

COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION
THE DEPARTMENT OF KINESIOLOGY

The comprehensive examination will be administered only in December and in April of each academic year to graduate student who have elected the non-thesis option. Candidates must have completed a minimum of 24 hours of graduate credit at the time they register for the examination and must be currently registered in the university. Candidates who are full-time students for two consecutive semesters and full status graduate students at the university may take the comprehensive examination after completing nine hours of graduate credit at the University of Rhode Island.

In consultation with his/her Major Professor, a candidate must complete the "Application for Comprehensive Examination" early in the semester wherein examination is desired. This application must be filed with the Comprehensive Examination Committee no later than March 15th for an April Examination and no later than November 15th for a December examination. Candidates shall write their individual examinations on the same testing date to be selected each semester by the Comprehensive Examination Committee. To successfully pass the Comprehensive Examination the candidate must pass each component of the examination. A candidate who fails the examination is allowed one opportunity to be tested on a subsequent testing date.

The new Comprehensive Examination Committee shall be appointed each September to serve during the academic year. It shall consist of two members of the Department of Physical Education appointment by the department chairperson. It shall be the responsibility of this Committee to receive Application for Comprehensive Examination, to request examination questions from appropriate professors, to assemble individual examinations for students, to administer the test, and to read all completed examinations. Each examination question will be graded by the professor submitting the question. The two members of the Comprehensive Examination Committee and the Major Professor will be responsible for determining the final Comprehensive Examination grade for student.

After they have been scored, all Comprehensive Examinations shall be filed with the Chairman of the department for a period of five years following the examination. Results of individual examinations shall be forwarded to the Graduate School within a period of two weeks of the examination date by the Department Chairperson.