Tulane University rolls out graduate certificate in sports medicine

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The online graduate certificate in Sports Medicine is a partnership between the School of Professional Advancement, the School of Medicine and the Center for Sport. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

The Tulane School of Professional Advancement (SoPA) now offers a graduate certificate in Sports Medicine in partnership with the Tulane School of Medicine and the Center for Sport. The certificate program will begin in summer 2021, and enrollment is open.

“We are very excited to add this stackable certificate to the master’s program. This is a first-of-its-kind program to help non-medical sports professionals understand the breadth of the health and well-being of athletes,” said Dr. Greg Stewart, the W. Kennon McWilliams Professor of Sports Medicine in Orthopaedics and co-founder of the Tulane Center for Sport.

The Sports Medicine Certificate provides students with an introduction to the foundational knowledge and skills essential to the recognition, care, prevention and rehabilitation of athletic injury; the assessment and response to emergency situations involving athletes; and research into sports performance methods.
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The certificate includes 12 credits across a diverse base of knowledge and skills in medicine, conditioning and nutrition necessary to work successfully with current and former athletes. As one of the fastest-growing job markets in the country, students with a Sports Medicine Certificate can pursue jobs including exercise physiologist, athletic trainer, strength and conditioning coach or an athletic administrator.

The Sports Medicine Certificate is offered as a standalone certificate in sports medicine, or it can be “stacked” with other sports-focused, graduate-level certificates toward an online Master of Science in Sports Studies. The program follows a multidisciplinary approach that emphasizes a broad set of skills. This allows students to pursue a variety of roles where sports are the central focus.

Both the Sports Medicine Certificate and the MS in Sports Studies are available completely online allowing students to learn at their own pace, whenever and wherever it’s convenient.