

## **SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

The School of Physical Education was founded in 1950. It grew out of the Department of Sports, one of those earliest set up by universities since the founding of the New China. In 1958, some teachers and students of the department were split up from Shandong Normal College to form Shandong Sport College. In March 1995, Shandong Normal University merged the original Department of Sports with the Department of College Physical Education, and officially renamed it the School of Physical Education.

The school has a complete range of research fields and exceptional faculty. It offers four undergraduate programs, including physical education, martial arts and Chinese traditional sports, social sports guidance and management, and dance study (sport direction). There is one master degree program under the first-level discipline of Physical Education and one master's professional degree program. The school currently has 122 faculty and staff, including 17 professors, 38 associate professors, two doctoral tutors, 34 master tutors, six international referees, and 15 national referees. Among them, 27 are with doctoral degrees.

Since its establishment, the school has been taking “focusing on teaching, cultivating sport talents with solid foundation, all-round skills, and international vision” as its guiding principle. Equal stress has been laid on teaching and researching. Based in Shandong and national oriented, it has equipped a large number of high-level physical educator and sport talents to meet the needs of the country, especially Shandong Province.

## **HISTORY**

- 1950 founded in Shandong Normal College (one of the earliest sport departments in national colleges and universities)
- 1958 separated from SDNC, and built into Shandong Sport College
- 1970 moved to Liaocheng with other seven department
- 1984 started postgraduate programs of physical education theory and gymnastics
- 1993 authorized to grant master's degree of physical education and training
- 1995 renamed as the School of Physical Education
- 1996 qualified to admit postgraduate candidate for Master of education
- 1997 authorized to grant master's degree of Traditional Chinese sports
- 2001 authorized to grant master's degree of Humane and Sociological Science of Sports
- 2005 authorized to grant master's degree of Kinesiology
- 2008 authorized to grant master's degree under the first-level discipline of Physical Education
- 2009 authorized to grant master's professional degree of Physical Education
- 2010 physical education was rated as a sample major in Shandong Province
- 2013 set up the first PhD Program in Physical Education Curriculum and Pedagogic Research
- 2019 physical education undergraduate program was rated "A" in a provincial assessment, as well as in a national assessment