

GVSU ATHLETIC TRAINING UPDATE



Times are Changing

The year 2018 marks the start of a new page in Athletic Training education! On April 27, 2018 the GVSU Board of Trustees approved the transition of the Athletic Training Program from a Bachelor degree to a Master of Athletic Training degree! Applications will be solicited during the Fall 2018 term for students to begin the Program in the Fall of 2019. To provide a little history, in 2015 the AT Strategic Alliance, comprised of the BOC, CAATE, NATA, and NATA Foundation announced their decision to change the AT degree level to a Masters. Starting in 2022 programs can no longer admit to the Bachelors Degree programs, but Grand Valley made the decision to be at the forefront of these changes. Keep an eye on our website for additional information on the upcoming changes! (www.gvsu.edu/athletictraining)

Our students also continue to do great things! I am proud to report that GVSU graduates continue to achieve a high pass rate on the national certification exam! Our first-time candidate pass-rate was 87.5% for the 2017-2018 academic year (April 2017-February 2018); compared to a national average of 67.93% for all programs! I will continue to post our scores on the home page, but you can also find pass rates for all programs at www.caate.net. The success of this program is a testament to everyone who contributes to our program on a daily basis, including: students, preceptors, physicians, faculty, staff, and alumni. Thank you to all involved!

**“Updating YOU
where YOUR
Career Started”**

Students in the program continue to seek out exciting new internship locations and this year our students have been privileged to work with the Detroit Tigers, Stanford University (CA), Wayne State University (MI), North Carolina State University (NC), Clemson (SC), Harkness Institute (NY), Detroit Medical Center, i'move, Agile Physical Therapy (AL). These are only a few of the many exciting locations, and the feedback we receive from their clinical instructors continues to be outstanding, stating they would take a GVSU student any day!!!



We are also proud to announce the addition of a new tenure-track faculty member in the 2017-2018 academic year, Dr. Meghan Fox, who joined us after completing her PhD at Michigan State University. Dr. Fox's research has focused on concussions – specifically examining the pediatric ImPact test. This past year Dr. Fox taught Emergency Care, Psychosocial Issues, Introduction to Athletic Training, and Clinical courses! We are excited to have her join our Laker family, so make sure you say hello when you meet her at a conference or around town!

Thank you to Laurisa Richard AT, ATC and Whitney Schroer AT, ATC who have completed their Masters Degrees, and GA positions with us. They will be missed. Both made contributions to better our program and have been a positive influence on our students. I would also like to take a moment to welcome our two new Graduate Assistants, Rachel Hoover, ATC, who will be joining us from Washburn University in Kansas, and Sam Bernier, ATC who will be joining us from our own Grand Valley State University! We are looking forward to the many wonderful contributions that they will make to our program and students!

Have a wonderful 2018 and stay in touch, we love to hear how everyone is doing!

~Dr. Shari Bartz-Smith
Program Director



Congratulations to Our Recent Graduates

Congratulations to our 24 students who graduated from our program:

April Graduates

Sam Bernier	Allison Pingston
Andre Bonneville	Joshua Sackleh
Emily Davis	Tyler Shear
Anna Eckholm	Kierra Washington
Travis Faulkner	Jessica Westmaas
Michael Michalski Jr.	Anna Zahora

August Graduates

Dante Avila	Olivia Kosnik
Dylan Decker	Makayla Landrum
Ben Graham	Dylan Madigan
Emily Gantt	Julie Magdowski
Hayden Marlowe	Kate Putnam
Logan Judd	Teagan Shomin

Congratulations to our 2 Graduate Assistants who completed their Master Degree:
Laurisa Richard and Whitney Schroer

Welcome to our 2 New Graduate Assistants who will start in August 2018:
Rachel Hoover from Washburn University and Sam Bernier from GVSU

~We wish them all the best as they pursue their dreams and Thank YOU for helping our students grow~

Clinical Sites

As we teach out the Bachelors of Athletic Training Degree the number of clinical sites have decreased. The changes will bring on new chapters in the rotations clinical placements. Below is the list of the past year.

College/University/Clinic

Calvin College
Davenport University
GV Baseball
GV Cross Country/Track and Field
GV Football

GV Men's Basketball
GV Soccer/Women's Lacrosse
GV Softball/Women's Basketball
GV Volleyball/Swimming and Diving/Tennis
Mercy Rehabilitation and Athletic Performance Center

General Medical

Metro Health
North Ottawa Community Hospital
River Valley Orthopedics

High Schools

Byron Center
Catholic Central
Comstock Park
East Kentwood
Forest Hills Central
Forest Hills Eastern
Forest Hills Northern
Grand Haven

Grandville
Hamilton
Holland
Muskegon
Northview
Unity Christian
Zeeland East
Zeeland West



Where are they going???

Many Graduates are currently seeking Graduate Assistantships or Jobs in all areas. Few have made selections as follows:

GA at Southwestern University
Internship at Adrian College
GA at Newman University
Crossfit Gym
GA with GVSU

Internship

Agile Physical Therapy
Clemson University
Center for Physical Rehabilitation
Eastern Michigan University
Eavensville Thunderbolts
Grand Rapids Football Club
Grand Rapids Griffins
Harkness Institute
I'Move

Macalaster College
Mercy Peak Performance
North Carolina State University
Northwestern University
Stanford University
Wayne State University
Weller Trucks
University of South Carolina

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Brad Crowe



Brad Crowe received his Bachelors of Science in Athletic Training from Grand Valley State in 2010. He went on to earn his Masters of Science in Sports Performance from Louisiana Tech. While at Louisiana Tech, Brad served as the Graduate Assistant working with Men's Basketball, Football, and Men's Golf.

Brad took his first full time position working with Mercer University in Macon, Georgia. While at Mercer, he worked with their Men's Basketball and Cross Country teams. He spent four years at Mercer, highlighted by a win over Duke in the NCAA Basketball Tournament for his Men's Basketball team.

For the past two years, Brad has served as the Assistant Athletic Trainer for the Clemson Men's Basketball program. In addition to his duties with Men's Basketball, he oversees the Graduate Assistant working with Cheer and Dance. He has continued his professional development by adding certifications in Instrument Assisted Soft Tissue Mobilization, IV Therapy, and American Heart Association BLS CPR instructor.



While at Grand Valley, Brad's favorite clinical rotation was with Meghan Berry and the Basketball teams. Meghan helped to instill the work ethic and passion for Athletic Training that has helped Brad to be successful thus far in his career. He

is very grateful for the relationships he has formed in the Athletic Training community through his time at Grand Valley.

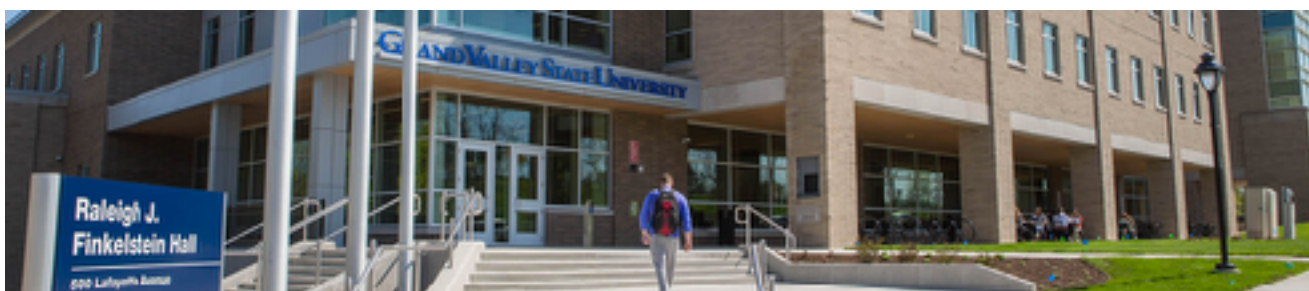
Outside of athletic training, he enjoys playing golf, taking advantage of the mountains and lakes of Upstate South Carolina, and taking trips in the summer back to Michigan to see friends and family.



Athletics Update



With the changes in Academics there has been changes in athletics as well. On June 4th, it was announced that GVSU established a five-year partnership with NovaCare Rehabilitation that will start in the fall of 2018. This agreement will provide GVSU Athletic Training Department two full time athletic trainers and one physical therapist. With this, there will be no more Athletics Graduate Assistantships or Adjuncts. For more information please click [here](#).



Campus Construction

With the Fieldhouse latest expansion complete, the 2018 summer has created the opportunity for more updates. In the arena the mondo surface will be completely removed, the FH Varsity weight room will be expanded and the roof will be redone.

The Fieldhouse is not the only updates happening on campus. First announcement happened in May. The Raleigh J. Finkelstein Hall opened for classes. This 84,000 sq. ft. academic building houses state of the art laboratories, classrooms, study spaces and faculty offices for health related courses. Second, the Student Services Building received an expansion for a reception area and two rooms for meetings with prospective students and their families. Last, the Facilities/Public Safety building is getting a renovation of their existing office space and a covered parking structure for the Police Department.

SCORE BOARD

Women's Teams

- Basketball - 2nd at GLIAC
- Cross Country - 6th National Champions
- Golf - 9th at Nationals
- Lacrosse - 1st GLIAC
- Softball - 1st at GLIAC
- Soccer - 1st at GLIAC
- Swimming/Diving - 15th at Nationals
- Tennis - 1st at GLIAC
- Indoor T/F - 8th at Nationals
- Outdoor T/F - 4th at Nationals
- Volleyball - 1st at GLIAC

Men's Teams

- Baseball - 5th at GLIAC
- Basketball - 5th at GLIAC
- Cross Country - 2nd at Nationals
- Football - 3rd at GLIAC
- Golf - 6th Regionals - Alex Scott T7 NCAA Championship (best ever Men's individual finish)
- Swimming/Diving - 11th at Nationals
- Tennis - 4th at GLIAC
- Indoor T/F - 2nd at Nationals
- Outdoor T/F - 5th at Nationals - NCAA Program of the year, Zach Panning 5000M NCAA Champion

Woods Jager Athletic Training Scholarship

First want to say thank you to all the donors and supporters of The Woods Jager Athletic Training Scholarship Dinner. The dinner took place on April 27th, 2018 in Allendale. Recipients of the Doug and Linda Woods Excellence in Athletic Training award recipients were Gavin Harden and Ally Folkert in the amount of \$5,000 each.

The Todd Jager Memorial Award, which is given to a graduate athletic training student pursuing a career in college athletics. This student has to have a commitment to athletic training and a strong academic background. The award was presented to Rachel Hoover who will be coming to GVSU in the fall.

The River Valley Orthopedic Senior Athletic Training Service Award has been renamed in honor of Dr. Ron and Pat Hoekman to Ron and Pat Hoekman Senior Athletic Training Service Award. This years recipient was Dante Avila presented. This award is for an athletic training student who demonstrates excellence in their clinical rotation and is involved in the promotion of athletic training at a local, state or national level. Ron and Pat Hoekman Senior AT Student Award

If you would like to send donations for the auction or contribute to the dinners success please contact Alison Reddick or Mark Stoessner. All auction items funds raised go to each endowment. A special thank you for all of you who contributed to the donations!!

Congratulations to Daniel S. Lorenz, DPT, PT, ATC/L, CSCS



Dan Lorenz will receive the Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Specialist of the Year from the National Strength and Conditioning Association Conference on Friday, July 13 in Indianapolis, IN. Dan is the owner of Specialists in Sports and Orthopedic Rehabilitation (SSOR) in Overland Park, KS. Currently, he is also a rehabilitation consultant for Sporting Kansas City. He earned a Doctor of Physical Therapy with an Emphasis in Manual Therapy from the University of St. Augustine, FL in 2009 and has a Master of Science in Physical Therapy from Grand Valley State University in Allendale, MI in 2001, and a Bachelor of Health Sciences with an emphasis in Athletic Training from GVSU in 1999.



IOTA TAU ALPHA Update & Historic Announcement

Iota Tau Alpha carried on the tradition with another busy 2017-2018 school year. GVSU was fortunate enough to have hosted the 2017 MATS student seminar. Thanks to the combined efforts of GVSU faculty, students, and other MATS boards members the event was a huge success. The event welcomed Anthony Breitbach, John Lehtinen, Anna Grajek, and Phil Andre among others to Allendale as guest speakers. The event will be returning to Grand Valley on October 20th, 2018!

ITA has continued to use Grand Rapids Griffins ticket sales and the annual end of the year jersey auction to raise money for the organization. We have seen huge success with this fundraiser and will continue selling tickets in the fall. The consensus around the club was that we could do a better job at supporting our philanthropy, Juvenile Diabetes, so we took part in a Bigby Coffee fundraiser this past year. ITA matched the earning from the Bigby fundraiser and the money was donated to JDRF.

GVSU had a great showing at GLATA 2018 in Wheeling, IL. Grand Valley had upwards of 30 representatives attend the annual conference. ITA will also send a group of 15 students to the National Athletic Trainers' Association conference in New Orleans in the summer. Funding for both events was provided by the ITA board members who have worked to secure funding from the university and the efforts ITA club members who worked all year to raise money through ticket sales.

ITA is proud to announce the creation of the "Athletic Training Student Excellence Scholarship". This fund has been supported by the ITA. The scholarship was funded by the fundraising efforts of its current and past members. This scholarship will serve as a way to honor the past membership of ITA and provide

assistance for many students to come.

Thanks to our alumni and past members who dedicated themselves to making ITA a strong and vibrant organization!!!! ITA will match Donor contributions up to \$5000 yearly for the next 3 years. So please help us endow this fund so that we can begin helping students achieve a high quality Athletic

Training Degree!!! Go here to give a gift <http://www.gvsu.edu/giving/athletictrainingexcellence>.

ITA continues to be a strong and valuable aspect of the student experience. We will continue to push forward in providing students with professional development, fundraising and a social environment. We aspire to develop our Alumni memberships this year. Stay Tuned!!!!

This year's e-board will have Gavin Harden as President, Jayma Carney as President-Elect, Ally Folkert as Vice President, Kassidy Jensen as Treasurer, Dan Schroeder as Secretary, Lauren Richardson as social chair and Nick Stevens/Sam Kaspala will serve as Co-fundraising chairs.

NEW "Athletic Training Student Excellence Scholarship"

INJURY CARE CLINIC



The Injury Care Clinic completed its eighth and ninth semester in operation during the 2018-2019 academic year. The Injury Care Clinic had an impressive 1,950 patient visits for the 2017-2018 academic year. This brings the total of visits to close to 6,600 since its opening in the Winter of 2014. Approximately, 60% of the ICC visits were by club sport athletes. The ICC has become an essential part of the consistent and appropriate care of the club sport athlete at

GVSU. Even with the majority of visits initiating through club sports there were many groups represented in the ICC including but not limited to: dance majors, music majors, faculty/staff, rock climbing enthusiasts and community members.

During, the upcoming academic year of 2018-2019 we are hoping to strengthen our partnership with Metro Health University of Michigan Health, Grand Valley State University Movement Science and Grand Valley State University Campus Recreation to elevate patient care and services in the Injury Care Clinic. Please check out our website to learn about the great things that are continuing to happen in the ICC – www.gvsu.edu/icc/.



~ Van Miller MA, AT, ATC

GVSU ALUMNI REUNION

Fulton Alley
600 Fulton Street
New Orleans, LA 70130
(7 min walk from the Convention Center)

Thursday June 28, 2018
Starting at 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Appetizers and Cash Bar will be provided
Bowling and Drinks are on Guest

RSVP is not required but is helpful to: Eliza MacDonald
(616)331-8877 or macdonel@gvsu.edu
or on

GVSU Athletic Training Alumni Facebook Page under Events
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