

SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY

ATHLETIC TRAINING EDUCATION PROGRAM

TECHNICAL STANDARDS FOR ADMISSION

The Athletic Training Professional Program at San Diego State University is a rigorous and intense program that places specific requirements and demands on the students 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 activity. The technical standards set forth by the Athletic Training Professional 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]). The following abilities and expectations must be met by all students upon admission to the Athletic Training Professional Program. In the event a student is unable to fulfill these technical standards, with or without reasonable accommodation, the student will not be admitted into the program.

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

Candidates for selection to the Athletic Training Professional Program must demonstrate:

1. 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.
2. Sufficient postural and neuromuscular control, sensory function, and coordination to perform CPR, primary and secondary surveys, emergency transport and transfers, appropriate physical examinations, and manual therapeutic exercise procedures; including the safe and efficient use of equipment and materials during the assessment and treatment of patients.
3. The ability to communicate effectively and sensitively with patients and colleagues, including individuals from different cultural and social backgrounds; this includes, but is not limited to, the ability to establish rapport with patients and communicate judgments and treatment information effectively. Students must be able to understand and speak the English language at a level consistent with competent professional practice.
4. The ability to write effectively as it relates to the discipline

Candidates for selection to the athletic training professional program will be required to verify they understand and meet these technical standards or that they believe that, with certain accommodations, they can meet the standards. A copy of the Technical Standards for Admission Checklist is attached for your review of how these standards will be evaluated.

The Disabled Student Services office will evaluate a student who states he/she could meet the program's technical standards with accommodation and confirm that the stated condition qualifies as a disability under applicable laws.

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If a student states he/she can meet the technical standards with accommodation, then the University will determine whether it agrees that the student can meet the technical standards with reasonable accommodation; this includes a review of whether the accommodations requested are reasonable, taking into account whether accommodation would jeopardize clinician/patient safety, or the educational process of the student or the institution, including all coursework, clinical experiences and internships deemed essential to graduation. Should the University agree that the student can successfully meet the Technical Standards of the program with accommodation, then program acceptance will be allowed.

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 with or without accommodation. I understand that if I am unable to meet these standards I will not be admitted into the program.

I understand that upon being admitted in the program, I will be responsible to take and pass a physical exam. The approved paperwork for the physical exam will be given to me upon acceptance into the program and must be completed by a physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner. I am responsible for any costs and will have the physical completed before August 1 of this year.

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Applicant

DATE