

## Graduate Athletic Training Admission Prerequisites

- Bachelors Degree .
- Applicants must be certified Athletic Trainers or must have completed requirements for and be eligible to take the BOC Certification Exam.
- The Graduate School recommends that applicants have a minimum score on the Graduate Record Exam at or above the 50th percentile on the verbal and quantitative portions of the Exam.
- The Graduate School does not consider the score on the written Analytical portion of the GRE.
- .Applicants should have a minimum of a 3.0 grade point average.
- Applicants must satisfy prerequisite coursework requirements for admission as established by the Department of Exercise and Sport Science. If the applicant has graduated from a CAATE Accredited Program, they will have satisfied all departmental prerequisite course requirements with the possible exception of a statistics class. (See Below)
- Prior to enrollment EXSS graduate students must have completed an undergraduate statistics or research and statistics design course (3 hour credit or greater) with a final course grade of B-minus or better.
- Applicants will be invited for an on-campus interview with the sports medicine faculty and staff.
- Applications submitted before the January deadline will be reviewed earlier.

Once the applications have been reviewed in early January, the top 15-17 candidates (based on GPA, GRE, and letters of recommendation) will be interviewed. **Due to the COVID pandemic, for 2021 we will need to do remote Zoom interviews as opposed to having students come to Chapel Hill for in-person interviews** The applicants are evaluated in terms of 1) previous experience, 2) academic credentials, 3) personality, and 4) potential as a professional athletic trainer. Final selection of the top 9 candidates is based on the above criteria and is determined by general consensus of the entire Sports Medicine Staff. Nine or ten students are admitted to the program each year for a total of 19 students in any given year. For the students admitted in the 2020 academic year the mean GPA was 3.75; the mean verbal GRE score was 155 (66.1 percentile) ; and the quantitative GRE score was 153 (57.2 percentile).