

Master of Athletic Training (MAT) Program
Department of Health & Human Performance
University of Houston

Application for Admission

Criteria for evaluation to the MAT program will be determined by the summation of the applicant's overall MAT program application score based on the categories listed below. Applicants will be ranked by their overall score, and those ranked highest will receive preferential admission to the MAT program.

**For application deadlines please refer to the application process page on the MAT program website (hhp.uh.edu/mat).*

I.PERSONAL INFORMATION:

(Please type or neatly print all information)

Today's Date: _____

University of Houston Student ID#: _____

Name:

II.CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION:

Each applicant will be evaluated on three (3) categories: Academic Achievement (Last 60 Hours of Instruction/ Major GPA/ Prerequisite Courses), Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Score and Remaining Items of Support. **Academic Achievement** will account for 70% of the applicant's total score. *Applicants will be evaluated on the successful completion of their overall undergraduate degree GPA (overall GPA **must** be a 2.75 or higher), with specific emphasis placed on the "Required Prerequisite Courses", in particular Anatomy & Physiology 1 (A&P 1); Anatomy & Physiology 2 (A&P 2); Biomechanics; Exercise Science; Motor Learning, and Statistics. **Grades for A&P 1 and A&P 2 must be at a level of "B-" or higher.*** **Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Score** will account for 20% of the applicant's total score. A minimum expected score for each section of the GRE would fall above the 30th percentile. **Remaining Items of Support** will account for 10% of the applicant's total score. These will include but are not limited to other activities that will support the candidate's application (e.g. community involvement, leadership opportunities, previous athletic training experiences, etc.)

III. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EVALUATION:

Please enter the following information:

University Awarding Undergraduate Degree: _____

Undergraduate Degree Major: _____

Overall Undergraduate GPA (out of a 4.0 scale): _____

GRE Q: _____ (% below) _____

GRE V: _____ (% below) _____

GRE AW: _____ (% below) _____

| <u>Required Courses</u> | <u>Grade</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| General Biology (3 hrs) | |
| Chemistry (3 hrs) | |
| Physics (3 hrs) | |
| A&P 1 w/lab (4 hrs) | |
| A&P 2 w/lab (4 hrs) | |
| Biomechanics (3 hrs) | |
| Exercise Science (3 hrs) | |
| Motor Learning (3 hrs) | |
| Nutrition (3 hrs) | |
| Psychology (3 hrs) | |
| Statistics (3 hrs) | |

| <u>Preferred Courses</u> | <u>Grade</u> |
|---|--------------|
| <u>Functional Anatomy or Anatomical Kinesiology</u> | |

IV. DOCUMENTATION OF HOURS:

Applicants **must** submit at least 50 hours of observation time documented by a Certified Athletic Trainer (AT). ***The 50 observation hours must be from two different AT settings (e.g. college/university setting and high school setting).*** The hours may be completed at any location as long as they are directly supervised by (1) an AT with a Board of Certification (BOC) number who is currently in good standing; and (2) Licensed as an Athletic Trainer in the state in which they reside if state regulation exists (currently there is no state regulation for Athletic Trainers in California). The AT supervising you will need to provide both their BOC number and their state license number (if applicable). Failure to obtain hours under a BOC-certified athletic trainer will result in those hours not counting toward the 50 hour requirement.

V. PERSONAL STATEMENT (Same as Personal Statement for University Application):

The Personal Statement is used to provide the MAT Program Selection and Retention Committee with more insight specific to:

1. Why you have chosen Athletic Training as a career path?
2. Why you have chosen the MAT at the University of Houston?
3. What your career and educational goals and expectations are after graduation?
4. Your previous experiences as they relate directly to Athletic Training?

The Personal Statement should be no more than 2 pages, typed and single spaced. The Personal Statement ***will not be used*** for scoring purposes; rather, it provides a way for the MAT Program Selection and Retention Committee to obtain more information about each applicant.

This personal statement is a reflection of you. Please take this opportunity to introduce yourself to the committee. Use this letter to inform the committee of your passion towards both the field of Athletic Training and your graduate school education.

VI. PERSONAL REFERENCES:

Each applicant ***must*** submit three (3) letters of recommendation to be turned in with the completed application. The letters of recommendation will serve to assist the MAT Program Selection and Retention Committee in further understanding each applicant’s strengths and weaknesses, and how the applicant will be able to effectively contribute to both the MAT Program and the Athletic Training profession. ***It is strongly suggested that you request a recommendation letter from a faculty member and/or previous educator, a Certified Athletic Trainer, and an outside (i.e. non-AT) supervisor. This combination will allow the MAT Program Selection and Retention Committee to review evaluations of the applicant in the academic, clinical and work ethic categories.*** The letters of recommendation will not be used for scoring purposes. Please ensure that the recommending individuals provide the following information in the letters of recommendation:

1. Evaluator’s Name
2. Position
3. How long have you known the applicant
4. In what capacity have you known the applicant (personal, professional, etc.)
5. Any other pertinent information the evaluator may feel is important to know about the applicant.

VII. ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF SUPPORT:

Please use this section to provide the MAT Program Selection and Retention Committee with any additional items of support for your application.

For examples of what might be include in this section, please refer back to Section II of this application.

VIII. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:

I certify that all information provided in this application and its supporting documents best portray me as an individual applying to the MAT Program. Any false statements or intentional misrepresentations will result in the denial of my application.

Applicant Signature

Date