

ATHLETIC TRAINING - M.S.

College of Public Health and Health Sciences
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About This Program

Embark on a transformative journey with our two-year Athletic Training master's degree. Immerse yourself in a curriculum that seamlessly integrates theory into practice, emphasizing ethics, research and interprofessional collaboration. Learn from renowned mentors in cutting-edge healthcare facilities, developing both critical analysis and investigative research skills. By program completion, you will be equipped to critically evaluate scientific research and excel on the Board of Certification national credentialing examination. Elevate your athletic training career with us – where passion meets proficiency. Read more...

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Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
 - In person
- **Location:**
 - Kent Campus

Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries*

Athletic trainers

- 11.1% much faster than the average
- 33,900 number of jobs
- \$60,250 potential earnings

Health specialties teachers, postsecondary

- 17.3% much faster than the average
- 289,600 number of jobs
- \$105,620 potential earnings

Accreditation

The M.S. degree in Athletic Training is accredited by the Commission on the Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) and the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).

* Source of occupation titles and labor data comes from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

For more information about graduate admissions, visit the graduate admission website. For more information on international admissions, visit the international admission website.

Admission Requirements

Kent State University participates in the Athletic Training Centralized Application System (ATCAS) through the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education. Applicants to Kent State's program must apply via ATCAS.

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
- Minimum 2.750 undergraduate GPA on a 4.000-point scale
- Completion of prerequisite courses with minimum C grade¹
- Official transcript(s)
- Goal statement
- Two letters of recommendation
- English language proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions to waive) by earning one of the following:²
 - Minimum 94 TOEFL iBT score
 - Minimum 7.0 IELTS score
 - Minimum 65 PTE score
 - Minimum 120 DET score

¹ Applicants are expected to have substantial preparation in the sciences, usually including coursework in biology, basic athletic training, biomechanics, anatomy and physiology (including exercise physiology), chemistry, research, physics, nutrition and general psychology. Prerequisites are evaluated for course content to ensure appropriate applicability for the program. Due to the program's highly prescriptive requirements, students cannot transfer in coursework directly into the Athletic Training major.

² International applicants who do not meet the above test scores may be considered for conditional admission.

Application Deadlines

- Summer Term
 - Rolling admissions

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Requirements		
ATTR 53018	ETHICAL LEADERSHIP FOR HEALTH CARE	3
ATTR 60000	CADAVER ANATOMY AND APPLIED ASSESSMENT	6
ATTR 61000	ACUTE INJURY DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT AND MANAGEMENT	3
ATTR 62010	CONTEMPORARY ISSUES AND EXAM PREP IN ATHLETIC TRAINING	3
ATTR 62014	ADVANCED CLINICAL PROCEDURES IN ATHLETIC TRAINING AND SPORTS MEDICINE	3
ATTR 62015	ORTHOPEDIC ASSESSMENT FOR THE ATHLETIC TRAINER	3
ATTR 62016	CLINICAL INQUIRY IN ATHLETIC TRAINING	3
ATTR 65001	CLINICAL PRACTICE I: PREVENTION AND WELLNESS	3
ATTR 65002	CLINICAL PRACTICE II: ADVANCED HEAD, NECK AND ORTHOPEDIC	3
ATTR 65003	CLINICAL PRACTICE III: GENERAL MEDICAL	3

ATTR 65005	CLINICAL PRACTICE IV: ADVANCED COMPETENCIES	3	ATTR 65036	GENERAL MEDICAL CONDITIONS IN ATHLETIC TRAINING	3
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ATTR 65037	PHYSICAL AGENTS IN ATHLETIC TRAINING AND SPORTS MEDICINE	3	Credit Hours		9
ATTR 65038	ADMINISTRATION CONCEPTS FOR THE HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL	3	Second Year		
ATTR 65039	PHYSICAL REHABILITATION IN ATHLETIC TRAINING AND SPORTS MEDICINE	3	Summer		
ATTR 65040	PATHOPHARMACOLOGY FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS	3	ATTR 53018	ETHICAL LEADERSHIP FOR HEALTH CARE	3
ATTR 65050	NEUROLOGICAL CONCEPTS FOR THE HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL	3	ATTR 62014	ADVANCED CLINICAL PROCEDURES IN ATHLETIC TRAINING AND SPORTS MEDICINE	3
<i>Culminating Requirement</i>			ATTR 62016	CLINICAL INQUIRY IN ATHLETIC TRAINING	3
ATTR 69999	CLINICAL CAPSTONE IN ATHLETIC TRAINING	6	ATTR 65003	CLINICAL PRACTICE III: GENERAL MEDICAL	3
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		60	Credit Hours		12
			Fall		
			ATTR 62010	CONTEMPORARY ISSUES AND EXAM PREP IN ATHLETIC TRAINING	3
			ATTR 65005	CLINICAL PRACTICE IV: ADVANCED COMPETENCIES	3
			ATTR 65040	PATHOPHARMACOLOGY FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS	3
			Credit Hours		9
			Spring		
			ATTR 65038	ADMINISTRATION CONCEPTS FOR THE HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL	3
			ATTR 69999	CLINICAL CAPSTONE IN ATHLETIC TRAINING	6
			Credit Hours		9
			Minimum Total Credit Hours:		60

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
-	3.000

- Students are required to successfully complete online modules that address the 12 public health competencies required by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH). This requirement may be waived if students provide documentation that the competencies were satisfied at a lower academic level.
- No more than one-half of a graduate student's coursework may be taken in 50000-level courses.
- Grades below C are not counted toward completion of requirements for the degree.

Roadmap

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this program. Students will work with their advisor to develop a sequence based on their academic goals and history. Courses designated as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

First Year		
Summer		Credits
ATTR 60000	CADAVER ANATOMY AND APPLIED ASSESSMENT	6
ATTR 61000	ACUTE INJURY DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT AND MANAGEMENT	3
ATTR 65037	PHYSICAL AGENTS IN ATHLETIC TRAINING AND SPORTS MEDICINE	3
Credit Hours		12
Fall		
ATTR 62015	ORTHOPEDIC ASSESSMENT FOR THE ATHLETIC TRAINER	3
ATTR 65001	CLINICAL PRACTICE I: PREVENTION AND WELLNESS	3
ATTR 65039	PHYSICAL REHABILITATION IN ATHLETIC TRAINING AND SPORTS MEDICINE	3
Credit Hours		9
Spring		
ATTR 65002	CLINICAL PRACTICE II: ADVANCED HEAD, NECK AND ORTHOPEDIC	3

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Successfully challenge the Board of Certification (BOC) national credentialing exam.
2. Demonstrate understanding of and competency in the domains of athletic training as defined by the BOC Practice Analysis and Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE). *2020 Standards for Accreditation of Professional Athletic Training Programs, Master's Degree Programs.*
3. Demonstrate competency in evaluating and completing scientific research and evidence-based practice.
4. Demonstrate competency in engaging in a variety of clinical practice settings related to athletic training with engagement in an inter-professional environment.
5. Apply the principles of the research process in athletic training.

Full Description

The Master of Science degree in Athletic Training prepares graduates for the athletic training profession. The program emphasizes both ethics and research across the curriculum to integrate theory to practice, and is designed to facilitate inter-professional practice as athletic trainers engage actively with professionals across the health care disciplines.

The Athletic Training major is a two-calendar year program with summer academic work. The curriculum focuses on building clinical and didactic knowledge and skills anchored in evidence-based practice, while developing strong research skills by developing not only critical analysis skills, but also investigative research skills. Students are exposed to and actively engage with state-of-the-art equipment in professional health care facilities and are mentored by highly recognized professionals. The

program fosters inter-professional collaboration to promote professional development for the students who will be practicing and researching in inter-disciplinary teams. Students have the ability to critically evaluate and complete scientific research at the end of their academic program, in addition to preparing for the Board of Certification national credentialing examination.

Professional Licensure Disclosure

This program is designed to prepare students to sit for applicable licensure or certification in Ohio. If you plan to pursue licensure or certification in a state other than Ohio, please review state educational requirements for licensure or certification and contact information for state licensing boards at Kent State's website for professional licensure disclosure.