### ATHLETIC TRAINING ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST

Jacksonville State University is committed to recruiting and preparing quality candidates for entry-level positions in athletic training. Currently enrolled students wishing to apply to the Master's in Athletic Training Program must complete an application and submit all required materials. Please see the checklist below to make the process easier for you when applying to Jacksonville State University Master's in Athletic Training Program! Admission criteria listed are requirements that must be met before admission is granted. Meeting these minimum standards or acceptance into the University Graduate School will not guarantee admission to the Athletic Training Program. The Master's in Athletic Training Program has a limited enrollment. The number of students admitted may be limited to the number of spaces available in the program to maintain an appropriate student to preceptor/faculty/staff ratio. Therefore, all candidates must make formal application, be admitted to the University Graduate School, and follow the prescribed requirements to be eligible for admission into the program. The following are the requirements for admission to the program:

Materials to be reviewed by the athletic training program:	Date Completed
Complete ATCAS Application <a href="https://atcas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login.">https://atcas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login.</a>	
<ul> <li>The following will be examined on ATCAS:</li> <li>Professional Resume</li> <li>Professional Cover Letter (Must include: Why did you choose Jacksonville State University, Why do you want to be an Athletic Trainer, How can you make a positive impact to Jacksonville State University, etc.).</li> <li>Completion of JSU Form Direct Observation Hours Verification Form (50 hours)</li> <li>2 Letters of Recommendations (1 professor and 1 certified athletic trainer)</li> <li>Official Transcript from the Bachelor's degree awarding institution</li> </ul>	
Have an overall minimum GPA of 2.75	
Required courses from Undergraduate Degree:	
General Biology	
General Chemistry	
General Physics	
Anatomy and Physiology 1 & 2 with lab	
Biomechanics	
Exercise Physiology	
Kinesiology	
Psychology	
*Completion of prerequisite coursework is required for program admissions.  Prerequisite courses should be completed prior to starting the program.  Approval is needed to allow outstanding courses to be completed by the 1 <sup>st</sup> semester of program enrollment. All students must complete prerequisite coursework to continue matriculation in the professional program. Lastly, all prerequisite classes must have a "C" grade or higher.	

Recommended courses from Undergraduate Degree:	
Basic Athletic Training	
Nutrition	
Statistics	
Therapeutic Exercise and Modalities	
Medical Terminology	
Any research course	
Health	
Pathomechanics	

#### **Professional interview:**

This will be scheduled by the Program Director/MAT Applicant Committee after review of the above materials.

	Date Completed
Program Interview (Conducted by AT faculty/staff)	

**Submitted to Graduate School (if applicable):** 

Date Completed
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### **Selection of students:**

Application materials and any additional information can be requested from the Master's in Athletic Training Program Director. The MAT committee will strive to interview and process all applicants in a timely fashion. The selection committee will evaluate each applicant using the documented criteria below. After this evaluation, the highest scoring applicants will be offered a conditional or unconditional seat into the Master's in Athletic Training Program. Any student who receives a score under 14/20, will not be considered for admissions. Candidates not accepted may reapply for admission during the next available application period.

<b>Grade Point Average</b>	Quality of Observation Hours
$\overline{3.5}$ and higher = 5 points	Outstanding = 5 points
3.25  to  3.49 = 4  points	Great = 4 points
3.00  to  3.24 = 3  points	Good = 3 points
2.75  to  2.99 = 2  points	Fair = 2 points
2.50  to  2.74 = 1  points	Poor = 1 points
Quality of Interview	Quality of Application for Admission
Outstanding = 5 points	(resume, LORs, letter of interest,
Great = 4 points	interview/writing sample, & clinical
Good = 3 points	hours)
Fair = 2 points	Outstanding = 5 points
Poor = 1 points	Great = 4 points
	Good = 3 points
	Fair = 2 points
	Poor = 1 point

Students receive communication from both the Graduate School and the Master's in Athletic Training Program Director classified as one of the following:

- Unconditionally Accepted (Applicant meets all admission criteria)
- Conditionally Accepted (Applicant does not meet all admission criteria)
- Denied

	Date Completed
Acceptance / Denial Letters (Sent by Admissions office/Program Director)	

Once conditionally and/or unconditionally accepted, the student must confirm/deny the invitation to become part of the Master's in Athletic Training Program. An email with attachments with detailed instructions will be sent to that student welcoming them to the Master's in Athletic Training Program and detailing their responsibilities:

Accepted students (To be produced and/or completed during orientation):

	Date
	Completed
Criminal Background check - www.psibackgroundcheck.com.	
Proof of NATA membership (http://members.nata.org/eSeries/app/member/)	
Proof of NPI number	
Proof of professional liability insurance	
Medicat Immunization Portal - House student health records	
http://www.jsu.edu/studenthealth/forms.html.	
JSU student parking decal	
AHA Healthcare Provider	
Release of Information (form)	
Signed Technical Standards (form)	
Record of Immunizations/Vaccinations	
Signed AT Program Confidentiality Agreement (form)	
Health insurance card	
Driver's license	

# **Equal opportunity in education title IX statement:**

JSU is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution and does not discriminate based on age, religion, race, color, sex, veteran's status, national origin, or disability. Pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Title IX Coordinator, Suite 301-A Angle Hall, phone (256) 782-5769 is the coordinator for Section 504/ADA.

## **Academic support:**

Academic Support and Success provides a range of academic support services which include tutoring, Supplemental Instruction (SI), academic workshops, and mentoring. The concept behind academic support is to model high quality, effective, academic skills, provide content-specific supplemental instruction, and create a connection to the institution. Tutors and SI Leaders must combine their content knowledge with empathy, honesty, hard work, humility, and humor. The goal of Academic Support and Success is to support the university's mission as a learning-centered institution.

Please see the following link for more information:

https://www.jsu.edu/studentsuccess/academic-support/