

NAKHE Nominee Vita Form

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Your name and University: Rick West-University of Tennessee at Martin

Office for which you have been nominated: Secretary-NAKHE

Terminal degree and area of study, e.g., PhD – Exercise Physiology: Ed.D. Kinesiology (Coaching & Teaching Studies)

Current principal university position, e.g., Lecturer, Professor, Department Chair: Department Chair and Associate Professor of Health and Human Performance

Engagement in and service to NAKHE (e.g., conference attendance; committee work; leadership roles; journal reviewing; etc.) Fill in the box below:

NAKHE Member September 2012 – June 2015; February 2021 – Present
 NAKHE National Conference Attendee and Presenter: 2013, 2024, 2025, & 2026
 NAKHE National Conference Attendee: 2014
 Leadership Development Workshop (LDW) Attendee 2024, 2025, & 2026
 Department Head Certification Training (DHCT) July 2024-January 2026
 NAKHE Committee Member, Hellison Grant Awards Committee, July 2024 – Present
 NAKHE National Conference Presentation Reviewer, 2025 & 2026
 NAKHE Committee Member, Membership Committee, 2013–2015
 International Journal of Kinesiology in Higher Education (IJKHE) Article Publication 2026
 IJKHE Manuscript Reviewer 2026
 Hellison Grant Award Recipient 2025
 Joanna Davenport Graduate Student Poster Presentation Award Recipient 2013

Leadership experience outside of NAKHE. Fill in the box below:

University of Tennessee at Martin (UTM), Department Chair, July 2024-Present
 UTM College of Education Health and Behavioral Sciences (CEHBS), Interim Dean January 2026-March 2026
 West Liberty University, Director of Exercise Physiology, August 2012-July 2014
 West Liberty University, Director of Graduate Education, January 2013-July 2016
 Fairmont State University, Physical Education Coordinator, August 2021-June 2024
 Assistant to Associate Head Men's Swimming Coach, West Virginia University, August 2015-June 2024
 American Swimming Coaches Association (ASCA), Mentor Committee Member, 2021-2024
 ASCA Level III training course Physiology, Contributor and Reviewer 2023
 College Swimming Coaches of America, Men's Top 25 Poll Committee Member 2022-2024
 TAAHPERD Member & State Conference Attendee (2024-Present) and Presenter 2025
 WVSHAPE Member, State Conference Attendee, and Presenter 2012-2021
 CAEP Accreditation Reviewer 2021-2024