Athletic Training Program
Philosophical Position

Mission Statement

Washburn University Mission
Washburn University shall prepare qualified individuals for careers, further study and life long learning through excellence in teaching and scholarly work. Washburn University shall make a special effort to help individuals reach their full academic potential.
Approved by the Washburn Board of Regents, 9/17/99

Kinesiology Department Mission
The mission of the Kinesiology Department is to engage students in an impassioned search for intellectual growth and personal fulfillment through study, from a liberal arts perspective, in one or more of the disciplines encompassed by the domains of health and human movement. The Department promotes the acquisition and use of knowledge, fosters critical thinking, participates in research, and supports students and faculty in discipline-related service to the university, the profession, and the global community.

Kinesiology Department Student Learning Outcomes
Upon graduation, students will demonstrate knowledge and skills in multiple sub-disciplines within health and human movement studies
All majors will demonstrate depth of preparation in a supplemental area of study
Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science students will demonstrate the knowledge and skills of their chosen fields, meeting or exceeding the standards set by the appropriate academic and/or professional bodies
Bachelor of Education students will gain knowledge and skills in the application of human movement studies to the teaching of physical education, meeting the standards for teacher preparation.
Students will display critical thinking skills appropriate to undergraduate education.

Athletic Training Program Mission
The Athletic Training Program shall provide excellence in athletic training instruction and clinical education and support the discipline of sports medicine through education, scholarly activity and professional service. Athletic training domains of practice include prevention, clinical evaluation and diagnosis, immediate care, treatment, rehabilitation and reconditioning of injury, organization and administration, and professional responsibility.

Athletic Department Mission
The mission of the Athletics Department is to provide a supportive learning environment to ensure excellence in athletics and academics

Equilateral Vision

“Excellence is an attitude”

Athletics-AT

Excellence in services to WU Athletes

KN - ATP

Excellence in didactic instruction
Excellence in clinical education
**Athletic Training Program Goals**
The following are educational goals relating to the growth and development of the Athletic Training Program, its faculty and students.

1. Maintain national athletic training accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE).
2. Diversify the athletic training experiences through an exposure to a wide range of professional activities.
3. Prepare athletic training students to perform entry-level professional skills necessary to enter the work force.
4. Encourage athletic training students to pursue advanced degrees in athletic training or other health, human movement, or allied health professions (e.g., physical therapy, medical doctor, or physicians’ assistant, etc.) of their choosing.
5. Promote professional development and participation within the athletic training profession.
6. Increase interest in the athletic training major among students and potential students of Washburn University.
7. Promote the profession of athletic training and the discipline of sports medicine to the University and the greater Topeka community.

**Program Points of Distinction**
- Being located in Topeka, the ATP provides athletic training students with a variety of clinical practice and observation opportunities. The support of the community athletic training and medical services is outstanding and truly sets the WU ATP apart. Additionally, clinical preceptors within the program have significant years of clinical experience.
- The facilities, including the athletic training room, at Washburn are considered exceptional for NCAA Division II athletics. Additionally, the equipment available to athletic training students within the athletic training room is state of the art. For example, Washburn is one of only a handful of division II schools with a Hydroworx therapy pool and a recently added Polar Plunge pool.
- The strength and reputation of the Biology Department at Washburn, particularly as it relates to graduate (MD-PT-PA) school preparation, is outstanding.
- All AT students complete an “evidence based project” through the course of the program which gives them the ability to consume, interpret, and apply research. This qualifies as a university “Scholarly Transformational Experience” and is a model for our campus and other ATPs.
- AT students can elect to complete a “Leadership Transformational Experience” designed to develop profession based leadership behaviors. Students receive recognition for their pursuits through completion of the Washburn University Transformational Experience requirements. The ATP is currently the only academic program based Leadership WTE on campus and is also a model for other academic programs.

**2012 – 2013 Theme: Never Let Good Enough Be Enough**

**BOC Test Results related to Washburn’s ATP**

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<td>60%</td>
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**ATP Faculty & Personnel**

Chair, Kinesiology Department:  Dr. Roy Wohl, PhD

AT Program Director:  John Burns, MS, ATC, LAT  
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AT Clinical Education Coordinator:  Karen Garrison, MA, ATC, LAT  
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Adjunct teaching faculty:  
Natalie Sykes, PT, ATC  
Michael Ramirez, MS, ATC  
Steve Ice, MS, ATC  
Ashley Zeltwanger, MS, ATC

**Clinical Preceptors/Clinical Experience Sites**

University Athletic Training Room
Steve Ice  
Karen Garrison  
John Burns  
Michael Ramirez  
St. Francis Sports Medicine

General Medical Site
Shirley Dinkel, APRN  
Washburn Student Health  
Dr. Michael Messmer, DO  
St. Francis

Sports Performance Site
Mike Flynn, ATC  
Keith Fine  
Rebound Sports Performance

Outpatient Rehabilitation Sites
Heather Hice, PT, ATC  
Megan Biladeu, ATC  
Amy Newbery, PT  
St. Francis Sports Medicine  
ARC  
Rebound Physical Therapy

High School Sites
Mike Longhofer, ATC  
Brad Parry, ATC  
Megan Carson, ATC  
Seaman HS (KS Orthopedics/St. Vail)  
Washburn Rural HS (KS Orthopedics/St. Vail)  
Topeka West HS (St. Francis Sp. Med)

**Clinical Observation Sites**

Kansas Orthopedic & Sports Medicine (Stormont-Vail) / Dr. Poole  
Midwest Orthopedic (Stormont-Vail) / Dr. M. McCoy  
Kansas Brace Systems – Tracy Boyd, ATC  
Center for Manual Medicine- Dr. James Keen