Application Procedures to Athletic Training Program

Upon acceptance into UT Tyler, students desiring to pursue the Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology with Athletic Training Option must consult with the academic advisor for the program as well as consult with the Head Athletic Trainer.

You must schedule an interview with the Head Athletic Trainer prior to beginning the program.

Incoming Freshman

Freshman should apply to the program and produce recommendation forms prior to the start of the fall semester. Upon acceptance, freshman will begin their apprenticeship at the start of the incoming fall semester. During their first year, freshman students will enter the program on a probationary status. At the end of the fall semester, the student shall be evaluated for continued progression through the apprenticeship program.

Transfers

Transfers will begin their apprenticeship at the start of their incoming semester, whether it be fall or spring. Transfers should apply to the program immediately upon acceptance into UT Tyler or after having transferred degree programs at UT Tyler.

All completed forms should be submitted to the UT Tyler Athletic Training Program where an interview can then be scheduled.

Mail forms to:
S. Andrew Cage, M.Ed., ATC, LAT, CES
Head Athletic Trainer
The University of Texas at Tyler
3900 University Blvd.
Tyler, TX 75799

Applicant’s Name: ________________________________

☐ Completed application for admission.
☐ Two letters of recommendation. (From former supervising athletic trainers, coaches, teachers, etc.)
☐ Signed technical standards form.
☐ Scheduled interview. Date: _____________ Time: ________________
☐ For Incoming Transfers Only:
  • Unofficial transcripts of all collegiate coursework. (Waived if N/A.)
  • Successful completion of 25 semester hours.
  • Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. GPA: ____________
**General Information**

Name: ______________________________________________________________________
Current Address: ______________________________________________________________________
City: __________________________ City: ___________________________________________ State: __________ Zip: __________
Home Phone Number: _____________________ Cell Phone Number: _____________________
Email Address: __________________________
Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________________________
City: __________________________ City: ___________________________________________ State: __________ Zip: __________

**Education**

High School Attended: ____________________________________________________________
Date of Graduation: ______________________ GPA: __________ Class Rank: ______
Composite Test Scores: ACT: ___________ SAT: Verbal ______ Math: ______
Extra Curricular Activities: _________________________________________________________
High School Athletic Training Experience: # of Years: _____________
Supervising HS Athletic Trainer: __________________________________________________
Phone Number: __________________________ Email Address: ______________________
Other Colleges and/or Universities Attended: _______________________________________
Date(s) of Attendance: _________________________________________________________
Credit Hours Completed: ____________________ Cumulative GPA: __________
College Athletic Training Experience: # of Years: ____________________________________
Supervising College Athletic Trainer: ______________________________________________
Phone Number: __________________________ Email Address: ______________________

**Coursework:** (Please list any high school or college athletic training coursework you have completed.)

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**Athletic Participation:** (Please list any high school or college sports in which you have competed.)

____________________________________________________________________________
Other Information:
Are you currently certified in First Aid? Yes No Expiration Date: ______________
Are you currently certified in CPR/AED? Yes No Expiration Date: ______________
Have you started the Hepatitis B Vaccination series? Yes No
Date of shot #1: __________ Date of shot #2: ___________ Date of shot #3: _________

Essay Questions: (Please answer the following questions. You may use additional paper if needed.)

1. In your own words, please describe what an athletic trainer is to you.

2. What is your ultimate career goal?

3. What personal qualities will you bring to enhance the athletic training program at The University of Texas at Tyler?
Recommendation Form

Applicant’s Name: _____________________________________________________________

How long have you known the applicant? ________________________________________

What is your relationship to the applicant? ________________________________________

Important: It is important that the applicant is rated only on the observations of their behavior and abilities. However, if more than six (6) NA’s are used, the form will be considered invalid.

Please use the following rating key:
4 = Outstanding, 3 = Above Average, 2 = Average, 1 = Below Average, N/A = Not Applicable

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ORIENTATION TO ATHLETIC TRAINING
23. Displays enthusiasm in athletic care  1  2  3  4  NA
24. Will complete degree with distinction  1  2  3  4  NA

PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS
25. Assertiveness     1  2  3  4  NA
26. Patience     1  2  3  4  NA
27. Creativity     1  2  3  4  NA
28. Achievement     1  2  3  4  NA
29. Integrity     1  2  3  4  NA
30. Leadership ability     1  2  3  4  NA
31. Appropriate sense of humor     1  2  3  4  NA

What are the candidate’s greatest strengths?

What are the candidate’s greatest weaknesses?

Additional comments:

Signature: ________________________________________ Date: ________________
Phone Number: ____________________________________

Please place the completed form in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal and return it to the candidate or mail to:

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The University of Texas at Tyler
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Tyler, TX 75799
acage@uttyler.edu
The following technical standards set forth by The University of Texas at Tyler Athletic Training Program establish the essential qualities considered necessary for students admitted to this program to achieve the knowledge, skills, and competencies of an entry-level athletic trainer. The following abilities and expectations must be met by all students admitted into the athletic training program. In the event a student is unable to fulfill these technical standards, with or without reasonable accommodation, the student will not be admitted into the program.

Candidates for selection to the Athletic Training Program must demonstrate:

1. The mental capacity to assimilate, analyze, synthesize, integrate concepts and problem solve to formulate assessment and therapeutic judgments and to be able to distinguish deviations from the norm.
2. Sufficient postural and neuromuscular control, sensory function, and coordination to perform appropriate physical examinations using accepted techniques; and accurately, safely and efficiently use equipment and materials during the assessment and treatment of patients.
3. The ability to communicate effectively and sensitively with patients and colleagues, including individuals from different cultural and social backgrounds; this includes, but is not limited to, the ability to establish rapport with patients and communicate judgments and treatment information effectively. Students must be able to understand and speak the English language at a level consistent with competent professional practice.
4. The ability to record the physical examination results and a treatment plan clearly and accurately.
5. The capacity to maintain composure and continue to function well during periods of high stress.
6. The perseverance, diligence and commitment to complete the athletic training education program as outlined and sequenced.
7. Flexibility and the ability to adjust to changing situations and uncertainty in clinical situations.
8. Affective skills and appropriate demeanor and rapport that relate to professional education and quality patient care.
Candidates for selection to The University of Texas at Tyler Athletic Training Program will be required to verify they understand and meet these technical standards or that they believe that, with certain accommodations, they can meet the standards.

The Disability Support Services Office at The University of Texas at Tyler will evaluate a student who states he/she could meet the program’s technical standards with accommodation and confirm that the stated condition qualifies as a disability under applicable laws.

If a student states he/she can meet the technical standards with accommodation, then the University will determine whether it agrees that the students can meet the technical standards with reasonable accommodation; this includes a review of whether the accommodations requested are reasonable, taking into account whether the accommodation would jeopardize clinical/patient safety, or the educational process of the student or the institution, including all coursework, clinical experiences and internships deemed essential to graduation.

I certify that I have read and understand the technical standards for selection listed above, and I believe to the best of my knowledge that I meet each of these standards without accommodation. I understand that if I am unable to meet these standards I will not be admitted into the program.

Signature of Applicant: _____________________________ Date: __________

Alternative Statement for Students Requesting Accommodations:

I certify that I have read and understand the technical standards of selection listed above and I believe to the best of my knowledge that I can meet each of these standards with certain accommodations. I will contact the Disability Support Services office at The University of Texas at Tyler to determine what accommodations may be available. I understand that if I am unable to meet these standards with or without accommodations, I will not be admitted into the program.

Signature of Applicant: _____________________________ Date: __________
The University of Texas at Tyler
COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES
Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology (Athletic Training Option)

Requirements for Admission

- Completed application for admission.
- Two letters of recommendation. (Can be former supervising athletic trainers, coaches, teachers, etc.)
- Signed technical standards form.
- Successful interview. Must schedule with Head Athletic Trainer prior to start of program.
- If transferring, will also need:
  - Unofficial transcripts of all collegiate coursework.
  - Successful completion of 25 semester hours.
  - Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
Requirements to Maintain Good Standing in Program

- Maintain cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better
- Completion of athletic training courses with “B” or better
  - KINE 2337: Care & Prevention of Athletic Injuries
  - KINE 3102: Clinical Experiences in Athletic Training I
  - KINE 3103: Clinical Experiences in Athletic Training II
  - KINE 3301: Assessment of Athletic Injuries I
  - KINE 3302: Assessment of Athletic Injuries II
  - KINE 3342: Therapeutic Modalities
  - KINE 4101: Clinical Experiences in Athletic Training III
  - KINE 4102: Clinical Experiences in Athletic Training IV
- Satisfactory progress on clinical skills, professionalism, and annual practical evaluations.
- Satisfactory semester evaluations.
- Satisfactory progress on clinical hours.