

NDSU | Professional Athletic Training Program

Requirements for Admission

Program Website: https://www.ndsu.edu/hnes/athletic_training_professional/

1. Overall GPA of 3.0 at the time of application (3.0 GPA or higher maintained to start of program)
2. The following courses must be completed with a letter grade of “C” or better earned and documented on official transcripts before the start of the program in the Summer.
 - Human Anatomy and Lab 1 semester
 - Human Physiology and Lab 1 semester
 - General Physics 1 semester
 - General Chemistry 1 semester
 - Biomechanics and/or Kinesiology 1 semester
 - Biology 1 semester
 - Medical Terminology 1 semester
 - Nutrition 1 semester
 - Psychology 1 semester
3. Writing Sample: Pitch the profession of athletic training as if you were speaking to a new student in the profession. Maximum word count: 300 words.
4. At least two (2) letters of recommendation – at least one letter must be from an instructor/professor. They must testify to the student's integrity (i.e. professionalism, communication skills, work ethic).
5. Documentation of a minimum of 20 hours of observation completed under the direct supervision of a BOC ATC® in an athletic training room setting. 20 hours must be completed within one (1) calendar year of application. The form can be found on the MATrg website. *Submit the signed form under supplemental materials.*
6. Documentation of current CPR Training in one of the following:
 - a. American Heart Association: BLS Healthcare Provider/BLS Provider
 - b. American Red Cross: CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer
 - c. American Red Cross: Basic Life Support of Healthcare Providers*Submit a copy of the certificate under supplemental materials.*
7. Application to NDSU Graduate School and \$35 application fee.
8. International students must meet the following English Language Test score requirements for HNES Graduate Programs:
TOEFL (pbt): 600 TOEFL (ibt): 100 IELTS: 7 Academic PTE: 68

Application Process

1. Apply on-line through ATCAS - <https://atcas.liasoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login>
2. Create an account and following their steps to complete the application.
3. Once applications are reviewed, interviews (in person or virtually) will be completed.

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****Application submission does not constitute acceptance into the program nor is acceptance guaranteed simply upon satisfactory completion of requirements. Admission requirements are weighted. Overall GPA and interview performance carry the major percentage of the weighting process. Exceptions to the requirements can be made on recommendation by the MATrg Application Committee.***

Admission Acceptance/Denial into the MATrg:

The MATrg application process is a competitive process. A committee reviews completed graduate school applications and selects applicants to interview. The committee will set up a time with the student to complete the interview process (Virtually or in person). Students will be notified by the NDSU Graduate School regarding formal MATrg program status. All NDSU Graduate School Policies will be followed accordingly.

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