

KNES 441/443/445 – PRACTICUM COURSE

Practicum Position Title: Research Assistant - Sport Policy

of Positions Available: 1 (one)

Industry/Company: Canadian Sport Institute Calgary

Location: Markin McPhail Centre, Canada Olympic Park – a work station will be provided and the on site supervisor will be available for advice and to ensure the project remain on track.

Required Hours: **60-72 hours per term – evenly dispersed throughout term:**

- 5-6 hours per week during winter term (13 weeks); actual working times are flexible and subject to discussion

Specified Schedule: Winter Term (January 8 – April 13, 2018)

Duties/Responsibilities:

The desired outcome for this placement is to collect information; supporting documentation and compelling data that will position sport as a broader “public policy” issue and not just a Tourism and Culture Ministry issue within the Government of Alberta.

The student will:

- Complete the “project template “provided on the first day. The template will outline learning objectives for the term.
- Conduct an information search on the relationship between sport and various Ministries within the Government of Alberta. Search will include Government of Alberta Business Plans, journals, Stats Canada findings, Sport Matters publications etc.
- Bi-monthly updates and feedback will be provided on accomplishments and challenges by both on-site supervisor and student. .
- Collect data on statistics (preferably Alberta based) related to sport and its contribution to the various government Ministries with a view to inform policy implications. All statistics, facts and statements must be properly referenced.
- Place all relevant supporting documentation in a binder and submit to on-site supervisor at the end of the term.
- Become proficient at finding and presenting factual evidence on the role, importance and benefit of sport and how it impacts various Ministries.
 - Organize and prepare a 30-minute powerpoint presentation on this topic to CSI Calgary staff during the final week of term.

Student Qualifications:

- Required: KNES 231 – Introduction to Research in Kinesiology
- Required: STAT 205 or 213 - Introductory Statistics
- Asset: KNES 343 – Canadian Sport History
- Solid investigation skills (beyond Google)
- Understanding of proper referencing format
- Functional understanding of Microsoft Excel and PowerPoint

On-Site Supervisor:

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