Wayne State University College of Education has been preparing leaders in some of world’s most important professions. While our Teacher Education Division boasts one of the most comprehensive, well-established programs in the country, all four academic divisions offer a range of undergraduate and graduate degrees. Areas of study are as broad as instructional design, leadership and policy, special education, educational psychology, and counseling.

From the classroom to the laboratory, students in the College of Education have access to learning opportunities they will not find anywhere else. They regularly collaborate with faculty members at the forefront of their disciplines, working with emerging technologies and conducting cutting-edge research as undergraduates.

A world-class education is not confined to campus. That’s why community engagement is an essential part of our mission. Through partnerships with schools, hospitals, health service organizations, and school boards throughout Detroit and the metro area, students in the College of Education put their knowledge to work to better the community. Detroit’s history, culture and unparalleled economic resurgence make it one of the most fascinating places to learn. Every day at Wayne State, our students participate in the reinvention of a great American city.
With the emergence of online universities and fast-track degrees, employers continue to find graduates lacking the preparation necessary to meet the demands of their chosen careers. But you will not find any overnight degree programs in the College of Education — you will find a comprehensive learning experience backed by a rich tradition of academic excellence. Through innovative, research-based instruction in a stimulating urban environment, a Wayne State education will set you apart from your peers, providing access to life-changing opportunities and the skills to succeed in an ever-changing workforce.

What is kinesiology?

The American Kinesiology Association defines it as “the academic discipline that involves the study of physical activity and its impact on health, society, and quality of life.”

Why Kinesiology, Health and Sport Studies at Wayne State?

Wayne State’s Division of Kinesiology, Health and Sport Studies (KHS) offers dynamic bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral programs designed to prepare you for a successful career in sports, health and wellness, exercise science, or education. Each program’s comprehensive curriculum provides hands-on instruction, innovative coursework and focused career preparation. It’s an exciting time for health and fitness professionals. Unlike many fields seeing declines in job opportunities for graduates, careers in health sciences and sport studies are growing up to 21 percent faster than the national average, according to the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics’ 2014 Occupational Outlook Handbook.

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682 College of Education graduates in 2014
Degree programs

- **B.S. in Kinesiology**
  - Exercise and Sport Science
  - Physical Education and Physical Activity Leadership (PE-PAL)
- **B.S. in Health Education**
  - Community Health
  - School Health
- **Online M.A. in Sports Administration**
- **M.A.T. in Physical Education and Physical Activity Leadership (PE-PAL)**
- **M.Ed. in Kinesiology**
  - Exercise and Sport Science
  - Physical Education and Physical Activity Leadership (PE-PAL)
- **M.Ed. in Health Education**
  - Community Health
  - School Health
- **Ph.D. in Kinesiology**
  - Exercise and Sport Science
  - Physical Education and Physical Activity Leadership (PE-PAL)

Faculty experts

Wayne State’s faculty members are leaders and pioneers in their fields. Professor Jeffrey Martin’s research on disability sport and physical activity, running performance, and body image has been featured in over 150 national and international journals and books. He also is the editor of *Sport, Exercise and Performance Psychology*, and serves on four other editorial boards.

Since 2010, the Division of Kinesiology, Health and Sport Studies faculty has received more than $4 million in grants to lead health and wellness research in more than 300 school and community programs, benefiting the lives of more than 35,000 children. Our faculty members also have published more than 125 research papers and delivered 250 national presentations, advancing the understanding of their disciplines on a global scale.
The student experience

Research
From the moment you set foot on campus, you have the opportunity to take part in cutting-edge research that impacts the community and, in many cases, the world at large — that’s something you won’t find at every university.

The Division of Kinesiology, Health and Sport Studies research faculty leads dynamic, large-scale research programs in subject areas covering community-based obesity prevention, healthy school transformations, adapted physical activity, intersections between sleep and exercise, motor development and behavior, and more. At every stage of your degree program, you have the chance to actively participate in ongoing research projects either to satisfy specific curricular requirements or simply to broaden your research experience. KHS has three labs that explore a variety of research areas: Exercise Physiology Lab, Motor Behavior Lab and the Exercise Psychology Research Lab. Participating in research programs, especially as an undergraduate, is a unique opportunity that can give you a distinct advantage over your peers from other universities and better prepare you for your career or the rigors of graduate study.

Learning Communities
Learning Communities give you the advantages of a small-college learning environment with the resources of a major research university. In Learning Communities, you can work closely with small groups of like-minded students — along with advanced student mentors and a faculty advisor — to study, socialize and problem solve. The Kinesiology, Health and Sport Studies Learning Community provides a collaborative learning environment in addition to the skills and tools necessary to help you progress in your degree program. The focus of this Learning Community is on enhancing your academic experience by providing dynamic, focused support. Activities include tutoring, social events, student-faculty meetings, guest speaker lectures and professional development opportunities.
Fast facts
- Students from 55 Michigan counties, 15 states and 8 countries in winter 2015.
- 9 Learning Communities to help undergraduate and graduate students connect and grow.
- College of Education alumni represent nearly a quarter of all school administrators in Michigan.
- Living alumni total: 62,689
  In Michigan: 44,328
  Internationally: 439
Community engagement
The College of Education merges research with practice to engage in a variety of outreach projects with our partners and programs. Through the Center for School Health, you can put your knowledge to work and gain practical experience while working to better communities. The center has two primary functions: Provide a wide range of services to schools and community organizations to support their healthy living initiatives; and develop, fund, lead and evaluate evidence-based programs that improve youth physical activity and eating behaviors along with environmental conditions. The mission of the center is to transform physical activity, healthy eating opportunities and education in school and community organizations to improve the health of young people and families.

You can become involved with a number of outreach programs associated with the Center for School Health:

- Athletes With Autism
- Building Healthy Communities
- Detroit Healthy Youth Initiative
- Detroit Y-Plan
- Danialle Karmanos’ Work It Out (DKWIO)
- Enrichment camps
- Michigan Leadership and Education in Adapted Physical Education (MI-LEAPE) Project

“I’ve gained valuable experiences working on grants, conducting research and teaching. I’ve received awards and scholarships, and I’ve conducted pilot studies for my dissertation, which led to a first-author journal article and three presentations at national conferences. I’ve connected with and felt supported by my fellow students and faculty mentors. I truly couldn’t have asked for a better environment to help me learn and grow as a researcher in my own right.”

— Lila Gutuskey, Ph.D. candidate
Wayne State gave me the opportunity to grow as a professional and as a person. The staff and programs offer unique perspectives and give invaluable real-life experiences that will assist you for a lifetime. I do not believe I could have accomplished what I have without the special experiences and insights I gained from the kinesiology program.

— Scott McNamara, M.Ed. ’13
Executive director, Camp Abilities Michigan
Special education teacher, Warren Woods Public Schools
Scholarships and financial aid
The College of Education offers an array of scholarships, fellowships and other financial aid opportunities to qualified students. Through the generosity of private donors, the College of Education provides eligible graduate and undergraduate students with more than 330 scholarships per academic year.

To learn more, visit coe.wayne.edu/admissions/scholarship.php.

The university also offers a large number of scholarship and financial aid opportunities in addition to College of Education awards. In fact, WSU awarded more than $340 million in financial aid last year.

To learn about universitywide financial aid opportunities, visit wayne.edu/financial-aid.

- Scholarship awards of more than $510,000 for the 2015-16 academic year.
- More than 258 scholarships awarded for the 2015-16 academic year.
- 77% of College of Education undergraduate students receive some form of financial assistance.
A degree that gets results

When you earn your degree from the Wayne State College of Education, you join a network of more than 62,000 successful alumni across the world — alumni like Phil Emery, former general manager of the Chicago Bears, and Tom Abdenour, San Diego State University’s head athletic trainer. Our alumni actively engage with current students and recent graduates, giving you access to valuable insights and resources that can help you find a job, advance your career or build relationships with established professionals in your field.