

Master of Athletic Training

The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay's Master of Athletic Training (MAT) program in the Department of Human Biology provides students an education focused on an evidence-based approach to healthcare. In conjunction with our community and clinical partners, graduates of the UW-Green Bay MAT are prepared to practice athletic training as part of an interprofessional healthcare team focused on improving patient outcomes across the life span.

The MAT consists of curriculum that includes classroom, laboratory, and clinical education that exceeds the foundational and core knowledge in Athletic Training as outlined by the educational standards set by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE). The program will require 2 full years (summer-fall-spring, summer-fall-spring) to complete. Students who complete the degree requirements earn a Master of Athletic Training.

Program Objectives

- The UW-Green Bay MAT will retain, and graduate students prepared to practice as an athletic trainer.
- MAT students will pass the athletic training Board of Certification (BOC) examination exceeding CAATE accreditation requirements.
- The MAT will prepare students to obtain employment as an athletic trainer working collaboratively as part of an interdisciplinary team to deliver patient-centered care to a diverse patient population.
- MAT students will practice athletic training in a manner that is consistent with the standards of professional practice set by the BOC and other pertinent laws and regulations.

Student Learning Objectives

- Students will develop the knowledge, skills, and abilities:
 - Needed for injury and illness prevention.
 - To promote health and wellness.
 - Required for the immediate and emergency care of injury and illness.
 - To perform an examination, come to a diagnosis, and develop and implement an appropriate treatment plan for musculoskeletal and systemic conditions.
 - To recognize patients with mental health issues and determine the appropriate intervention and/or referral.
 - To apply administrative skills necessary for healthcare system management.
- Students will use evidence based knowledge while providing patient centered care as part of an interprofessional team of health care providers.
- Students will develop the ability to apply contemporary principles and practices of quality assurance and health informatics to improve and enhance patient care.
- Students will value the importance and responsibility of advocacy, scholarship, continuing education, and service to the athletic training profession.
- Students will appreciate the importance of human dignity, equality of opportunity, gender, age, race, sexual orientation, and cultural and ethnic diversity in all aspects of patient care.

CAATE Accreditation Status

The UW-Green Bay Master of Athletic Training program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE). The next required comprehensive accreditation review for the program will be conducted during the 2025-2026 academic year, with a self-study due date of July 1, 2025.

Please see the program webpage, <https://www.uwgb.edu/athletic-training/>, for up-to-date information concerning accreditation status and all other aspects of the Master of Athletic Training.

Admission Requirements

A limited number of applicants will be admitted to the Master of Athletic Training (MAT) program. A maximum of 16 students will be admitted to the program each year. The following are program admission requirements and required application materials. Applicants must apply for admission to the MAT through the ATCAS (<https://atcas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login>) portal.

The following items need to be submitted through ATCAS:

1. Official transcripts verifying the completion of the following pre-requisite coursework with a grade of C or better:

- Biology - minimum of 4 credits including a lab.
- Chemistry - minimum of 4 credits including a lab.
- Physics - minimum of 4 credits including a lab.
- Human Anatomy - minimum of 4 credits including a lab.*

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- Human Physiology - minimum of 4 credits including a lab.*
- Exercise Physiology - minimum of 3 credits
- General Psychology - minimum of 3 credits
- Human Nutrition - minimum of 3 credits

*Applicant must complete a two-semester sequence of anatomy and physiology with a laboratory component. This can be a two-semester combined human anatomy and physiology course, or separate human anatomy and physiology courses.

Although not prerequisite courses, the following are highly recommended:

- Kinesiology or Biomechanics
- Statistics
- Medical Terminology
- Introduction to Athletic Training
- Health and Wellness

2. Letters of Recommendation

- Applicants must provide letters of evaluation from two individuals who can speak directly to the applicants' potential success in a professional studies program in athletic training.
- At least one letter from either a healthcare provider or a current or former faculty member from the applicant's undergraduate degree program is preferred.

3. Personal Statement describing your professional goals and why you have chosen Athletic Training as a career.

4. Observation Hours: Applicants must complete 50 hours of documented observation/job shadowing in athletic training under the supervision of a certified athletic trainer.

Once all required applications materials have been submitted to ATCAS, qualified applicants will be invited to interview with the admissions committee. Interview can be conducted in person or virtually.

After acceptance to the MAT through the ATCAS process, students must also apply for graduate studies admission (<https://www.uwgb.edu/admissions/graduate/apply/>) at UW-Green Bay. To complete this process you will need:

- \$56.00 application fee
- UW System application form (apply.wisconsin.edu/ (<https://apply.wisconsin.edu/>))
- International students will also need to provide the following documentation:
 - A test of English proficiency (TOEFL or IELTS)
 - Course-by-course transcript evaluation from a professional evaluation service currently recognized by NACES (www.naces.org (<http://www.naces.org/>)).
 - UW-Green Bay recommends one of the following evaluation services:
 - Educational Credential Evaluators (ECE) <http://www.ece.org/>
 - World Education Services (WES) <http://www.wes.org/>
 - Financial Support Statement (<https://www.uwgb.edu/UWGCMS/media/graduate/files/pdf/Financial-Support-Statement.pdf>) (this form must be submitted to gradstu@uwgb.edu (gradstu@uwgb.edu))
 - Bank Statement: Letter on official bank stationery verifying the amount of readily available funds to support the prospective student while in the U.S.

Required documents for admitted students

Once accepted to the UW-Green Bay MAT program, the following documentation must be submitted to ATrack prior to starting clinical experiences:

1. Technical Standards Form
2. Proof of current certification in Basic Life Support (BLS) from the American Heart Association. Certification is provide in AT 620.
3. Verification that a Physical Examination has been completed within 12 months of applying to the program by an approved health care provider (MD, DO, PA, CNP).
4. The UW-Green Bay Vaccination Verification form indicating the following vaccination have been completed: MMR, Varicella, Hepatitis B, and Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis(Tdap).
5. Verification of a Tuberculosis (TB) test completed within the past 12 months.

6. Healthcare provider background check. Information on how to complete the healthcare provider background check will be provided by the Program Director after applicants have accepted their admission to the MAT.
7. Verification of antibody titers, influenza vaccination, or vaccine declination due to vaccine allergy or other adverse reaction is required on an annual basis.
8. Verification of COVID-19 vaccination, or vaccine declination due to vaccine allergy or religious exemption.

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
AT 541	Clinical Anatomy & Physiology	3
AT 601	Foundations of Athletic Training	3
AT 605	Therapeutic Interventions I	2
AT 610	Psychosocial Aspects of Healthcare	3
AT 620	Evaluation and Management of Acute/Emergent Conditions	3
AT 651	Clinical Exercise Sciences	3
AT 700	Evidence Based Practice I	3
AT 701	Evidence Based Practice II	2
AT 705	Therapeutic Interventions II	3
AT 710	Evaluation and Management of Lower Extremity Injuries	4
AT 720	Evaluation and Management of Head, Neck, and Spine Injuries	4
AT 730	Evaluation and Management of Upper Extremity Injuries	4
AT 740	Evaluation and Management of Systemic Conditions	4
AT 750	Athletic Training Administration	2
AT 760	Clinical Education I	2
AT 761	Clinical Education II	2
AT 762	Clinical Education III	3
AT 763	Clinical Education Capstone	6
AT 790	Athletic Training Research Capstone	3
AT 797	Internship	1-3
Total Credits		60-62

1. The candidate applies to the Master of Athletic Training program by completing all application requirements (<https://www.uwgb.edu/athletic-training/apply/>).
2. The candidate is admitted to the Master of Athletic Training program by the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay program Chair.
3. The student fulfills the degree requirements for the program.
4. The student is awarded a Master of Athletic Training degree from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.

Curriculum Guide

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Summer		
AT 541	Clinical Anatomy & Physiology	3
AT 601	Foundations of Athletic Training	3
AT 605	Therapeutic Interventions I	2
AT 620	Evaluation and Management of Acute/Emergent Conditions	3
Credits		11
Fall		
AT 700	Evidence Based Practice I	3
AT 710	Evaluation and Management of Lower Extremity Injuries	4
AT 760	Clinical Education I	2
AT 705	Therapeutic Interventions II	3
AT 651	Clinical Exercise Sciences	3
Credits		15
Spring		
AT 701	Evidence Based Practice II	2
AT 720	Evaluation and Management of Head, Neck, and Spine Injuries	4

AT 730	Evaluation and Management of Upper Extremity Injuries	4
AT 761	Clinical Education II	2
Credits		12
Second Year		
Summer		
AT 740	Evaluation and Management of Systemic Conditions	4
AT 797	Internship	1-3
Credits		5-7
Fall		
AT 610	Psychosocial Aspects of Healthcare	3
AT 750	Athletic Training Administration	2
AT 762	Clinical Education III	3
AT 790	Athletic Training Research Capstone	3
Credits		11
Spring		
AT 763	Clinical Education Capstone	6
Credits		6
Total Credits		60-62

Faculty

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