Exercise Science Students Interested in Post-Graduate Professional Health Programs

Some undergraduate Exercise Science students desire to enter into a health-related professional school (i.e., physician assistant, physical therapy, chiropractic, homeopathic, or medical school programs) following graduation. While the University of New Hampshire does not have any of these programs, we do recognize that KIN:Exercise Science is an attractive undergraduate major for many of these programs. In lieu of this, we have tried to make our program fairly flexible so that students can take the necessary prerequisites for their prospective schools. However, we need to ensure the integrity of our program and, therefore, have implemented the following policy and procedures that need to be followed by EVERY student getting a degree in KIN:Exercise Science:

1) All students should work with their advisor to plot out a program of study that includes the taking of prerequisite courses for the health program’s post-graduate school(s) of interest to the student. **(Please Note: WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO MEET ALL OF THE PREREQUISITE COURSES PRIOR TO YOUR GRADUATION WITH YOUR DEGREE IN KIN:EXERCISE SCIENCE).**

2) All students are encouraged to meet with an advisor from the Pre-Professional Health Program Advising Center located in the Hood House (Room # 102) to determine courses that would typically be required for your health program interest area.

3) The Internship (KIN 650A – Internship in Exercise Science) is the culminating experience for all Exercise Science students and can only be taken after all required degree course work has been successfully completed. KIN 650A is a FULL-TIME, 400-hour practical experience normally taken the summer after Spring semester of the senior year (although some students elect to take this course the following Fall semester). KIN 650A cannot be taken:
   a) part-time
   b) concurrently with degree course work

   **Students do need to pay for the 8 credits during the term (usually the summer after Senior year) that they take KIN 650A.**

4) Professional Post-Graduate Programs that start in June or July following the Spring semester of your senior year are not compatible with the KIN:Exercise Science degree and therefore students applying to these programs that are accepted would have to defer acceptance until after KIN 650A is completed.

5) There are **NO EXCEPTIONS** to this policy.

I, ____________________________, have read the above statements and agree to abide by these statements while pursuing my KIN:Exercise Science undergraduate degree.

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Student’s Signature               Date

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Advisor’s Signature               Date