

**UF** | Department of Sport Management  
 College of Health and Human Performance  
 UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA

PH.D. IN HHP  
 SPORT MANAGEMENT  
 8 SEMESTER - 4 YEAR PROGRAM DEGREE PLAN, EFFECTIVE FALL 2023

Student Name:					Student Contact information
Committee Chair:					
Committee Members:					
Transfer maximum of 30 credits from master's degree Yes <input type="radio"/> (how many? ___) No <input type="radio"/>					
Concentration (18 Credits minimum)					
	Year 1 or 2 Spring	SPM 5936	Current Topics in SM- Sport Management Theories		3
	Year 1 or 2 Spring	SPM 6036	Research Seminar in Sport Management (Obligatory for all)		3
	Year 2 or 3 Spring	HLP 7939	Professional Development		3
	Year 2 or 3	SPM 7XXX	Industry/Teaching Internship		3
Choose a minimum of TWO (2) of the following readings courses (or other approved courses) to <u>complete the core credits</u> : <i>Note: Not all courses are offered every semester. Course topics are subject to change depending on availability of instructors.</i>					
NOTES					
	Year 1, 2 or 3	SPM 7900	Readings Course 1		3
	Year 1, 2 or 3	SPM 7900	Readings Course 2		3
Research (24 Credits minimum)					
	Year 1 or 2	SPM 6905	Directed Independent Study		3
	Year 1, 2, 3		Research Methods course (Quantitative)		3
	Year 1, 2, 3		Research Methods course (Qualitative)		3
	Year 3	HLP 7979	Advanced Research (qualifying exam)		3
	Year 4	HLP 7980	Dissertation		12

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Statistics (9 Credits minimum)					
			Statistics Course		3
			Statistics Course		3
			Statistics Course (multivariate course)		3
Outside Concentration (9 Credits)					
			(Advisor Approved Elective 1)		3
			(Advisor Approved Elective 2)		3
			(Advisor Approved Elective 3)		3
<b>TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS (minimum)</b>					<b>60</b>

### DETAILS ABOUT QUALIFYING EXAM

Qualifying Exam						
		Four sections (sit down and/or take home) written followed up by oral exam Oral exam is 2 hours.				
		PASS or FAIL Format- Failing written or oral can lead to dismissal from the program				
		Taken by the end of the last semester of coursework (5th or 6th semester if on 8 semester plan)				
	<i>Eligibility:</i>	<i>Students must submit a conceptual or empirical paper to advisor and present in the SPM Research Seminar Series at the conclusion of Year 1 to be eligible</i>				
		<i>Students must submit a conceptual or empirical paper to two SPM faculty members for approval along with submission plan for Academic Journal at the end of Year 2 to be eligible<sup>1</sup></i>				
		Note: Oral exam must be scheduled within two weeks after completion of the written exam				
<i>Take Home and/or Seated Examination areas</i>						
		Day 1	Statistics/Research Methods			
		Day 2	Sport Management Concentration- CORE area competencies			
		Day 3	Specialization/dissertation area of expertise			
		Day 4	Outside Concentration			

<sup>1</sup> Students may change topics between years 1 and 2 as they develop the focus of their research

## DETAILS ABOUT DOCTORAL PROGRAM STAGES AND LOGISTICS

**Supervisory Committee:** Chair, 2 SPM faculty members, and one outside member. Committee is to be selected no later than the conclusion of the fourth semester.

**Oral Exam:** All supervisory committee members must be present at the oral examination. The oral exam is required by the University as part of the qualifying exam and usually takes place within 2 weeks of the written component. It is important that students allow plenty of time to schedule the oral exam and it is recommended that this be done in conjunction with the scheduling of the written exam. The length and content of the exam is determined entirely by the supervisory committee. The purpose of the oral component is 1) to allow the student the chance to clarify any weak components of the written exam or to answer any components of the exam that were not previously addressed; 2) to evaluate the ability of the student to think on his or her feet and carry on an intelligent scientific dialogue with other scientists; and 3) to evaluate whether the student has sufficient breadth of knowledge in sport management and their chosen specialization in the field. For those students who are approved by the advisor to do a research project in lieu of the sit down/take home qualifying exam, there will be a 30-45 minute oral examination on other topics than those used in the research project methodology.

**Admission to Candidacy:** A graduate student does not become a candidate for the doctoral (PhD) degree until granted formal admission to candidacy. Such admission requires approval of the student's supervisory committee, the department chairperson, the college dean, and the Dean of the Graduate School. Approval will be based on (1) the academic record of the student (all grades B- or higher with a minimum 3.0 GPA), (2) the opinion of the supervisory committee concerning overall readiness for candidacy, (3) an approved dissertation topic, and (4) a successful qualifying examination. Application for admission to candidacy should be made as soon as the qualifying examination has been passed and the student's supervisory committee approves a dissertation topic. A student may not register for HLP 7980 (Research and Dissertation) until he or she is admitted to candidacy for a doctoral degree.

**Proposal:** Is required and must be submitted in writing to the supervisory committee chair at least 5 weeks prior to the scheduled defense (presentation) date and 3 weeks prior to the full supervisory committee.

### 4 Year Calendar Plan

Fall – Year 1

Course	Date	Credit	Grade		Course	Date	Credit	Grade

Fall – Year 3

Spring – Year 1

Course	Date	Credit	Grade		Course	Date	Credit	Grade

Spring – Year 3

Summer – Year 1

Course	Date	Credit	Grade		Course	Date	Credit	Grade

Summer – Year 3

Fall – Year 2

Course	Date	Credit	Grade		Course	Date	Credit	Grade

Fall – Year 4

Spring – Year 2

Course	Date	Credit	Grade		Course	Date	Credit	Grade

Spring – Year 4

Summer – Year 2

Course	Date	Credit	Grade		Course	Date	Credit	Grade

Summer – Year 4

Graduate Coordinator  
Signature

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