



University of Idaho Athletic Training Programs
Master of Science in Athletic Training Program

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POSITION: Doctoral Teaching Assistant

Rank: Teaching Assistant

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 2026

The University of Idaho (UI) Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT) Program is seeking up to three (3) graduate teaching assistants interested in athletic training, athletic training education, biomechanics, exercise physiology/science, or movement sciences. We are searching for prospective students who have the desire to advance their patient care skills, progress as educators in athletic training, and develop a focused line of research that improves athletic training clinical practice or education. The successful candidate will work within the MSAT Program as well as the Integrated Sport Medicine and Rehabilitative Therapy (ISMaRT) Clinic ([link HERE](#)). Additionally, they will also be part of a collaborative team (e.g., athletic training, biomechanics, exercise science, WWAMI medical education, sport & exercise psychology, and nutrition) striving to prepare professional MSAT students for outstanding careers. This applicant may also help develop applications for internal/external grants, conduct applied research, develop and validate patient-reported outcome scales, and disseminate results at professional meetings and in peer-reviewed scientific journals.

The position will commence May 27th, 2026 and is a 12-month position funded for multiple academic years (provided the student remains in good academic standing). Total monetary value for assistantship is >\$50,000.

Teaching assistants are provided:

- Tuition (paid in full) for PhD or DAT education (value dependent upon degree type but typically ~\$21,000)
- \$27,500 stipend for approximately 20 hours of work per week
- Paid access to \$7,000 in continuing education courses may include but is not limited to:
 - Total Motion Release (At least One Course)
 - Primal Reflex Release Technique (One Course)
 - Mulligan Concept (Two Courses)
 - Myokinesthetics (Three Courses)
 - Instrument Assisted Soft Tissue Mobilization (IASTM) (One Course)
 - RockTape (One or more courses)

Students may choose to pursue:

- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Education with a primary focus in an athletic training (AT) related field (e.g. Injury Care/Prevention, Biomechanics, or Sport & Exercise Psychology) – Link [HERE](#)
- Doctor of Athletic Training (DAT) degree - Link [HERE](#)

Applicants must apply to, and be accepted by, the UI College of Graduate Studies and complete the Movement Sciences Assistantship Application (<http://www.uidaho.edu/ed/mvsc/funding>).

Please contact Dr. Jayme Baker with programmatic or admission questions.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

The primary responsibilities of this prospective staff member will involve*:

- Helping deliver courses in the MSAT program
- Supervising and mentoring AT students
- Providing patient care in the ISMaRT Clinic
- Engaging in program/faculty led scholarly activities
- Other duties as assigned by the program faculty

Additional funding may also be available for candidates interested in serving as an athletic trainer with local schools and organizations

**Involvement and responsibilities will be dependent upon the candidate's skills, background, and career goals, determined in collaboration with the program faculty.*

QUALIFICATIONS

Required: Qualified candidates must possess:

- Athletic Training Board of Certification (BOC) credential (Must be in good standing)
- Idaho Athletic Training Licensure (or be eligible)
- National Provider Identifier Number
- Degree in Athletic Training (Bachelor's or Masters)
- Patient care experience
- Demonstrate experience in research

Preferred: We are especially interested in individuals who have:

- Earned graduate degree in Athletic Training, kinesiology, sport sciences, or sport biomechanics
- Advanced manual therapy training
- Administrative/Instruction experience in a CAATE accredited program
- Demonstrated experience in research or scholarly activities;
- Experience with variety of research equipment and analysis software
- Prior teaching experience (i.e. professor, instructor, or preceptor)

Other Skills and Abilities:

- Flexibility
- Organization
- Communication
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Time management
- Connecting and engaging with a diverse group

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Deadline: Selection process will begin immediately and continue until a sufficient applicant pool is identified.

Materials: Submit all materials to Dr. Matthew Smitley (contact information provided below). Required materials include:

- Letter of Intent/Application
- Current CV
- Statement of Teaching Philosophy
- Statement of Clinical Philosophy
- Three Professional References

Contact: Jayme Baker, DPT, LAT, ATC, PT
Search Committee Chair

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Commitment to Diversity: The University of Idaho has an institution-wide commitment to diversity, human rights, multiculturalism and community. The University expresses that commitment by actively recruiting and retaining a diverse workforce and student body, and by building and sustaining a welcoming, supportive campus environment. The University of Idaho provides outstanding leadership opportunities for people interested in promoting and enhancing diversity, nurturing creativity and building community.

The Athletic Training Education Programs: The University of Idaho has the first Doctor of Athletic Training degree in the country and the only one currently focused on developing advanced practice scholarly practitioners. In addition to the DAT, the U of I is also the home to an innovative, fully accredited professional Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT) program. The MSAT program houses a progressive and innovative approach to AT education that is hallmarked by:

- Ten years of success at the graduate level after 25+ years of successful AT education at the bachelor level
- Ten years of continuing accreditation by the CAATE granted in 2018
- A “self-support” funding model that provides unique autonomy to programmatic structure and curriculum delivery
- Clinical education immersion model that allows students to participate in patient care alongside expert clinicians serving as preceptors around the country (150+ clinical sites).
- Access to unique and state-of-the-art facilities in the Department of Movement Science Exercise Physiology lab, [Integrated Sports Medicine Movement Analysis Laboratory](#) (ISMMAL), and WWAMI Medical Education Program instructional spaces.
- Large AT faculty/staff system of 4 full-time faculty members in the MSAT alone. An additional 5 affiliate faculty are housed within the DAT and WWAMI Medical Education Programs as well as three Post-Doctoral Fellows and Teaching Assistants.

Collaborations across both programs as well as the WWAMI Medical Education Program set the stage for shaping the future of AT education and patient care. This is a very exciting time to join the Athletic Training Program team here at the University of Idaho. For more information about the AT programs, please visit www.uidaho.edu/athletictrainingprogram.

The Integrated Sports Medicine and Rehabilitative Therapy (ISMaRT) Clinic: The UI Athletic Training Program faculty created the Clinic in 2013 as a means to sharpen their skills while also teaching AT students advanced approaches to patient care. In 2016, the ISMaRT Clinic opened its doors. The clinicians and students in the Clinic provide sports medicine and rehabilitative therapy to students, staff, and faculty of the University, as well as local community members. The Clinic is an environment in which MSAT and DAT students develop and hone their patient care skills while under the supervision of advanced clinicians. Additionally, the Clinic space is a versatile teaching and research environment playing host to numerous workshops, continuing education courses, and studies.

The **Department of Movement Sciences** promotes and advances careers in healthy active living, science, performing art, patient care, and community-professional engagement through undergraduate degrees in Exercise Science & Health, Recreation, and Dance; and Masters’ degrees in Athletic Training, Physical Activity Pedagogy, and Movement & Leisure Sciences. In addition, the department offers doctoral degrees in Athletic Training (DAT) and through the Ph.D. in Education, emphases in Healthy Active Lifestyles and Exercise Science. For more information about the department, visit <https://www.uidaho.edu/ed/mvsc>.

Founded in 1889, the **University of Idaho** is the state’s land-grant institution and its principal graduate education and research university, bringing insight and innovation to the state, the nation and the world. University researchers attract nearly \$100 million in research grants and contracts each year. The University of Idaho is the only institution in the state to be classified by the prestigious Carnegie Foundation as high research activity. The student population of 12,000 includes first-generation college students and ethnically diverse scholars, who select from more than 130 degree options in the colleges of Agricultural and Life Sciences; Art and Architecture; Business and Economics; Education; Engineering; Law; Letters, Arts and Social Sciences; Natural Resources; and Science. The university also is charged with the statewide mission for medical education through the WWAMI program. The university combines the strength of a large university with the intimacy of small learning communities and focuses on helping students to

succeed and become leaders. It is home to the Vandals and competes in the Big Sky Conference. For more information, visit www.uidaho.edu.

Moscow, Idaho is a university town of more than 25,000 nestled in the rolling Palouse hills in northern Idaho, an area so beautiful it was featured in *National Geographic* magazine. Moscow offers low crime and traffic, a moderate cost of living, a relatively mild climate, exceptional public and private schools, and myriad recreational opportunities, as the area is surrounded by magnificent mountains, lakes, rivers, and forests. Residents have ready access to skiing, hiking, hunting, fishing, and boating; Hells Canyon National Recreation Area, the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness, and the scenic Snake, Clearwater, Salmon, Lochsa, and Selway Rivers are all within easy driving distance. Moscow is known as the "Heart of the Arts", ranked in the top 10 small arts towns in America, with the annual Jazz Festival, live music on the town, the Rendezvous in the Park, and summer theatre. Our town is surrounded by many other cities such as Pullman, WA (Pop. 33,000) and Spokane, WA (Pop. 200,000). The Moscow region is accessible by the nearby Pullman-Moscow and Lewiston airports, and the urban amenities and the airport of the Coeur d'Alene/Spokane metropolitan area is less than a two-hour drive. To learn more about Moscow, please visit www.moscow.com.