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E-RYT 200, RYT 500, YACEP

Research Interests

My primary research interests are in tactical biomechanics, with an emphasis on optimizing strength and conditioning programs for law enforcement, firefighters, and military personnel. My work involves assessing and mitigating musculoskeletal injury risks through a comprehensive approach that includes motion capture, force plates, and Biodex systems. I analyze the data produced to develop statistical insights and visualizations directed at improving physical performance and safety. I am specifically focused on working with SWAT teams to evaluate load carriage and task-specific movements. This involves investigating the biomechanical impacts of tactical gear and operational tasks and developing targeted interventions to enhance operational efficiency and reduce injury rates.

Education

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| 2022-Present | The University of Texas at El Paso
PhD Interdisciplinary Health Sciences
Specialized coursework in Biomechanics <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>Graduate Certificate – Intelligence and National Security Studies</i> |
| 2020-2022 | The University of Texas at El Paso
MS Kinesiology
<i>Awarded the Sandy Tyler Endowed Fellowship for the 2021-2022 year</i> |
| 2016-2019 | American Military University
BA Religion
Specialized coursework in eastern religions and religious cults |
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Honors and Awards

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| April 2025 | CHS Dodson Research Grant Award
Research grant provided by the College of Health Sciences at the University of Texas at El Paso |
| Jan 2024 | BRIAR IARPA
Graduate Research Associate |

Nov 2021 **Winner of the Big Ideas Competition**
Health and Life Sciences track for university level

Oct 2021 **Social Entrepreneurship Pitch Competition**
3rd place winner at The University of Texas at El Paso

Aug 2021 **Sandy Tyler Endowed Fellowship**
Awarded for the 2021-2022

Research Experience

May 2024 **Dynamic Balance Control: Is There a Connection Between Performance in Static and Dynamic Tasks?** The University of Texas at El Paso
Dr. Jeffrey D. Eggleston
Use of slip treadmill
Collect gait data with Vicon motion capture system
Process data through V3D

Jan 2024 – June 2024 **BRIAR IARPA Graduate Research Associate**, The University of Texas at El Paso
Dr. Jeffrey D. Eggleston
Place segmental reflector markers on participants
Collect gait data by using Vicon motion capture system

May 2023 **Effects of Prophylactic Ankle Braces on Knee and Hip Landing Kinematics and Kinetics During Sport-Specific Movements** The University of Texas at El Paso
Dr. Jeffrey D. Eggleston
Place segmental reflector markers on participants
Collect jump force data by using Vicon motion capture system
Process data through V3D

Teaching Experience

Aug 2024-Present **The University of Texas at El Paso Teaching Assistant**, Rehab Sciences

- Teaching assistant for Scientific Inquiry in Rehab Sciences (DRSC 4301), an undergraduate course averaging 55 students per semester. This course is an introduction to research designs and methods used in health sciences. Use of systematic approaches to review, summarize and critiques scientific literature. Management and analysis of data using statistical programs to answer common clinical research questions. Assisted DPT in grading assignments, proctoring exams, and holding office hours

Aug 2022 - May 2023 **The University of Texas at El Paso Adjunct Professor**, Kinesiology

- Instructor of record for Personal Training (KIN 4301), an undergraduate course averaging 40 students per semester. Personal Training Experience in the application of exercise technique and prescription in the development of fitness and strength training programs for a variety of populations.

Developed quizzes, exams, and homework

Revised the syllabus to meet accreditation standards

- Restructuring of course, and adopting new book: *NSCA's Essentials of Personal Training – 3rd Edition*

Aug 2021-
May 2023

The University of Texas at El Paso

Teaching Assistant, Kinesiology

- Teaching assistant (lead lab instructor) for Exercise Prescription & Programming (KIN 4330), an undergraduate course averaging 40 students per semester (20 per lab section). Exercise Prescription & Programming: Prepares students to identify exercise needs and prescribe appropriate exercises and physical activities in a coherent exercise program, customized to individual needs and goals that enhances health-related physical fitness for children and adults. Weekly fieldwork required.
- Developed quizzes and lab assignments
- Revised the syllabus to meet accreditation standards

Aug 2020 -
Dec 2020

The University of Texas at El Paso

Teaching Assistant, Kinesiology

- Teaching assistant (lead lab instructor) for Exercise Physiology (KIN 4312), an undergraduate course averaging 120 students per semester (20 per lab section). Exercise Physiology Study of the physiological adaptations the body makes to exercise stress and the principles of strength development and muscular and cardiorespiratory endurance development.
- Developed quizzes and lab assignments

Publications

2023

Eggleston, J.D., Conroy, K.E., Moreno, A.D., Travis, W.J., **Huskey, B.R.**, Vanderhoof, H.R. The use of preferred footwear versus barefoot condition in gait analysis: A methodological investigation. *Journal of Biomechanics*.

Conference Presentations

- Apr 2024 **Huskey, B.R.**, Macias, A.N., Moreno, A.G., Conroy, K.E., Vanderhoof, H.R., & Eggleston, J.D. *Prophylactic Ankle Braces do not Affect Ankle Kinematics nor Landing Kinetics During Long-to-Counter movement Jumps*. Podium Presentation. South Central American Society of Biomechanics Regional Conference. University of North Texas Health Science Center. Fort Worth, TX.
- Moreno, A.G., Vanderhoof, H.R., Macias, A.N., Conroy, K.E., **Huskey, B.R.**, & Eggleston, J.D. *The Influence of Lower Extremity Angular Velocity on Baseball Hitting Mechanics: A Pilot Study*. Podium Presentation. South Central American Society of Biomechanics Regional Conference. University of North Texas Health Science Center. Fort Worth, TX.
- Macias, A.N., Conroy, K.E., **Huskey, B.R.**, Moreno, A.G., Vanderhoof, H.R., & Eggleston, J.D. *Examining Pitching Mechanics During Change-Up and Fastball: A pilot Study*. Poster Presentation. South Central American Society of Biomechanics Regional Conference. University of North Texas Health Science Center. Fort Worth, TX.
- Apr 2022 **Huskey, B.R.** *My Graduate Experience During Covid*. Podium Presentation. 21st Century Southwest Leadership Conference. University of Texas at El Paso. El Paso, TX.
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Invited Lectures

- Apr 2024 **Effects of Prophylactic Ankle Braces on Lower Body Joints During Sports Specific Jumps**
University of Texas at El Paso
Presented to undergraduate course Research Methods in Kinesiology (KIN 3325)
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Professional Training	Feb 2025	Virtual Performance Summit powered by Bridge Online
	Jun 2024	NSCA Tactical Strength and Conditioning Practitioner's Course Denver, CO
	Aug 2023	NSCA Tactical Annual Training Las Vegas, NV
Professional Affiliations	2024-Present	American Society of Biomechanics (ASB) Student membership, ASB ID: 7332
	2023-Present	National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA) Professional membership, NSCA ID: 2059270
	2017-Present	Yoga alliance E-RYT 200, RYT 500, YACEP; YA ID: 218188
Student Organizations	2021-2024	Black Student Union (BSU) [President, Vice President], The University of Texas at El Paso
	2021-2023	Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) [Vice President, Treasurer], The University of Texas at El Paso