

Exercise Science and Nutrition

Department Information

- **Program Director:**
Elizabeth Hilliard, Ph.D.
- **Department Location:**
Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- **Department Phone:**
(701)231-6737
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www.ndsu.edu/hnes/phd_in_exercise_science_and_nutrition/ (http://www.ndsu.edu/hnes/phd_in_exercise_science_and_nutrition/)
- **Application Deadline:**
Applications that are complete by March 15 will be given priority for fall semester. Applications completed after March 15 will be reviewed through May 1 for consideration for fall semester.
- **Credential Offered:**
Ph.D.
- **English Proficiency Requirements:**
TOEFL ibt 79; IELTS 6.5

Bryan Christensen, Ph.D.

University of Kansas, 2000

Research Interests: Biomechanics, Sports Psychology, Strength and Conditioning

Shannon David, Ph.D.

Ohio University, 2013

Research Interests: Patient-Clinician Relationship, Patient Oriented Outcomes

Nathan Dicks, Ph.D.

North Dakota State University, 2019

Research Interests: Exercise Testing; Tactical Population Wellness, Fitness, and Performance

Marty Douglas, Ph.D.

Michigan State University, 2009

Research Interests: Adapted Physical Activity

Julie Garden-Robinson, Ph.D.

North Dakota State University, 1994

Research Interests: Nutrition Education, Chronic Disease Prevention, Food Safety/Science

Kyle Hackney, Ph.D.

Syracuse University, 2013

Research Interests: Skeletal Muscle, Sarcopenia, Muscle Inactivity, Ergogenic Aids, Sports Performance

Elizabeth Hilliard, Ph.D.

North Dakota State University, 2018

Research Interests: Breastfeeding Support and Promotion in the Workplace, and Infant and Child Feeding Practices

Ryan McGrath, Ph.D.

University of Idaho, 2015

Research Interests: Frailty and Health, Epidemiology of Aging, Physical Activity and Health for Aging Adults and Persons with Disabilities, Disability Prevention

Yeong Rhee, Ph.D.

Oklahoma State University, 1999

Research Interests: Chronic Disease Prevention, Functional Foods

Sherri Nordstrom Stastny, Ph.D.

North Dakota State University, 2007

Research Interests: Nutrition for Healthy Aging

Bradford N. Strand, Ph.D.

University of New Mexico, 1988

Research Interests: Physical Education Curriculum and Instruction, Fitness Education, Sport Sociology

Seungmin Kang, Ph.D.

Louisiana State University, 2021

Research Interests: Sport for Development and Peace (SDP), Shared Leadership in SDP, Nonprofit Partnerships, Leadership and Human Resource Development

Kelsey Slater, Ph.D.

Mississippi State University, 2021

Research Interests: Sport for Development, Sport Diplomacy and Sport Communication

Joel White, Ph.D

University of Northern Colorado, 2009

Research Interests: Sport Marketing and Sport Finance

Matt Drescher, Ph.D

Indiana State University, 2023

Research Interest: Curricular Design, Healthcare Simulation, Ethics Education, and Advanced Manual Therapy

Joshua Wooldridge, Ph.D

University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2023

Research Interest: Musculoskeletal Injury Help-Seeking Behaviors, Health Sciences Research Methods, Tactical Health and Human Performance