Athletic Training Major

Established in 1984, the MNU Athletic Training Program has continued to provide students with the highest quality athletic training education culminating in a Bachelor’s of Science degree in Athletic Training. As a major in the Department of Health and Exercise Science, the MNU Athletic Training Program received initial accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) in 2004 and has been re-accredited through the 2018-19 school year. Athletic Training students who complete both the academic and clinical requirements of the MNU Athletic Training Program are eligible to challenge the NATA BOC examination.

Mission Statement

The MidAmerica Nazarene University Athletic Training Program’s purpose is to engage all students in providing the highest level of educational instruction in a Christian environment while developing Christ-centered learners. Our program is devoted to producing morally, academically, spiritually, and professionally qualified individuals for a career in Athletic Training, an Allied Health Profession recognized by the American Medical Association (AMA).

Athletic Training Program Contact Information

Chris Crawford, MSE, ATC, LAT
Program Director, cpcrawford@mnu.edu

Dr. Kim Kato, NSCA-CPT, ACSM/NPAS
Department Chair, kkato@mnu.edu
Clinical Affiliates

- ARC
- Avila University
- Boost Physical Therapy
- Dynamic Athletics
- Gardner-Edgerton High School
- Johnson County Community College
- Johnson County Orthopedic
- Kansas City Orthopedic Institute
- Olathe North High School
- Olathe Northwest High School
- Olathe South High School
- Select Physical Therapy
- Soccer Fit
- SSOR
- Sports Care – Blue Valley
- The Inside Sports Clinic
- UMKC

Accomplishments

2012-13 KATS Academic All-State
Melanie Ellsworth – 2nd Team,
Abby Friesen – Honorable Mention

2013-14 KATS Academic All-State
Melanie Ellsworth – 1st Team,
Abby Friesen – 2nd Team,
Jennifer McPike – Honorable Mention

2014 NFL Training Camp Internship
Brandon Harvey – San Francisco 49ers

Application & Admission

Requirements

Students interested in applying to the MNU Athletic Training Program, please submit the required application materials listed below:

- Complete and submit all Athletic Training Program application forms
- Provide official transcripts
- Minimum of 60 hours of observation completed at MNU facilities
- Minimum 2.5 GPA upon the completion of the application process semester.
- A minimum of a B- in each of the following courses:
  - BIOL 1704 Human Anatomy
  - HLEX 1312 Introduction to Athletic Training
  - HLEX 1303 Care and Prevention of Athletic Injuries & Lab

Recent Job Placements

- Avila University
- Blue Valley Physical Therapy
- Robert J. Dole Medical Center
- Shawnee Mission Medical Center - Outreach
- University of Kansas Medical Center - Outreach
- University of Texas - Tyler

MNU Athletic Training Program: The Backbone of Pioneer Athletics
www.mnu.edu/athletic-training