

Application Procedures Master of Science in Athletic Training

There are multiple steps in applying to the Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT) program at California State University, Fullerton:

1. Complete the Athletic Training Centralized Application System (ATCAS) application at <https://atcas.liaisoncas.com> by the deadlines listed below.

- Most questions related to completing the application can be answered at the help center link https://help.liaisonedu.com/ATCAS_Applicant_Help_Center. Frequently asked questions regarding the application include the following:
- Enter all coursework completed (make sure what you enter exactly matches your unofficial/official transcript)
- Send **official** transcripts from each college or university previously attended directly to ATCAS (see the help link above for specific instructions on submitting your transcripts)
 - Note: ATCAS must verify that the coursework submitted in your application and your official transcript(s) match. This verification process can take 1-2 weeks after your application is submitted and your official transcripts are received by ATCAS.
- Request two (2) letters of recommendations from your evaluators
 - One (1) must be from a Certified Athletic Trainer (ATC) who supervised your clinical observation hours
 - One (1) must be from a professor/teacher describing your academic abilities
 - Note: After submitting contact information for your evaluators, they will electronically submit their letters directly to your ATCAS application.

2. Application Deadlines

- **Priority Review Deadline – December 2nd at 9:00pm (Pacific)**
 - These applicants will be given priority consideration and on-campus interviews may be offered by the MSAT Admissions Committee in mid-December or January
- **Regular Admission Deadline – January 15th at 9:00pm (Pacific)**
 - On-campus interview may be offered by the MSAT Admissions Committee in late January or early February.
 - After January 15th, the MSAT will review submitted applications only if there is still room available in the cohort.
 - ***Regardless of admission deadline, an offer of admission cannot be given until the ATCAS application is complete and verified.***

3. On-campus Interview

- The athletic training faculty will review all applicants and those meeting our requirements will be invited for an on-campus interview at CSU, Fullerton
 - Note: travel costs related to attending an interview are the responsibility of the applicant but notifications will be made as soon as possible to allow prospective students to find the most cost-affordable options
 - Note: Closest airports are Orange County (SNA) at 18 miles, Ontario (ONT) at 26 miles, or Los Angeles (LAX) at 36 miles.

4. Cal State Apply Application

- After interviews, the athletic training admissions committee will invite only the highest rated applicants to complete the Cal State Apply application (a CSU requirement) and accept an offer of admission
 - Note: Please do NOT submit a Cal State Apply application until requested to do so by the MSAT program
- The Cal State Apply application is very similar to the ATCAS (but does not require as much information), so in most cases you can simply duplicate your ATCAS application data and enter into the Cal State Apply application
- **Deadline for Cal State Apply is around March 1st each year**
- Transcript Entry is only needed for in progress and planned courses. Applicants who already have a bachelor's degree do not need to enter in their coursework
- Submit one (1) official transcript from each college or university previously attended to: Office of Admissions, P.O. Box 6900, Fullerton, CA 92834
 - Note: If the applicant is currently enrolled or graduated from CSU Fullerton, then only official transcripts for any coursework completed at other colleges after admission to CSUF are required.

For any additional questions, please contact:

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