

Graduate Application Process for Admittance to Adapted Physical Education/Activity

This is dual application process. Students must apply simultaneously to the TWU Graduate School, as well as, the Kinesiology program, with program focus of Adapted Physical Education/Activity (APE/A). Students must download and complete *ALL* APE/A application materials (i.e., application form, letter of introduction, research interests) prior to meeting with Kinesiology Graduate Coordinator.

Enrollment Period:

Enrollment into the APE/A program is on or before the last day of February for Summer and Fall semesters and on or before the last day of September for Spring semester (students that are not able to make these enrollment times will be processed on an individual basis).

Within the APE/A program there are 2 tracks: (a) Adapted Physical Education and (b) Adapted Physical Activity. The basic entrance criteria for the 2 tracks are:

Criteria into the Adapted Physical Education (meet at least 1 or more of the criteria below):

1. Bachelors degree in Kinesiology or related area.
2. Teaching certificate in physical education (e.g., all level).
3. Teaching certification in a related area (i.e., Special Education may be considered).

Note: If you do not have a certification and meet all other criteria for this track, you will need to obtain your teaching certification during the program.

Criteria into the Adapted Physical Activity (meets #1 or #2 of the criteria below):

1. Bachelors degree in Kinesiology non-teaching or related area (e.g., exercise science, biomechanics, athletic training).
2. Certifications from ACSM, ISSA, or Special Olympics may be considered.

Application steps:

1. Submit application for admission to the TWU graduate program. Be sure to answer question 16 on the application and indicate program of study as APE/A.
2. Kinesiology Graduate Coordinator will process application for TWU Graduate School and contact APE/A Program faculty announcing student's interest in APE/A.
3. Kinesiology Graduate Coordinator will send student's APE/A application materials to Program faculty for review. Following review of the APE/A application materials, the APE/A faculty will schedule an interview with the student.
4. Adapted Physical Education/Activity program faculty will conduct an interview with prospective student to review the following materials:
 - a. Application form for TWU Graduate School
 - b. Undergraduate preparation
 - c. Sample of writing (i.e., letter of introduction, research interests, goals for graduate degree).
5. Adapted Physical Education/Activity Program faculty will send the Kinesiology Graduate Coordinator their decision related to acceptance or denial into the APE/A program.
6. Notification of acceptance or denial will be communicated to the prospective student by the Kinesiology Graduate Coordinator.
7. Copies of all decisions will be sent to the TWU Graduate School, Chairperson of the Kinesiology Department, and APE/A Program faculty.

All applicants will not be admitted to the APE/A graduate program without completing an interview with the APE/A faculty.