TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF KINESIOLOGY & SPORT MANAGEMENT

Master of Science in Kinesiology

with Specialization in Motor Neuroscience

The M.S. in Kinesiology with an emphasis in *Motor Neuroscience* offers advanced scientific study of the psychological and neural mechanisms underlying skilled human behaviors. This is accomplished by assessing change that occurs (a) across the lifespan (development and aging), (b) due to practice or experience (adaptation and learning), or following illness and injury (rehabilitation and neural disorders).

NON-THESIS OPTION

| Course ID | Course Title | Credit Hours |
|-----------------------|--|--------------|
| KINE 601 | Reading Research Publications in Kinesiology | 3 |
| KINE 606 | Motor Neuroscience I | 3 |
| KINE 627 | Exercise Biomechanics | 3 |
| KINE 640 | Motor Neuroscience II | 3 |
| KINE 641 | Motor Neuroscience: Development Issues | 3 |
| KINE 681 | Seminar – Lecture (3 semesters) | 3 |
| KINE 685 | Directed Study in Motor Neuroscience | 3 |
| KINE 690 ¹ | Theory of Kinesiology Research | 3 |
| Electives | As Approved by Faculty Advisor | ≥ 24 |

MINIMUM TOTAL

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| KINE 601 | Reading Research Publications in Kinesiology | 3 |
| KINE 606 | Motor Neuroscience I | 3 |
| KINE 627 | Exercise Biomechanics | 3 |
| KINE 640 | Motor Neuroscience II | 3 |
| KINE 641 | Motor Neuroscience: Development Issues | 3 |
| KINE 681 | Seminar – Lecture (3 semesters) | 3 |
| KINE 685 | Directed Study in Motor Neuroscience | 3 |
| KINE 690 ¹ | Theory of Kinesiology Research | 3 |
| KINE 691 | Research | 6 |
| Electives | As Approved by Faculty Advisor | ≥6 |

THESIS OPTION

MINIMUM TOTAL

ADVISOR-DIRECTED ELECTIVE CONSIDERATIONS

Course electives must be chosen with prior advisor approval before the student enrolls in the course or includes it on their degree plan. Other courses not on this list may be chosen with prior advisor approval.

| Course ID | Course Title | Credit Hours |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------|
| CSCE 314/604 | Programming Languages | 3 |
| CSCE 421/633 | Machine Learning | 3 |
| KINE 307 | Motor Development | 3 |
| KINE 406 | Motor Learning and Skilled Performance | 3 |
| KINE 407 | Motor Control and Learning Lab | 1 |
| KINE 426 | Exercise Biomechanics | 3 |
| PBSI 340 | Psychology of Learning | 3 |
| PBSI 345 | Human Cognitive Processes | 3 |
| PBSI 350 | Cognitive Neuroscience | 3 |
| KINE 609 | Professional Career Development | 3 |
| KINE 614 | External Research Funding Development | 3 |
| KINE 642 | Self-Organization in Motor Neuroscience | 3 |
| KINE 651 | Introduction to Human Clinical Research | 3 |
| KINE 682 | Seminar in Motor Neuroscience | 1-3 |
| KINE 683 | Practicum in Kinesiology | 1-3 |
| KINE 684 ² | Professional Internship | 1-3 |
| KINE 689 | Special Topics in Motor Neuroscience | 3 |
| NRSC 603 | Neuroanatomy | 4 |
| PBSI 603 | Motivation and Cognitive Processes | 3 |
| PBSI 606 | Learning | 3 |
| PBSI 615 | Perceptual Processes | 3 |
| PBSI 627 | Psychology Assessment of Children and Adolescents | 3 |
| PBSI 636 | Seminar in Developmental Psychology | 3 |
| PBSI 649 | Seminar in Behavioral Neuroscience | 3 |
| PBSI 695 | Manuscript Development and Publication | 3 |
| STAT 652 | Statistics in Research II | 3 |
| STAT 653 | Statistics in Research III | 3 |

¹ May be substituted with STAT 651 Statistics in Research I.

² KINE 684 - Professional Internship may be chosen by Thesis students as an elective, but the course hours cannot count toward the degree plan minimal credit hour requirements.

Up to four credit hours of KINE 684 - Professional Internship credits can be used by Non-Thesis students to count toward the minimal credit hours required for the degree.

REQUIRED UNDERGRADUATE COMPETENCIES

Courses completed at Texas A&M or equivalents taken from another accredited undergraduate institution as verified by transcript. Courses taken on-line or at distance will not be accepted for laboratory courses.

| Course ID | Course Title |
|----------------|--|
| PSYC/NRSC 107 | Foundations of Psychology/Neuroscience |
| BIOL 319 & 320 | Human Anatomy and Physiology I & II |
| KINE 406 | Motor Learning and Skilled Performance |
| MATH 142 | Business Calculus or equivalent |
| PHYS 201 | College Physics |
| or | |
| KINE 426 | Exercise Biomechanics |