

PRE-ATHLETIC TRAINING

SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ATHLETIC TRAINING AT SRU

The athletic training (AT) program at SRU offers a combination of rigorous academic instruction and authentic clinical experience. The AT program will prepare graduate students to deliver patient-centered healthcare utilizing clinical decision-making and problem solving processes necessary for quality health care delivery. Students will learn the science of AT with a focus on patient-centered injury and illness prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and care.

Graduates will have the knowledge and skills needed to successfully work and collaborate with other medical professionals to optimize the activity and wellness of patients and clients in sports, work and life. After successful completion of the graduate program, students are eligible to take the Board of Certification (BOC) exam. Graduates who pass the BOC exam will be qualified to work in various settings such as high schools, colleges, professional sports, industrial, and military.

For more information about the SRU AT program and its requirements, please visit www.sru.edu/AT.

TRADITIONAL PRE-ATHLETIC TRAINING

Students should choose an undergraduate major that best suits their interests and then complete the requirements for their chosen major while also completing pre-requisite coursework for the SRU AT program. Students choosing this option will apply to the AT program during their senior year at SRU.

ACCELERATED 3+2 PRE-ATHLETIC TRAINING

The accelerated option is for first-year students only and allows students to earn their bachelor's degree and Master of Science in Athletic Training degree in five years rather than six. During the first three years, students complete their undergraduate major courses and pre-requisites for the SRU AT program. During students' third undergraduate year is when they would apply for admission into the SRU AT program. If accepted into the SRU AT program, students' completion of their first year meets the remaining requirements for their bachelor's degree. If students are not accepted into SRU's AT program, they would continue to complete their undergraduate degree and can reapply to the program their senior year.

The following majors are available for the accelerated 3+2 options:

- Exercise Science
- Physical Activity and Fitness Management

Students should access SRU's majors webpage to learn more about each major to determine which best suits their interest at www.sru.edu/majors.

DIRECT ADMIT (SRU ACCELERATED 3+2 OR SRU TRADITIONAL PATHS)

Students admitted to SRU during the Fall 2023 semester or after are granted direct acceptance into the undergraduate majors of Exercise Science or Physical Activity and Fitness Management and the Athletic Training Master's Degree Program. Students will work with an academic advisor to follow either the SRU Accelerated 3+2 or SRU Traditional pathway to make sure they remain in good academic standing and meet the requirements for both programs.

*Slippery Rock University (SRU) is required by the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement and US Department of Education to notify you whether our program meets the academic licensure/certification requirements in another state. All jurisdictions have their own requirements for licensure/certification eligibility. SRU is approved to offer programs that may lead to licensure/certification in Pennsylvania. We are unable to determine our program's eligibility in states other than PA. Please review the licensing board contact resource at www.sru.edu/licensure-certification to seek guidance on the requirements of licensure in your home state or where you would like to practice professionally. Note that state requirements are subject to change at any time and without notice.

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SRU PROVIDES AN OUTSTANDING PREPARATION FOR ATHLETIC TRAINING

- Excellent reputation in sciences and health sciences
- Faculty who get to know and interact with their students
- Classes taught by faculty only
- Advisers who partner with students to plan for graduate studies and careers
- Practical, hands-on education
- Modern classrooms and laboratories
- Earn a bachelor's degree in any major

REQUIRED UNDERGRADUATE PRE-REQUISITE COURSES

- Anatomy and Physiology I & II / Labs
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Exercise Physiology
- Kinesiology or Biomechanics
- Physics I / Lab
- Psychology
- Nutrition
- Statistics
- Medical Terminology



HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION

Students in high school can prepare by taking high school coursework in biology, anatomy and physiology, psychology, statistics, chemistry, and physics. While taking advanced placement courses in these areas to enhance learning opportunities is recommended, students will be strongly encouraged to take these courses as an undergraduate at SRU.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

www.sru.edu/majors

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