KINESIOLOGY, BS

ADVISING AND CAREERS

KINESIOLOGY ADVISING

Students not yet admitted to Kinesiology meet with an advisor in the School of Education Student Services office, see below. Once admitted to the professional program, students are also advised in the Department of Kinesiology.

Academic Advising in the School of Education

Dedicated to supporting and promoting student success, academic advisors (https://education.wisc.edu/academics/undergrad-majors/academic-advising/) are here to assist students with the adjustment to college, understanding their degree and career goals, and connecting them to resources. Advisors support prospective and current School of Education students in all programs through:

- Course selection
- Mentoring and advocacy for underrepresented and international students
- Understanding degree requirements and progression
- Interpreting academic policies
- Helping students recognize their strengths and suggesting ways to expand their skills
- Expanding learning through activities such as study abroad, volunteering/work/internship, and by assuming leadership roles

To schedule an appointment: Current students can schedule an appointment online through the Starfish app (https://advising.wisc.edu/facstaff/starfish-starfish-student-resources/) in MyUW. Appointments can also be made through email at studentservices@education.wisc.edu, by calling 608-262-1651, or in person.

Career Advising in the School of Education

Through individual appointments, events, courses, and online resources, the Career Center provides students and alumni with the tools needed to be successful in their career development.

Career and Internship Advisors are prepared to help students with:

- Exploration of career and academic pathways (https://careercenter.education.wisc.edu/explore-career/)
- Resumes
- Cover letters
- Job/Internship search
- Interview preparation
- Mock interviews
- Graduate school search, applications and decisions
- Negotiating job or internship offers
- Professional networking
- Connecting with employers

Potential careers for Kinesiology majors include: fitness instructor, personal trainer, exercise physiologist, research assistant/specialist, physical therapy aide, health and wellness manager, performance enhancement and management, certified nursing assistant, medical device salesperson, strength and conditioning coach, programming administrator, and project manager. Our graduates also pursue graduate studies in physical therapy, public health, medicine, exercise science, athletic training, occupational therapy, and more.

Students develop important skills that employers look for, including:

- Communication
- Collaboration
- Critical thinking/analytical skills
- Supporting diverse populations with diverse needs
- Application of theory to practice
- Influencing and motivation

Applied experiences, including paid internships, practicum experiences, career treks, and professional networking events, are available to UW Kinesiology students.

Students are encouraged to meet with their Career and Internship Advisor early in their college experience to take full advantage of the resources and support available.

To make an appointment: log into Starfish (https://wisc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/) from the MyUW dashboard.

For more information, visit the School of Education Career Center website (https://careercenter.education.wisc.edu/) or reach out at career-center@education.wisc.edu.