

The mission of the TLU Master of Athletic Training Program is to provide students foundational education and clinical experiences within the 5 domain areas delineated in the Board of Certification Practice Analysis, 7th edition, giving graduates the knowledge and skills necessary to pursue a career in athletic training. The program will emphasize students' development of clinical decision making skills, effective communication and professional behaviors through didactic and clinical curricula grounded in the five Health and Medicine Division (HMD) core competencies. Students are routinely placed in hands on learning situations to encourage the development of knowledgeable and resourceful healthcare professionals. The program strives to prepare students to become BOC certified (ATC) athletic trainers who will work and be active participants in the athletic training profession.

Texas Lutheran's ATP will strive to:

1. *Successfully prepare graduates for future practice in the profession of athletic training.*
2. *Provide students with a variety of clinical educational experiences.*
3. *Monitor success of ATP graduates within the allied health community.*
4. *Encourage active involvement in professional organizations within the athletic training profession.*

Graduates of Texas Lutheran's ATP should have the ability to:

1. *Model professional behaviors that are congruent with the National Athletic Training Association (NATA) Code of Ethics and consistent with professional excellence and the expectations of the athletic training profession.*
2. *Model job performance and communication characteristics consistent with expectations of the athletic training profession.*
3. *Utilize knowledge and clinical skills consistent with expectations of the athletic training profession for entry level practitioners.*
4. *Utilize clinical decision making skills to properly manage a variety of patient care situations.*
5. *Deliver patient centered care as members of an interdisciplinary team, emphasizing evidence based practice, quality improvement approaches, and informatics.*