# CHAD E. NELSON

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EDUCATION		
2015-Present	PhD	Doctor of Philosophy, Texas A&M University Recreation, Park and Tourism Services
2015	M.S.	Sport Management, Texas A&M University Department of Health and Kinesiology Cum Laude Honors
2015	C.N.P.M.	Certificate in Non-Profit Management, Texas A&M University The Bush School of Government and Public Service
2013	B.A.	Communication (Emphasis in Professional Writing) Centenary College of Louisiana, Shreveport, LA Magna Cum Laude Honors
2011	A.A.G.S.	General Studies Lon Morris College, Jacksonville, Texas Summa Cum Laude Honors

# ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE Instructional Assistant Professor 15'- Present Texas A&M University College of Education and Human Development Physical Education Activity Program Department of Health and Kinesiology College Station, Texas 13'-15' Graduate Assistant Texas A&M University Physical Education Activity Program Department of Health and Kinesiology College Station, Texas May-August 14' Director of Sports & Events Bissolati Sports Club & Community Center Cremona, Italy

12'-13' Asst. Sports Information Director/Founder of Centenary Sports Radio

Centenary College Athletics Department Shreveport, Louisiana

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

# Texas A&M University 2013-Present

RPTS 300 (Recreation Parks Tourism Sciences) Teaching Assistant

- Camp Leadership and Management
- Career opportunities in youth camp and management settings.

## RPTS 371 Teaching Assistant

- Camp Programming
- Assisting Students with Theoretical Concepts
- Presentation Coordinator

## **Instructor of Record**

Creator of KINE 199/120 Action Ball Physical Education Course: Author of Skyepack Action Ball Curriculum

KINE 120 Science Basic Health and Fitness Ultimate Frisbee (Lecture class covering varies topics):

- Personal Health and Fitness
- Dimensions of Wellness
- Stress and Psychological Health
- Nutrition
- Drugs and Alcohol
- Lifestyle Choices and Hypokinetic Conditions
- Safety Awareness
- Communicable and Non-Communicable Diseases
- Relationships
- Sexually Transmitted Infections
- Alternative and Complementary Medicine

# KINE 199 Activity Courses Taught

- Challenge Course
- Aerobic Running
- Strength Training

- Ultimate Frisbee
- Basketball
- Rock Climbing
- Trail Running

KINE 198/120 Online Instructor of Record (Ecampus Experienced)

- Beginning Aerobic Running
- Action Ball
- Coordinator for Instruction, Quizzes, and Exams

# **Deerfoot Youth Camp 2015-Present**

 Director of Read Deerfoot Youth Camp Magnolia, Texas

## MD Anderson Children's Cancer Center AOK Camp,

Activity Coordinator Magnolia, Texas (2015-Present)

## Loyola College Prep 2013-2015

Track and Field/ Cross Country Coach

- Seven District 3A & 4A Titles
- Four Regional 3A & 4A Titles
- Three State 3A Titles
- Texas A&M Cross Country Athlete

## **ACADEMIC HONORS/ MEMBERSHIPS**

2017 Physical Education Activity Program Emil Mamaliga Outstanding Teacher Award Nominee

2017-2018 Texas Aggie Graduate Grant

2017-2018 Elda K Bradberry Chair in Youth Development Scholarship

2016-2017 Peter Witt & Joyce Nies Youth Scholarship

2016 Texas A&M University Namesake Honor

2015 Texas A&M University Association of Former Students

2015 PEAP Graduate Assistant of the Year Nominee

2013 Centenary College Association of Former Students

2013 Centenary College of Louisiana, Dain Tooke Service and Leadership Award. **Most Outstanding Service Oriented Student.** 

2012 Centenary College of Louisiana, Phi-Theta Kappa Academic Scholarship Recipient

2011 Lon Morris College, Superior Academic Achievement & Most Outstanding Student.

2010 Lon Morris College, NJCAA South Regional Champion Track and Field & Academic All American.

## SERVICE/ ADVISING/COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

# Texas A&M University 2013-Present

- Aggie Coaches and Kinesiology Teachers Advisor (2016-Present)
- Texas A&M Outdoor Club Co-Advisor (2016- Present)
- MD Anderson Children's Cancer Center AOK Camp, Volunteer. Magnolia, Texas (2013-Present)
- Camp for All High Ropes Technician/ Volunteer (2014-Present)
- Senior Games of Texas, Volunteer, College Station, Texas (2014-Present)
- Diversity Audit for Health and Kinesiology Department, Research Assistant. College Station, Texas. (2014)
- Richardson Sport Series Summit Marketing Plan, Marketing Advisor. College Station, Texas. 2014)

#### International 2013-2014

- Organizer and Coordinator/ Volunteerism; Gioventu' Streetball Tournament. Cremona, Italy, June 2014
- Facilities Management & Childcare Coordinator; Ekaterinburg Russia Community Center, June 2013

#### Centenary College of Louisiana & Lon Morris College 2009-2013

- Volunteer, Site Coordinator for Community Rebuild BIG Event, Shreveport, Louisiana 2011-2013.
- Founder Youth Initiative NFHS Track and Field Coach, Loyola Preparatory School, Shreveport
- President, Rotaract Club of Lon Morris & Centenary College.
- Founder/Coordinator, Rotaract Turkey Trot, Youth Obesity Awareness Project, Jacksonville, Texas.

## ORAL PRESENTATIONS

## State/Local

Sullins, Alex., Nelson, Chad (2017) Action Ball!!! A Team Game That Can Be Enjoyed By All. Oral Presentation at TAPHERD'S 94<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Ft. Worth, Texas.

Nelson, Chad (2017) Past, Present, and Future: Reflection and Dedication. Oral Presentation Inaugural Student Leaders of Tomorrow (S.L.O.T) Conference College Station, Texas

# Guest Speaker/Lecturer

Girls and Guys are Equal An Action Ball Solution: Camp Stewart & Camp Heart O' the Hills (2017)

Action Ball for All: 2017 Fishcamp Session F & G Activity Leader. (2017)

I Want To Be Engaged!?: Aggie Aerospace Women in Engineering Leadership (2017)

Netflix has "No Chill." Texas A&M Sport Management Society (2017)

Buffalo Junior High Red Ribbon Week Motivational Speaker (2017)

Spring Branch I.S.D. Deerfoot Youth Camp Opportunities (2017)

Winning at Life: Sophomores Advancing in Leadership (S.A.I.L.) (2016- Present)

Puberty Education Presentation: Milam Elementary Physical Education Classes (2016)

RPTS 371 Understanding and Development of Effective Skills for Youth Development (2016)

Trials. Reflection. Involvement. (T.R.I.) ME: Freshman Leadership Development Retreat Leadership Guest Speaker (2015-Present)

# ORGANIZATIONS/CERTIFICATIONS

Professional Climbing Instructors Association (CWI) - PCIA Texas High School Basketball Officials Association- THSBOA Association for Challenge Course Technology (Level 1) - ACCT National Federation of High School Coaches- NFHS Omicron Delta Kappa Honors Society Phi Theta Kappa Honors Society

## **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

# Public Announcer/ Sports Broadcaster for Sporting Events 2011-Present

- NCAA SCAC Women's Soccer Conference Championship Broadcaster (2017)
- NCAA SCAC Conference Basketball Championship Broadcaster (2016)
- NCAA Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) Cross Country Conference Championship Meet. Shreveport, Louisiana. (2013)
- NCAA Division III Gymnastic National Meet. Shreveport, Louisiana. (2012)
- NCAA Division III Gymnastic Conference Meet Shreveport, Louisiana. (2012)
- NCAA SCAC Basketball Conference Championship Guest Broadcaster. Dallas, Texas. (2012)

## 2013- 2014 Ferrata Training (Sport's Climbing).

- Mountain Scaling Training for ACCT. Dolomites in Alps Mountain Range. Pozza di Fassa, Italy.
- ACCT Training. Mt. Harvard, Mt. Iowa, Mt. Missouri. Rocky Mountains. Buena Vista, Colorado.

# PROJECTS/RESEARCH

Description of Project: Characterizing the exercise values and the enjoyment responses from participants in order to assist health educators and promoters, to either supplement or improve their programs through Action Ball, an activity that may be easier to involve greater numbers than higher skill-based activities. Nelson, C (2017) Action Ball: Examining Motivation through an Emerging Activity to Enhance Fitness. Prepared for Recreation, Park, and Tourism Sciences.

Description of Project: State and local lawmakers have taken action to prevent bullying and protect children. Through laws (in their state education codes and elsewhere) and model policies (that provide guidance to districts and schools), each state addresses bullying differently. Find out how your state refers to bullying in its laws and what they require on part of schools and districts. Nelson, C., Reyes, D., & Kelly Pryor, B. N. (2015). Social media + bullying: Tools for combating cyberbullying. Prepared for the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Description of Project: The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp is dedicated to providing "a different kind of healing" to seriously ill children and their families, free of charge. The Kids For Camp program encourages and supports school-aged kids to practice active compassion and develop healthy lifestyles as they grow in civic engagement and philanthropy. This curriculum will teach and empower youth how to plan and execute a fundraiser activity with the intent of donating the funds to The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp for campers to attend at no cost to their families. The participant(s) will be stepped through a three-stage curriculum addressing before project, during project, and after project milestones. Researcher(s) Involved: Chris Harrist, Jill Martz, Joyce Carter, Chad Nelson, Dominik Reyes, & Alex Sullins

### **REFERENCES**

Ledric Sherman, PhD Assistant Professor, Health and Kinesiology

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