

Articulation Agreement: Shenandoah University Division of Athletic Training

This articulation agreement is designed for applicants who have completed the prerequisites and will be obtaining a baccalaureate from Shenandoah University. This agreement is available to all students enrolled full-time at Shenandoah University for undergraduate study.

Admission Requirements

For admission and entry into the Masters of Science in Athletic Training Program through this articulation agreement, candidates must complete the following for eligibility:

1. Submit a completed admission application available through the Athletic Training Centralized Application Service (ATCAS) <https://atcas.liasoncas.com> The ATCAS admissions cycle begins on or about June 29th and ends on or about April 1 of the year of matriculation. Must include all of the following components of the application required in ATCAS:
 - Complete all prerequisites required for admission to the program.
 - Submit all official transcripts
 - Provide three letters of reference, preferably from a certified athletic trainer, coach, employer, or professor and must be submitted via ATCAS instructions.
 - Submit Essay (3-5 pages double spaced on why you want to become an athletic trainer (3-5 pages and double spaced) that includes the following:
 - What specifically interests you about attending SU for an MSAT degree?
 - What qualities do you have that will set you apart from other applicants?
 - Address any deficiencies (if applicable) with your application (pre-reqs, grades, etc.). Discuss how you plan to overcome the deficiencies listed and be successful.
 - What are your career goals upon completion of the MSAT degree and passage of the BOC exam?
 - Report scores on Graduate Record Examination (GRE), with a minimum combined score of 297. Scores should be reported directly to Shenandoah University. Our school code is R5613.
 - For nonnative English-speaking applicants, regardless of immigration status, a Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of 550 will represent a score of 450 in the GRE verbal test. Scores should be reported directly to Shenandoah University. Our school code is R5613.
 - Submit a list of all sports in which you have participated as an athlete, coach, referee, manager, or athletic training student

2. Receive a score of acceptable or above in a personal interview with a Division of Athletic Training faculty member

The application deadline for the program is published on the program specific page in ATCAS.

Priority status will be offered to those who meet the following criteria:

- A Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree with all prerequisites completed at Shenandoah University. A grade of “D” in any required prerequisite course is not acceptable.
- A minimum grade-point average of 2.8 (in a 4.0 system) for all prerequisite courses.

Admissions Process

Up to a total of seven students/graduates per year from Shenandoah University, who meet the criteria for admission through the Articulation Agreement will be granted priority status for admission to the Division of Athletic Training at Shenandoah University. As with all other applicants, priority applicants must have an on-site interview prior to admission and receive an interview score of acceptable or above.

If more than seven students meet the application deadline and qualify for priority status, Shenandoah University’s Division of Athletic Training will rank-order all priority applicants based on consideration of the full set of application materials and the evaluations from the admissions interview. The additional students will enter our regular applicant pool.

All decisions for admission into the Master of Science in Athletic Training program are made by the Admissions Committee for the Division of Athletic Training. Final decisions for all applicants are based on consideration of the full set of application materials and the evaluations from the admissions interview. Applicants who have been interviewed will be notified in writing of the Admissions Committee decisions within 30 days of their visit.

Students can be given provisional acceptance indicating that some of the admissions requirements need to be completed prior to matriculation into the program. Provisional acceptances are generally offered to those students completing final prerequisite courses prior to the program entry. These students receive a letter from the Division as well as from the Admissions Office that describes/outlines which courses, materials, or other requirements (e.g. – desired level of competency for remaining prerequisites) that need to be completed.

Nothing in this agreement is intended to negate the usual process of student evaluation or supersede final decisions on admissions. After successful completion of the curriculum in the Division of Athletic Training, Shenandoah University awards a Master in Science in Athletic Training.

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This agreement is intended to be a long-term arrangement. Each party may continue or discontinue this agreement on a yearly basis with notice. Shenandoah University requires two-year notice for changes in prerequisites to provide adequate protection for students in pre-athletic training program

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