



# FSU Sports Medicine- Graduate Assistantships



1. **Send resume to Gwendolyn Davis:**
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2. **Interviews and resume review will begin in October.**
  
3. **Applicants must be members in good standing with the NATA:**
  - a) Your assistantship does not cover the cost of dues.
  
4. **Apply for a Florida State License:**
  - a) Required but not paid for by the university for any employee.
  
5. **Apply for and get accepted into FSU Graduate School:**
  - a) Application
    - i) Information regarding application procedures, deadlines and frequently asked questions can be found at: <http://admissions.fsu.edu/graduate/>
  - b) Graduate Programs (Information taken from the fsu.edu website)
    - i) There are three programs our GA's have traditionally gravitated toward. Due to the time requirements and travel schedules for our sports teams, many programs on campus are not feasible for graduate assistants in our program. We suggest you choose from one of the following Master's Programs.
      - (1) Sport Management: The Master of Science (MS) degree in sport management emphasizes principles of management as applied in the sport industry (e.g., marketing, finance, management, law), as well as research oriented courses befitting a graduate program. In addition, an array of electives reflect prominent career paths in the industry (e.g., collegiate athletics, professional sport). The course-type MS program consists of thirty-six credit hours; a thirty-four hour thesis-type option is also available for those who wish to pursue a research project in a particular sport issue, or to prepare for doctoral-level work. This degree program is designed to provide students with an advanced understanding of sport management and the various components that comprise this area of study. Although course content will focus on the applied aspects of sport management, students will be required to become knowledgeable of the current literature, both applied and research based. In order to enhance the student's practical experiences, appropriate internships are a required element of the program of study. This specialization prepares individuals with the appropriate background for employment in an entry or mid-level position.
      - (2) Sports Sciences: The Sports Sciences Major of the Master of Science in Exercise Science Degree is a new major within the Department of Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences. In short, this is a major program designed for those with a passion to work with "competitive athletes" in the role of, for example, a strength and conditioning specialist at the high school, university, or professional level. Graduates of the major will be

academically prepared to sit for the Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist examination through the National Strength and Conditioning Association. Prerequisites: The prerequisites to Sports Sciences are Science of Nutrition, Chemistry I, Anatomy and Physiology I, and

Exercise Physiology. A bachelor's degree in a related field is also required. Admission to the program will be determined jointly by the sports sciences faculty including those from athletic training/sports medicine, strength and conditioning coordinators, and a representative from the graduate faculty of Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences. An interview may be requested prior to admitting the student to the program.

- (3) Educational Leadership and Policy Studies: The Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies (ELPS) develops educational leaders and policy analysts who are committed to improving PreK-20 education through its study, development, implementation and evaluation at all levels of government and in a wide range of institutions, schools and international agencies. Faculty research is focused in the areas of financing education, teacher quality and access to education for all learners, and bears consistent influence on educational policies and programs in Florida, the nation and the world.

c) Health Information

- (1) Every full-time Florida State University student is required to show proof of health insurance prior to registration once each year. For questions about health insurance coverage, call 850-644-4250.

d) Course Load

- (1) You will be required to enroll and complete 6-9 credit hours each semester. You may take 6 credits while in your competitive season, but it is strongly recommended that you take 9 credits while out of season in order to graduate in a timely manner. You must be actively pursuing graduation within a 2-year period. At no time are you permitted to drop below 6 hours in a semester.
- (2) Any changes in your schedule need to be cleared with the Director of Sports Medicine. All classes need to be scheduled before noon or after 6 pm. Any classes between these times will need to be cleared with the Director of Sports Medicine.

**6. Graduate Assistantship:**

- a) 9-12 Month Contract
- b) Stipend \$5075/semester this includes \$300 book stipend and the option to add a meal plan, this \$640 will be deducted from your stipend.
- c) No Out-of-state waiver for classes; however, after the first year of your graduate assistantship you can apply for in-state residency.
- d) Compensation between academic semesters will be provided.
- e) Sports available (subject to change):
- i) Football (2)
  - ii) Swimming and Diving
  - iii) Cross Country, Track and Field
  - iv) Men's and Women's Tennis
  - v) Indoor Volleyball
  - vi) Sand Volleyball
  - vii) Soccer, Swimming and Diving