

Curriculum Vitae

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Michael Branson is a physical therapist, exercise physiologist and athletic trainer who specializes in orthopedic injury rehabilitation and sports medicine. He was educated at The University of Arizona, and has earned a Master of Science in Kinesiology and Exercise Physiology from California State University, Hayward. Soon after his Master's degree he earned a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree from the Arizona School of Health Sciences. Dr. Branson has been clinically trained by medical institutions across the country, most notably orthopedic rehabilitation and sports medicine at Stanford University's Department of Sports Medicine, and acute rehabilitation at Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions.

He is currently board certified as an Athletic Trainer (ATC) through the National Athletic Trainers Association (NATA), a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) through the National Strength & Conditioning Association (NSCA), a Health Fitness Instructor (HFI) through the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) and as a Certified Golf Fitness Instructor through the Titleist Performance Institute.

He has consulted with local and national news groups and with athletes at every level on the development of orthopedic rehabilitation and conditioning programs.

He is currently the CEO and Director of Rehabilitation for COR Clinic, Inc. in Scottsdale, AZ

In his spare time Michael enjoys biking, skiing and golfing.

Professional Practice

- CEO and Founder: COR Clinic, 2005 – present
- Doctor of Physical Therapy: 2004 - present

Education

- A.T. Still University - Arizona School of Health Sciences: Doctor of Physical Therapy. 2004
- California State University, Hayward: Master of Science Kinesiology and Exercise Physiology. 2001
- University of Arizona: Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences.

Clinical Education

- Asher Clinic: Orthopedic Physical Therapy, 2004.
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Hospital - San Francisco, a University of California San Francisco Training Hospital: Acute Care Physical Therapy, 2004.
- Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions: Acute Care Physical Therapy, 2004.
- Stanford University: Orthopedic Physical Therapy and Athletic Training, 2003.
- Stanford University: Orthopedic Physical Therapy and Athletic Training, 2002.
- Valley Health Care Hospital: Cardio-Pulmonary Rehabilitation, 2000.

Board Certifications

- Titleist Performance Institute Certified Golf Fitness Instructor Level 3 (TPI CGFI - 3), 2007 – present.
- Augmented Soft Tissue Mobilization (ASTYM), Performance Dynamics, 2006 – present.
- Certified Athletic Trainer (ATC), 2003 – present.
- American College of Sports Medicine Health Fitness Instructor (ACSM/HFI). 2001 – present.
- Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS), 2001 – present.

Licenses

- Arizona State Board of Physical Therapy, 2004 – present.
- Arizona State Board of Athletic Training, 2003 – present.

Professional Memberships

- American Physical Therapy Association, 2004 – present.
- American College of Sports Medicine, 1999 – present.

Published Interviews

- KPHO CBS 5 News, January 2010. “Athletes, Experts Question Fake Grass’ Safety.”
- Phoenix Magazine – Top Doctor Issue, April 2008. “COR Clinic – The Doctors Choice, The Highest Standards in Physical Therapy.”
- Phoenix Business Journal, November 2007. “Social Hour – Entrepreneurs, business owners using new media to build, market new ventures.”
- M.D. News, January 2007. “COR Clinic – Functional Rehabilitation within Reach.”

Published Articles

- Sports Illustrated website Golf.com, November 2009. “Taking Your Game to the Next Level.” Web Pages 7 Total with Flash Video.
- M.D. News, December 2007. “Golf Health 101.” P 12 - 14
- M.D. News, August 2007. “Golf Health 101.” P 20 – 21.

Speaking Engagements

- NSCA Arizona State Conference: “The Adolescent Athlete: Overuse and Exercise.” July 2007.

United States Patent

- Serial Number 427244, “Exercise Apparatus for recreational and rehabilitative exercise and method of exercise therefor.” Issued November 4, 2004.

Consulting Work

- Director of Conditioning and Athletic Training, Pinnacle Soccer Club – Scottsdale Arizona. 2008 – 2009
- Director of Sports Performance and Injury Prevention, Marin Water Polo Club – Terra Linda California. 1998 – 2000
- Director of Sports Performance and Injury Prevention, Novato High School Swimming Teams – Novato California. 1999.