

# MA in Physical Education with an Added Authorization in Adapted Physical Education

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The Master of Arts in Physical Education with an Added Authorization in Adapted Physical Education program (<https://www.apu.edu/bas/programs/masters-in-physical-education-adapted-pe-authorization/>) is designed for teachers who wish to teach adapted physical education at the pre-K-12 and/or community college levels. The program combines the curricula of the adapted physical education added authorization program and the master's degree program to deliver a unique, comprehensive education package. Upon completion, the graduate will earn an Added Authorization in Adapted Physical Education (<http://catalog.apu.edu/academics/college-nursing-health-sciences/school-health-sciences/kinesiology/adapted-physical-education-added-authorization/>) and a Master of Arts in Physical Education.

Per the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, the Adapted Physical Education Added Authorization (APEAA) may be added to a Single Subject Credential in Physical Education, a Multiple Subject Credential, or an Education Specialist Credential. Individuals holding a Multiple Subject Credential or an Education Specialist Credential may meet this physical education subject-matter competence requirement in one of two ways:

- (Acceptable Option) Providing evidence of passing all sections of the CTC-approved California Subject Examinations for Teachers (CSET) in Physical Education prior to admission to the APEAA program; or
- (Recommended Option) Completing 12 units of upper-division and/or graduate coursework in motor development, kinesiology, and other relevant physical education topics, as determined and approved by the APEAA program coordinator or director. This coursework must be completed as a prerequisite to admission to the APEAA program. All coursework is subject to approval by the program coordinator or director. Courses must be passed with a grade of *B* or better.

The following 3-unit classes are available to meet this prerequisite: PE 551, PE 596, PE 597, and PE 598.

## Requirements

The 15-unit added authorization portion of the program includes 12 units of core coursework and 3 units of fieldwork in adapted physical education. The Master of Arts in Physical Education includes 6 units of core coursework, 6 units of physical education, coaching, administration, and health science coursework, and 3 units of capstone coursework. Students may concurrently complete adapted physical education and MA in physical education coursework. Students may not enroll in more than 7 units per 8-week term. PE 585 is completed after all other adapted physical education and MA in Physical Education coursework is fulfilled.

Graduate physical education students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 (*B*) or better, and may not earn lower than a 2.7 (*B-*) in any PE core or content course. Students who earn below a 2.7 (*B-*) in a PE core or content course must retake the course and achieve the minimum GPA requirement.

Code	Title	Units
<b>Adapted Physical Education Core Courses</b>		
PE 600	Physical Education Teaching Methods for Individuals with Mild to Moderate Disabilities	3
PE 602	Physical Education Teaching Methods for Individuals with Severe to Profound Disabilities	3
PE 604	Motor Assessment for Students Living with Disabilities	3
PE 605	Management of Adapted Physical Education Programs	3
<b>Fieldwork Courses <sup>1</sup></b>		
PE 606A	Field Experience in Adapted Physical Education	1
PE 606B	Field Experience in Adapted Physical Education	2
<b>Master of Arts in Physical Education Core Courses</b>		
PE 551	Curriculum Theory and Design in Physical Education	3
PE 582	Seminar in Professional Literature in Physical Education and Sport	3
<b>Physical Education, Coaching, and Administration Content Courses</b>		
Select one of the following:		3
PE 555	Sociological and Ethical Issues in Sport	
PE 565	Athletics and the Law	

PE 570	Leadership and Administration of Physical Education and Athletic Programs	
PE 578	Sport Psychology	
<b>Health Science Content Courses</b>		
Select one of the following:		3
PE 560	Sports Medicine	
PE 575	Advanced Principles of Physical Conditioning	
PE 580	Wellness and Fitness for Life	
<b>Capstone Course</b>		
PE 585	Capstone in Physical Education and Sport <sup>2</sup>	3
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>30</b>

<sup>1</sup> PE 606A and PE 606B must be completed consecutively after all other adapted physical education coursework is fulfilled. May be completed concurrently with PE 585.

<sup>2</sup> PE 585 is completed in the final terms of the master's program.

## Admission

University graduate admission and program-specific requirements must be met before an application is complete (see Admission to the University (<http://catalog.apu.edu/admissions/>)). **Program-specific application requirements are available online (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessional/apply/>).**

International students should contact Graduate and Professional Admissions (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessional/apply/>) for application procedures.