ARE YOU AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONSIDERING THE ATHLETIC TRAINING MAJOR?

If so, you should begin reviewing, and completing the online ‘Athletic Training Pre-Professional Phase Application’, which is accessible at the following link: http://hhd.psu.edu/kines/forms-and-documents.

The application deadline for each approaching Fall Semester is July 1st, and consists of the following:

- Review of Athletic Training Major General Requirements
- Adviser Checklist (necessary for Commonwealth Campus students only)
- Clinical Observation Verification (involves feedback from the athletic trainer you shadow for 25 hours)
  - Most applicants complete the clinical observation experience during early Summer (May, June), Thanksgiving, Winter, or Spring Break by shadowing an athletic trainer at their high school, or surrounding home area. Please be aware that this experience cannot be completed in the University Park Campus athletic training facilities; however, if applicants choose to complete this requirement while classes are in session, they may do so by inquiring with athletic trainers practicing in the greater State College, or surrounding areas. Students should aim to complete the entire 25 hours under the supervision of one host. Applicants are responsible for independently arranging this experience as a means of demonstrating resourcefulness, and accountability. The Department of Kinesiology will NOT be responsible for facilitating a clinical observation experience.
  - Students must be certain to complete this experience with a Board of Certification credentialed athletic trainer, which can be verified at this site: https://i7lp.integral7.com/durango/do/pr/prSearch?ownername=boc&channel=boc.
  - It is the student's responsibility to coordinate with the host athletic trainer of the observational experience to confirm that he/she completes the student evaluation form BEFORE July 1st. The Department of Kinesiology will NOT assume responsibility for contacting the host athletic trainer to submit this student evaluation. Failure to meet this deadline will result in an incomplete application, and prevent the student from being enrolled in KINES 231 and KINES 233.

Enrollment in KINES 231 (Clinical Athletic Training I), and KINES 233 (Emergency Care in Athletic Training), which are only offered during Fall Semester at University Park Campus, is limited to 70 students, and based on the order that applications are received. It is recommended that students complete the Pre-Professional Phase application as soon as Athletic Training is identified as degree program of interest, even if the major is only being considered as one possible major. Completing an application does not commit a student to anything, it simply assures that students are able to register for the proper Fall Semester classes necessary to explore, or pursue the Athletic Training Major. It is strongly suggested that Commonwealth Campus students complete all components of the application before April 1st as a means to secure a seat, and begin making accommodations for housing at University Park Campus.

If you have specific questions about the application, or the major, please contact the Athletic Training Major Program Director at glv103@psu.edu or the Athletic Training Major Administrative Support Assistant at cab408@psu.edu.

Thank you,

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