

CAAHEP/CoAES Accreditation

The Longwood Kinesiology program is recognized as an accredited Bachelor's degree program by the American College of Sports Medicine's (ACSM) Committee on Accreditation for the Exercise Sciences (CoAES) under the auspices of the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP). This accreditation process requires that the Longwood Kinesiology program annually meet or exceed a number of criteria concerning curriculum, internships, national certification exams, and post graduate employment.

One example of these expectations that is shown below is the results from the Internship Employer Survey. This survey is completed by the on-site internship supervisor at the completion of a student's 320 hour summer internship. Students are rated on a 1 to 5 scale ((5-Exceeds Expectations; 4-Often Exceeds Expectations; 3-Regularly Meets Expectations; 2- Sometimes Doesn't Meet Expectations; 1- Seldom Meets Expectations) for a wide array of demonstrated behavior over their internship. These ratings are categorized into Personal Qualities, Work Performance, and Knowledge/Skill.

To receive a Satisfactory rating for a given category, a student must be rated by their supervisor as Outstanding or Above Average for 85% of the specific measures under that category. The percentages shown in the table below are the percentages of students who earned Satisfactory ratings for the Summer 2021 Internship period.

Two additional metrics utilized as part of the accreditation process are Retention Rate and Graduation Rate. Retention rate for the 2021 graduation cohort is calculated based on the number of students still in the Kinesiology program who enrolled in the Internship clearance during Spring 2020. Graduation rate for the 2021 graduation cohort is calculated based on the number of students who graduated from the program during the 2021-22 academic year who were enrolled in the Summer Internship in the prior academic year.

2021 Longwood Kinesiology Student Interns Ratings
Overall: 100%
Personal Qualities 100%
Work Performance 100%
Knowledge/Skill 96.7%
<i>The numbers above are the percentages of students who were rated 3 or above for ALL items in a given category</i>

2021 Longwood Kinesiology Student Retention Rate
Overall: 93.3%

2021 Longwood Kinesiology Student Graduation Rate
Overall: 100%