
Exercise Science Academic Programs and Research in Brazil

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ABSTRACT

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KEY WORDS: Rio de Janeiro Federal University, Federal University of São Carlos, academic curriculum in Exercise and Sport Science, exercise physiology research

INTRODUCTION

Since its inception, the *International Journal of Exercise Science* has enjoyed the involvement of several students and professionals from Brazil. As our relationship has developed, we felt that it would be an ideal opportunity for our international readership to learn about Exercise Science programs from leading institutions in Brazil. Professors Roberto Simão from Rio de Janeiro Federal University, and Jonato Prestes from the Federal University of São Carlos have graciously taken the time to share insight regarding their programs. Provided are information on academic components such as entrance requirements, progression through the program, a typical school year, and professional opportunities available to students following completion. In addition,

details regarding funding available to students to participate in research, the collaborative process, and specific research interests are provided.

BACKGROUND OF THE UNIVERSITIES

Prof. Simão: Rio de Janeiro Federal University (UFRJ), created in 1920, has as strategic objective to provide to the Brazilian society means to dominate, to enlarge, to cultivate, to apply and to diffuse the universal patrimony of the human knowledge, qualifying all their members to act as multipliers in transforming actions. For this, it offers 104 graduation courses and 64 courses of Master and PhD degree.

The School of Physical Education and Sports of UFRJ (EEFD/UFRJ) was founded in 1939 and accounts for approximately

