Course Title	**Practical training**				
Course Code	**DLSEH541**				
Course type	Compulsory				
Level	Master				
Year / Semester of study	4th or summer				
Teacher's Name	Click or tap here to enter text.				
ECTS	5	Duration weeks	2	Contact hours	46
Course Purpose	This course is designed to immerse students in practical laboratory settings, where they will perform, observe, and analyze various tests and measurements related to exercise physiology and biomechanics. By the end of the residential visit, students will gain a deeper understanding of how to apply scientific principles to real-world scenarios, thereby enhancing their practical skills in the core areas of sports and exercise medicine.				
Learning Outcomes and Skills	Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to: • Effectively employ laboratory safety measures and protocols. • Perform physiological tests using appropriate methodologies and equipment. • Perform biomechanical tests using appropriate methodologies and equipment. • Apply statistical tools to analyze data collected from physiological and biomechanical assessments. • Critically analyze and interpret data from physiological and biomechanical tests to draw meaningful conclusions. • Collaborate effectively within multidisciplinary teams to create and present cohesive research findings and practical recommendations.				

Course Content	Introduction and Orientation ○ Overview of the week's schedule and objectives ○ Laboratory safety and protocols Exercise Physiology ○ Body composition (bmi, skinfold measurements, bioimpedance analysis) ○ Physiological measurements (blood pressure, heart rate, blood lipids profile, blood glucose, blood cell count, ECG) ○ Aerobic capacity (Vo2 max and aerobic power) ○ Critical speed (maximal lactate steady state) ○ Anaerobic capacity (wingate test vs repeated sprints ability test) ○ Exercise stress testing (Naughton protocol, bruce protocols, cycle ergometer protocols) ○ Functional capapcity in clinical populations (6-Minute Walk Test, Timed Up and Go Test, Sit-to-Stand Test, Short Physical Performance Battery, Berg Balance Scale, Functional Reach Test, Step Test) Biomechanics ○ Kinematic analysis techniques (Kinematic analysis techniques, Joint angle and torque analysis, Motion capture technology) ○ Force and Torque Measurement Techniques (Ground reaction force measurement, Dynamometry, Joint angle and torque analysis) ○ Muscle Activity and Stimulation Techniques (Electromyography, Dynamometry, Electromyography, Transcranial magnetic stimulation and torque output, Peripheral electrical stimulation and torque output) ○ Performance Testing (Vertical Jump test, maximal velocity, acceleration, maximal power) Data Analysis and Interpretation ○ Statistical tools and methods ○ Interpretation of physiological data ○ Interpretation of biomechanical data Interprofessional Collaboration ○ Working in multidisciplinary teams ○ Case studies and problem-based learning
Teaching Methodology	The residential week will employ a variety of teaching methods to enhance learning. Hands-on laboratory sessions will provide practical experience where students perform various tests and measurements. Interactive workshops will facilitate discussions on methodologies, data analysis, and result interpretation. Group activities will involve collaborative projects and problem-based learning to foster teamwork and the practical application of knowledge. Additionally, a flipped classroom approach will be used, where students review theoretical content beforehand and engage in active learning during sessions.

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Assessment	• Practical Performance (40%): Assessment of students' ability to conduct physiological and biomechanical tests, following protocols and safety guidelines. • Reflective Journal (30%): A reflective journal documenting the learning experience, challenges faced, and skills developed during the week. • Data Analysis Report (30%): A written report analyzing and interpreting the data collected during laboratory sessions
Language	Greek/English