

Direct Entry Admission

Current USI Student Applicants

Master of Science in Athletic Training

University of Southern Indiana (USI) students are eligible to apply for direct entry (DE) admission into the Master of Science in Athletic Training Program (MSAT) at the end of their sophomore year. At that time, you must hold a 3.50 GPA and maintain a 3.50 GPA through the entirety of your degree at USI. Students must submit the DE application, transcripts, personal statement, resume, a recommendation from one USI faculty member, and conduct an interview with UE MSAT's faculty. Please review the following details listing all requirements and responsibilities.

2025 - 2026

If you are selected for direct entry, a seat will be reserved and you will enter the MSAT program after completing bachelor's degree requirements and pre-requisite coursework. The MSAT program is two years.

To matriculate into the MSAT Program as a direct entry student you must:

- Complete the application process in order to interview with the faculty of UE's MSAT program after the USI student's sophomore year. This will include a review of the student's coursework and a recommendation from one USI faculty member.
- Maintain a 3.50 GPA through the entirety of their degree at USI or potentially lose the DE status with the MSAT program. This will be tracked by USI's EXSC faculty as well as communication with UE's MSAT program.
- UE's MSAT program will accept up to five Students into the MSAT program per year. The Athletic Training faculty will evaluate each student based on GPA, interview and one letter of recommendation from a USI EXSC faculty member to take the top five Students admitted into the DE program each year.
- The plan of study and courses listed shall remain the same for the USI Students during the freshman and sophomore years as per the USI curricular plan for a total of 62 hours of course work.

- USI will assist by providing academic advising that will counsel students to enroll in the needed pre-requisite Athletic Training courses that will prepare them to complete the MSAT program at UE. Course substitutions may be available upon approval of the appropriate UE department chair and program director.
- The UE MSAT Operations Administrator will aid in maintaining student records to maintain consistency with the Student's GPA after each semester and report back to the program director for evaluation. If a Student's GPA drops below the recommended GPA after being admitted, a probationary semester may be provided.

Submit the following documents to the UE School of Health Sciences no later than the end of your sophomore year.

- **Direct Entry UE/USI Application**
- USI transcript (An unofficial copy is acceptable)
- One letter of recommendation
- Personal Statement
- Resume`

Prerequisite Courses

The following prerequisite courses must be completed before matriculating into the MSAT program.

Prerequisite Course	Credit Hours	USI example course
General Biology with lab	4	BIOL 141
Anatomy and Physiology with lab (2 semesters)	4	BIOL 121 and BIO 122
General Chemistry with lab	4	CHEM 261
General Physics with lab	4	PHY 175 and 175L
Physiology of Exercise	4	EXSC 397
Introductory Statistics**	3	STAT 241 or 251
Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 201

CHEM 261 AND PHYS 175 are needed for the USI undergraduate degree.

An applicant may repeat two of the prerequisite courses. The highest grade will be used when calculating the science and stats prerequisite GPA.

Recommended Courses

- Nutrition
- Biomechanics
- Medical Terminology
- Strength and Conditioning/Sports Performance