

# Unit Outline (Higher Education)

**Institute / School:** Institute of Health and Wellbeing

**Unit Title:** Functional Human Anatomy

**Unit ID:** EXSCI2172

**Credit Points:** 15.00

**Prerequisite(s):** (HEALT1111 and HEALT1112)

**Co-requisite(s):** Nil

**Exclusion(s):** Nil

**ASCED:** 010913

**Description of the Unit:**

This unit enables students to study the structures and kinesiological functions of the musculoskeletal system of the human body. Knowledge of functional anatomy can be applied in a variety of settings/situations and the unit will equip students with the fundamental skills to apply their knowledge in analysing discrete phases in an activity or exercise and identify the major muscular contributors to each joint movement. The unit will also equip them with the skills to administer and interpret flexibility, range of motion, anthropometric measurements and perform postural analysis.

**Grade Scheme:** Graded (HD, D, C, P, MF, F, XF)

**Work Experience:**

No work experience

**Placement Component:**

**Supplementary Assessment:** Yes

Where supplementary assessment is available a student must have failed overall in the Unit but gained a final mark of 45 per cent or above, has completed all major assessment tasks (including all sub-components where a task has multiple parts) as specified in the Unit Description and is not eligible for any other form of supplementary assessment.

**Course Level:**

Level of Unit in Course	AQF Level of Course					
	5	6	7	8	9	10
Introductory	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intermediate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Learning Outcomes:

#### Knowledge:

- K1.** Define and describe the structures and kinesiological functions of the musculoskeletal system of the human body.
- K2.** Describe the biomechanical properties of human tissue and structures.
- K3.** Explain how human tissue and structures respond to loading, disuse, overuse, and ageing.
- K4.** Recognise the principles of posture and balance control.
- K5.** Discuss the role of body proportions in sports performance and talent identification.

#### Skills:

- S1.** Demonstrate accurate identification and location of selected anatomical landmarks.
- S2.** Conduct musculoskeletal movement analysis.
- S3.** Analyse and evaluate posture and balance control.
- S4.** Identify common errors in body alignment and movement mechanics during exercise.
- S5.** Demonstrate the skills required to undertake accurate anthropometric measurements.

#### Application of knowledge and skills:

- A1.** Analyse common exercise movements for main muscles groups, identifying progressions and regressions.
- A2.** Administer and interpret results from flexibility, range of motion and anthropometric measurements, comparing to normative values as required.

#### Unit Content:

Skeletal considerations for Movement Biomechanical characteristics of bone, cartilage, ligaments & tendons  
 Function Composition Macroscopic structure Formation Disease, injury and aging Mechanical properties of bone, cartilage, ligaments & tendons Strength and stiffness Load - compression, tension, shear, bending, torsion  
 Muscular considerations for movement Muscle tissue properties Functions of muscle Force generation in muscle  
 Role of muscle Force-velocity relationships Neurologic considerations for movement General organisation of nervous system Motor-neurons Sensory receptors and reflexes Effect of training and exercise Functional anatomy and anthropometry Common anthropometric measurement Linear anthropometry and indices Somatotyping Body composition and talent identification Functional anatomy of upper extremity Shoulder complex Elbow and radioulnar joints Wrist and fingers Muscular actions Conditioning Injury potential Effects of aging Functional anatomy of lower extremity Pelvic girdle and hip complex Knee joint Ankle and foot Muscular actions Conditioning Injury potential Effects of aging Functional anatomy of the trunk Vertebral column Muscular actions Conditioning Injury potential Effects of aging

#### Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K1, K4, K5, S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, A1, A2	Attendance and participation in laboratory sessions to develop competency in the conduct of specific practical skills.	90% attendance required to satisfy ongoing formative assessment of practical skills	S/U
K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, S1, S2, S3, S4, A1, A2	Self-directed study of weekly class content. Ongoing weekly summative assessment of theoretical and practical concepts explored throughout the unit.	Summative assessment using lab-based or written/online tests during semester.	20-40%
K1, K5, S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, A1, A2	Summative assessment of practical skills to demonstrate competency.	Practical Exam	30-40%
K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, A1, A2	Self-directed study of entire unit content.	Invigilated Theory Exam	30-40%

**Adopted Reference Style:**

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