

ANDERSON UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC TRAINING PROGRAM



APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Enrollment in the athletic training education program is limited and has a competitive application process. Students may apply for admission to the athletic training program after completing the pre-professional phase; if accepted they will begin the professional phase of the program the following semester. Applications for admissions are due the first Friday of April each year.

Pre-Professional Phase

The pre-professional phase is open to any student interested in pursuing a degree in athletic training. The pre-professional phase should provide the student with opportunities to: obtain an understanding of the roles and responsibilities of an Athletic Trainer (AT), and develop foundational skills and knowledge necessary for successful advancement through the professional phase of the Athletic Training program.

The pre-professional curriculum consists of the following courses:

- ATRG 1460 - Emergency Response
- ATRG 1490 - Beginning Athletic Training
- ATRG 1500 - Clinical Experience in Athletic Training I
- ATRG 1590 - Advanced Athletic Training
- BIOL 2410 - Anatomy and Physiology I
- BIOL 2420 - Anatomy and Physiology II

Requirements for Admission

- Submit all the required admission paperwork to the athletic training education program director by the due date.
- Successfully complete the pre-professional curriculum, the student must receive a “B-” or better in all ATRG courses and “C” or better in BIOL courses.
- Students must complete a minimum of 100 hours of clinical observation in the Sports Medicine Center.
- Cumulative GPA 2.0 or higher
- Provide three letters of recommendation
- Interview with the Athletic Training Education Committee and available program preceptors
- Successful applicants are motivated, have a strong work ethic, are professional, and show enthusiasm during clinical hours

Personal Statement

Your personal statement should explain why you have chosen to pursue a degree in athletic training and how you plan to use your degree after graduation. Your 1-3 page typed statement should be concise yet explicit regarding your future goals. You may include how you became interested in athletic training, how your first-year clinical experience helped to solidify your choice to pursue this major and any additional information that will positively impact your application.

Program Admission

At the conclusion of spring semester of the freshman year, the Athletic Training Education Committee will convene. This committee will take into account the student's application, grade requirements, clinical observation hours, formal interview, athletic training experience, and the student's motivation and work ethic into account when determining whether the student is accepted into the program or not. After this committee convenes, a letter will be mailed to each applicant stating whether or not he/she has been accepted into the athletic training program. Upon receiving an acceptance letter, the student is required to return the "Declaration of Acceptance" form to the program director within the stated time frame. Failure to return this form will forfeit the student's acceptance into the athletic training program.

Students must be able to meet the technical standards set forth by the Anderson University Athletic Training Program. At the time of acceptance into the program, students must sign a declaration of knowledge of these technical standards. Technical standards requirements are published in the Athletic Training Handbook.

Student athletes may only participate in one sport and may be required to complete an additional semester to fulfill the requirements for all clinical assignment

Students admitted to the professional program will incur travel costs required for off-campus clinical rotations and other program expenses (Professional Sports Medicine approved attire)