Overview: Graduate sport management students are required to successfully complete a written comprehensive examination during the semester they intend to graduate. The exam is four hours in duration, and covers all of the required coursework in the program. Exam questions are written and evaluated by WSU sport management faculty members. All questions require essay responses and assess the student's ability to apply theoretical sport management concepts in practical situations.

Procedure: Students will take their comprehensive exams in the College of Education technology lab in Corbin Education Center (room number 156A). Students will have the choice of two exam dates in the fall and three exam dates during the spring. All exams will be taken on one of the COE tech lab's desktop computers, unless otherwise confirmed in writing by the Office of Disability Services that a written, paper-based test should be used. Students taking their comprehensive exam need to fill out the attached application and return it to the graduate coordinator, Mark Vermillion (mark.vermillion@wichita.edu) by October 18, 2013 for fall exams and by February 7, 2014 for spring exams. Failure to return the application to the appropriate person by the stipulated deadline will result in the student NOT being allowed to take the exam for that semester. Additionally, when the student turns in their application for the exam, they will be sent—electronically—a study guide for the comprehensive exam. Students are NOT allowed to take the exam on other dates or times.

Students not located in the Wichita-metro area will be required to take their exam through a professional testing service located in their area. It is up to each individual student to coordinate with the testing service and the graduate coordinator. Any costs involved in such an arrangement are the student’s responsibility. A student must specify their plan for having the test proctored in the exam application filed with the WSU sport management department.

Fall: Students planning to graduate in fall 2013 can choose to take their exam on:

- Friday, November 1, 2013 from 8:00-12:00 (noon)
- Friday, November 15, 2013 from 8:00-12:00 (noon)

Spring: Students planning to graduate in spring 2014 can choose to take their exam on:

- Friday, February 28, 2014 from 8:00-12:00 (noon)
- Friday, March 7, 2014 from 8:00-12:00 (noon)
- Friday, April 4, 2014 from 8:00-12:00 (noon)

Summer: Students planning to graduate in summer 2013 need to contact the graduate coordinator for information on exam dates and times.
Student exam responses are reviewed by WSU sport management faculty members based on their areas of expertise. Students must pass EACH section of their exam, and the pass/fail decision is based on the following rubric:

**Pass:** (1) Relevant concepts and considerations identified, (2) appropriate application of concepts, and (3) no or few minor inaccuracies.

**Fail:** (1) Relevant concepts and considerations not identified, (2) inappropriate application of concepts, and/or (3) major or multiple minor inaccuracies.

Students failing one or more sections of the comprehensive exam will be given remediation assignments ranging from follow-up essays to oral examinations to additional written tests. The purpose of the remediation assignments is to provide students with additional opportunities to demonstrate their abilities to identify relevant sport management concepts and apply them appropriately. All remediation assignments must be completed at least one week in advance of the certification deadlines defined by the Graduate School.

Students who fail one or more sections of the comprehensive exam and do NOT complete and pass remediation assignments during the semester in which they have applied for graduation may continue their work during the next semester. However, they will be required to re-apply for graduation in the next semester and enroll in at least one credit hour of coursework, per Graduate School policy.

Faculty will make sure exams are graded as quickly as possible. It is expected that most exams can be completed in five (5) business days. Every reasonable effort will be made to have the exams graded as quickly as possible.

Please return the exam application on the following page to Dr. Mark Vermillion, graduate coordinator, via e-mail to mark.vermillion@wichita.edu, fax to (316) 978-5954, or regular mail to:

Dept. of Sport Management  
Wichita State University  
1845 Fairmount Ave.  
Wichita, KS 67260-0127

Once the exam application has been received and approved, Dr. Vermillion will forward a study guide to assist you in preparing for the exam.
M.Ed.-Sport Management
Final Examination Application

**Student Information**

Name ___________________________________ MyWSU ID #_________________

Address ____________________________________________________________________
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Phone __________________________
E-Mail ____________________________________

**Exam Information**

Exam Date Requested
(See the aforementioned exam dates available for all semesters) _______________________

If you are planning to take your exam at an alternate site, please complete the following section.

Exam Site & Testing Services being used ________________________________
(aka Proctor)
Proctor's Name _______________________________________________________

Proctor's E-Mail _______________________________________________________

Proctor's Phone ____________________________ Proctor's Fax________________

**Signature** (Student) ______________________________________________________