



MSAT Program Technical Standards

The Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT) Program at King's College is a rigorous and intense program that places specific requirements and demands on students. One of the objectives of the program is to prepare graduates to enter a variety of employment settings and to render care to a wide spectrum of individuals engaged in physical activity. The technical standards set forth by the program establish the essential qualities that are considered necessary for students to achieve the knowledge, skills, and competencies of an entry-level athletic trainer. A candidate for the MSAT Program must meet the following abilities and expectations. The following are required, with or without reasonable accommodations:

1. The mental capacity to assimilate, analyze, synthesize, integrate concepts and problem solve to formulate assessment and therapeutic judgments and to be able to distinguish deviations from the norm.
2. Sufficient postural and neuromuscular control, sensory function, and coordination to perform appropriate physical examinations using accepted techniques; and accurately, safely and efficiently use equipment and materials during the assessment and treatment of patients.
3. The ability to communicate effectively and sensitively with patients and colleagues, including individuals from different cultural and social backgrounds. This includes, but is not limited to, the ability to establish rapport with patients and communicate judgments and treatment information effectively. Students must be able to understand and speak the English language at a level consistent with competent professional practice.
4. The ability to record the physical examination results and a treatment plan clearly and accurately.
5. The capacity to maintain composure and continue to function well during periods of high stress.
6. The perseverance, diligence, and commitment to complete the Professional Phase as outlined and sequenced.
7. Flexibility and the ability to adjust to changing situations and uncertainty in clinical situations.
8. Affective skills and appropriate demeanor and rapport that relate to professional education and quality patient care.

Candidates for selection to the MSAT Program are required to verify they understand and meet these technical standards or that they believe they can meet the standards with reasonable accommodations.

The King's College Academic Skills Center will evaluate a candidate who states that they could meet the program's technical standards with reasonable accommodations and confirm that the stated condition qualifies as a disability under applicable laws.

If a candidate states that they can meet the technical standards with reasonable accommodations, the College will determine whether it agrees that the candidate can meet the technical standards with reasonable accommodations. This will include a review of whether the accommodations requested are reasonable, taking into account whether the accommodations would jeopardize clinician/patient safety or the educational process of the student or the College, including all coursework, clinical experiences, and other educational experiences deemed essential to graduation.

The King's College MSAT Program complies with federal, state, and institutional guidelines regarding applicants with disabilities.