Southwestern Oklahoma State maintains a rich tradition that includes strong academic programs, quality faculty and helpful support staff. Founded in 1901, the Southwestern Oklahoma State University campus includes 73 acres overlooking the Little Deer Creek Valley and the City of Weatherford, a growing community of approximately 12,000 in population.

Weatherford, located in the mineral-rich Anadarko Basin, is 60 miles west of Oklahoma City on Interstate 40. Agriculture, petroleum and manufacturing are the major sources of income for the immediate region surrounding the University.

Approximately 5,000 students enroll each fall in the University's many and varied programs. In addition to the Weatherford campus, Southwestern also has a campus site at Sayre, located 60 miles west of Weatherford. Students come from western Oklahoma, from urban areas, from other states and from several foreign countries. Together, Southwestern and the City of Weatherford provide an excellent educational, cultural and recreational environment.

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
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School of Allied Health Sciences
SPORTSMEDICINE...

A highly educated allied health professional, the **Certified Athletic Trainer (ATC)** is an on the scene member of the sportsmedicine team. While ATC's work closely with other medical professionals off the field, the ATC is often the first to provide **immediate care** and **evaluation** when injury occurs. As a sportsmedicine expert, the ATC works diligently to **prevent** injury, commonly through education of coaches, parents, and athletes. When injuries occur, the ATC is able to implement the appropriate **rehabilitation** techniques and tools to restore function swiftly and safely.

OPPORTUNITES …

In this exciting and challenging field, ATC’s are responsible for the health and safety of the physically active in various settings; from **High Schools**, **Colleges**, **Professional**, and **Olympic Sports**, to **Hospitals**, **Clinics**, **Corporate** and **Industrial Facilities**.

THE PROGRAM

The Athletic Training Education Program at Southwestern Oklahoma State University facilitates development of the knowledge and skills necessary to **succeed** in any professional environment. Elective coursework enables students to compliment personal career goals while general education requirements ensure well rounded academic growth.

Students pursuing **Athletic Training**, as a career, must graduate from a CAATE accredited program, pass the National Athletic Trainers’ Association Board of Certification exam, and obtain the correct credentials from the state in which they hope to practice. The ATEP at SWOSU is nationally **accredited** by CAATE.

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ATEP ADMISSION

A mission to the clinical and field experience portion of the program is **competitive**. Students should make formal application April 1st. Minimum application **requirements** include:

- Completion of 45 credit hours (15 at SWOSU)
- Minimum 2.5 GPA
- 50 hours of approved clinical observation
- Professional Rescuer+AED certification.
- Submission of completed application packet including Technical Standards for Admission, appropriate health and immunization verifications, and criminal history record.

COURSEWORK

Interested students should seek advisement from athletic training faculty and enroll in *Introduction to Athletic Training* (ATEP 2432). Other courses required prior formal program application include:

- ATEP 2433 A.T. Care and Prevention/Lab
- ATEP 2531 Directed Observation in AT
- ATEP 2633 Cardiac and Emergency Care
- ATEP 3723 Advanced Athletic Training
- ATEP 4433 A.T. Modalities/Lab
- PSYCH 1003 General Psychology
- ALHLT 1401 Allied Health Careers
- ALHLT 2442 Medical Terminology
- KINES 1133 Wellness Concepts
- KINES 1153 Nutrition
- KINES 3443 Kinesiology
- BIOL 1004 Biological Concepts/Lab
- BIOL 3704 Human Anatomy/Lab

CLINICAL AND FIELD EXPERIENCE

Following formal admission to the program, placement of Athletic Training students with various Approved Clinical Instructors allows the student to practically apply knowledge gained in the classroom almost immediately in real world situations.

On campus, a variety of experiences occur while participating in the athletic training coverage of 12 intercollegiate sports. Additionally, students will gain unique and valuable experience through agreements with a wide range of practice settings, including area hospitals, clinics, and professional and amateur athletic organizations.