Master of Science in Athletic Training
Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

Summer 2026 Admissions Cycle Evaluation Tool

- # Overall Cumulative GPA (20 Points)

Student Overall GPA will be calculated. Student GPAs will be rounded to the nearest 10th. Students must have a 4.0 without rounding to receive 20 points.

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- # REQUIRED Pre-Requisite Course GPA (30 points)

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- **Recommendation Form (10 points)**

A Professional recommendation form will be submitted from at least three individuals.

  - The score from each recommendation will be averaged to create a score. The recommendation form includes 20 Likert scale questions: Excellent: 5 points, Good: 4 points, Average: 3 points, Below Average: 2 points, Poor: 1 point, Not Observed: Not rated. The average score of the three recommendations form evaluations will be sued to calculate points for this section.
    - 4.75 – 5.00 = 10 points
    - 4.50 – 4.74 = 8 points
    - 4.00 – 4.49 = 6 points
    - 3.50 – 3.99 = 4 points
    - 3.00 – 3.49 = 2 points
    - 0.00 – 2.99 = 0 points

- **Essay (10 points)**

Candidates will submit an essay outlining their aspirations to enter the profession of athletic training. Candidate essays will be graded on the following scale:

Unsatisfactory/Did Not Submit (0 Points)	Below Average (2 points)	Average (5 Points)	Above Average (8 Points)	Expectations (10 Points)
Submitted responses are riddled with spelling and grammatical errors (response is difficulty to read or understand) **OR** Candidate used generative AI for application responses.	Submitted responses have frequent spelling errors. Candidate did not communicate their interest in the field. Colloquial language was used.	Submitted responses are acceptable and have minor spelling/grammatical errors present. Candidate expressed their interest in becoming an athletic trainer. Some colloquial language was utilized in the document.	Submitted responses are clean and are free of major grammatical/spelling errors. Candidate expressed their interest in the field of athletic training and avoided using colloquial language in document. The flow of the document could be improved.	Submitted responses were excellent with grammatical structure and ideas that were well communicated. Candidate demonstrated great understanding of the profession throughout the document.

RECOMMENDED BUT NOT REQUIRED

Pre-Requisite Courses (10 possible extra points)

These courses are NOT required for admission to the MS in AT Program.

Students will receive 2 points for earning an "A" in a recommended pre-requisite course, 1 point for earning a "B" in a recommended pre-requisite course, and 0.5 points for earning a "C" in a recommended pre-requisite course, students will receive zero ("0") points for earning either a "D" or an "F" in a recommended pre-requisite course.

- ☐ Introduction to Athletic Training **OR** Prevention and Care
- ☐ Kinetic Anatomy **OR** Anatomical Kinesiology **OR** Functional Anatomy
- ☐ Exercise Testing & Prevention **OR** Strength and Conditioning
- ☐ Medical Terminology
- ☐ Epidemiology

50 Observation Hours (5 possible extra points)

It is not required for students to complete observation hours, but it is highly recommended. If students submit verification of at least 50 observation hours under the direction of a BOC credentialed Athletic Trainer students can earn an extra 5 points towards admission to the program.

TAMU-CC Master of Science in Athletic Training Program Final Candidate Application Matrix

Criteria	Maximum Point Totals	Points Awarded
Overall GPA	20	
Pre-Requisite GPA	30	
Recommended Forms (3 Average)	10	
Essay	10	
Points Possible	**80**	
Recommended Pre-Requisite Courses not required*	10	
Observation Hours not required*	5	
Total Adjusted Total	**95**	
Admission Decision		☐ **Full Admission** ☐ **Conditional Admission** o *Justification or Reason for Conditional Admission* ☐ **Waitlist** ☐ **Denied**

Once feedback from all members of the Section Committee is collected, the Program Administrative team will select the top candidates of their admission to the MS in AT Program.

The program has approximately 20 spots annually for students in the MS in Athletic Training Program (*numbers may fluctuate based on available resources and preceptors*) with the rolling admission once spots are filled, the application cycle will close for the year.

If students are qualified but are not in the top admissions group, students may be placed on a waiting list. If a spot in the program opens, the next qualified student will be notified and offered acceptance.