

physical education teacher and a university faculty member. During the final semester of the senior year, candidates complete a full semester of student teaching at both the elementary and secondary levels.

Those who enjoy sports and physical activity and would like to impact the lives of children and adolescents may find teaching physical education to be the ideal major. There continues to be a need for dedicated and effective physical education teachers in the schools, especially at a time when the percentage of children and adolescents who are obese in the United States is at an all-time high level. Within the next several years, the "baby boomers" who are currently teaching will be retiring, and the need for new teachers will increase dramatically. Students who graduate with a degree in physical education are also prepared to work with youth in community recreation, family fitness and sports centers, and to coach school and youth sports.

Students interested in majoring in physical education should first declare pre-physical education as a major and sign up to meet with an advisor in the College of Education and Human Services advising center and talk with a faculty member in the physical education program located in HC 104.

To apply for admission to the teacher education program, students must:

In addition, students must meet the following requirements for admission into Education. Courses in parentheses are GCTC course equivalencies.

- A minimum overall GPA of 2.75
- A minimum grade of "B" in CMST 101 (COM 181) and ENG 102 (ENG 102)
- A minimum grade of "C" in all other pre-admission courses and required EDU and EDS courses which include EDU 300 (EDP 202) and EDU 305 (EDU 201).
- Meet the entrance exam requirement through an approved combination of passing scores on the ACT and/or Praxis I Core Academic Skills for Educators exams
 - o ACT Comp. 22 -OR-
 - o Reading (ACT: 20 -or- Praxis I: 156) and
 - o Eng./Writing (ACT: 18 -or- Praxis I: 162) and
 - o Mathematics (ACT: 19 -or- Praxis I: 150)

ACT scores must be less than 5 years old at time of admissions semester

- Pass criminal background check
- 60 semester hours completed
- An acceptable portfolio

To continue into the next professional semester, students must:

Successfully complete each of the professional semester course requirements with a C or better. Complete a portfolio with a MET rating, on Kentucky Initial Teaching Standards. To be eligible to student teach, students must:

Successfully complete professional semesters I, II, and III.

- Maintain a 2.75 or higher overall GPA.
- Maintain a GPA of 2.75 or higher in the major core content courses and the professional education courses.

These prerequisites are not included in the program totals in the table below, but they must be completed IN ADDITION TO other program requirements.

It is recommended that physical education P-12 certification majors also minor in health education and apply for health education P-12 certification.

General Transfer Information

Students must complete the online application to NKU. There is no application fee for students who are transferring from a KCTCS institution.

: Students who are KY residents transferring directly from a KCTCS institution with at least 36 hours from that institution and minimum GPA of 3.0, were never enrolled as a degree-seeking student at NKU, and will be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours both fall and spring semester are eligible for a limited number of \$2,500 annual scholarships (\$1,250 per fall and spring). Students must gain admission to NKU by June 15 for fall and November 1 for spring to be eligible for a possible scholarship. Online accelerated programs are not eligible for the KCTCS Scholars Award.

ENG 101	Writing I (WC)	3	ENG 101
ENG 102	Writing II (WC)	3	ENG 102
CON/1101	Pacic Dublic Speaking (OC)	2	CN/IST 101

COM 181 Basic Public Speaking (OC)

Taken at NKU	Introduction to Physical Education, Fitness, and Sport	3	KIN 125	
Taken at NKU	Personal Health and Wellness	3	HEA 230	

Students can also choose to take HEA 270: Community Health, KIN 260: Introduction to Strength and Conditioning, or a Physical Education at NKU in place of suggested NKU courses. Courses taken at NKU cannot exceed a total of 12 credit hours.

EDU 104	Orientation to Education Profession		
EDU 300	Human Growth and Development		