



The American College of Sports Medicine® (ACSM) is pleased to present W. Larry Kenney, Ph.D., FACSM, FAPS, with the 2022 ACSM Honor Award for his profound contributions to the fields of sports medicine and exercise science.

Dr. Kenney earned a B.S. and M.S. in biology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and a Ph.D. in physiology from the Pennsylvania State University. He has held the Marie Underhill Noll Chair in Human Performance at Penn State since 2015 and has been a professor of physiology and kinesiology there since 1994.

Dr. Kenney became an ACSM fellow in 1985 and served on the ACSM Board of Trustees and Leadership Team from 1995 to 1998, concurrently serving on ACSM's administrative council from 1995 to 1996. He served as ACSM vice president from 2000 to 2002, president-elect from 2002 to 2003 and president from 2003 to 2004. He has served on the editorial boards of all of ACSM's journals and is a regular peer reviewer. Notably, he did his postdoctoral training with ACSM pioneer and past president Dr. Elsworth Buskirk.

Arriving at Penn State as a Ph.D. student a year after the Three Mile Island nuclear disaster, he worked on safety protocols to screen and protect workers in impermeable clothing, performing taxing labor in an extremely hot environment. This began Dr. Kenney's career-long research into the physiology of heat stress. He held one of the National Institutes of Aging's longest running continuously funded grants, "Age and Human Skin Blood Flow," which continued for a quarter of a century and continues to be funded by that agency.

Dr. Kenney has published more than 240 journal articles, 15 books, and numerous book chapters over the course of his career; of particular note is *Physiology of Sport and Exercise*, the leading undergraduate text for exercise physiology, which has sold in excess of 160,000 hard copies. With more than 22,000 citations, he has an h index of 71. And over the years, he has mentored 9 postdocs and 26 doctoral students, along with dozens of master's students and undergraduates.

According to nominators Dr. Lacy M. Alexander, FACSM, and Dr. William O. Roberts, FACSM, "Dr. Kenney used the power of the president to launch and develop the ACSM diversity and equity program, which may prove to be his most significant legacy for the College."

They continue, "Of note, Dr. Kenney was an ACSM New Investigator Awardee in 1987, an honor for which he has truly repaid the College."

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