

# What Can I Do with a Major in **EXERCISE SCIENCE?**

Exercise Science is the scientific understanding of the body's response to exercise and the ability to analyze the efficiency of human movement. Graduates in Exercise Science will have the knowledge to prescribe exercise to a wide variety of populations and instruct others on the proper mechanics and techniques of movement. A related major to consider is Kinesiology which is a broader field studying human movement and impact on health, society, and quality of life.

## **Typical Coursework**

First Aid/CPR Anatomy and Physiology

Nutrition Biomechanics of Human Motion

Weight Training and Conditioning Exercise Physiology

Anatomy of Movement Motor Learning

Prevention and Care of Athletic Injuries Chemistry
Exercise Physiology Biology

Fitness Testing and Exercise Prescription Concepts in Personal Training

## **Related Major Skills**

Patience

Analyzing Oral & Visual Communication Skills

Assessing Interest in Physical Activities
Motor Skills Interest in Health Issues

Motivational Skills Interest & Knowledge in the mechanics of the

Planning Skills human body (Biomechanics)

# **Directly Related Occupations**

Exercise Specialist Athletic Trainer
Cardiac Rehab Exercise Physiologist

Health & Fitness Specialist Athletic Coach

Strength & Conditioning Coach
Personal Training
Recreational Therapist
Fitness Coordinator

# Who Hires for this Occupation?

Hospitals, health care services, fitness centers, nursing & residential care facilities, gyms, schools, and recreation facilities.

#### Focus2

Visit <u>FOCUS2</u> (use ARCC credentials to sign-in) for more information regarding **related occupations and average salaries** and explore **other related majors.** You can also take **assessments** to match your skills, interests, and values to potential careers and majors.



# MN Colleges and Universities with a major in Exercise Science

Augsburg College
\*Bemidji State University
Bethany Lutheran College
Bethel University
College of St. Scholastica
Concordia College, Moorhead
Concordia University, St. Paul
Crown College
Hamline University

\*Minnesota State University, Moorhead

\*Minnesota State, Mankato

\*Southwest Minnesota State University

St Catherine's University

University of Minnesota, Duluth

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

University of St. Thomas

\*Winona State University

^Anoka-Ramsey Community College offers a <u>Fitness Center Specialist Certificate</u> designed for students interested in preparing for entry-level positions in fitness.

Search for majors and colleges at Minnesota State System Colleges and University.

<sup>\*</sup>Anoka-Ramsey Community College offers an <u>Exercise Science Pathway Associate of Science Degree</u> with course credits that directly transfer to designated Exercise Science Bachelor's Degree programs at Minesota State System Universities.

## **Professional Association Links**

American College of Sports Medicine

American Council on Exercise

American Physiological Society

American Society of Exercise Physiologists

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)

National Academy of Kinesiology

National Health and Exercise Science Association

### **For More Information**

Contact ARCC Counseling (Coon Rapids and Cambridge) at (763) 433-1100 or stop by the campus Information Desk

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