

SPSC-595 Thesis Research
University of Nicosia, Cyprus

Course Code SPSC-595	Course Title Thesis Research	ECTS Credits 20
Department Life & Health Sciences	Semester Fall or Spring	Prerequisites SPSC-501, SPSC-502
Type of Course Elective	Field Sports Science	Language of Instruction Greek
Level of Course 2 nd Cycle	Year of Study 2 nd	Lecturer(s) Prof Efthymis Kioumourtzoglou
Mode of Delivery Face-to-face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Objectives of the Course:

This is expected to be an independent research study or extensive survey by the MSc candidates on a topic of their own choice. The Thesis Research aims to develop the student's ability to conduct independent research in the area of Exercise Science and Physical Education. It represents a step beyond the tutor directed research and guided study conducted in previous courses.

Subsequent to the approval of a thesis proposal, the candidate chooses a thesis supervisor from the faculty members teaching in the graduate MSc Exercise Science and Physical Education program. The thesis work must meet similar quality standards like those of academic papers published at respectable journals and conferences. The coordination of the thesis allocation to the faculty members teaching in the program is the responsibility of the MSc coordinator who is chairing the program committee of graduate studies.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- Demonstrate a thorough understanding of research methodology and techniques required for critical evaluation of the literature in relation to the specific research topic.
- Critically review and independently present views on research articles in their professional role and in the context of academic discussion of other reports.
- Plan a research project, to conduct research in a professional and ethical manner and to present their own investigations as well as those of others, orally and in writing.
- Present research effectively, to demonstrate in-depth knowledge of a relevant area and to make an original contribution to the field of sport science or other forms of physical activity.

Course Contents:

1. Preliminary knowledge for the subject of Master Thesis.
2. Scientific methods, planning of research-oriented projects and preparation for an independent research work.

3. Information on how to conduct a critical review of another project.
4. Advanced skills to independent research work in the area of sport science.
5. Planning of the master project and its presentation and discussion in a group of researchers.
6. Plan and complete a research and development project in sport science.
7. Principles of popular science presentations and presents his or her own research findings, orally and in writing.

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods

Independent Research/Meetings with Supervisor

Assessment Methods

Submission and presentation of the final thesis in front of a Committee consisting of the faculty supervisor and two other faculty members.

Required Textbooks/Reading:

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
	Depending on Subject			