

WAYNESBURG UNIVERSITY MSAT TECHNICAL STANDARDS AND REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS



The Master's in Athletic Training (MSAT) program at Waynesburg University is a rigorous and intense program that places specific requirements and demands on the student enrolled in the program. An objective of this program is to prepare graduates to enter a variety of employment settings and to render care to a wide spectrum of individuals engaged in physical activities. The technical standards and reasonable accommodations set forth by the MSAT Program establish the essential qualities considered necessary for students admitted to this program to achieve the knowledge, skills, and competencies of an entry-level athletic trainer, as well as meet the expectations of the program's accrediting agency (Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education [CAATE]). All students admitted to the MSAT program must meet the following minimum standards for successful completion of degree requirements.

**Compliance with the program's technical standards and reasonable accommodations does not guarantee a student's eligibility for the BOC certification exam.*

Candidates for the MSAT Program must demonstrate:

- a) the mental capacity to assimilate, analyze, synthesize, integrate concepts and problem solve to formulate assessment and therapeutic judgments and to be able to distinguish deviations from the norm.
- b) the sufficient postural and neuromuscular control, sensory function, and coordination to perform appropriate physical examinations using accepted techniques; and accurately, safely and efficiently use equipment and materials during the assessment and treatment of patients.
- c) the ability to read, communicate in writing, and demonstrate computer literacy to communicate effectively and sensitively with patients and colleagues, including individuals from different cultural and social backgrounds. This includes, but not limited to, the ability to establish rapport with patients and communicate clearly and accurately judgments and treatment information. Students must be able to understand and speak the English language at a level consistent with competent professional practice.
- d) the capacity to maintain composure and continue to function well during periods of high stress. This includes being the first responder in a potentially catastrophic injury (e.g., in-line stabilization of cervical spine, rescue breathing, obstructed airway management, and cardiopulmonary resuscitation).
- e) the psychological ability to fully use intellectual abilities, exercise good judgment, promptly complete all responsibilities inherent to the assessment and care of patients and develop mature, sensitive, and effective relationships with patients.
- f) the ability to tolerate physically and mentally taxing workloads.
- g) the flexibility and the ability to adjust to changing situations and uncertainty in clinical situations.
- h) the ethical behavior both in the classroom and during clinical experiences.
- i) the perseverance, diligence and commitment to complete the MSAT Program as outlined and sequenced.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the admissions process does not require disclosure of a disability. However, all enrolled students must be capable of meeting the technical standards for the academic and clinical education components of the MSAT program. These technical standards are necessary for full participation in the curriculum and it is expected that students will function independently, which generally means, without the aid of an intermediary, to achieve proficiency in all curricular areas. Applicants and students should review the technical standards for the MSAT program carefully. A student who has a disability may request reasonable accommodations through The Disability Services Office, which is housed in the Waynesburg University Pathways

Center, to engage in a collaborate process with any student who states he/she may qualify for an accommodation on the basis of disability. The collaborative process will work to determine if there is a qualifying disability, identify barriers to access, and establish reasonable accommodations as appropriate.

READ AND SIGN THE APPROPRIATE (ONLY ONE) LINE BELOW

I certify that I have read and understand the technical standards for selection listed above, and I believe to the best of my knowledge that I meet each of these standards without accommodation.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Program Director

Date

Alternative statement for student requesting accommodations.

I certify that I have read and understand the technical standards of selection listed above and I believe to the best of my knowledge that I can meet each of the standards with certain accommodations. I will contact the Waynesburg University Pathways Center to determine what accommodations may be available. I understand that if I am unable to meet these standards with or without accommodations, I will not be admitted into the MSAT program.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Program Director

Date