

Master of Science in Athletic Training Clinical Education

The WCU AT program uses a combination of traditional and immersive clinical experiences. Students complete clinical rotations at local secondary schools, colleges, and physicians' offices; additionally, students have opportunities to complete clinical rotations in various settings across the country.

Semester	Rotation	Length of Rotation	Details/Further Information
Summer 1	Pre-season Football	2-4 Weeks	Immersive Clinical Experience*-Pre-season football at colleges/universities across the region
Fall 1	Local Secondary School	15 Weeks	Integrated Clinical Experience**- Local secondary schools
Spring 1	College/University	8 Weeks	Immersive Clinical Experience*- At a college/university. These can be completed across the country.
Summer 2	Primary Care/Surgical/Emerging Settings	2 Weeks	Immersive Clinical Experience*- With primary care physicians, orthopedic physicians, or other health care professionals. These can be completed in the Cullowhee area or other parts of the region
Fall 2	Emerging Settings/College/University / Secondary Schools	16 Weeks	Immersive Clinical Experience*- At a selected setting to align with career aspirations. These can be completed across the country.
Spring 2	Primary Care/Surgical/Rehab Intensive/Secondary School	Immersive: 2 Weeks (2 rotations)	Immersive* and integrated** clinical experiences
		Integrated: 5 Weeks (1 rotation)	Immersive: 2 different 2-week experiences- With primary care physicians, orthopedic physicians, or other health care professionals. These can be completed in the Cullowhee area or other parts of the region Integrated: Local secondary schools

*Immersive Clinical Experience- An athletic training immersive clinical experience is a practice-intensive experience that allows the student to experience the totality of care provided by athletic trainers. Students must participate in the day-to-day and week-to-week role of an athletic trainer.

**Integrated Clinical Experience- Students will take classes in the morning and then go out to their clinical sites in the afternoon and potentially on weekends

Travel to and from Clinicals

Students will be required to supply their own transportation to and from clinical sites. All costs associated with transportation to and from all clinical education sites will be paid solely by the student.

Clinical Assignments

Students in this program, in addition to normal weekday practices and competition, may be required to complete clinical experiences during weekends, holidays, and vacation periods and/or during semester breaks. Assignments to clinical education sites are based on the requirements of the CAATE, needs of the individual student, and availability of affiliated sites.