

What can I do with a major in “Athletic Training”?

The University of Georgia Career Center

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This information describes typical occupations and employment settings associated with this major. Understand some of these options may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options when choosing a possible career path.

Description of Athletic Training

The Athletic Training Education Program is an academic major in the Department of Kinesiology in the College of Education. The ATEP is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE). Students in the ATEP receive academic knowledge and clinical proficiency in the various domains of athletic training clinical practice. Upon completion of all degree requirements, students are eligible to take the national board examination given by the Board of Certification (BOC) which is required to practice as a Certified Athletic Trainer in forty-nine states. Certified Athletic Trainers, under the direction of a licensed physician, provide health care for athletes and those who are physically active within six areas of clinical practice: prevention, clinical evaluation, treatment, rehabilitation and reconditioning, organization and administration and professional responsibilities

Research Careers

Georgia Career Information Center <http://www.gcic.peachnet.edu> (accessible only on campus computers)

O*NET <http://online.onetcenter.org> (click on Find Occupations)

Occupational Outlook Handbook <http://www.bls.gov/oco> (type in general term for career of interest)

Alberta Occupational Profiles <http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/occinfo/frameset.asp> (click on Occupational Title Search)

***Please visit the Career Center Library or your Career Consultant if you need additional information or assistance.**

Athletic Training preparation is offered in the following areas

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| Risk Mgt./Injury Prevention | Pharmacology Therapeutic | Nutrition |
| Pathology | Modalities Therapeutic | Health Care Administration |
| Assessment/Evaluation of | Exercise General Med. | Psychological intervention and |
| Injuries and Illnesses | Conditions & Disabilities | Referral |
| Acute Care | | Professional Development |

Possible Job Titles of Athletic Training Graduates

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| Athletic Director | Exercise Specialist | Physician |
| Camp Director | Fitness Center Director | Physicians Assistant |
| Certified Athletic Trainer | Health Educator | Recreation Therapist |
| Commercial Wellness Center | Health Practitioner | Rehabilitation Specialist |
| Director | Nurse | Sports Psychologist |
| Community Fitness Director | Occupational Therapist | Weight Management Specialist |
| Corporate Health Advisor | Personal Trainer | Wellness Coordinator |
| Dietitian | Pharmaceutical Salesperson | |
| Director of Recreation | Physical Education Teacher | |
| Exercise Physiologist | Physical Therapist | |

Possible Employers of Athletic Training Graduates

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| College and Universities | Marketing/Consulting | Professional Sport Teams |
| Health Centers | Firms Minor League | Sport |
| High Schools | Sport Teams Physical | Industries/Institutes |
| Hospitals | Therapy Centers | Wellness Centers |

Career Center Library Resources

Career Opportunities in the Sports Industry by Shelly Field

Careers for Health Nuts and Others Who Like to Stay Fit by Blythe Camenson

Careers for Sports Nuts and Other Athletic Types by William Ray Heitzmann

Arco The 50 Coolest Jobs in Sports: Who's Got Them, What They Do, and How You Can Get One! by David Fischer

Campus Resources

The Department of Kinesiology- <http://www.coe.uga.edu/exs/>

Rho Tau- The University of Georgia's Pre-Physical Therapy Student Organization- <http://www.uga.edu/rhotau/>

Sports Medicine Club-http://www.uhs.uga.edu/services/sports_med.html

Pre-Physician Assistant Club- ugaprepaclub@gmail.com

Employment Websites

American College of Sports Medicine- www.ascm.org

Cool Works – www.coolworks.com

National Athletic Trainers Association – www.nata.org

National Sports Employment News- www.sportsemploymentnews.com

Spotlight on Careers- www.spotlightoncareers.org

National Academy of Sports Medicine- www.nasm.org

Additional Resources

Aerobic and Fitness Association of America- www.nafaa.org

American Academy of Physician's Assistants- www.aapa.org

American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance- www.aahperd.org

American Diabetes Association- www.diabetes.org

American Dietetic Association- <http://www.eatright.org/>

American Heart Association- www.americanheart.org

American Occupational Therapy Association- www.aota.org

American Physical Therapy Association- www.apta.org

American Physiological Association- <http://www.the-aps.org/>

Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology- www.aaasp.org

International Sports Science Association- <http://www.issaonline.com/>

Medical Fitness Association- www.medicalfitness.org

National Strength and Conditioning Association- www.nasca-lift.org