Wayne State University  
Master of Science in Athletic Training Program  
TECHNICAL STANDARDS FOR ADMISSION

The profession of athletic training encompasses the prevention, diagnosis, intervention, and treatment of emergency, acute, and chronic medical conditions involving impairment, functional limitations, and disabilities.

The Athletic Training Program (ATP) at Wayne State University (WSU) prepares students to competently enter the workforce requiring students to meet technical standards.

Technical standards are necessary to achieve the knowledge, skills, and competence to serve the athletic trainer’s patient population adequately and optimally, while meeting the expectations of the educational program’s accrediting agency (Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training).

In the event a student is unable to fulfill these technical standards, with or without reasonable accommodation, the student will not be admitted to the program. Compliance with the program’s technical standards does not guarantee a student’s eligibility for the BOC certification exam.

The following expectations and abilities must be met by all students for admittance to the WSU ATP:

1. The mental capacity 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 judgements and treatment information effectively.

4. The ability to record the physical examination results and 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.

In the event a student is unable to fulfill these technical standards, with/or without reasonable accommodations, the student will not be admitted to the program.

Wayne State University fully supports the intent of all legislation designed to prohibit discrimination and the ATP commits to respect and abide by such legislation.

The University’s Student Disability Services provides services to the student who may need assistance in completing a needed Program requirement and can assist the Program Director in determining the physical and mental limitations of an ATS. If an ATS or the Program Director later identifies actual or potential mental, psychological, or physical difficulties in meeting the standards established for the Program, the student, with assistance from the WSU Student Disability Services will consult health care providers who are capable of determining the implications of such difficulties in completing the Program.

The WSU ATP faculty, in conjunction with the Student Disability Services, will use this information to determine if the ATS can meet the Technical Standards with reasonable accommodation. This review will take into account whether accommodation would jeopardize clinician/patient safety or the educational process of the ATS or the institution, including all course work, clinical experiences and internships deemed essential to graduation.

I certify that I have read and I understand the technical standards for admission as listed above and I believe to the best of my knowledge that I meet each of these standards without accommodation. I understand that I am unable to meet these standards I will not be admitted or able to continue in the program.

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Signature of Applicant/Student Date

Statement for students requesting accommodations:

I certify that I have read and I 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 appropriate accommodations. I will contact the Wayne State University Student 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 will not be admitted into the program or may not be able to complete the program.

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Signature of Applicant/Student Date