

# M.S. Athletic Training (MSAT)

A full-time, two-year professional degree program (70 credits)

# **ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS**

- ATCAS Application
- Three letters of recommendation (preferably from a certified athletic trainer, coach, employer, or professor)
- Essay (3-5 pages and double-spaced) that includes the following:
  - What specifically interests you about attending Shenandoah University 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 Board of Certification exam?
- Language Proficiency requirement must be met. Submission of TOEFL, IELTS, PTE, or Duolingo English Test may be required. See our policy for full details:

https://www.su.edu/admissions/international-students

## **PROGRAM PREREQUISITES**

- Completion of a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution.
- 32-37 semester credit hours (SH) are required before matriculation into the program.

| Credits | Course   |
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| 4       | General Biology with lab                                     |
| 4       | General Chemistry with lab                                   |
| 4       | Human Anatomy with lab                                       |
|         | When Anatomy & Physiology are taken as a combined course,    |
|         | two semesters are necessary to meet this requirement         |
| 4       | Human Physiology with lab                                    |
|         | When Anatomy & Physiology are taken as a combined course,    |
|         | two semesters are necessary to meet this requirement         |
| 4       | Physics with lab   |
| 3       | Statistics   |
| 3       | Social/Behavioral Science                                    |
| 3       | Psychology   |
| 3-4     | Pick one: Biomechanics, Kinesiology, Exercise Physiology, or |
|         | Physics II.  |
| 32-37   | Total  |

#### **ADMISSION & APPLICATION**

#### Start Term

Summer (May)

## **Admission Deadline**

April 30

MINIMUM GPA: 2.8 cumulative

PREREQUISITES: Bachelor's Degree or

3+2 model

**INTERVIEW: Required** 

#### Format/Location

On-campus in Winchester, VA

Dual degree DPT/MSAT students can also choose to study at our Leesburg, VA campus

## Applying through ATCAS

Begin the online application process by going to <a href="https://www.ATCAS.org">www.ATCAS.org</a>.

## **Foreign Transcripts**

Must be evaluated by an accredited service before being sent to ATCAS. Approved services are listed at <a href="https://www.naces.org">www.naces.org</a> and <a href="http://aice-eval.org/">http://aice-eval.org/</a>.

# **Contact Us**

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#### **CAMPUS LOCATION: WINCHESTER**







#### **DIVISION OF ATHLETIC TRAINING**

The mission of SU MSAT (Master of Science in Athletic Training) is to prepare students as professional level athletic trainers who are reflective practitioners that provide evidence-based, compassionate, and ethical care for the prevention, assessment, acute management and rehabilitation of injuries and disorders of athletes and physically active individuals. Additionally, the Division of Athletic Training provides continuing education courses for certified athletic trainers and advanced education in emerging practice areas.

SU MSAT is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE).

Students who complete the program are prepared to sit for the Board of Certification (BOC) Examination. Graduates consistently achieve over 98% first-time passing of the board examination.

#### **FACILITIES**

The Health & Life Sciences Building opened in fall 2014; the building anchors the south corner of main campus, providing a state-of-the-art facility for the natural sciences and health care education.

The James R. Wilkins Athletic Center is the home of the Shenandoah basketball, volleyball, and track & field teams which offers student-athletes the opportunity to practice, train and receive treatment in all conditions. This facility includes several basketball and volleyball courts, a 6-lane track and a satellite athletic training area.

## MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ATHLETIC TRAINING CURRICULUM

- Hybrid program delivery with a blend of live and online course instruction to allow for clinical placements locally and in specialty clinics around the nation
- Graston Technique® M1 IASTM Training
- Functional Movement Screen (FAS)
- State of the art facility for classroom, clinical lab, and cadaver lab instruction
- Strong research component to program with student projects leading to state, national, and international presentation and publication
- Strong emphasis on instructing sports rehabilitation and manual therapy
- Commitment to leadership and community service opportunities
- Additional program opportunities:
  - Dual Degree: Doctor of Physical Therapy and Master of Science in Athletic Training
  - Certificate Programs in Performing Arts Medicine,
     Performing Arts Health & Fitness, Esports Medicine, and
     Esports Health & Fitness