Program Outcomes

1. Students utilize evidence-based decision-making to answer clinical questions and provide patient-centered care.

2. Students demonstrate competence in athletic training knowledge and clinical skills to provide the best possible patient care.

3. Students promote themselves and the field of athletic training through professional and community involvement.

4. Students develop the interpersonal skills needed to communicate and collaborate within an inter-professional health care team.

5. Students model professional and ethical behaviors when representing themselves as a health care professional.

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Ball State University Athletic Training Program is to provide quality education which will create life-long learners that are committed to delivering high-quality patient centered care within an inter-professional health care team. We aspire to develop students who are dedicated to maintaining involvement within the profession through clinical practice and service.

Ball State University is committed to the principles of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity in education and employment. Further, the University is committed to the pursuit of excellence by prohibiting discrimination and being inclusive of individuals without regard to race, religion, color, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, disability, genetic information, ethnicity, national origin or ancestry, age, or protected veteran status.

School of Kinesiology

Kinesiology: The study of the impact of physical activity on health, society, and quality of life.

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Athletic trainers often work on the sidelines of competition, but they are on the frontlines of preventing, diagnosing, and treating injuries and illnesses related to physical activity. Athletic trainers are healthcare professionals who collaborate with physicians to optimize patient and client activity as well as participation in physical activity, work, and life. They provide patient care to a wide age range of patient and skill levels in a variety of settings—from professional sports teams and high school programs to sports medicine clinics, government agencies, and performance arts. Regardless of where they work, athletic trainers play a vital role in the athletic health care team and in the lives of competitive and recreational athletes.

The Athletic Training Program has selective admission requirements. Students must meet the following requirements to be considered for admission:

- Formal letter of application
- Completion of the Ball State Athletic Training Program Application (and related documents; see website for details)
- Completion of AT 196, AT 240, and AQUA 260 (with a grade of no less than B-); completion of ANAT 201 (with a grade of no less than C). These courses must be completed or in progress at the time of application
- Students must have valid emergency cardiac care certification upon entry into the professional phase of the program
- Students must complete one academic year (two semesters) at Ball State (one semester for transfer students) with a minimum overall grade-point average of 2.75
- Copy of all official transcripts
- Minimum of 25 hours of directed observation hours (arranged in AT 196) during the semester in which the application is submitted, with a minimum of 50 hours completed at the time of program interview
- Two letters of recommendation (from individuals who are not BSU faculty/staff).
- Pre-Professional Student Evaluation Form, completed by BSU Preceptors
- Interview with Athletic Training Program Selection Committee
- Once admitted, students are required to obtain a physical examination and submit immunization records. Students must be able to meet the technical standards set forth by the Athletic Training Program

The Pre-Professional Program begins in the fall or spring of the freshman year with formal application to the professional program due in the spring application cycle. Transfer students, BSU students who have at least 30 credits, and students not admitted in the spring semester may apply during the fall application cycle. Decisions are made by the Athletic Training Program Selection Committee before the end of registration for the following semester.

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