

College of Pharmacy  
& Health Sciences

# Prepare for peak performance.

- Master of  
Athletic Training  
(MAT)

# Bring value on the field— and beyond.

Traditionally, when you think AT, you think athletes, sidelines, and taping injuries. It's true—Drake's Master of Athletic Training, launching in Fall 2019, will prepare you to excel in this world, working with athletes from high school to the pros and Olympics.

But Drake AT students also graduate ready to care for people who are active in hospitals, clinics, and occupational, industrial, and performing arts settings.

Gaining broader expertise in the field of healthcare adds value to your degree and allows you to differentiate yourself, whether your field of practice is marked

by boundary lines or hospital walls. It all depends on your interests, and what you want your professional life and schedule to look like, be it traveling to games or a strict 9-to-5.

The result? A highly versatile combination of knowledge, skills, and experience that will not only land you that first position, but propel your career further throughout your entire life.

## Cross the finish line ahead of the pack.

You will prepare at a University with a proven reputation for excellence in the health professions while building confidence with ample hands-on experiences under the guidance and mentorship of expert faculty.

Drake provides you the innovative curriculum and practice-based experiences to get you to a great career faster than most other programs can. Drake is the only university to provide you an AT education that's as broad as it is deep—with a strong core of knowledge, a wide array of inter-professional collaborations, plus the opportunity to specialize.

This rigorous, accelerated program will prepare you to sit for the Board of Certification examination for Athletic Training.



# 23%

Projected career growth in the field of athletic training over the next 10 years, compared to an average of 5 to 9% for all careers.

—Bureau of Labor Statistics



Athletic Trainers (ATs) are highly qualified, multi-skilled health care professionals who work as part of a collaborative healthcare team to provide preventative services, emergency care, clinical diagnosis, therapeutic intervention, and rehabilitation of acute or chronic injuries and medical conditions.





“Having a program that  
can be personalized to  
allow me to take classes  
I am interested in, while  
still getting an accelerated  
degree, is very valuable.  
I am confident that the AT  
program at Drake is helping  
me get to my dream job.”

■ Bridget Davidson, Pre-athletic  
Training, Class of 2021  
Sun Prairie, Wisconsin

# Why choose the Drake MAT?

## **A collaborative, inter-professional approach**

At Drake, you'll benefit from the only AT program in the state that's offered as part of a health sciences college. You'll have opportunities to collaborate with Drake students in other specialties from pharmacy to occupational therapy, as well as regional professionals through the Des Moines Area Interprofessional Education Collaborative. It all adds up to a unique opportunity to learn while gaining a holistic view of medicine.

## **Access to top clinical experiences**

Both on campus and throughout the capital city of Des Moines, you will have the opportunity to work in outstanding clinical facilities. This includes access to Drake's NCAA Division I athletics program, numerous 4A high schools, and many hospitals and clinics; as well as being front and center

for the famed Drake Relays and state competitions. In the professional program, you will be in the field each semester, including three full-time, immersive clinical rotations.

## **Specialized concentrations with an edge**

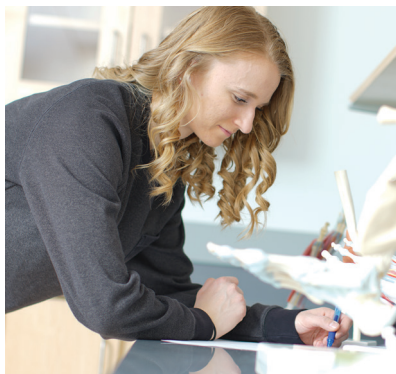
The Drake approach to AT produces students that exceed entry-level standards, giving you a broader range of skills and experiences that are attractive to employers. You can leverage electives to build a concentration, leading the way to advanced skills and practice.

## **MAT Concentrations**

- Global & Comparative Public Health
- Interprofessional Healthcare
- Leadership
- Mild Traumatic Brain Injury (mTBI)
- Evidence Based Health Care







### **An accelerated program takes you further, faster**

Students may be admitted to the master's program as part of the 3+2 option in partnership with Drake's Pre-athletic Training track—saving a year of time and tuition—or following completion of a bachelor's degree program (including prerequisites) at another institution or in another major at Drake.

### **A “right-sized” program**

You'll benefit from the exceptional opportunities and personal attention from expert faculty that come from being part of a “right-sized” program capped at 25 students/class.

### **New, innovative spaces**

You'll learn and practice in new and renovated classrooms, labs, and training spaces in Drake's new STEM@DRAKE

Complex and athletics facilities—including a patient simulation lab, virtual anatomy lab, and running track laboratory with specialized equipment including pressure sensors and motion cameras.

### **Drake quality and reputation**

While the AT program is new, Drake's award-winning Athletic Training leadership team brings a combined 27 years of experience with accredited programs and proven results—a first-time Board of Certification exam pass rate of 94.4% and a 100% placement rate.

Ultimately, your degree will truly mean something to employers. With its national reputation, strong community connections, and commitment to mentorship and résumé-building professional, research, and service experiences, the Drake reputation for excellence is tough to match.

## Drake's Master of Athletic Training Track

Five semesters to the finish line...

Y1: Fall	Foundational Knowledge
Y1: Spring	Traditional & Emerging AT Settings
Y1: Summer	Advanced Medical Knowledge & Skills
Y2: Fall	Athletic Training Immersion
Y2: Spring	Athletic Training Concentrations

... So you can get started adding value on the side lines.

Apply for one of the select spots in Drake's Master of Athletic Training program.

The application process includes:

- ATCAS and supplemental applications
- Official transcripts of undergraduate coursework with a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA
- GRE score submission (unless completing your undergraduate degree at Drake)
- 50 hours of observation with an athletic trainer
- A statement of interest in the program
- An on-campus interview in the second phase of the admission process, by invitation

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