

**ALFRED UNIVERSITY**  
**DIVISION OF ATHLETIC TRAINING**  
**Athletic Participation for Athletic Training Students**

The Alfred University Athletic Training Program sets forth this policy hereby agreeing to allow Athletic Training Students to participate in intercollegiate athletics while a student at Alfred University in the Athletic Training Program with regards to the following provisions and guidelines:

1. Athletic Training students are allowed to participate/compete in ONE sport per academic year, with spring sports highly encouraged and winter sports highly discouraged. This is to allow and ensure that the athletic training student fulfill the requirements of all Clinical Experience courses in a timely manner. In addition, this stipulation allowed for a minimum level of competency necessary in order to be successful with regards to clinical skills integration.
2. The sport should not be a winter sport expressly due to the fact that the season extends a great length between both fall and spring semester, limiting the athletic training students clinical experience. Clinical sites and assignments are essentially accessible during the hours of 2-8pm as a result of academic requirements/commitments. Therefore, a student who participates in a winter sport or more than one sport is unable to maximize the “quality” of the clinical experience. Ultimately, a student who participates in any sport is limiting his/her exposure to the full clinical experience.
3. The athletic training student must first satisfy all clinical requirements prior to beginning athletic participation for the academic year. The Alfred University Athletic training department deems this necessary in order to make appropriate approved clinical instructor (ACI) assignments for each sport season. These on- and off-campus assignments are essential and mandatory to the successful completion/graduation with a Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training degree. Each athletic training student must complete one clinical experience with either the Alfred University football or lacrosse teams.

As an Alfred University student-athlete/coach, I understand and accept the aforementioned conditions and provisions and submit this agreement to Chris Yartym, MS, ATC; Program Director, Athletic Training Department to provide evidence of that determination.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, submit that I will be participating/competing in the sport of \_\_\_\_\_ during the \_\_\_\_\_ academic year.

**The Alfred University Athletic Training Department will not be liable if/when the athletic training student does not achieve the required amount of hours to satisfy clinical experience requirement mandatory for graduation. The responsibility falls solely on the athletic training student.**

Finally, both my coach and I understand that my clinical requirements must be satisfied before I am able to participate in my chosen sport and that if I choose to participate in a winter sport, I am placing myself at a deficit with my education and overall clinical experience.

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Student-athlete Signature

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Date

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Athletic Coach Signature

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Date

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Program Director Signature

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Date