

Undeclared Transfer Student Info for Kinesiology

Processes for declaring Kinesiology as the major

1) Undeclared transfer students whose GPA rises above 3.05 prior to declaring Kinesiology as the major

Arrange by email to show a copy of your most recent transcript to the Advising Manager for approval. Change of Major Form is at <http://www.sjsu.edu/registrar/forms/> Your application will be approved if GPA is > 3.05. The KIN Advising Manager is Mrs. Janet Clair (jclair@kin.sjsu.edu)

2) All other transfer students

Before applying to change your major to Kinesiology, pass a total of at least **four** of the following **qualifying courses** at SJSU within 60 units of arriving at SJSU, two from Column A and two from Column B.

Column A	Column B
ENGL 1B*	BIOL 65*
KIN 70**	BIOL 66*
GE area C1, C2, D1, D2, D3, or E	CHEM 30 A* (or higher level class)

* class must be passed with a C or better to “count” toward Kinesiology major/for WST

** class must be passed with a C- or better to “count” toward Kinesiology major

Starting at the end of the Fall, 2010 semester and the end of every semester from then on, the number of open spaces in the Kinesiology major will be determined as follows: Transfer students wanting to declare Kinesiology will be ranked based on their overall SJSU GPA (which **must include at least four of the above courses**). Starting at the top of the list, students will be approved for declaring Kinesiology until the number of open slots at the time is filled.

If you are going to compete to declare Kinesiology, the following is a guideline course schedule.

First, take any **outstanding lower-division Core GE**, then:

Recommended academic planning for Undeclared students (can flip semesters; sample schedule only)

Fall	Spring
KIN 70	KIN 165 OR 166 (required for major)
KIN 160 OR KIN 161 OR KIN 164 (required for major)	Any other open Upper Division KIN class (required for major)
KIN 100W (requires WST passed)	KIN 175 (required for major)
SJSU Studies course (requires WST passed)	SJSU Studies course (requires WST passed)

Advice for Transfer Undeclared Students

- Declaring Kinesiology as your major will be **very competitive**
- If you have a final transfer GPA of over 3.00, you will have a **good chance** of qualifying. If you have a final transfer GPA above 2.50-3.00, you will have **some chance** of qualifying
- If you have a **final** transfer GPA of less than 2.50, it is **highly unlikely** you will qualify. We recommend you consider another major
- Don't take too many courses – of any kind – at once. Give yourself the time to do well
- **Have a back-up plan**, particularly if your transfer GPA is below 3.0. Think about a second area outside of Kinesiology that you can pursue then, if you don't get into Kinesiology, you can major in that area. Some good alternatives to a Kinesiology major are shown below (in no particular order). Some of these are also impacted majors so you'll need to check on the entrance criteria: Health Science; Hospitality, Recreation, & Tourism Mgmt; Nutrition, Food Science & Packaging

Application Timeline

Turn in your completed application to SPX 56 on or before January 10 for spring and on or before June 10 for fall. Application must include:

* Completed Change of Major form found at <http://www.sjsu.edu/registrar/forms/>

* A copy of your most recent (unofficial) SJSU transcript with the four qualifying classes highlighted

* A copy of your last transcript (unofficial) from your previous institution

Applications received within each submission period will be ranked. We will contact you within 5 business days of the cut-off date if you have been accepted. Contact will be by email, so be sure you have entered your email address correctly.

According to University Policy, you may only apply to change your major to any one major (e.g. to Kinesiology) twice.