

NAKHE Newsletter

April 2025



A note from Daniel Burt, NAKHE President

Dear NAKHE Members,

As we move through 2025, we find ourselves at a critical moment in higher education. Across the country, institutions are grappling with declining enrollment, shifting student demographics, retention challenges, and evolving policy landscapes. These realities bring uncertainty, requiring us to rethink how we educate, engage, and lead within our academic communities.

At NAKHE, we recognize these challenges, and more importantly, we reaffirm our commitment to being the place **"Where Scholars Come to Lead."** This is not just a slogan—it is our mission. It is our promise to each of you that no matter the headwinds facing higher education, we will continue to foster innovation, leadership, and professional development for faculty, administrators, and scholars alike.

In the coming months, NAKHE will provide resources, networking opportunities, and forward-thinking discussions to equip you with the tools needed to navigate these complex times. We will focus on leadership in the face of change, strategies for faculty and student engagement, and policy implications that shape the future of our institutions. Through our conferences, mentorship programs, and collaborative initiatives, we will stand together, ensuring that kinesiology and higher education remain strong, adaptable, and prepared for what lies ahead. Please take advantage of these resources and opportunities to grow.

Now, more than ever, our collective knowledge, resilience, and commitment to education matter. Let's face these challenges head-on, embrace innovation, and lead with purpose. We look forward to working alongside each of you as we shape a future that remains steadfast in its pursuit of student and faculty potential.

Thank you for your dedication to our field, to your students, and to the mission of NAKHE. Together, we will continue to lead.

In partnership and purpose,
Daniel J. Burt
President, NAKHE

REGISTER NOW for the 2025 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP



NAKHE
National Association for Kinesiology in Higher Education

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

Bringing kinesiology leaders together to brainstorm solutions to some of the complex problems facing higher education.



July 6-8, 2025

\$70 | Register by May 1

Fairfield Inn & Suites
16 Via De Luna Dr.
Pensacola, FL 32561

REGISTER NOW
www.nakhe.org

Sunday, July 6th
Evening Welcome Reception

Monday, July 7th
Breakfast (provided by hotel)
LDW activities
Lunch
LDW activities
Dinner

Tuesday, July 8th
Breakfast (provided by hotel)
LDW activities end at noon
Lunch
NAKHE Board Meeting 1-2 pm



UPCOMING PROGRAMMING DEADLINES



Engaged Scholar Program

- This program establishes mentoring & networking opportunities in the area of scholarship for tenured associate professors with the intention of supporting their career moves through the promotion process at their own institutions. The ESP will provide financial support for NAKHE members to collaborate in scholarly endeavors with established senior scholars. The intent of the ESP is to encourage those recently tenured/promoted to continue their professional development efforts and move forward to the rank of professor in collaboration with a preferred NAKHE mentor/senior scholar.
- **Application deadline is May 15, 2025**
- Requests for information and applications should be sent to Masoud Moghaddam at mmoghaddam@umes.edu.

Hellison Interdisciplinary Research Grant

The NAKHE **Hellison Interdisciplinary Research Grant Program (IRGP)** is administered through the Board of Directors and is designed to fund collaborative interdisciplinary research with the intent of connecting kinesiology researchers and researchers from disparate areas together in meaningful applied research. Individual grants will be funded up to \$5000 each.

Application deadline is May 15, 2025.

Requests for information and applications should be sent to Paul Rukavina , Hellison Grant Coordinator, at rukavina@adelphi.edu.

[Learn more here](#)

Call for Proposals to host LDW 2026

In advance of the 2026 Leadership Development Workshop, we invite proposals to host the summer 2026 event, which will be held during the week following the July 4th holiday. The tentative dates for that year are Wednesday - Friday, July 8-10, 2026.

Proposals are due by May 15, 2025.

For further information contact:

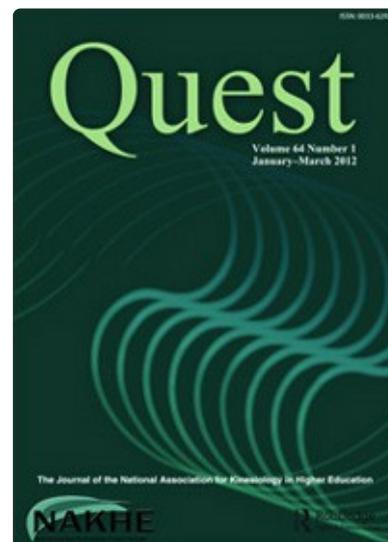
Tim Brusseau
Leadership Institute Chair
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QUEST: Sport & Athletic Coaching Special Issue

We want to invite you to submit articles for a **special issue** of *QUEST* that focuses on sports and athletic coaching. Compared to many other kinesiology disciplines, coaching is relatively new but is growing quickly, incorporating many disciplines within its academic content and practice. Articles may be theoretical, research-based, or applied in nature. Examples may include but are not limited to, best practices for coaches, interventions within coaching, the coaching profession, professional training and development, and coach health and well-being.

This issue will be published in the Spring of 2026 and is limited to eight articles. To have your articles considered, **please submit a proposed abstract to the guest editor, Timothy Baghurst (tbaghurst@fsu.edu), by May 1**. All article submissions will undergo a regular peer-review process.

Thank you,
The NAKHE Leadership Team



2026 NAKHE Conference January 6 - 9, 2026



2026 NAKHE Annual Conference -- Call for Proposals!

After a wonderful, record breaking 2025 NAKHE Conference in Puerto Rico, we are looking forward to our 2026 NAKHE Conference in Nashville Tennessee at the Marriott Vanderbilt. The theme is Harmonizing Voices: Building Cultures of Belonging and Excellence. [The call for proposals is now open!](#) Conference Strands include:

- New Horizons in Kinesiology
- Mental Health and Burnout
- Cohesion and Belonging
- Leadership and Administration
- Other

We look forward to reviewing your submissions!

-Lindsey Nanney, NAKHE Vice President | Conference Program Planner



NAKHE Members' Accomplishments

Please complete the form below and let us know about your or a colleague's accomplishment(s). After screening by the Marketing Committee, we will use the information to promote NAKHE members on our social media.

Example accomplishments are:

- Awards
- Presentations
- New positions

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* Indicates required question



NAKHE Member of the month: Edward Hebert

Affiliation: Professor, Department of Kinesiology and Health Studies, Southeastern Louisiana University, USA

Research/Teaching Focus: Motor Learning

NAKHE Membership: 1-5 years

NAKHE Member Highlight Form 🗳️

The NAKHE Marketing Committee would like to highlight our members in our social media and newsletter! Please fill out the information form by [clicking here](#) to be considered as our next featured member. If you have any questions, please contact Haley Blount (the committee chair) at blounth@nsula.edu.

Thank you so much!

Sincerely,

NAKHE Marketing Committee



OPERA (Opportunities in Physical Education & Related Areas) Jobs

Looking for a career move?

Check out the [NAKHE website](#) for current job openings at higher education institutions. The most recent position postings are listed below.



Tenure Track Position-- Exercise Physiology-- Assistant Professor

The Kinesiology and Public Health Department in the Bailey College of Science and Mathematics at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, is seeking to fill one full-time, academic year, tenure track position in exercise physiology, with appointment beginning September 11, 2025.

Assistant/Associate Professor of Exercise Science

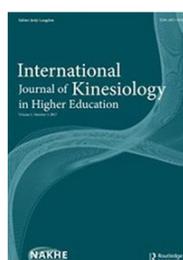
The Department of Exercise Science at Campbell University invites applicants for a tenure-track position at the level of Assistant or Associate Professor. The area of specialization is open, but should preferably align with, or complement existing departmental expertise with qualifications to teach in at least two the following areas: **biomechanics, motor learning, anatomical kinesiology, exercise physiology, strength and conditioning and human performance.**

Do you have an open faculty position?

Posting on OPERA is free to NAKHE members AND institutions employing NAKHE members! Click the [link](#) to learn more.



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Please consider submitting an article to [#NAKHE](#) 's Journals-

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Quest -

<https://www.nakhe.org/submit-to-quest.html>

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Have Exciting News?

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NAKHE Newsletter



The purpose of the NAKHE Newsletter is to send updated information to NAKHE members and friends. Much of the information overlaps with our social media sites. If you have any questions and comments, feel free to reach out to NAKHE at admin@nakhe.org.

