

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Athletic Training Education Program

Technical Standards for Admission

The Athletic Training Educational Program at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire is a rigorous and intense program that places specific requirements and demands on the students enrolled in the program. The primary objective of this program is to prepare graduates to enter a variety of athletic training employment settings and to render care to a wide spectrum of individuals engaged in physical activity. The technical standards 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, as well as meet the expectations of the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE). All students admitted to the Athletic Training Educational Program must meet the following abilities and expectations. 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.

Compliance with the program's technical standards does not guarantee a student's completion of the Athletic Training Education Program, nor a student's eligibility for the BOC certification exam.

Candidates for selection to the Athletic Training Educational Program must demonstrate:

1. The ability 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 communicate in 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 Athletic Training Educational Program will be required to verify they understand and can meet these technical standards with or without accommodation.

A student with a disability who may need accommodation in order to meet these technical standards will need to provide appropriate documentation to the Services for Students with Disabilities Office (SSD). After reviewing the documentation provided, a decision will be made as to the appropriateness of the requested accommodation, taking into consideration clinician/patient safety and the educational process of both the student and the institution, including all coursework, clinical experience 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 with or 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

Printed Name

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 Disability Services to determine what accommodations may be available. I understand that if I am unable to meet these standards with or without accommodations I may not be able to complete the program.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Printed Name