KINESIOLOGY PRACTICUM DESCRIPTION

Practicum Position Title: Physiotherapy Assistant

Agency/Company: Sports Medicine Centre (UofC)

Location: Faculty of Kinesiology, University of Calgary

Terms Available: Fall or Winter

Number of Positions: 2

Project Duties/Responsibilities:

The University of Calgary’s Sport Medicine Centre is an integrated and multidisciplinary clinical, education and research facility, specializing in the treatment and rehabilitation of sport related and other musculo-skeletal injuries. They provide comprehensive sport varsity, surgical, physiotherapy, athletic therapy, and other health care services to Olympic, professional and amateur athletes; recreationalists and other patients referred to us through the health care system in Calgary and outlying areas. The scope of the programs embrace many medical and sport science specializations including:

- academic/teachings
- biochemistry
- epidemiology
- orthotics & bracing
- physiotherapy
- anthropometry
- biomechanics
- growth and development
- orthopedic surgery
- sport medicine
- athletic therapy services
- diagnostic imaging (x-ray facility)
- nutrition
- physiology
- massage

Under the direction of the physiotherapist, the practicum student will:

- Work with the supervising physiotherapist in assessment and treatment of musculoskeletal, neuromuscular, respiratory and cardiovascular systems.
- Educate patients in anatomy, biomechanics, therapeutic exercise and various physical agents to increase muscle strength, reduce pain and promote general health and function.
- Assist supervising physiotherapist and patients in therapeutic exercise program and design.
- Learn how to apply human anatomy and physiology and the pathological process and specific treatment programs.
- Gain experience working in a multidisciplinary sports medicine environment with physiotherapists, athletic therapists, massage therapists, orthopaedic surgeons, family medicine residents and sports medicine physicians.
- Assist the physiotherapist with application of modalities and various physical agents, educate patients in human anatomy and physiology, gather information and interpretation of outcome measures, and help with general housekeeping of the physiotherapy treatment area

Required Student Qualifications:

- Completion of KNES 373 (Exercise Physiology) and good recall of human anatomy and physiology

Assets:

- KNES 375 (Tests & Measurements in Kinesiology)

On-Site Supervisor: To Be Determined. Contact Martin Zacharias zacharim@ucalgary.ca
Kinesiology Practicum Application

Placement: Sports Medicine Centre (UofC)

Students must have 60 units completed to qualify for a practicum, including 30 units of KNES
Students may participate in up to three practicums, with no more than two at the same location

INSTRUCTIONS
1. Contact the on-site supervisor to arrange an interview.
2. Bring a copy of this application with the completed student portion to your interview to be completed by the On-Site Supervisor.
3. Submit application and required documentation (if applicable) to knespracticum@ucalgary.ca; our office will email your @ucalgary address within 5 business days with next steps for you and your On-Site Supervisor.

STUDENT PORTION – COMPLETE PRIOR TO INTERVIEW

Practicum Term
☐ Fall_________ (year)  ☐ Winter_________ (year)  ☐ Spring_________ (year)

Student Information
Name:  UCID:
Phone Number:  Email: @ucalgary.ca

Student Practicum Expectations: Why have you chosen this practicum placement? (1-2 sentences)

Code of Conduct
Students are responsible for compliance with the University of Calgary’s Code of Conduct.
☐ Yes  ☐ No  I have read and understood the University of Calgary’s Code of Conduct.
☐ Yes  ☐ No  Do you have a pre-existing relationship(s) with person(s) or group(s) associated with this practicum placement? If yes, please briefly explain the nature of the relationship:

I agree that:
• No salary or payment will be received based upon my participation in a Kinesiology practicum placement
• I will meet the expectations of the practicum placement for which I am applying
• I will be punctual throughout my practicum placement and will adequately notify the On-Site Supervisor about any absence(s).
• I will complete 60-72 hours within the dates of the term.

Start Date (first day of lectures)  End Date (last day of lectures)

☐ I agree with the above-mentioned terms and conditions.
Student’s Signature:  Date:

ON-SITE SUPERVISOR PORTION

Name:  Organization: Sports Medicine Centre, UofC
Phone:  Email:

As the On-Site Supervisor, I agree that:
• No salary or compensation will be given to the practicum student
• I will provide sufficient hours, supervision, and guidance during this practicum placement
• I will complete a mid-point and final evaluation for the practicum student.

☐ I agree with the above-mentioned terms and conditions.
On-Site Supervisor’s Signature:  Date:
CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

Practicum students and the agency must complete the signed confidentiality agreement and submit it (along with the practicum application form) to knespracticum@ucalgary.ca.

THIS AGREEMENT is made as of the_______day of__________, 20____.

BETWEEN:

________________________________________________________

(hereinafter called the “Agency”)

AND:

________________________________________________________

(hereinafter called the “Student”)

Whereas:

It is the Student’s legal and ethical responsibility to protect the privacy, confidentiality and security of all records, proprietary information and other confidential information relating to the Agency, including business, employment and medical information relating to patients, members, employees and health care providers. (“Confidential Information”).

And whereas:

The Agency has adopted policies and procedures regarding Confidential Information including its policies and procedures for complying with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Health Information Act (“Policies and Procedures”).

In witness hereof, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Agency agrees to disclose and the Student agrees to receive Confidential Information in furtherance of participating in his/her practicum with the Agency, as set out in the Practicum Agreement.

2. The Agency agrees to advise, instruct and guide the Student as to the Policies and Procedures.

3. Upon receipt of the information set out in paragraph 2 herein, the Student agrees to use his/her best efforts to comply with the Policies and Procedures and to protect the Confidential Information, or any part thereof, and prevent it from being disclosed to any person contrary to the Policies and Procedures.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed this Agreement effective as of the day and year first written above.

Agency

Signed: ____________________________

Print Name: ____________________________

Title: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________

Student

Signed: ____________________________

Print Name: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________

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