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## Training Theory – The How

“You can’t use an old map to explore a new world”






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Big ideas. Real-world thinking.

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## The Background

-  **University of Minnesota – Duluth**
  - < B.S. Physical and Health Education
  - < Coach – John Fulkrod
  - < Sprints/Hurdles/Multi
-  **Augustana University – Sioux Falls, SD**
  - < M.A. Sports Administration
  - < Jim Vahrenkamp/Tracy Hellman
  - < Graduate Assistant Sprints/Hurdles/Jumps
-  **Minnesota State University (2012)**
  - < Associate Head Coach
  - < Sprints/Hurdles/Relays
  - < Recruiting Coordinator

### Mentors/Influences

- **Charles Clinton – USATF**
- **Boo Schexnayder - USTFCCCA**
- **Kebba Tolbert – Harvard**
- Mark Mangiacotti – Harvard
- Tony Veney - USATF
- Gabe Sanders – Boston
- Andreas Behm – Altis
- Dan Pfaff – Retired
- Jim Vahrenkamp – UND
- Ernie Clark – NAU
- Sammy Dabbs – Private sector
- Justin Wickard – Tier1Athlete

“Brain to pick, an ear to listen, and a push in the right direction”

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## History of Professional Development

- **USATF**
  - < **Level 1 Certification** (2011)
  - < **Emerging Elite Sprint/Hurdles Coach Clinic** (2014)
  - < **Level 2 Certification** (2015)
    - ✓ Sprints/Hurdles/Relays (2015)
    - ✓ Jumps/Multi (2016)
  - < **Level 3 Certification - Sprints** (2017)
  - < **USATF Instructor Training –** (2018)
  - < **USATF Mid-American Regional Education Coordinator**
    - ✓ Level 1 Schools Director
  - < **Level 2 Instructor** (2022, 2023)
  - < **Level 3 Advisor** (2023)
- **USTFCCCA**
  - < **Technical Certification** (2011)
    - ✓ Tech Cert Instructor
  - < **Track and Field Program Management Certification** (2013)
  - < **Sprint, Hurdle, and Relay Event Specialist** (2013)
  - < **Combined Events Specialist** (2014)
  - < **Strength and Conditioning Advanced Endorsement** (2015)
  - < **Short Sprints Masters Endorsement** (2017)
  - < **Hurdle Masters Endorsement** (2018)
- **IAAF**
  - < **Level 5 certification** (2017) – Sprints
- **Altis**
  - < **Short Sprints Course** (2020)
  - < **Hurdle Course** (2021)



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## Plan for Today!

- **Distribution of training themes throughout annual plan**
- **Basic periodization models**
  - < Building your plan; Weekly, Monthly, Annual Planning
  - < Testing, meets, championships
- **High School vs. College schedule (accelerated plan)**
  - < How can we incorporate “preseason work” or other sports
- **Specific training plans**
  - < Matching themes
  - < Complimentary
  - < Compatible




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## Myles Hunter Outdoor Plan

Post Indoor National Record – Similar length to HS plan



Myles Hunter Outdoor Plan

Name:

Myles Hunter

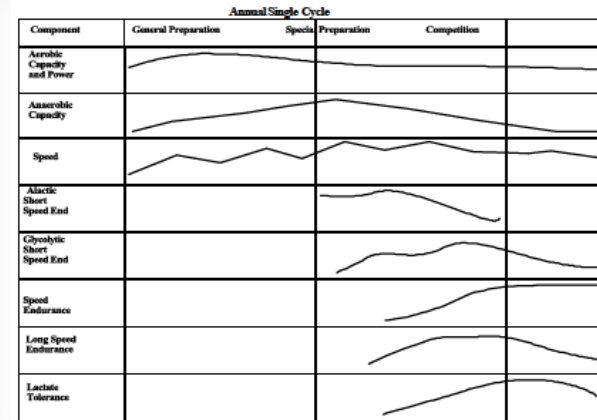
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## Distribution Through Single Peak

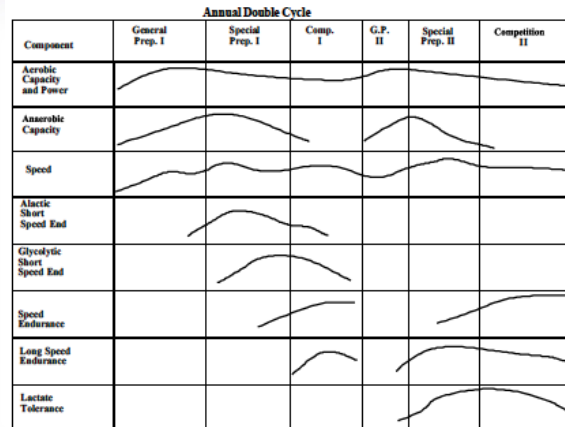


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## Distribution Through Double Peak



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## Mesocycles

- Segments of training based on progressive/blocked themes
- Can be anywhere from 2-6 weeks based on schedule
  - < 6 week are usually two segments of 3
  - < 4 week seems to be most common
- Training intensities generally progress through meso, towards end goal
  - < Where are we progressing to?
- Last week in each block is usually some sort of rest/restorative.
  - < Rest is mixed throughout Micro's
  - < Allow for adaptation
- Can be block or rotational set up (or combination of)

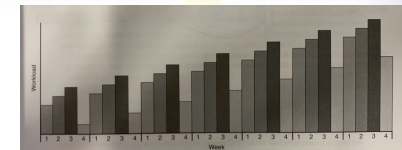
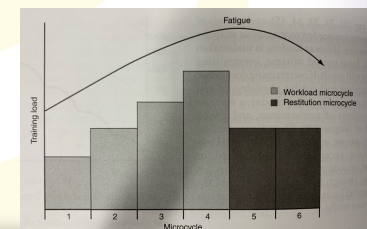


Figure 2.9 Loading paradigm for a summated microcycle model. The diagram of a summated microcycle utilizes a 3-week loading paradigm, with the highest level of fatigue in week 3. There is a pattern of loading, with week 1 representing strength-endurance, week 2 representing maximum strength, week 3 representing speed strength, and week 4 representing restoration training. The training stimulus is reintroduced in a cyclic pattern, allowing for adaptation to be maintained at regular intervals.



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## Styles of Mesocycle Design

### Block

- Mesocycles each with a specific theme
- Concurrent plan within each block

### Rotational

- Mesocycles comprised of themed micro cycles
- Themes reoccur in each mesocycle

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## Progressions of Meso Themes

DON'T overthink this

- General to Specific
- Simple to Complex
- Capacity to Power
- Prog Load to Prog Unload
- Work Capacity to Race Model

Acceleration > Speed Development > Speed Endurance

Continuous Tempo\* > Extensive Tempo > Intensive Tempo > Special Endurance

In Place jumps > Baby Bounds > Speed Bounds

Gen Strength > Power Dev > Absolute Strength > Reactive Strength

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## Micros Cycles (7-10 day)



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## Microcycles – The Art Starts

- Holistic Concerns
  - < Compatible Training (session concern)
    - ✓ Enhancement when combined
  - < Complimentary Training
    - ✓ Selecting order/themes to enhance overall effect
- How are daily sessions within these grouped?
  - < Neuromuscular demand
  - < Metabolic/Energy demand
  - < Power Output
  - < Technical Commonality
  - < Rhythmic Demand

**ORDER**

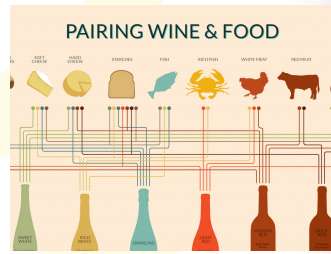
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## Grouping by Neuromuscular Demand

- **Group modalities by intensity**
  - < High pairs w/ high
  - < Low pairs w/ low
  - < Proper recoveries
- **Examples**
  - < Speed Dev/multi-jumps
  - < Speed Dev/Olympic lifts
  - < Speed Dev/multi-throws
  - < General strength/med ball circuit
  - < Tempo running/circuit lifting



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## Grouping by Metabolic/Energy Demand

- **Alactic w/alactic (high neural demand)**
  - < Appropriate rest to continue alactic theme
- **High glycolytic w/ high glycolytic**
  - < High intensity circuits early season
  - < Straight leg bounds/w tempo runs
- **Mild glycolytic w/ mild glycolytic**



*Circuit Training*

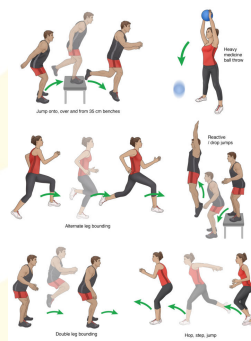
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## Grouping by Power Output

- **Short vs. long power output timeframes**
  - < Glycolytic circuit vs. Power circuit
  - ✓ Rest times, intent
- **Lifting**
  - < Do we pair with a multi-jump?
  - < Circuit style vs. power lifting
- **What's the goal? Pair from there**



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## Grouping by Technical Commonality

- **Further engrain technical "teaching" moment**
  - < Accel dev/sled pulls
  - < Accel dev/lateral hops/jumps
  - < Speed dev/vertical jumps
  - < Block dev/single plyo's
  - < Accel dev/double support multi-throws
  - < Complex's (Gabe Sanders)
  - < Etc.



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## Rhythmic Demand

- Can assist with skill acquisition
- Assists athletes with connecting the dots of new skill
  - < Heavier sleds/acceleration dev
  - < Wickets/max velocity
  - < 1-3 step hurdle drills/hurdle sessions
  - < Bounding/accel dev
- How do we include rhythm?
  - < How do we cue it?
  - < Similar cues?
- How to we teach it?
  - < Easier to connect the dots in jumps (bounds)?

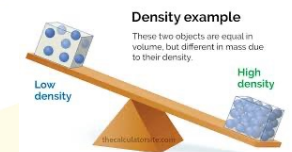
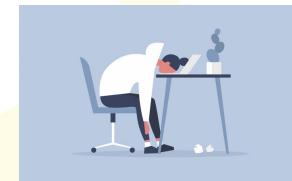


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## Density/Complexity/Psychological

- **Density**
  - < How often a skill or theme is being addressed
- **Complexity**
  - < Degree of Demand/Intensity - coordination
- **Psychological**
  - < Think of the athlete when addressing these two topics

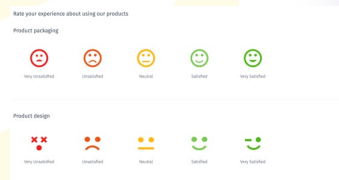


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## Quantifying and Indexing

- **Planning and recording training volumes**
  - < Sets/ reps
  - < # of meters ran
  - < Weight lifted
  - < Foot contacts
  - < Time spend working
- **Intensities**
  - < Objectively:
    - ✓ % of lifting PR
    - ✓ % of PR performance
  - < Subjectively:
    - ✓ Assigning intensities on likert scale/1-10/verbiage/color code
    - ✓ Understanding progressive intensities of activity (ex: jumps)



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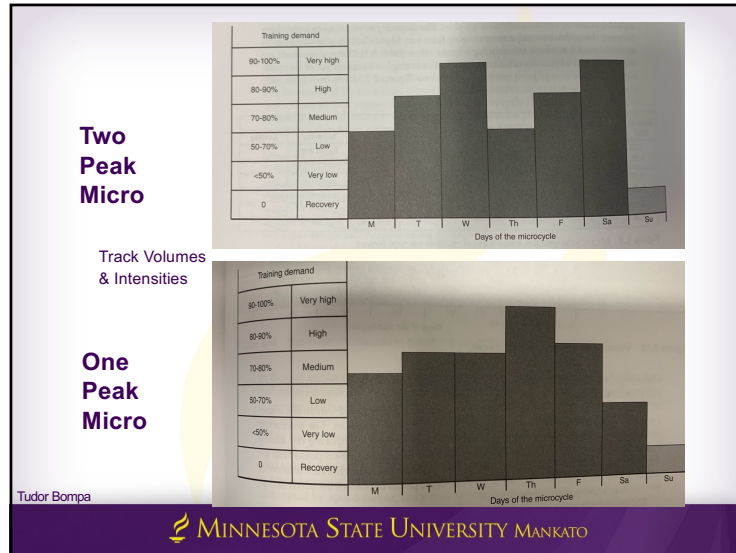
## Contrast and Rest In Setting Up Micro's (week)

- **Adaptations happen when stressed in specific fashion, with subsequent rest**
  - < Repeated stress without proper rest will send athletes into regression within that specific theme
- **Neuromuscular rest**
  - < 48-72 hours recovery after session (based on intensity/volume)
  - < 1 day of recovery after one session
  - < 2 days of recovery after two consecutive sessions
    - ✓ Deeper/shallower in the pool
- **Metabolic/Tempo rest**
  - < 24 hours is usually suffice depending on overall volume
  - < Easier to double up metabolic days (extensive/intensive)
- **Generally alternate days depending on goal of the micro cycle.**
- **Example 1**
  - < Monday: Neural
  - < Tuesday: Tempo
  - < Wednesday: Rest
  - < Thursday: Neural
  - < Friday: Tempo
- **Example 2**
  - < Monday: Neural
  - < Tuesday: Rest
  - < Wednesday: Neural
  - < Thursday: Tempo
  - < Friday: Neural

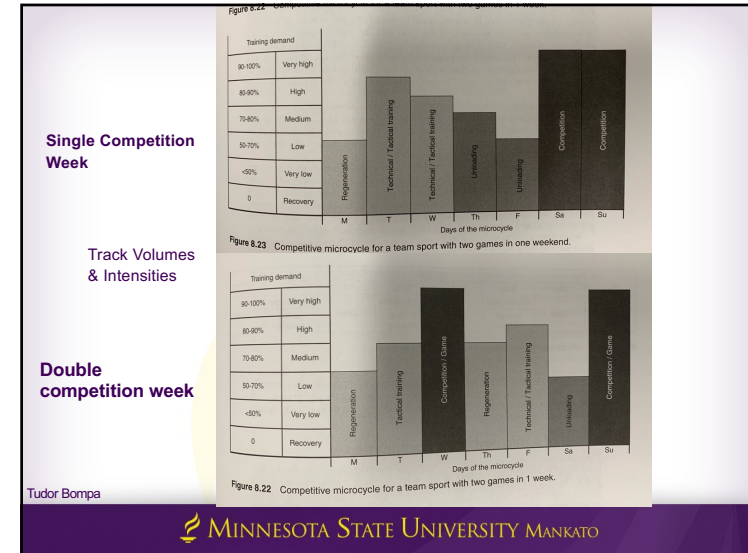
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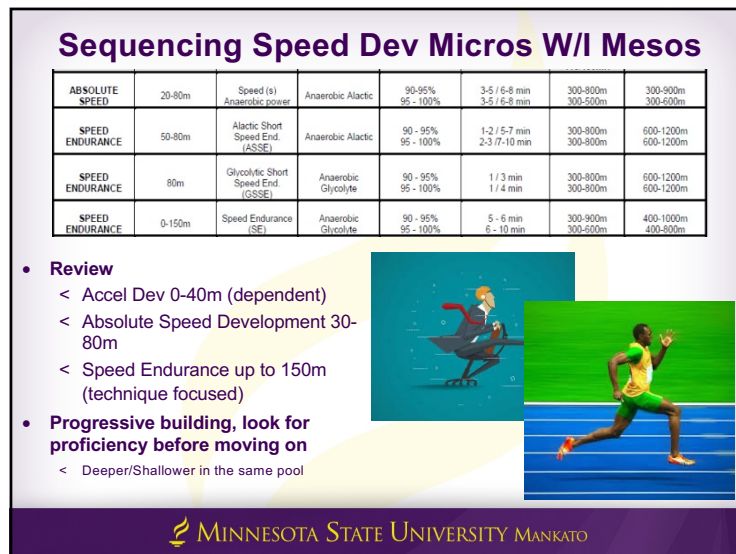
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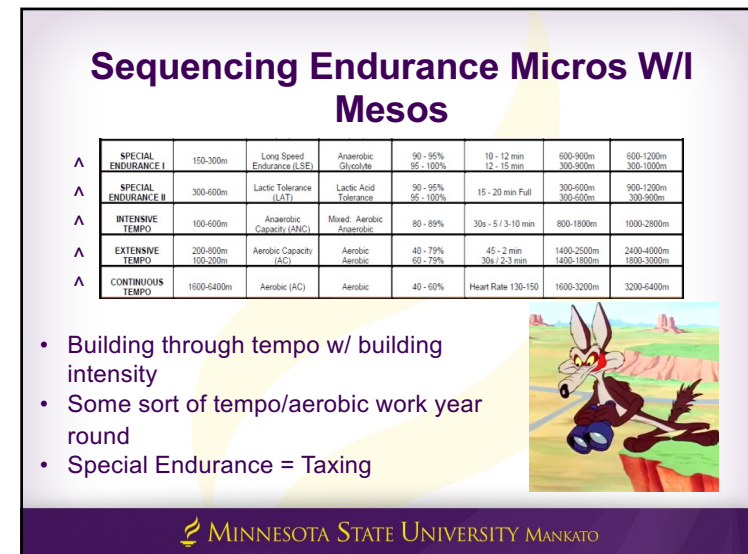
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### Neuromuscular – Example Specific Pre-Comp Session

Thursday January 16, 2020  
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM Pre-Meet at Myers Field House

Maverick 2 (Max Velocity)	
1 x 2 x	30 x Side Shuffle w/Arms
1 x 2 x	30 x Easy skip with arm cross
1 x 2 x	30 x Backward skip 20m w/run-out
1 x 2 x	30 x Up / Out / B-skip (Advanced Schuster's)
1 x 2 x	20 x Marching A
1 x 2 x	20 x A Skip
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch w/ balanced pause
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch w/3 bounce (switch, 3 bounce, switch)
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch - 3's (switch, switch, switch, pause)
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch - 2's in to dribble knee (switch, bounce, switch, bounce)
1 x 2 x	20 x Marching B
1 x 2 x	20 x B Skip
1 x 2 x	10 x High Knee's (high turn over)
1 x 2 x	30 x Quick Fire (Every two step)
1 x 2 x	40 x Skip For Height
1 x 2 x	40 x SPEED BOUNDS
1 x 2 x	40 x POGO jumps
1 x 2 x	0 x LEG SWINGS (forback - lateral) (10 swings each direction)
1 x 2 x	60 x Build-ups

Short Hurdles	
1 x 2 x	10 x Starts through 1
1 x 2 x	20 x Starts through 2
1 x 2 x	30 x Starts through 3
1 x 1 x	120 x AFAP
1 x 1 x	80 x AFAP

Short Sprinters	
1 x 1 x	300 x Broken 300 (200m: m:23-25 w:25.5-28)
1 x 1 x	Walk across track right away, sprint 100m tech!! (12 minute)
1 x 1 x	120 x AFAP w/ 6-8 minutes
1 x 1 x	80 x AFAP

Hybrid Group	
1 x 1 x	350 x Broken 350 (250: m: 29-30 w: 32-35)
1 x 1 x	Walk across track right away, sprint 100m tech!! (12 minute)
1 x 2 x	120 x AFAP w/ 6-8 minutes

Long Sprinters	
1 x 1 x	400 x Broken 400m (300m: m:36-39 w:38-42)
1 x 2 x	Walk across track right away, sprint 100m tech!! (15 minute)
1 x 2 x	200 x m:23-25 w:25.5-28 w:2 minutes

ADD 2-3 seconds to second 200m time

Max Velocity Warm-up

Varied workouts depending on group  
Special End I/II

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### Neuromuscular – Example Specific Comp Session

Thursday February 13, 2020  
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM Practice at Myers Field House  
(1:00 - hurdles  
2:30pm - shorts  
3:30pm - long)

Maverick 3 (Acceleration)	
1 x 2 x	30 x Side Shuffle w/Arms
1 x 2 x	30 x Easy Cartoia (big twists)
1 x 1 x	30 x Lunge with toe drag through
1 x 2 x	20 x Marching 1 (Low A)
1 x 2 x	20 x Marching 2 (Low B)
1 x 2 x	20 x A Skip (Low)
1 x 2 x	20 x B Skip (Low)
1 x 1 x	60 x Static Toe Stretch w/ Push Out (hold 4 sec)
1 x 1 x	60 x 4 bounce w/ Push Out
1 x 1 x	60 x 4 bounce Inside Out Toe Bounces w/ Push Out
1 x 2 x	50 x Straight Leg Bound (20m transition)
1 x 2 x	30 x Quick Fire (Every two step)
1 x 2 x	40 x Skip for distance
1 x 2 x	LEG SWINGS (forback - lateral) (10 swings each direction)
1 x 2 x	60 x Build-ups

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Short Hurdles	
1 x 2 x	10 x RACE HEIGHT starts over 1
1 x 2 x	20 x RACE HEIGHT starts over 2
1 x 2 x	30 x RACE HEIGHT starts over 3
1 x 1 x	120 x AFAP off turn

ALL SPRINTERS

1 x 3 x	30 x Starts on clap chase drill
1 x 2 x	90 x IN/OUT off turn (40-20-30)

Recovery: 3-4 mins and 12 mins

WOMEN and MEN A-team relays squads will do handoffs.

Multi-Throw #1

1 x 1 x	Underhand Forward
1 x 1 x	Overhand Backwards
1 x 1 x	Hammer Throw Right
1 x 1 x	Hammer Throw Left

Accel W/U

Technical Focus  
Neuro Day

Multi-Throws

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### Tempo/Aerobic - Example Practice Session



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### Tempo/Aerobic – Example General Prep Practice Session

Wednesday, September 17, 2019  
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM Practice (outdoors) at Myers Field House  
(Men: 1:00pm Practice (2:30pm lift)  
Women: 2:30pm Practice (4:15pm lift))

Mobility Jog #1	
1 x 1 x	50 x Side Shuffle Left w/arms
1 x 1 x	50 x Running Weave
1 x 1 x	50 x Backwards
1 x 1 x	50 x Side Shuffle Right w/arms
1 x 1 x	50 x Arm Circles
1 x 1 x	50 x Arms Across
1 x 1 x	50 x Skip Lunges

Mobility Run, Tech W/U

Dribble Series #1	
1 x 2 x	40 x Marching A's / A Skips
1 x 2 x	40 x Marching B's / B Skips
1 x 2 x	40 x C Skip Pick-ups
1 x 2 x	40 x Dribble Ankle w/ Arms
1 x 2 x	40 x Dribble Ankle w/Arms
1 x 2 x	40 x Dribble Calf w/ Arms
1 x 2 x	40 x Dribble Calf w/Arms
1 x 2 x	40 x Dribble Knee w/ Arms
1 x 2 x	40 x Dribble Knee w/Arms

Week 2 (tempo)

Back and forth on cone 150m curve

Short Sprinters (half circle tempo)

3 x 3 x	150 x M: 22.5-25 W: 25-28
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Recovery: 1:30/3

Hybrid Group (half circle tempo)

3 x 4 x	150 x M: 22.5-25 W: 25-28
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Recovery: 1:30/3

Long Sprinters (half circle tempo)

3 x 5 x	150 x M: 22.5-25 W: 25-28
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Recovery: 1:30/3

Long/Long Sprinters (half circle tempo)

3 x 6 x	150 x M: 22.5-25 W: 25-28
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Recovery: 1:30/3

Hurdle Mobility #1

1 x 2 x	Right Leg lead/Left Leg
1 x 2 x	RL Alternate
1 x 2 x	Over/Under Alternate Sides
1 x 2 x	2 forward 1 back

Extensive Tempo

Hurdle Mobility

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### Tempo/Aerobic – Example Specific Prep Practice Session

Friday November 8, 2019  
6:30 AM - 6:00 PM PRACTICE (6:30AM AND 8:00AM IN THE FIELDHOUSE!)

15 DAYS UNTIL THE INTRASQUAD!!!

**Liberty #1 (General)**

1 x 2 x	40 x Side Steps w/ Arms - Standing Squats
1 x 1 x	60 x Tech Run @60%
1 x 2 x	40 x Lunge w/ Twist - Leg Whips
1 x 1 x	60 x Tech Run @60%
1 x 2 x	40 x High Knee Carioca - Fire Hydrants
1 x 1 x	60 x Tech Run @70%
1 x 2 x	40 x Skip and Scoop - Side Lunges (R)
1 x 1 x	60 x Tech Run @75%
1 x 2 x	40 x In's and Out's - Side Lunges (L)
1 x 1 x	60 x Tech Run @80%
1 x 2 x	40 x Skip For Height - Scorpion's
1 x 1 x	60 x Tech Run @85%
1 x 2 x	40 x Skip For Distance
1 x 10 x	Wall Leg Series (all directions)

**Week 9 (85% Intensive)**

**Week 9 Tempo (Intensive Tempo 85%)**

**Short Sprinters/Hurdles**

1 x 3 x	200 x M: 26-28 W: 28-31 w/3 minutes
1 x 3 x	150 x M: 19-21 W: 22-23 w/2-30 minutes
1 x 2 x	100 x M: 13-14 W: 14-15 w/2 minutes
1 x 1 x	400 x 400m the hard way/ Groups of 6-8, comes out at 50m

**Hybrid Group**

1 x 3 x	300 x M: 42-45 W: 48-51 w/4 minutes
1 x 2 x	200 x M: 26-28 W: 28-31 w/3 minutes
1 x 2 x	150 x M: 19-21 W: 22-23 w/2-30 minutes
1 x 1 x	400 x 400m the hard way/ Groups of 6-8, comes out at 50m

**Long Sprinters**

2 x 3 x	300 x M: 42-45 W: 48-51 w/4 minutes
1 x 2 x	400 x 400m the hard way/ Groups of 6-8, comes out at 50m

**5 minutes between sets**

**5 minutes between the 400m the**

**Hurdle Mobility #1**

1 x 2 x	Right Leg lead/Left Leg
1 x 2 x	RL Alternate
1 x 2 x	Over/Under Alternate Sides
1 x 2 x	2 forward 1 back

2:30 PM - 6:00 PM Weights at Taylor Center Weightroom (AFTER practice)

General W/U

Intensive Tempo

Hurdle Mobility

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### Tempo/Aerobic – Example General Pre-Comp Session

Tuesday January 14, 2020  
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM Practice at Myers Field House (HURDLES at 1:00 SHORT SPRINTERS 2:30 LONG SPRINTERS 3:30)

**Maverick 2 (Max Velocity)**

1 x 2 x	30 x Side Shuffle w/Arms
1 x 2 x	30 x Easy skip with arm cross
1 x 2 x	30 x Backward skip 20m w/run-out
1 x 2 x	30 x Up / Out / B-skip (Advanced Schuster's)
1 x 2 x	20 x Marching A
1 x 2 x	20 x A Skip
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch w/ balanced pause
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch w/3 bounce (switch, 3 bounce, switch)
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch - 2's (switch, switch, switch, pause)
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch - 2's in to dribble knee (switch, bounce, switch, bounce)
1 x 2 x	20 x Marching B
1 x 2 x	20 x B Skip
1 x 2 x	10 x High Knee's (high turn over)
1 x 2 x	30 x Quick Fire (Every two step)
1 x 2 x	40 x Skip For Height
1 x 2 x	LEG SWINGS (forback - lateral) (10 swings each direction)
1 x 2 x	60 x Build-ups

**Week 19 Tuesday**

**Short Sprinters**

1 x 3 x	150 x M: 23-21-19 (1:30 recovery)
W: 24-22-20 (1:30 recovery)	

**Long Sprinters**

1 x 3 x	200 x M: 32-30-27 (2:00 recovery)
W: 34-31-28 (2:00 recovery)	
1 x 3 x	150 x M: 23-21-19 (1:30 recovery)
W: 24-22-20 (1:30 recovery)	

**Recovery 10-12 between the sets**

**Shin Circuit #1**

1 x 1 x	20 x Toe Walks
1 x 1 x	20 x Backwards Toe Walks
1 x 1 x	20 x Inverted Duck Walks
1 x 1 x	20 x Everted Pigeon Walks
1 x 1 x	20 x Heel Walks

**VERSA 1**

2 x 10 x	20 x VERSA BAND Side Lunge - Both Ways
2 x 10 x	0 x Stationary VERSA BAND forward toe taps
2 x 10 x	0 x Stationary VERSA BAND backwards toe taps

Upper Level Intensive W/U w/u at intensity

Intensive Tempo

General Shin Circuit

General Hip/Glute Circuit

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### Tempo/Aerobic – Example General Comp Session

Tuesday February 11, 2020  
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM TUESDAY PRACTICE at MYERS FIELD HOUSE (1:00pm - Short Hurdles 2:30pm - Short Sprinters 3:30pm - Long Sprinters)

**Maverick 2 (Max Velocity)**

1 x 2 x	30 x Side Shuffle w/Arms
1 x 2 x	30 x Easy skip with arm cross
1 x 2 x	30 x Backward skip 20m w/run-out
1 x 2 x	30 x Up / Out / B-skip (Advanced Schuster's)
1 x 2 x	20 x Marching A
1 x 2 x	20 x A Skip
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch w/ balanced pause
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch w/3 bounce (switch, 3 bounce, switch)
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch - 2's (switch, switch, switch, pause)
1 x 2 x	20 x A switch - 2's in to dribble knee (switch, bounce, switch, bounce)
1 x 2 x	20 x Marching B
1 x 2 x	20 x B Skip
1 x 2 x	10 x High Knee's (high turn over)
1 x 2 x	30 x Quick Fire (Every two step)
1 x 2 x	40 x Skip For Height
1 x 2 x	0 x LEG SWINGS (forback - lateral) (10 swings each direction)
1 x 2 x	60 x Build-ups

**NSIC Showdown (TUESDAY)**

**Short Hurdles**

1 x 2 x	10 x Starts over 1 (individual)
1 x 2 x	30 x Starts over 3 w/competition
1 x 2 x	50 x Starts over 5 w/competition
1 x 2 x	200 x M: 23-25 W: 26-28 (walk 100/sprint 100)

**Short Sprinters**

1 x 1 x	250 x 100% M: 28-30 W: 31-34
1 x 1 x	100 x Slow walk 100m/TECHNIQUE SPRINT 100m!!! (20mins)
1 x 1 x	150 x AFAP (adjusting to the curve)
1 x 1 x	80 x Slow walk 100m/TECHNIQUE SPRINT 100m!!!

**Long Sprinters**

1 x 1 x	400 x M: 53-55 W: 60-63
1 x 1 x	100 x Slow walk 100m/TECHNIQUE SPRINT 100m!!! (20mins)
1 x 1 x	250 x 100% M: 28-30 W: 31-34
1 x 1 x	100 x Slow walk 100m/TECHNIQUE SPRINT 100m!!!

**COOL DOWN (2 laps of walk/jog)**

**TOE DRILLS**


Max V W/U

High Level Race Modeling

Cool-Down/Toe Circuit

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### Recovery – Example Practice Session



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# Thank You!!



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