

Addendum 2014-2015 Graduate Catalog

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.) IN SPORT MANAGEMENT

NOTE: All applicants to the inaugural class of August 2015 must meet the program requirements listed in the Addendum Ph.D. in Sport Management.

Purpose

The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Sport Management is a terminal degree focusing on student comprehension and interpretation of contemporary, theoretical and applied studies within the field of Sport Management. The mission of the program is to prepare the graduate with a broad range of sport management-related positions to include, but not limited to higher education, research, professional or amateur athletics, and professional sport industry.

Expected Program Outcomes

The program aims to provide a comprehensive curriculum with an area of specialization to prepare a sport manager practitioner or academician to:

1. Demonstrate the ability to conduct research related to the sport industry.
2. Analyze, evaluate, and implement solutions to complex sport issues, to prepare innovators and leaders in the field of sport management.
3. Support the dissemination of scholarly and practical research and knowledge in the behavioral sciences.
4. Demonstrate teaching and research skills needed for success in professional sport management roles.

Expected Student Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the Ph.D. in Sport Management the graduate will be able to:

1. Recall knowledge from core and specialized areas of study in the curriculum.
2. Identify essential teaching strategies necessary for success in the sport management education environment.
3. Effectively express complex concepts both orally and in writing.
4. Interpret research studies and apply research results to sport management practices.
5. Apply sport management knowledge to the solution of complex sport management issues, with demonstration of sensitivity to crucial, controversial sport issues.
6. Analyze and apply sport management principles, approaches, rationales, and expected outcomes of service.
7. Organize and plan programs of service designed to meet local, state, regional, national, and/or international needs.

8. Prepare research within the field of sport management for presentations and purposes.

Admissions

The applicant must submit an application to the Troy University Graduate School. No pre-degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education. In order to be given full consideration, all requested materials must be received by the deadlines listed below:

Application Deadlines:

Fall Admission for U.S. citizens:	May 1
Fall Admission for non U.S. citizens:	March 1
Spring Admission for U.S. citizens:	September 1
Spring Admission for non U.S. citizens:	July 1

For Fellowship/Assistantship consideration (FALL APPLICANTS ONLY): February 1

Admission Examination Requirements

1. TOEFL scores are required for all international students; this requirement is waived if

U.S. institution. Students scoring 80 or higher on the Internet-based TOEFL Test, 213 or higher on the Computer-based Test, and a 550 or higher on the Paper-based TOEFL Test will be given full consideration for admission into the Doctoral Program. Students scoring below these requirements may be required to (in addition to other admission requirements) interview with the Doctoral Admissions Committee prior to full consideration of admission into the program.

2. Official scores from nationally standardized aptitude examinations, such as the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT), or Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) must be submitted at the time of application. All entrance exams must have taken place within 5 years of submission to the program. Applicants achieving the minimum scores on the submitted entrance exam will be given full consideration for admission into the Doctoral Program. Minimum scores are presented below.

MAT	= 399 total score
GMAT	= 540 total score (verbal and quantitative)
LSAT	= 157-158 total score
GRE)	= 304 on the Revised GRE (verbal and quantitative only) OR 1000 or higher on the Non- Revised GRE (verbal and quantitative score totals only)

3. Students scoring below the minimum scores indicated may request an interview with the Doctoral Admissions Committee prior to full consideration of admission into the program. If the Doctoral Admissions committee deems the applicants transcripts, references, writing sample, and statement of intent submitted items are acceptable, the

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Doctoral Program Coordinator to request an interview.

The applicant must submit the following materials to the Troy University Graduate School:

1. Troy University Graduate School Application Form
2. One official transcript per each institution of higher education ever attended.
3. Three (3) Letters of Reference
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accredited institution of higher education will be accepted. As such, the student must complete a minimum of 60 credit hours in the Sport Management doctoral program at Troy University.

Conditions for Transfer Credit from another Sport Management doctoral program:

1. Students must complete the admissions application packet as described previously
2. In addition to the credits achieved at the Masters level, a maximum of 24 credits from another Sport Management doctoral program, in which the student is in good standing, may be allowed to transfer to the Troy University Sport Management Sport doctoral program
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Research Requirements (9 hours)

All students will be required to take HSTM 8810 Seminar in Applied Statistics in Sport Management

study. The purpose of the comprehensive exam is to provide the doctoral candidate the opportunity to demonstrate a degree of mastery related to the salient concepts, theories, and practices pertaining to the discipline of Sport Management. The doctoral student will be provided an opportunity to demonstrate an understanding of research methodologies, including statistical methodology.

Admission to Doctoral Candidacy

Students seeking to enter Doctoral Candidacy must have:

1. Completed all coursework with a GPA of 3.0 or higher;
2. Passed the comprehensive written and oral exams;
3. Received approval and finalized a doctoral dissertation committee;
4. Passed Doctoral Dissertation Proposal

Dissertation Proposal

1. The members of the dissertation advisory committee should be appointed as soon as possible after the student has begun doctoral work, and in general, no later than the end of 18 hours or three terms into the program. The proposal is a document that

dissertation. The dissertation advisory committee is responsible for reviewing the proposal to determine the feasibility of the project. The committee endorses the research plan and indicates the committee supports initiating or continuing the dissertation project. Generally, the proposal should be submitted to, and approved by, the dissertation advisory committee as soon as the student has successfully passed their comprehensive examination but no more than three terms thereafter.

2. The dissertation advisory committee of a candidate for the doctoral degree shall consist of no fewer than three but no more than four members selected from full-time Graduate Faculty status at Troy University. At least two persons (including the chairperson) must be from the School of Hospitality, Sport, and Tourism Management and one member may be selected from a different academic, yet related, discipline. If a third member cannot be located on the Troy University campus, a faculty member from another campus may be invited to serve on the dissertation committee. Such a faculty member must hold a full-time Graduate Faculty status at their home institution and must be approved by the other members of the dissertation advisory committee and be acknowledged by the Dean of the Graduate School at Troy University