

# UIC Kinesiology Program Undergraduate Advising Syllabus

# 2020-2021

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# Welcome!

Welcome to the Department of Kinesiology and Nutrition! You have joined a tight-knit community of faculty, staff and students working together to live our mission and achieve our vision as we are guided by our values. Our curriculum is built on strategic competencies to ensure you are prepared to be an influence in the health, wellness and fitness industries. Check them out...!



A bachelor's in kinesiology teaches you the spectacular complexities of human movement. Graduates are ready for careers in a variety of health-related disciplines: health and wellness coaching, health-related business operations or sales, personal training, and strength and conditioning. Our graduates have a strong foundation and necessary prerequisites to pursue further schooling in health-related fields such as athletic training, cardiac rehabilitation, dentistry, medicine, nursing, occupational therapy, optometry, pharmacy, physical therapy, sport and exercise psychology, research and more.

# **Curriculum Highlights**

- Gain hands-on, people-focused skills built on current science, with the flexibility to obtain your graduate/professional school prerequisites. You will leave the program ready for a career or to pursue another degree. <u>Career advising path</u>
- Join us in service by getting involved in a club or organization where you can help spread the word on campus and in our Chicago communities about how health, wellness - KINESIOLOGY - can change lives! Opportunities like Kinesiology Club, Physical Therapy Club, Exercise is Medicine initiatives and more abound. <u>Make an impact</u>
- Meet your professors who are leaders in their fields as well as award-winning scientists and instructors. You'll learn from individuals dedicated to students, passionate about teaching and experienced in both the science and practical applications of kinesiology. <u>Meet our faculty</u>
- Take certification exams. Our curriculum prepares you for certification exams from organizations such as ACE, ACSM, NASM and NSCA. Our advisors and instructors will help you determine which best fits your career plans. <u>Certification ready</u>

# **Kinesiology Academic Advising**

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Special Note: All Kinesiology academic advising services will be delivered virtually during the Fall 2020 semester.

#### How can I find my assigned academic advisor?

- Log into the my.uic.edu portal
- Select the "Advising" tab at the top of the screen and click on the "iAdvise." icon
- Your assigned academic advisor will be listed in your "My Success Network" on the homepage
  - If not on the homepage, use the drop-down menu on the left-hand side to locate your success network

#### How do I schedule an appointment?

#### Step 1:

- Login to the my.uic.edu portal
- Select the "Advising" tab, then click "iAdvise"

#### <u>Step 2:</u>

- Once logged in to the "My Success Network" should be the default homepage, with a list of your instructors, advisors, etc
- If the "My Success Network" homepage does not automatically populate you can find this link from the drop-down menu on the left

#### <u>Step 3:</u>

- Select your assigned Kinesiology academic advisor and follow the prompts to schedule an appointment
- Be sure to select the appropriate reason for your visit
- If your assigned academic advisor does not appear in your "My Success Network" type their name in the search bar

Appointment Reminders:

- A zoom link will be sent to your UIC email not later the morning of your appointment. If you haven't done so already, we encourage you to download zoom prior to your appointment.
- If you are going to be more than 10 minutes late, please cancel and reschedule your appointment as soon as possible through iAdvise.

#### When are fall drop-in advising hours?

Beginning at 8:30am on virtual drop-in days, students will be able to schedule a same day virtual drop in advising appointment through iAdvise. The Fall 2020 drop-in schedule is listed below.

\*\*Week 1 ONLY\*\*

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<mark>9:00am-11:30am</mark>	<mark>9:00am-11:30am</mark>	9:00am-10:30am	<mark>9:00am-11:30am</mark>	<mark>9:00am-11:30am</mark>
AND 1:00pm-	AND 1:00pm-	AND 1:00-3:00pm	AND 1:00pm-	AND 1:00pm-
3:00pm	3:00pm		3:00pm	3:00pm

### • \*\*Weeks 2-16\*\* every Tuesday 9-11:30am & 1-3pm

- Drop-in DO's....
  - o Ask brief questions about a schedule change
  - Request a graduate check
  - Sign veteran forms
  - Ask for a course override, if applicable

# - Drop-in DON'T's.....

- Map out a 2- or 4-year plan
- Conduct pre-registration planning appointments
- Conduct academic probation appointments
- o Ask anything that realistically takes more than 10 minutes to discuss

# How do I access my UAchieve Degree Audit?

- Log into your my.uic.edu account
- Scroll down until you see the red Uachieve Degree Audit box
- Need an updated audit?
  - For continuing students or those that intend to complete one of the concentrations (ie; Movement Science or Exercise Science and Health Promotion)
    - Click request audit, select a different program, program (pick your concentration from the drop down menu) and, select catalog year ~ Spring 2020.
  - For new students or those who intend to complete the new curriculum (ie; no concentration)
    - Click request audit, select a different program, program (pick Kinesiology 0351 BS) and, select catalog year ~ Fall 2020.
- For best results use Firefox

### E-mail Etiquette:

- Use UIC Email account only and include your full name and UIN.
- Use clear subject line such as "Question about KN 352".
- Use proper English (no text abbreviations). Please proof-read and spell check.
- Allow 2-3 business days for a response, excluding weekends and holidays.
- \*\*\*Email is the most efficient way to contact your assigned academic advisor\*\*\*

# UIC Undergraduate Catalog:

- Use catalog.uic.edu/ucat to find: academic calendar, course descriptions, major/minor requirements and UIC/AHS college policies
- Are you a continuing student looking for the concentration requirements? Use this link: <u>https://catalog.uic.edu/pdf/2019-2021\_undergraduate.pdf</u>
  - Kinesiology program information pages 118-124

# Do you have a scholarship or financial aid question?

- FIRST, explore the UIC Student Financial Aid and Scholarship website: https://financialaid.uic.edu/
- Contact AHS liaison: Cristina Guzman via email <u>crguzman@uic.edu</u>. Due to COVID-19 changes, allow up to 5 business days for a response. FYI: *FAFSA will be available OCT 1*

#### Academic Advisement Timeline

June-August	January
<ul> <li>Meet with advisor at orientation session</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Welcome back for Spring Semester</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Be aware of schedule change deadlines</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contact advisor if you have questions or concerns regarding Fall semester or need to revise Spring schedule</li> </ul>
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September	February
<ul> <li>Watch your UIC email for an invitation to schedule your pre-registration appointment. Appointments are made available by class level, starting with seniors.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Watch your UIC email for an invitation to schedule your pre-registration appointment. Appointments are made available by class level, starting with seniors.</li> </ul>

October	March
<ul> <li>Meet with your assigned academic advisor</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Meet with academic advisor</li> </ul>
November	April
<ul> <li>Register online using XE Registration – Class</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Register online using XE Registration – Class</li> </ul>
Scheduler	Scheduler
December	May
<ul> <li>View grades in MyUIC</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>View grades on MyUIC</li> </ul>

# Schedule Change Deadlines:

- Add/Drop: 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of classes. Student completes add/drop in my.uic.edu XE Registration system o Need help? Click here for the Office of the Registrar Registration Frequently Asked Questions: https://registrar.uic.edu/registration/registration instructions.html
- Late Drop: Weeks 3-10 only. <u>https://ahs.uic.edu/inside-ahs/student-resources/registration/</u>
   Scroll down to 'Forms' and click 'Request to drop, add or change class hours'
- University Withdrawal: https://registrar.uic.edu/registration/term-withdrawal.html
  - Scroll down to Fall 2020 Online Term Withdrawal Request

\*\*\*Students are strongly encouraged to consult their assigned academic advisor prior to completing or submitting schedule changes.\*\*\*

# **Objectives for Student Class Levels:**

### Freshman (0-29 credit hours)

- Transition to college environment and familiarize yourself with campus resources
- Examine habits, skills, interests, values, and previous activities to help get involved at UIC
- Begin general education requirements and use them to explore your interests

### Sophomore (30-59 credit hours)

- Continue completing general education requirements and integrating major required courses
- Create a 4-year educational plan with your assigned academic advisor
- Need to update your concentration? Use this link to update your Kinesiology concentration/curriculum go.uic.edu/ConcentrationUpdate.
  - Reminder: Tuesday, December 1, 2020 11:59pm CST will be the last opportunity students have to declare or update their concentration to either Exercise Science and Health Promotion or Movement Science.
  - See the Curriculum Transition Guide for more details ->Registration Resources folder
- Reflect on skills, interests, and academic success to make sure your major is a good fit
- Do you have an educational/pre-health goal? Do you want to declare a minor? Talk to your academic advisor about career and academic interests
- Need to update your educational/pre-health goal? Use this link https://prehealth.las.uic.edu/educational-goals/
- Experience pre-health settings by volunteering or job shadowing (spring). This may take some creativity and persistence due to COVID-19 precautions.
- Attend an experiential learning meeting (spring)

#### Junior (60-89 credit hours)

- Progress toward degree: Follow and/or make updates to your 4-year educational plan
- Chat with a KN faculty or your academic advisor about experiential learning (ie; research, internship, UTA, study abroad etc.)
- Continue completing minor or pre-health goal requirements (ie; coursework, test prep, observation hours, obtaining letters of recommendation etc.)
- After graduation planning:
  - Attend graduate/professional school fairs and information sessions
  - Begin job search process/planning

# Senior (90-120 credit hours)

- Complete final graduation check with your academic advisor
- Submit your intent to graduate and RSVP to Commencement
- Complete graduate/professional school applications or continue job search
- Complete the UIC First Destination survey. Let us know where you are headed after graduation!

#### Prepare for life after graduation

- Have you completed all the requirements for your graduate/professional programs? Talk to your academic advisor about a gap year plan!
- Job searching? Have your resume and cover letter reviewed by KN faculty/staff or UIC Career Services
- Attend job fairs/recruiting events.
- Financial aid or repayment questions? Check in with UIC Financial Aid and Scholarship Office

### Academic Complaints and Grievances

The Student Academic Grievance Procedures define an administrative process through which students may seek resolution of complaints or Grievances regarding academic standing during their enrollment at UIC.

The student should initially speak with the instructor for the course in question. If the instructor is unable to resolve an academic complaint, then the Director of Undergraduate Studies (DUS), Dr. Hamstra-Wright (<u>khamst1@uic.edu</u>), is the next point of contact in the process to achieve resolution. If academic or departmental/programmatic complaints remain unresolved, then the complaint moves to a formal procedure using the University's <u>grievance form</u>.

1). Student submits the grievance form to the Department Head

2). If the grievance is not resolved, the student submits the grievance to AHS Academic Affairs/Office of the Dean

Student Academic Grievance Procedures Eligibility:

- 1. These Procedures **may only** be used by Students:
  - 1. With a Complaint or Grievance regarding academic standing during their enrollment at UIC.
  - 2. About an academic decision made about them by an agent (e.g., faculty or staff member, administrator, committee) of the University of Illinois at Chicago that directly and adversely affects the Student.
- 2. These Procedures **may not** be used:
  - 1. In deciding or appealing issues relating to student discipline under the purview of the Senate Student Judiciary Committee;
  - 2. In resolving any complaint, request, or question involving student records subject to campus procedures established under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and contained in the Guidelines and Procedures Governing Student Records <a href="http://www.uic.edu/depts/oar/campus">http://www.uic.edu/depts/oar/campus</a> policies/records <a href="http://www.uic.edu/depts/oar/campu
  - 3. By applicants for admission;
  - 4. In review of any decision by any university administrator or properly constituted board or committee relating to allocation of resources to support any unit's projects or programs.

# What Students are Saying

"Being a part of the UIC Kinesiology program was probably the best decision I have ever made. This is one of the few colleges I noticed that truly tries to build a community rather than having a huge divide between student and professor/advisor. I have created genuine relationships not only with my peers but with my professors and advisors as well. I am confident when I say that the UIC AHS Kinesiology department cares about all of their students, and cultivates real, genuine support." **~S20 Graduate** 



"The professors and staff in the UIC Kinesiology department have truly made my four years of education one of a kind! They make the learning experience so much more enjoyable because of their personality and care for each and every one of their students. Every single class and teacher has made me feel like I am part of a very special group and part of this family." ~S20 Graduate

"Kinesiology program at UIC has shaped wonderful individuals, and have created well rounded students. All of my kinesiology professors truly care about their students better than any other of my required classes (bio prof, chemistry prof, etc) I am very grateful for my experience and take full pride in obtaining a kinesiology degree. Thank you to all the staff at the UIC Kinesiology department!" ~S20 Graduate



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