Admissions Application Information  
Exercise and Sport Science (ESS) Major  
College of Education (COE); Department of Kinesiology (KINS)

Overview:
The exercise and sport science major is a competitive, high demand program with limited enrollment. Applicants are required to have a minimum overall GPA of 2.75 in addition to the prerequisite coursework as outlined below.

Entrance Requirements:
Selection is based on a composite score of the following (maximum score = 100 points):

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| 1. ENGL 1101  
2. ENGL 1102  
3. MATH OR STAT prefix course | Composite 20% | All of these courses must be successfully completed before applying to the ESS major. | A grade of C or higher must be earned in each of these courses.  
Any applicable AP or IB scores, Cambridge A Level, AICE Credit equivalencies, UGA Math exemption tests and/or UGA English placement exemptions for which [UGA has granted course credit or exemptions/waivers](https://coe.uga.edu/academics/degrees/bsed-exercise-sport-science) on a student’s official academic record will be weighed as the letter grade 'A-' (3.7) for the purposes of the ESS major application.  
*Transfer/transient coursework deemed equivalent to the above courses are acceptable.* |

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| 1. CBIO 2200/L  
2. CBIO 2210/L  
3. CHEM 1211  
4. CHEM 1211L  
5. CHEM 1212  
6. CHEM 1212L  
7. PHYS 1111/L OR PHYS 1211/L | Composite 52% | A maximum of one of these courses may be in progress during the semester you apply to the major. All courses must be successfully completed (grade of C or higher) by the end of the semester in which you apply to the ESS major. | A grade of C or higher must be earned in each of these courses.  
Any applicable AP or IB scores, and/or SAT subject tests [UGA has granted course credit or exemptions/waivers](https://coe.uga.edu/academics/degrees/bsed-exercise-sport-science) on a student’s official academic record will be weighed as the letter grade 'A-' (3.7) for the purposes of the ESS major application.  
*UGA honors versions of the above courses are acceptable.* |

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| KINS 2010 or KINS 2010E | 8% | This course may be in progress the semester you apply to the ESS major. | A grade of C or higher must be earned in this course. This course must be successfully completed (grade of C or higher) by the end of the semester in which you apply to the ESS major.  
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Application Directions:
The ESS major has two application periods per year – the third Fridays in January and September at 11:59 pm EST. The link to the application will be available a minimum of 14 days prior to the application cycle deadline: [https://coe.uga.edu/academics/degrees/bsed-exercise-sport-science](https://coe.uga.edu/academics/degrees/bsed-exercise-sport-science)

*Updated as of February 2019*
Prerequisite GPAs will be calculated from the student’s official academic record (DegreeWorks). It is the student’s responsibility to ensure any outstanding AP or IB scores, transient coursework, credit from testing, and/or dual enrollment credits have been processed by the University of Georgia prior to the application deadline.

Applicants will receive notification of acceptance or denial into the major via email approximately four weeks after the application deadline.

**Application Components:**

- Name (full name as registered on the UGA campus)
- University ID (810 or 811 number)
- UGA e-mail address
- Gender (for descriptive and program assessment purposes only)
- Race/Ethnic Group (for descriptive and program assessment purposes only)
- Previous Application Submissions – if applicable (for descriptive and program assessment purposes only)
- Major Area of Emphasis (if applicable): Pre-Physical Therapy, Pre-Med, Pre-OT, Pre-Physician Assistant, Strength, Conditioning or Fitness Specialist, Pre-Graduate Study in Exercise Science, or Undecided

**Application Essays:**

- What is your background with physical activity/exercise/sport and how does this relate to your motivation to join the ESS field? [200 words maximum]
- What is your ultimate career aspiration? [100 words maximum]
- List and describe your top 3 “positives qualities” which would predict your success as a future ESS professional (e.g. traits, attributes, characteristics, skills, achievements, accomplishments, strengths, etc.). [200 words maximum]
- Describe your ESS field work to date (e.g. volunteering, shadowing, practicums, internships, employment, etc.) in various settings (e.g. commercial, clinical or research agencies/sites) and include a description of the population (e.g. children, older adults, athletes, etc.) you worked with, your specific experiences, and how these experiences informed/influenced your interest in the ESS major and your career aspirations [300 words maximum]. While field work is not a requirement for acceptance into the ESS major, it is strongly recommended prior to applying to the major. You will be given the opportunity to provide the following information on your application to the major: agency/clinic(s), dates of work (e.g. June – August 2014), total experience hours per agency/site and site supervisor contact information of any relevant field work experience you have completed.
- How will the ESS major within the Department of Kinesiology and the College of Education specifically enable you to reach your career goals? [100 words maximum]

Have additional questions about the Exercise and Sport Science major application? Please contact:

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