

# PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMA STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING FOR FOOTBALL

**100% ONLINE** 

9 MONTHS

# INFORMATION

# **LEARN TO:**

Understand the different theoretical movements which underly the new training paradigms.

Create action plans based on an understanding of player complexity.

Optimize the choice of different methodologies which can be applied to the training process, focusing on the formative process of players.

Design strategies that favor a collective training process with regard to our game, focusing on player development.

Improve critical analysis by completing a training program on the different professional roles of sports science and health.

Improve sports performance and injury prevention through a deepened understanding of the methodology to use in strength training and muscle power programs.

Apply the appropriate methodology to the design of the post-injury rehabilitation process in situations where strength development plays a significant role.

Have a broad understanding of the emerging methodologies of strength training in order to explore these with the benefit of a solid scientific foundation.

Understand the role of macronutrients for football performance.

Use the appropriate tools to develop effective leadership in the management of groups and individuals.



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DURATION 9 MONTHS
ACADEMIC DEGREE EXECUTIVE EDUCATION
DELIVERED IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH

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# **PROGRAM**

### 1. The Basics Of Our Style Of Play

MODULE 1: The science behind Barça Football

**MODULE 2: The elements involved** 

MODULE 3: The defining concepts of Barça Football

MODULE 4: The game as a process

#### 2. What To Train

**MODULE 1: Optimizing training** 

MODULE 2: Cognitive elements of the player

MODULE 3: Group elements of the team

MODULE 4: The phases of play

#### 3. How To Train It

**MODULE 1: Train-optimize** 

**MODULE 2: The training session** 

MODULE 3: Training specific to Barça Football I MODULE 4: Training specific to Barça Football II

### 4. Neuromuscular basis for strength training

**MODULE 1: Characteristics of the musculoskeletal system.** 

Unit 1: Movement from the central nervous system.

Unit 2: Function of the skeletal muscles.

**MODULE 2: Muscle action and its relationship to sports.** 

Unit 1: Types of muscle action.

Unit 2: Interrelationship of muscle action in movement and posture maintenance.

MODULE 3: Systemic changes in detraining and immobilisation.

Unit 1: Detraining in relation to the skeletal muscle.

Unit 2: Muscle hypertrophy.

MODULE 4: Assessment of muscular properties in relation to sport.

Unit 1: Surface electromyography.

Unit 2: Tensiomyography.

# 5. Strength training methodology: its application in the improvement of sports performance and post-injury rehabilitation for competition

MODULE 1: Contextualization: how can we adapt strength training to team sports?

MODULE 2: Strength workload methodology in situation sports.

MODULE 3: Integrating strength workload into planning and programming of situation

MODULE 4: Strength in the design of sports specific tasks. Examples based on football.

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# 6. Strength and muscle power as a key feature of rehabilitation from sports injuries

MODULE 1: Analysis of injury in sports: injury mechanisms and associated risk factors.

MODULE 2: Sports injuries and their relationship with the quality of strength.

MODULE 3: Strength manifestations and muscle power in the post-injury rehabilitation process.

MODULE 4: New paradigms in strength training: muscle building through vascular occlusion.

### 7. Technology, strength training and muscle power

MODULE 1: Technology, equipment and general strength training.

Unit 1: Equipment for the general orientation workload with respect to the specific nature of sports.

Unit 2: Other equipment related to the general orientation loads.

MODULE 2: Technology, equipment and specific strength training in relation to sports.

Unit 1: Equipment for directed and specific orientation workloads related to the specific abilities of sports.

Unit 2: GPS technology and its relationship to the evaluation and control of strength in training and competition.

MODULE 3: Technology in strength and muscle power evaluation.

Unit 1: Use of lineal and rotating encoders for the evaluation of strength and muscle power.

Unit 2: Integrated systems in muscle assessment.

MODULE 4: Interactive technology and strength training.

Unit 1: Gamification in sports.

Unit 2: Interactive methodologies related to gamification.

#### 8. Macronutrients and fluid for football

MODULE 1: The role of carbohydrate in the players diet

Unit 1: Introduction to carbohydrate

Unit 2: Carbohydrate for football

MODULE 2: The role of protein in a players diet

Unit 1: Introduction to protein

Unit 2: Protein for football

MODULE 3: The role of fat in a players diet

Unit 1: Introduction to fats

Unit 2: Fats for football

**MODULE 4: Fluid** 

Unit 1: An introduction to fluid and electrolytes

Unit 2: Fluid and electrolytes for football

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# 9. Basic coaching skills

**MODULE 1: Leadership** 

MODULE 2: Communicational Tools MODULE 3: Motivational Climates

**MODULE 4: Coaches and their Environment** 

# **EXPERIENCE**

All your learning experience will take place in an online platform where you will find all the resources you need to study:

### **LECTURES**

which address the main topics.

### **ACTIVITIES**

to apply the content addressed in each module.

### **VIDEOS**

that deepen some subjects of the readings.

## **RUBRICS**

that will evaluate you in each module.

### **ONLINE EXPERT**

In every course, you will have the support and virtual follow-up of a subject-matter expert. This online expert will perform interventions throughout the different modules to ensure your learning, as well as the interaction with the rest of your peers.

In addition, he will be available in the forum and by internal messaging so that you can appeal to him as many times as you need.

## **FORUMS**

where you can interact with your colleagues.

## **SELF-ASSESSMENTS**

which will help you measure your learning progress.

# **BENEFITS**

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