When you come to West Virginia University, you’re following in the footsteps of those who refused to follow anyone. Pioneers who signed on when the stakes were high. Pushed on when failure seemed certain. And went first when the path was uncertain.
The College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences (CPASS) has a new home. Located in the heart of the Evansdale campus, the 65,000 square foot building opened for classes in 2014 and includes:

- Theater style and specialized training classrooms
- Computer lab with 46 stations and multiple study areas
- Sport and Exercise Psychology lab featuring a counseling observation room
- Athletic Training sports injury research lab
- Instructional fitness center
- Multipurpose gym
- Filtered water stations on each floor

Within walking distance of the CPASS building:

- 6 residence halls
- 8 campus eateries
- 2 Personal Rapid Transit (PRT) stations
- Student Recreation Center
- Evansdale Crossing, the new student-centered hub for the Evansdale campus

GOING THE DISTANCE

1,166 students in CPASS
25 average class size
29 states represented
7 countries represented

36 sport management alumni working in the WVU department of intercollegiate athletics
9,250 service learning hours completed by sport and exercise psychology students
4-in-5 students complete internships or field placements

8 states' residents eligible for in-state tuition through the academic common market and Ohio reciprocity
5 coaching and wellness certifications earned by athletic coaching education graduates

100% board of certification passing rate for athletic training students and physical education praxis exam passing rate
FIND YOUR CALLING.

From personal training to sport and exercise psychology to adventure sports leadership — here, you’ll find more than a major (or two). You’ll find your place and your purpose.

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ATHLETIC COACHING EDUCATION

This program prepares you for the dynamic industry of athletics and recreation. Athletic Coaching Education students complete three coaching placements working with different age and ability groups. Before you graduate you will have earned a unique blend of certifications:

- American Red Cross CPR
- Automated External Defibrillator
- First Aid
- National Federation of High School Associations (NFHS) Fundamentals of Coaching
- NFHS Sports First Aid

SAMPLE COURSES

Sport Management Analysis
Training Theories for Coaches
Sport for Exceptional Athletes

YOUR FUTURE CAREER

Private/College/Professional Coach
Recreation Director
Sport Entrepreneur/Business Owner
Strength and Conditioning Coach

ATHLETIC TRAINING

As an Athletic Training student you will have the unique chance to immediately observe and gain clinical experience in sport medicine. The 17 NCAA Division I athletic teams at West Virginia University offer a remarkable range of opportunities for field placement, helping you to better understand the prevention and control of sport injuries.

SAMPLE COURSES

Sport Injury Control and Management
Rehabilitation of Athletic Injuries
Taping, Bracing and Padding

YOUR FUTURE CAREER

Certified Athletic Trainer
Clinical and Industrial Healthcare
Military Healthcare
Physical Therapy

CPASS MINORS

- Athletic Coaching
- Adventure Sports Leadership
- Aquatic Facility Management
- Group Fitness Instructor
- Personal Trainer
- Sport and Exercise Psychology
- Sport Communication
- Strength and Conditioning
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
TEACHER EDUCATION

Our nationally accredited Physical Education Teacher Education (PETE) program will help you gain new perspectives on comprehensive physical activity. Students spend over 400 hours gaining hands-on teaching experience with Pre-K to adult learners. Upon graduation, students earn physical education teaching certification and can apply for additional certifications.

SAMPLE COURSES
Adapted Physical Education
Practicum
Technology in Physical Education
Fitness Education

YOUR FUTURE CAREER
Elementary or Secondary School Physical Education Teacher
Adapted Physical Education Specialist
Physical Activity Director/Specialist Recreation/Camp Director

ACCELERATED BACHELOR’S/MASTER’S DEGREE

The newly developed Accelerated Bachelor’s/Master’s (ABM) program in PETE gives undergraduate students the opportunity to work toward both a B.S. and M.S. degree simultaneously. This accelerated approach makes graduate study more cost-effective. With the addition of two summer sessions, students can earn both degrees within four years. The benefits include tuition savings, improved marketability, enhanced networking opportunities and the potential for a higher starting salary.

SPORT AND EXERCISE PSYCHOLOGY

Students will learn from some of the best and brightest and eventually join the vibrant performance-based psychology industry. As a Sport and Exercise Psychology student you will not only develop skills through service learning, you will have the chance to participate in undergraduate research projects.

SAMPLE COURSES
Performance Enhancement
Physical Activity Promotion
Psychological Aspects of Sport Injury

YOUR FUTURE CAREER
Sport and exercise psychology consultant
Counseling or clinical psychology
Graduate-level education
Teacher or professor

SPORT MANAGEMENT

Our nationally recognized Sport Management program allows you to combine a passion for business with an interest in the sports industry. You will receive hands-on training through industry-related internships – you could work with WVU Intercollegiate Athletics, the local minor league baseball team (the Black Bears) and other professional sports teams and sport-related companies.

SAMPLE COURSES
Sport in the Global Market
Sport Economics
Leadership in Sport Management

YOUR FUTURE CAREER
Intercollegiate Athletics
Professional Sports Organizations
Facility Management
Sport Marketing, Public Relations and Sales
MEET YOUR MENTORS.

Our faculty are scholars and experts in their fields, but they’re also experienced teachers and advisers eager to help students succeed at every level.

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“Faculty are passionate about students getting involved in their professional development and achieving their goals.”

– Dr. Sam Zizzi
Professor, Sport and Exercise Psychology

Dr. Kristen Dieffenbach
Associate Professor, Athletic Coaching Education

Dr. Dieffenbach holds an elite-level USA Cycling license and earned a Level II endurance specialization from USA Track and Field. For 15 years she has coached recreation, elite and professional level road cyclists, mountain bikers, adventure racers, triathletes, cross country and track. This coach-educator was selected to the NSSU Coach Developer Academy as part of the “Sport for Tomorrow” initiative of the Japanese government.

Dr. Emily Jones
Associate Professor, Physical Education Teacher Education

Dr. Jones provides leadership and expertise through school and community-based physical activity programs and initiatives. She coordinates teacher training to integrate instructional technology in physical education. Dr. Jones helped develop statewide and countywide interdisciplinary initiatives that promote physical activity and healthy lifestyles.

Dr. Cindy Lee
Associate Professor, Sport Management

Dr. Lee has experience both in academics and the sport management industry and has worked as a marketer at the Korean branch of Octagon, the second-largest sport marketing company in the world. She was involved with organizing the World Taekwondo Championship and planning and implementing sponsorship rights for national sponsors of the Korea and Japan World Cup.

Vince Stigler
Associate Professor/Director, Athletic Training Program

Professor Stigler has worked with the U.S. Luge team, at the 1996 Olympic and Paralympic Games in Atlanta, Georgia, as the head athletic trainer for the Special Olympics Indiana Summer Games since 1988, and as an athletic trainer for TEAM USA during the Special Olympics World Games in Dublin, Ireland. He also has been an athletic trainer for Team Indiana at the National Special Olympic Games in Lincoln, Nebraska, and has worked with the NFL’s Indianapolis Colts.
Learning doesn’t end in the classroom. Whether you choose a student organization, undergraduate research opportunity or international experience, it’s easy to branch out, meet new people and make connections while learning some of the most important lessons of your life.

### STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
You can enhance your education by joining student organizations dedicated to sport and athletics, including the Coaching and Teaching Studies Club, Sport and Exercise Psychology Undergraduate Club, WVU Athletic Trainers Association, WVU Sport Management Club and additional clubs for CPASS graduate students.

### RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES
CPASS students learn how to conduct high-quality research and then showcase their hard work at Student Research Day, where professors provide not only quality feedback, but awards for the best research projects (won’t that look good on your résumé?).

### STUDY ABROAD
From South Africa to the Czech Republic to Brazil, CPASS students travel around the globe to learn cutting-edge techniques while gaining international experience critical to future careers.

### LIVING-LEARNING COMMUNITY
CPASS students have the option of living together in a WVU residence hall located close to the CPASS Building, Student Recreation Center and recreation fields. You can live with others who share your interest in wellness and sports.
MAKE YOUR MARK.

Your degree only scratches the surface of the opportunities you’ll find on — and off — our campuses for everything from continuing education to life-changing research.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Because of the busy, demanding schedules of graduate students, several CPASS graduate programs are offered online. Online programs provide flexibility for part and full-time students.

- Athletic Coaching Education - Coaching and Sport Education
- Athletic Training
- Sport Management (available online)
- Athletic Coaching Education - Sport Coaching (online only)
- Physical Education Teacher Education (online only)

DOCTORATE PROGRAMS

Doctorates lead to successful careers as professors, researchers, consultants and leaders in sport organizations.

- Coaching and Teaching Studies Ph.D.
- Coaching and Teaching Studies Ed.D.
- Sport and Exercise Psychology

GRANTS RECEIVED BY OUR GRADUATE STUDENTS

- NCAA Graduate Student Research Grant
- Association for Applied Sport Psychology Research Grant
- SHAPE America Research Grant

PUBLICATIONS FEATURING OUR GRADUATE STUDENTS’ WORK

- American Journal of Sport Science
- Journal of Applied Sport Psychology
- Journal of Coaching Education
- Journal of Physical Activity and Health
- International Journal of Sport Science and Coaching
- Qualitative Research in Sport, Exercise, and Health

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

From local schools and community organizations to the WVU Athletics Department, various assistantship opportunities are available to CPASS graduate students. Eligible graduate assistants can earn a tuition waiver, stipend and health insurance. Additionally, students can apply for numerous scholarships.

Online master’s programs are all eligible for in-state tuition rates.

RESEARCH AT CPASS

CPASS faculty members continually participate in leading research in their respective fields. With hundreds of publications in research and scientific journals, CPASS faculty are committed to the intellectual and personal growth of all students and are devoted to mentoring and advising graduate students as they navigate the roads of publications, professional conferences and grants.

“CPASS has certainly set me up for future success, and I could not be more thankful for choosing this University. The faculty have helped to ignite my passion for research, and they are very willing to help. The other graduate students have become a second family for me. I absolutely love it here.”

– Karl Zang
Coaching and Teaching Studies
CHOOSE YOUR PATH.

Once a Mountaineer, always a Mountaineer. Even after you graduate, your CPASS and WVU family will help you network, find opportunities and continue learning long after you’ve started your own career.

CAREER SERVICES CENTER

Get your career started right away. The West Virginia University Career Services Center provides you with the resources you need before you graduate. Assistance includes:

- Personalized career counseling
- Major and career exploration
- Résumé and cover letter assistance
- Professional development and other career preparation events
- Campus career fairs (around 16 annually, attracting 600+ employers)
- Mock interviews
- Graduate school advising
- Internship and job search assistance

OFFICE OF STUDENT SUCCESS

The new Office of Student Success offers professional, one-on-one advising and connects you with the resources you need to succeed in class. Attend success seminars featuring time management skills, study habits and test-taking tips. We’ll help you make your dream GPA a reality and guide you to graduate on time.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The following organizations are among many who have made internship positions available to CPASS students and provided careers for CPASS alumni:

WHAT OUR GRADUATES HAVE TO SAY:

“WVU gave me the opportunity to explore my many interests and piece together how they might fit into one cohesive career that I would truly love. It also provided me with excellent mentors who were able to help me figure out what I might be capable of doing with my life.”

Carrie Rishell
Intern, President’s Council for Fitness Sports and Nutrition Sport and Exercise Psychology, ’14

“My degrees from this institution gave me the opportunity to spread my wings and realize the dreams I had about my professional career.”

Shane Lyons
Director of Athletics and Associate Vice President, West Virginia University Sport Management, ’87

“My CPASS experience at WVU was something I will never forget! CPASS is committed to seeing everyone succeed, and they are constantly improving as a college, keeping them ranked as one of the highest in the country!”

Joshua Hastings
Assistant Athletic Director, Freedom High School, Loudon County, VA Physical Education Teacher Education, ’09

“WVU was a great place for me, and I had great experiences that helped me develop into the person I am today.”

Carrie Rishell
Intern, President’s Council for Fitness Sports and Nutrition Sport and Exercise Psychology, ’14

“As important as the institution and curriculum were, it was the people I encountered who made a profound impact on my life... I learned much about the field of athletic training in the classroom, but it was the care, commitment and camaraderie of the staff and fellow students that made the experience invaluable.”

Kevin Bastin
Head Athletic Trainer, Detroit Lions Athletic Training, ’84
There are opportunities nearby to go camping, rock climbing, kayaking, mountain biking, hiking, skiing, snowboarding and whitewater rafting. Find out why Morgantown is consistently ranked as one of the best college towns in the country.
West Virginia University was founded in 1867 as a public, land-grant institution.

Today, the main campus hosts 28,776 students in 212 degree programs within 14 colleges and schools (including CPASS).

14,021 WEST VIRGINIA RESIDENTS
14,755 OUT-OF-STATE RESIDENTS

13,936 FEMALE
14,840 MALE

Grants and scholarships:
- $48 million

We provide more than $433 million in total financial aid.

Average annual WVU room and board expenses:
- IN-STATE: $7,992
- OUT-OF-STATE: $22,488

Note: costs are subject to change

Last year, WVU provided nearly $48 million in grants and scholarships.

142 COMMUNITY PARTNERS
40 STUDENT SERVICE GROUPS
16 CAREER FAIRS ARE HELD ANNUALLY, ATTRACTING 600+ EMPLOYERS.

190,000 INTERCOLLEGIATE VARSITY SPORTS
467 STUDENT ORGS
2.4 MILLION BOOKS IN THE WVU LIBRARIES
922 STUDENTS STUDIED ABROAD LAST YEAR

Our students come from 110 COUNTRIES and speak 100 languages on campus.

And our 190,000 alumni reside across 135 nations.

CAREER FAIRS ARE HELD ANNUALLY, ATTRACTING 600+ EMPLOYERS.

17 INTERCOLLEGIATE VARSITY SPORTS

FANS SING "COUNTRY ROADS" IN MYLAN PUSKAR STADIUM AFTER A MOUNTAINEER FOOTBALL WIN
JOIN US AT CPASS.

We will help you discover yourself and everything that you can achieve.

CPASS is dedicated to offering academic and professional programs that are designed to broaden perspectives, enrich awareness, deepen understanding, establish disciplined habits of thought and prepare students for meaningful careers.

HOW TO APPLY

Apply online at apply.wvu.edu.

To finalize the application process, send your official high school transcript and ACT or SAT test scores.

Mail all transcripts, test scores and other required documentation to:

WVU Admissions
One Waterfront Place
P.O. Box 6009
Morgantown, WV 26506-6009

WVU Codes:
- SAT: 5904
- ACT: 4540
- FAFSA: 003827

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