KINE 4920

Undergraduate Internship

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1:00 – 3:00 pm

**There are no textsbooks required for this class.**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

 This course is supervised work experience. This course is designed to provide the student with an educational experience that will prepare them to find employment in a health related field after graduation. One of the most important factors to insure a successful experience is matching the interests and preparation of the student with qualified personnel from agencies across the state, region, nation and world. The specific purposes of the internship program for the student, agency, and university are as follows:

1. To provide students with experience upon which to build their professional careers, to assist them in theory and technique with practical applications, and to provide the opportunity for students to develop skills and knowledge within identified areas of professional interest.

2. To broaden students’ concepts of the professional field, to provide experiences that will expand the student’s understanding of human behavior, and to develop better human relation skills.

3.  To provide professional agencies with additional quality personnel and give these agencies an opportunity to become involved in the preparation of future professionals.

4. To provide the University with an opportunity to remain involved in the community and the larger world of health and performance by interacting with professionals in these fields through our students.

5.  To allow the faculty to evaluate the curriculum and effectiveness of teaching by evaluating feedback from internship supervisor based on student performance in the field.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

For the internship the student is expected to research and contact an appropriate venue to conduct an internship.  This venue can be on campus or off and should involve an activity related to physical activity and health.  The student is expect to work 30- 35 hours for a minimum of 13 week during the semester as a Physical Activity and Health student and 15-17 hours a week for 13 weeks as a Fitness, Conditioning and Performance major.   The goal of the program is to allow the student to experience a work environment which will utilize the knowledge and skills they have learn in their undergraduate program.

 **Grading Scale**

**T**his course is a pass/fail course with the student receiving either a S or U grade.  This grade will be based on evaluations form the work supervisor and evaluation by the internship coordinator.

 **Supervisor Evaluations**

The intern’s supervisor will be asked to provide an evaluation of the student’s performance twice during the semester, at midterm and prior to the last week of class. The evaluation will include the student’s attitude towards work, communication skills, leadership and professional qualities and personal qualities.  For more detail on the supervisor’s evaluation see the Internship Guidelines posted on Canvas.

 **Internship Coordinator’s evaluation**

Throughout the semester the student is required to forward reports to the internship coordinator detailing the activities the student has been performing during a specific period of time throughout the semester.  The student is also required to submit a final report.  The due dates for reports are posted on Canvas.  Format for the reports can be found in the internship guidelines. Failure to complete the required reports can lead to a U grade for the class. Additionally, the student will create and submit a resume to the University's Career Services for review and comment and then submit a complete revised resume to the internship coordinator.  All students will be scheduled for a "mock" job interview the last week of class unless other arrangements have been coordinated.

  **Class Policies**

Accommodations: Students who need accommodations are asked to electronically submit their approved accommodations through AU Access and to arrange a meeting during office hours the first week of classes, or as soon as possible if accommodations are needed immediately. If you have a conflict with my office hours, an alternate time can be arranged. To set up this meeting, please contact me by e-mail. If you have not established accommodations through the Office of Accessibility, but need accommodations, make an appointment with the Office of Accessibility, 1228 Haley Center, 844-2096 (V/TT).

Honesty Code: Students are expected to do their own work and cheating will not be tolerated.  Please see University policies at [https://sites.auburn.edu/admin/universitypolicies/default.aspx](https://cas.auburn.edu/owa/redir.aspx?C=bc06a9c32636407d8a7ce9284b94e692&URL=https%3a%2f%2fsites.auburn.edu%2fadmin%2funiversitypolicies%2fdefault.aspx)