

MASTER OF SCIENCE ATHLETIC TRAINING



Program Description

This professional athletic training program at the master's level is designed to prepare students to become athletic training professionals and prepares students for the Board of Certification Examination (BOC). The curriculum is based upon both cognitive and psychomotor learning experiences. In order to become eligible to sit for the BOC examination, students within this major must complete all of the coursework within the professional areas, as well as successfully complete competencies, proficiencies and a minimum clinical experience each semester over the two-year (including summers), program. The program begins in early June with online courses. The Athletic Training Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education through 2020-2021.



Admission Criteria and Application Procedure

1. Undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0 (a GPA below a 3.0 may be considered)
2. Standardized graduate admission test (GRE or equivalent)
3. Three letters of recommendation from academic and professional sources concerning the candidate's potential to succeed in graduate school. At least one letter must be from a certified athletic trainer.
4. It is recommended but not required to obtain a minimum of 25-50 contact hours with a certified athletic trainer.
5. Official transcripts from each institution attended.
6. An essay stating why you want to be an athletic trainer, your career goals, and the attributes you possess that will make you successful in life and in athletic training.
7. Completed application form and submission of application fee
8. Admission into the Athletic Training Program is a competitive process. MSUB's ATP will accept applications after the official application deadline; however that student will be at a disadvantage. A student may be considered for the program after the application deadline if a position exists. The ATP's maximum number of students is 10 per cohort.
9. Please see ATP website or graduate catalog for prerequisite courses. Students who do not have a prerequisite course(s) may be admitted provisionally but must take the course(s) within one year of admission.
10. Application deadline is February 1st.

Total minimum credits required for degree: **43-46**

Online: **Mostly** Evening Classes: **Yes**

Program length (approximate): **Courses are offered during summer, fall, and spring. If you take a full load of 9 credits per semester, you can finish this program in 2 years (6 semesters).**

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Financial Aid, Scholarships, and Assistantships

Graduate students who wish to apply for financial assistance must be enrolled in a graduate program for at least 6 credits for half-time aid or 9 credits for full-time aid. Non-degree graduate students are not eligible for financial aid. To apply for financial aid, a student must complete the (FAFSA) application. March 1 is the priority deadline. There are loans, graduate assistantships, partial tuition credits, and scholarships available. Please see our website for further information: www.msubillings.edu/grad/

Campus Tuition

Course Credit	Resident	Non-Resident
3	1,011.92	2,606.78
6	1,768.54	4,985.26
9	2,718.36	7,502.94
12 & Up	3,435.48	9,814.92

Tuition is subject to change by the Board of Regents of Higher Education.

WICHE eligible! If you live in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, New Mexico, Nevada, North Dakota, South Dakota, Oregon, Utah, Washington, or Wyoming you can attend for resident tuition rates.

Careers: What can you do with a degree in Athletic Training?

Athletic Trainer in the following settings:

- High Schools
- Colleges and Universities
- Professional Sports
- Corporate/Industrial Offices
- Outpatient Clinics
- Hospital Clinics

Many of our recent graduates responded to a Graduate Data survey taken 9 months after graduation. Of the 5 AT graduates who did respond to the survey, all 5 or 100% are employed in their field. They reported an average salary of \$31,750.

Contact Us

Please contact the Office of Graduate Studies for information about programs, admission requirements, application forms, graduate assistantships, and other scholarship information. We look forward to visiting with you.

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Program Structure

Courses

Credits

HHP 502 Research in Exercise and Sports Science.....	3
NUTR 411 Nutrition for Sports and Exercise.....	3
HHP 550 Psychological Principles.....	3
ATEP 534 Athletic Training Techniques I.....	3
ATEP 535 Athletic Training Techniques II.....	3
ATEP 540 Practicum in Athletic Training I.....	1
ATEP 541 Practicum in Athletic Training II.....	3
ATEP 542 Lower Extremity Assessment.....	1
ATEP 544 Upper Extremity Assessment.....	3
ATEP 546 General Medical Assessment.....	3
ATEP 550 Practicum in Athletic Training III.....	3
ATEP 551 Practicum in Athletic Training IV.....	3
ATEP 566 Therapeutic Modalities.....	3
ATEP 572 Therapeutic Exercise.....	3
ATEP 578 Organization, Administration in Athletic Training.....	3
ATEP 580 Pharmacology for the Healthcare Professional.....	3
HHP 598 Research Project OR	3
HHP 599 Thesis (2 semesters 3 credits each semester).....	6

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