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**Graduate Assistantships Available  
Sport and Recreation Studies**

**Department of Health and Nutritional Sciences**

**South Dakota State University**

South Dakota State University is accepting applications until March 31st for Graduate Assistants seeking a MS degree in Sport and Recreation Studies (SRS) to start in August 2014. SRS Graduate Assistants have the opportunity to serve as teaching classes such as RECR 342: Recreational Sports Programs and Administration, RECR 202/L Recreation Resource management, RECR 362: Recreation Across the Lifespan, and RECR 302: Commercial Recreation and Tourism. In addition to gaining teaching experience, SRS Graduate Assistants will have the opportunity to work closely with their supervising faculty to facilitate research projects. Priority is given to students that have research interests that are well matched with ongoing faculty research in the areas of American Indian recreation and wellness, constraints, park and recreation boards, and those who demonstrate the knowledge and ability to teach the courses needed within the department.

The assistantships are 49% positions, which require approximately 20 hours per week and provides a monthly stipend for the 9 academic months. In order to be considered for these positions applicants must be interested in pursuing their Master’s degree in Sport and Recreation Studies within the Department of Health and Nutritional Sciences (HNS) at South Dakota State University. All interested applications should go to <http://www3.sdstate.edu/hns/graduate-programs/app-process.cfm> and complete an application to the graduate school, an application to the Department HNS, and a cover letter with the information requested on the website to be considered for a graduate assistantship.   
  
The Department of HNS also offers a Graduate Certificate Program in Transdisciplinary Obesity Prevention (TOP) in children. The certificate can be earned in addition to a graduate level degree program of your choice. There are Graduate Assistantships available for research on childhood obesity prevention if you are interested in pursuing the certificate program in addition to your graduate level degree. For more information please see the Transdisciplinary Obesity Prevention (TOP) website: <http://www3.sdstate.edu/hns/graduate-programs/top/index.cfm>

Department Graduate Programs Webpage:   
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