

## **Bachelor of Science (BSE) in Physical Education**

**Degree:** Bachelor of Science in Education  
**Major:** Physical Education  
**Emphasis:** K-12 Certification

**Program Description:** The College of Education at Arkansas State University offers a variety of teacher education programs, each leading to a baccalaureate degree and to teacher licensure. Due to recent changes by the Arkansas Department of Education regarding licensure in physical education/wellness/leisure, the HPESS Department has proposed the offering of only a K-12 certification, effective in the academic year 2003-2004. Curriculum changes are being proposed in order to prepare future physical education educators in specific areas of knowledge, performances, and dispositions identified by state, national and ASU standards. Through close contact with the BSE academic advisor, the student should be successful in completing his/her program of studies in physical education. Additional information regarding other areas of teacher licensure is available through the Office of Teacher Education within the College of Education.

**Program Requirements:** Students desiring to pursue the Bachelor of Science in Education degree in Physical Education must meet the prescribed course curriculum and minimum standards as outlined by the Teacher Education Program (TEP) and HPESS department. These standards include: a) being screened into the TEP program at the end of 30 hours; b) maintain a minimum overall and within the major GPA of 2.50; c) take two standardized tests, meeting minimum passing scores; and d) verify no conviction of a felony. Further clarification of these standards may be found by consulting the ASU Undergraduate Bulletin (pages 266-267). To complete the program the student must demonstrate sport skill proficiency; maintain academic proficiency, moral responsibility, emotional stability and satisfactory professional growth.

**Career Opportunities:** Teaching and/or coaching in schools, community youth sport programs, Parks and Recreation programs, YMCA programs, private sports clubs (i.e. golf, tennis), fitness centers, Outward Bound programs, Wilderness and Camp programs, Corporate Wellness facilities, State Activity Association, State and National Sports Associations (i.e. AAHPERD, NASPE), Athletic Directors, and State Department of Education.

**Certification/Endorsements:** Driver Education and Coaching

**Professional Organization Affiliations:** American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD), Arkansas AHPERD, National Federation Coaches Association, State Coaches and Officials Association, Arkansas School Health Association (ASHA), and Physical Education Majors Club.

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