Technical Standards

The technical standards for the Athletic Training Program are as follows:

- Candidates must be able to actively learn from observations, demonstrations, and experiments in the basic sciences.
- Candidates must be able to learn to analyze, synthesize, solve problems and reach assessment and therapeutic judgment distinguished from the norm.
- Candidates must have sufficient sensory function and coordination to perform appropriate physical examination using acceptable techniques.
- Candidates must be able to relate effectively to athletes and the physically active and to establish sensitive, professional relationships with them.
- Candidates are expected to be able to communicate the results of the assessment to the injured or ill exerciser, to responsible officials, to parents or guardians and to colleagues with accuracy, clarity and efficiency
- Candidates are expected to learn and perform routine prevention, assessment, emergency care and therapeutic procedures.
- Candidates are expected to be able to display good judgment in the assessment and treatment of injured or ill athletes and physically active individuals.
- Candidates must be able to learn to respond with precise, quick and appropriate action in emergency situations.
- Candidates are expected to be able to accept criticism and respond by appropriate modification of behavior.
- Candidates are expected to possess the perseverance, diligence and consistency to complete the athletic training curriculum, to attempt BOC certification within the year of program completion and enter the practice of athletic training.
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Candidates for selection to the Athletic Training Program will be required to verify that they understand and can meet these Technical Standards or that they believe they can meet these standards with reasonable accommodations, if a disability exists.

Students with disabilities must self-identify in Harding University’s Disability Services Office and provide documentation for the disability. The documentation will be reviewed by the Disabilities Director, and confirmed that the condition qualifies as a disability under applicable laws. At that time, reasonable accommodations will be discussed for the Athletic Training Program’s Technical Standards.

If the student with the disability states that he/she can meet the Technical Standards with reasonable accommodations, then the University will review the accommodations requested and take into account whether accommodations 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 before approval.

Statement for Students without accommodations

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. I understand that if I am unable to meet these standards I will not be admitted into the program.

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Signature of Applicant    Date

Alternative statement for students 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 these standards with reasonable accommodations. I will contact Harding University’s Disability Services Office to determine what accommodations may be available. I understand that if I am unable to meet these standards with accommodations, I will not be admitted into the program.

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Signature of Applicant    Date

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