

Athletic Training

At UW-Eau Claire

Certified athletic trainers are health care practitioners who specialize in preventing, recognizing, managing and rehabilitating injuries that result from physical activity. If you love helping people, this might be the major for you!

Mission of the Athletic Training Education Program

The mission of the Athletic Training Education Program (ATEP) at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire is to prepare students for certification/licensure as an Athletic Trainer and to work as a health care provider with the physically active population. The ATEP promotes this mission through a transformative environment that engages students through active participation in the course content and by embracing and offering experiential learning opportunities with the university and Chippewa Valley communities.

Great facilities

The McPhee/Olson Physical Education Center is an outstanding facility with six gymnasiums, including an indoor 200-meter track, a competition-size swimming pool, eight racquetball courts, a spacious weight training and fitness center, a sports medicine/athletic training room, dance studio, a health promotion laboratory and a computer laboratory. Outdoor facilities include a 400-meter track, tennis courts, and jogging and fitness trails.

Outstanding experiences

As part of the Athletic Training major, students participate in a wide variety

Our graduates

The athletic trainer functions as an integral member of the health care team for schools, athletic teams, hospitals, the military, industry and corporate health programs. A number of our graduates continue their athletic training studies at the graduate level.

of pre-professional experiences, including student-faculty research collaboration, mentoring and health promotion activities, attendance at professional meetings and workshops, or work at summer sport camps, just to name a few!

Clinical education

An important component of the Athletic Training major is the hands-on experience for students. Students will complete up to 90 weeks or roughly 1,200 hours of hands-on patient care at several of our 12 clinical sites over a three-year period. The clinical education experiences occur during prearranged times and locations and involve interaction with clinical instructors on a weekly basis. This allows athletic training students to practice and master the skills of the profession while providing safe and outstanding health care for the physically active population that they encounter.

Become certified

The Athletic Training Education Program is accredited by the



Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE); we received the highest accreditation standard in 2010 and will undergo our next review in 2020. All students that graduate from ATEP and meet the criteria established by CAATE will qualify to sit for the Board of Certification (BOC) national certification examination. Successful completion of the BOC examination allows the individual to become a Certified Athletic Trainer and eligible for state licensure. Our grads have a first time pass rate over 94 percent; whereas the national average is 77 percent.



"The athletic training education program creates an environment of teamwork. We work together to share our knowledge and advice in class and during clinical experiences. The professors provide students the tools and support necessary to complete the board of certification exam."

— Kristin

Majors

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course work

Students interested in studying athletic training are encouraged to do well in biology, health, physics, math and English composition. Students should enjoy being physically active and working with people.

Suggested freshman curriculum

General Chemistry

General Psychology

University writing requirement — depending on placement exam.

For test-out options, see uwec.edu/Blugoldseminar/testout.

Intro to Athletic Training

Anatomical Kinesiology

Fundamentals of Speech

Physical Science

General electives

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Special admission requirements

Formal application is made to the Athletic Training major during the second semester of the first year of attendance. This allows selected students to start the three-year course of study during the fall semester of the second year. Admission is selective.

All freshman/transfer students who declare Athletic Training as their major on admittance to the university must meet with the program director in an advising group meeting before the start of the first semester. Students who declare athletic training as their major after the beginning of the spring semester will be advised to start candidacy in the fall semester. Anyone interested in majoring in Athletic Training must contact the Athletic Training Education Program director in the department of Kinesiology for complete information about the application procedures, technical standards, observational experience and all other information related to the Athletic Training major.

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