ATHLETIC TRAINING PROGRAM (ATP)
SUMMARY OF ADMISSION PROCESS

The Athletic Training Program of Augustana University is a CAATE (Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education) accredited four-year degree program. Our program combines strong scientific educational theories and extensive clinical education experiences to our students. Athletic Training Students (ATS) are supervised by Clinical Preceptors (CP) in a variety of clinical education settings, including Augustana University, local high schools, and sport medicine clinics. As the ATS knowledge and skills increase, so does their involvement in delivering sports health care services to the patients of these clinical sites.

The Athletic Training major is housed within the Exercise and Sport Sciences Department (ESS). Our curriculum is designed to prepare the ATS for successful completion of the BOC (Board of Certification) national examination. We provide our ATS with a foundation of disciplinary knowledge and professional skills necessary for success in the profession of athletic training.

Prospective students will participate in a competitive admissions process. Subjective and objective point scales will be used to determine student acceptance. Prospective students will accumulate points for the successful completion of the following criteria:

- Each candidate must participate in **100 clinical observation hours** under the direct supervision of a licensed or certified athletic trainer prior to April 1st.

- Each candidate must demonstrate a **minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA** at the time of application and complete the following pre-requisite courses with a letter grade of “C” better.
  
  PE 230 (First Aid and CPR) -OR- valid certification card.
  PSYC 115 (General Psychology) –OR- PSYC 210 (Life-span Human Development)
  BIOL 110 (Biology & Human Concerns) –OR- BIOL 120 (Biological Principles 1)
  CHEM 116 (General Chemistry I)

- Each candidate must submit a **letter of intent**, an **Application for Admission** form and submit **three recommendation forms** from a non-family member to the Program Director of Athletic Training by April 1st of the year in which they are applying for acceptance.

- Each candidate must also demonstrate proof of a completed **physical examination, medical history form, immunization record, blood borne pathogen training and Technical Standards document**.

- Candidates who complete the aforementioned requirements will be granted a **formal interview** and will be given the opportunity to express their interests in the athletic training profession, state their career goals and professional aspirations and discuss their personal background.

- The **Selection Committee** will then tabulate the subjective and objective points and rank the applicants. Candidates will be notified of their acceptance status in writing by June 1st of the year in which they have applied.