

**TITLE** Clinical Experiences in Athletic Training I (0835.338) Course Description Change

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**DEPARTMENT** Health and Exercise Science  
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New non gen-ed

Short-Term non gen-ed

Minor curricular changes (1)

Existing non gen-ed course

Non gen-ed degree requirement

Major

Minor, specialization, concentration, track, certificate program

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## Non-General Education

### Athletic Training Specialization Minor Curriculum Change

#### Proposal for Clinical Experience in Athletic Training I (0835.338) Course Description Change

##### 1. Details:

- a. The previous course description for Clinical Experience in Athletic Training I (0835.338) was written as follows:
  - i. *“This clinical experience is designed to orient the first semester student athletic trainer to the clinical portion of the athletic training curriculum. The student will perform the duties and responsibilities of a student athletic trainer in Rowan’s athletic training facility or in an affiliated clinical setting under the supervision of a NATA certified athletic trainer as assigned by the director of athletic training education. The student will complete 300 clinical hours and attend a weekly classroom session. Specific skill competencies will be addressed. The student will be guided in the development of critical thinking skills.”*
- b. It is proposed that the course description for Clinical Experience in Athletic Training (0835.338) be changed from its current language to the following:
  - i. **“This course, designed for first semester juniors, will review and be evaluated on clinical proficiencies previously discussed in pre-specialization course work. Students meet once per week in the Athletic Training Laboratory to practice and discuss topics pertinent to their clinical assignment. The clinical assignment enables students to develop and assimilate patient care skills under the direct supervision of a certified athletic trainer and/or approved clinical instructor within the athletic training room, exposure to intercollegiate athletics and/or at approved affiliated sites.”**
  - ii. **Definitions:**
    1. **Clinical Observation** – those that complete a clinical observation are within the pre-specialization component of athletic training education program. Students are in the athletic training room to observe the certified athletic trainers perform health care on patients, however they do not have any patient care responsibilities
    2. **Clinical Assignment** – students completing a clinical assignment are within the specialization component of the athletic training education program. They are being supervised and *evaluated* on clinical proficiencies by a certified athletic trainer while they are learning how to perform health care on patients in a clinical setting (i.e., athletic training room, high school, etc)
    3. **Field Experience** – Students completing a field experience are also within the specialization component of the athletic training education program. These students are performing health care on patients under the direct supervision of a certified athletic trainer, however they are *not having any*

*evaluation* of clinical proficiencies during their time in the clinical setting (i.e., athletic training room, high school, etc).

- c. Sponsors: Dr. Douglas Mann (Program Director, Athletic Training Specialization), Dr. Robert Sterner, Mr. Charles Whedon (Coordinator of Athletic Training Services) and the Department of Health and Exercise Science.

## **2. Rationale:**

- a. The Commission for the Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, the accrediting body for the Athletic Training Education Program, recommended that we develop a more encompassing course description in order to make students more aware of the content in this course. Therefore the new course description has been altered to meet accreditation recommendations and standards.
- b. There has been no change to the content of this course, only the description.
- c. No change to the major or minor will result from this proposal's approval. It also does not affect any other specialization in the Department of Health and Exercise Science.

## **3. Results of Consultation:**

- a. None necessary.