



DISCLOSURE REGARDING PROGRAM PREPARATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION

COLLEGE

College of Education

PROGRAM

Master of Science in Athletic Training

The University of Louisiana at Lafayette is committed to providing clear and accurate information to current and prospective students to help inform career planning. The UL Lafayette program identified above prepares students to practice in a field with professional licensure or certification available. However, specific licensure and certification requirements can and often do vary by state. Requirements typically include earning a degree or other educational credential in the field from an institution and program that meet certain eligibility requirements in that state (e.g., curricular requirements, accredited status, approval by the state licensing board); passing a state or national exam; working in the field for a minimum period of time; and/or completing a certain number of clinical hours. If your career plans include pursuing professional licensure or certification in your chosen field, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements of the state in which you hope to practice.

UL Lafayette Program Preparation for National Certification

Students interested in athletic training must enroll in a Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) approved program in order to sit for their Board of Certification (BOC) examination. The programs in the state are all transitioning to a Master's Program in accordance with CAATE standards. In order to sit for their BOC examination, admitted students are required by the CAATE to complete all competencies, receive an endorsement by their program, and graduate. Additional licensure requirements may vary by state to practice as an athletic trainer. UL Lafayette is currently seeking accreditation for its new Athletic Training Program and is not yet accredited by the CAATE. The institution will submit a self-study to begin the accreditation process on July 1, 2022. Submission of the self-study and completion of an onsite review does not guarantee that the program will become accredited. Students who graduate from the program prior to accreditation will not be eligible to sit for the credentialing examination for athletic trainers and will not be eligible for licensure in most states. UL Lafayette's CAATE accreditation status will be updated in the academic year of 2022-2023.

Requirements set by the National Athletic Trainers Association, CAATE, and BOC for National Athletic Trainer certification include:

- Graduate from a CAATE approved program
- Pass the BOC examination
- Submit an up-to-date ECC card and university transcript
- Agree to the Standards of Professional Practice
- Complete bi-annual continuing education units

We advise you to review the CAATE's requirements at <https://caate.net/becoming-an-athletic-trainer/> or the BOC's Steps to become a Certified Athletic Trainer at <https://www.bocatc.org/candidates/steps-to-become-certified>.

UL Lafayette Program Preparation in the State of Louisiana

Students who graduate from UL Lafayette's Master of Athletic Training Program and pass their BOC examination are eligible for state licensure. To become licensed in the state of Louisiana, students are instructed to go to the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (LSBME) webpage. This website includes the Scope of Practice, laws and rules, and ethical standards that Louisiana athletic trainers must follow. Instructions on how to apply for licensure or renewal of licensure are located on the LSBME licensure requirements website.

Requirements set by the LSBME for Louisiana Athletic Trainer licensure include:

- Graduate from a CAATE approved program
- Pass the BOC examination
- Complete and notarize a packet of information including oath, third party authorization, certificate from university, photo page, statement of legal name, and background check
- Pay licensure fee
- Agree to Standards of Professional Practice
- Complete bi-annual continuing education units

UL Lafayette advise you to review the LSBME licensure requirements at <https://www.lsbme.la.gov> or BOC's State Regulations at <https://www.bocatc.org/athletic-trainers/state-regulation>.

UL Lafayette Program Preparation in Other U.S. States

We are currently unable to determine whether or not the above-named program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification in any additional states.

If you have an interest in pursuing licensure or certification outside the state of Louisiana, we advise you to determine whether or not this program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply in that location. You are welcome to reach out to the UL Lafayette program contact identified below with questions in this regard, and we will do our best to assist you in your career planning.

UL Lafayette Program Preparation Outside the United States

This disclosure does not address program eligibility in countries outside the United States. We are unable to determine whether or not the above-named degree program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification outside the United States. Again, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements in the location in which you hope to practice.

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