MESSIAH COLLEGE
Accredited Athletic Training Program
Formal Athletic Training Major Application Form

Full Name_________________________________  ____ Date/Year____________________

College/Local Address________________________________________________________________

Home Address________________________________________________________________________

Home Phone (    )_________________ Cell Phone (    )________________

Email_____________________________ DOB______________ Age_____

ID#______________________________

Major or Minor (other than Athletic Training)__________________________________________

Semesters completed at Messiah_______ Total credits completed at Messiah__________

Cumulative Grade Point Average at Messiah________

Place the grade you received for each course below to the left.

_____ ATED 102 Introduction to Athletic Training (1)
_____ ATED 180 First Aid/Emergency Care (3)
_____ BIOL 160 Molecular and Cellular Biology (4)
_____ BIOL 185 Human Anatomy & Physiology I (4)
_____ BIOL 186 Human Anatomy & Physiology II (4)
_____ CHEM 105 General Chemistry I (4)
_____ ATED 136 Prevention & Risk Management (3)
_____ ATED 136 Prevention & Risk Management lab (1)
_____ ATED 231 Injury Assessment I (2)
_____ ATED 233 Injury Assessment III (2)
_____ G.P.A. for courses above

All students will provide two recommendations (standard forms provided) from adults you have known for at least 2 years (recommendations cannot come from Messiah Athletic Trainers or parents).

2 recommendations Completed? _______Yes _______No
All students will provide a Written Assignment with the application form. The assignment is a professionally prepared/typed three-page paper describing in detail the following:

a) why you want to be an athletic trainer; b) what does an athletic trainer do; c) what significant impact will you and your service have on Messiah’s program and the profession of athletic training; and, d) how being a Christian influences your practice as an athletic training student and a certified athletic trainer.

The written assignment will help to determine your effectiveness to communicate via writing and your interest in, and knowledge of, the athletic training profession.

The deadline for all application materials will be the 2nd Wednesday in January. All application materials should be returned to Sandy Bush, office E-8.

During J-Term, each student will also be interviewed by one or more of the Athletic Training Faculty/Staff. A schedule will be posted in the AT room with available times.

In choosing students for the formal athletic training major, the athletic training faculty/staff take into consideration how well each student does on the 1) written assignment, 2) recommendations, 3) interview and the following criteria/standards are met.

1. Completion of 45 credits (with a minimum GPA of 2.50), including the following required courses: ATED 102, ATED 180, ATED 231, ATED 233, BIOL 185 and 186, or BIOL 160 and CHEM 105.
2. Documentation of 25-40 directed, observation clinical hours.
3. Submission of formal application, a letter of personal interest, an interview with faculty athletic trainers, submission of two formal recommendations, provide copies of the College Health Center’s required entrance health forms (physical exam, health history, and immunizations), documentation of having submitted required background checks including, PA child abuse, PA state police and FBI criminal background checks, a signature indicating the applicant understands/agrees to comply with all requirements, documentation of NATA membership, documentation the student meets all Athletic Training Program (ATP) technical standards, and documentation of CPR/AED, and First Aid certifications.
4. Students are admitted to the formal major (curriculum and clinical program) upon approval of the Faculty Athletic Trainer Selection Committee and the Department of Health, Nutrition and Exercise Science. Entry is limited on a space-available basis and meeting of all requirements.

After the application process is completed, the faculty/staff athletic trainers formally recommend qualified athletic training students to the H.N.E.S. department for selection into the formal athletic training major.
ATHLETIC TRAINING PROGRAM
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Students formally accepted into the program must maintain/comply with the following general requirements. Failure to do so may lead to probation, suspension, or dismissal from the program.

1) Maintain (and provide copies to the ATP) of current certification in CPR, A.E.D., and First Aid for the Professional Rescuer (American Red Cross or equivalent), as well as Disease Transmission (B.B.P).
2) Attend an athletic training professional convention, educational meeting, or in-service each year after being officially admitted into the major and provide documentation of attendance.
3) Maintain a 2.5 GPA.
4) Meet acceptable professional behaviors (e.g. NATA code of ethics and BOC Standards of Professional Practice), academic requirements, and clinical requirements.
5) Maintain all ATED requirements as listed/described in the College catalog.
6) Obtain 3 clearances (and provide copies to the ATP): PA Child Abuse, PA State Police, and FBI criminal background checks.
7) Comply with described Technical Standards (mental/emotional capacity, physical capacity, communication and rapport with patients/personnel, writing/recording skills, composure under stress, commitment/perseverance, flexibility, and professional demeanor).
8) Meet moral, ethical, and academic integrity standards as described in the student handbook, community covenant and professional standards.
9) Complete, but not exceed, the maximum number of clinical hours and experiences described each semester (i.e. weekly averages and totals described in the Clinical Requirements and Assignments Sheet) 20 hours/week Maximum, to be met in no more than 6 days/week!
10) Comply with the signed Student Field experience/Consent-Waiver and Patient Confidentiality Forms.
11) Record all clinical hours and experiences accurately.

I, _________________________________ (printed name) understand and agree to comply with the above general requirements.

Signature ____________________________ Month/Date/Year ____________________________

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE (administrative information)

Technical Standards___  Obs. Hrs.___  Interview Score___  1st Recom.___ 2nd Recom.___
Messiah CGPA___  Paper:________________________  HNES Department Approval ___Yes ___No
Committee Recommendations:________________________________________

“Conditional Approval” Comments:_____________________________________

Approval/Confirmation letter sent to ATS: _____Yes
Approval/Confirmation letter filed: _____Yes
Program Director Signature: _________________________________ Date: ____________________________
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