**Program Description**

**What Is An Athletic Trainer?**

Athletic Trainers (ATs) are health care professionals who render service or treatment, under the direction of or in collaboration with a physician. As a part of the health care team, services provided by ATs include injury and illness prevention, wellness promotion and education, emergent care, examination, and clinical diagnosis, therapeutic intervention, and rehabilitation of injuries and medical conditions.

**Accredited - CAATE**

The Athletic Training program at the University of Miami (UM) is a graduate professional program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE). The program is designed to provide a structured classroom and clinical experience to prepare students to become eligible to sit for the Board of Certification exam.

The University of Miami is currently accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE), 6850 Austin Center Blvd., Suite 100, Austin, TX 78731-3101.

Tuition waiver may be available.

**Program Goals**

- Employ evidence-based best practices to promote optimal patient outcomes
- Develop sound critical thinking skills to build confidence as an independent healthcare practitioner
- Engage in diverse clinical experiences while collaborating as a member of the inter-professional healthcare team
- Advance and advocate for the profession of Athletic Training through scholarship, leadership, and service to the community
- Value and implement holistic patient-centered care to diverse populations
- Empower students to promote a healthy work-life integration

**Vision**

To create future leaders in the field of athletic training by providing an innovative, diverse, and comprehensive student-centered education.

**Mission**

To empower students to be successful independent healthcare practitioners in Athletic Training by providing the student with the flexibility to formulate an individual educational, clinical, and research plan.

**WHY UM**

**TOP Clinical Immersion Experiences**

1:3 Instructor to Student Ratio

Highly Recognized Research University
ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Admission to all graduate degree concentrations in the School of Education and Human Development is based on the recommendation of the faculty. Admissions decisions are based on faculty review of the general requirements that apply to all Graduate Programs in the School as well as specific documents listed under additional program requirements and prerequisites. General requirements include, not limited to, (1) B.A. or B.S. in exercise science/kinesiology or a related field (exceptions may apply with program director approval), (2) minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA. At this time, the GRE is no longer required for MSAT.

Please note that space in the cohort is limited, rolling admissions apply therefore early application is encouraged.

MASTERS APPLICATION PROCESS

1. To Apply, Sign Up for an Account via CollegeNet or via ATCAS
2. Send Official Transcripts
3. Letters of Recommendation
4. TOEFL Scores (International Students Only)
5. Attach Essay or Statement of Purpose
6. Attach CV or Resume
7. For International Students Only

International students are required to submit the following items:

- TOEFL (if applicable) scores from ETS (University of Miami Institution Code # 5915). Transcripts and test scores are NOT considered as official if provided by, or received via the applicant
- A copy of passport
- Copy of diploma with English translation for degrees earned outside of the United States
- Official/original transcripts with English translation

ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. At least one of the recommendation letters above must be written by an Athletic Trainer (3 letters are required overall)
2. An interview may be required. Applicants will be notified as appropriate, and
3. Applicants must complete or be enrolled in the prerequisite coursework listed below prior to acceptance and/or enrollment (Please contact the Program Director for course equivalency information)
4. 100 observation hours with an Athletic Trainer either in a log or letter format
5. CPR card for healthcare providers such as but not limited to American Heart Association’s Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers or ECC equivalent as established by the Board of Certification

ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

REQUIRED PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK

At the undergraduate or graduate level

1. Anatomy & Physiology (Separate or combined a minimum of 6 credits)
2. Biology: Introduction with Lab
3. Chemistry: Introduction with Lab
4. Introduction to Physics
5. Introduction to Statistics
6. Psychology: Intro to Psychology or Sports Psychology (preferred)

Disclaimer, observation hours & CPR card not required until the start of Summer B term.

TRANSFER OF COURSES

Transfer of graduate credits previously earned from other accredited healthcare degree-granting programs is determined on a case-by-case basis. The Program Director and the appropriate course instructor(s) will review the transfer course syllabus to ensure the content match those of the program’s course and that all competencies can be identified. Credits can be transferred ONLY if they are less than six years old, were taken from a graduate degree program, and taken in an accredited institution. In addition, students must have earned a grade of B or better in the course.
FACULTY BIOGRAPHY

DR. MAGGIE ALDOUSANY,
PROGRAM DIRECTOR, ASSISTANT CLINICAL PROFESSOR

Dr. Maggie Aldousany is an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Kinesiology and Sport Sciences. A certified athletic trainer and licensed physical therapist, Maggie received a Doctorate in Physical Therapy from Nova Southeastern University in 2013. She also holds two bachelor’s degrees from the University of Miami – a B.A. in Psychology and a B.S. in Athletic Training – both received in 2009. She is a certified Graston technique practitioner, a certified Kinesiotaping practitioner, and a certified active release technique practitioner. Prior to joining the University of Miami, she worked in the acute care rehabilitation setting.

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