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Dear Katie,

Please find attached an informational item from the School of Health and Rehabilitation Science within the College of Medicine. This is to resolve an issue with total required credit hours that was identified this semester.

Please let me know if any questions or concerns arise.

Best,

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Re: MAT Credit Hour Discrepancy

It was brought to our attention that there is a credit hour discrepancy for the Spring 2025 graduating Master of Athletic Training (MAT) students. Please accept this letter as an explanation of the credit hour discrepancy for these students.

The MAT program was initially approved for 64 credit hours. At the time of enrollment of the first cohort of MAT students in the summer of 2023 there was already a two-credit hour decrease in total credit hours for the program, due to a change in two courses.

The decrease in credit hours was due to HTHRHSC 5010 (1 credit hour) never being developed, so it could not be a part of the curriculum and an additional course, ATHTRNG 6700, was on the initial curriculum as a 3-credit hour course but was supposed to be a 2-credit hour course. Thus, the students began with a 62-credit hour total for the MAT program. This credit hour change for the program was never changed with the Graduate School.

Additionally, in the spring of 2023, two MAT courses (ATHTRNG 6140 and 6150) were each approved for a 1-credit hour decrease through the Health and Rehabilitations Sciences Curriculum committee. Those changes have resulted in the MAT program now requiring 60 credit hours for completion. When the documents were submitted for this credit hour decrease, the program was still working from the initial 64-credit hour total. This was an error in the submitted documents. The documents submitted should have started at a 62-credit hour program and changed to a 60-credit hour program. Please see page 2 for the current curriculum plan, highlighting the courses that had a decrease in credits. In summary, the MAT program is a 60-credit hour program, with 34 credits in year one and 26 credits in year two.

Sincerely,

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CURRENT MAT CURRICULUM:

YEAR 1

| Summer (MAT 1) | Credits | Autumn (MAT 2) | Credits | Spring (MAT 3) | Credits |
|----------------------------------|---------|---|---------|----------------------------|---------|
| AT 6000 Emergency Care in AT | 1 | HTHRHSC 7900 Measures/Diagnosis 1 HTH | | HTHRHSC 7910 Crit Analysis | 1 |
| AT 6110 Intro to AT Diagnosis | 2 | AT 6310 Rehab Methods I 2 AT 6320 Rehab Methods II | | | 2 |
| AT 6210 AT Clinical Skills I | 1 | AT 6120 Exam, Diag, & Care LE Cond 5 AT 6130 Exam, Diag, & Care UE Cond | | 5 | |
| AT 6189 Coordinated Patient Care | 1 | AT 6510 Practicum I 1 AT 6520 Practicum II | | AT 6520 Practicum II | 1 |
| AT 6600 Admin & Leadership 2 | | AT 6389 Intro Diag/Acute Care-HS | 2 | AT 6589 Diag & Mgmt | 4 |
| | | AT 6489 Intro Diag/Acute Care-Collegiate | 2 | | |
| | | AT 6289* Prevention/Risk Mgmt | 1 | | |
| Total | 7 | Total | 14 | Total | 13 TOTA |

34 credits

YEAR 2

| Summer (MAT 4) | Credits | Autumn (MAT 5) | Credits | Spring (MAT 6) | Credits | |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|----------|--|
| AT 6689 Rehabilitation | 1 | AT 6220 AT Clinical Skills Advanced | 1 | AT 6800 Behavioral Health in AT | 2 | |
| Elective (3)**** | 3**** | Elective (3)**** | 3**** | Elective (3)**** | 3**** | |
| AT 6789** Clinical Elective | 1 | AT 6140 Exam, Diag, & Care Head/Spine | 2 | AT 6540 Practicum IIII | 1 | |
| | | AT 6150 Exam, Diag, & Care Primary | 4 | AT 7289 Comprehensive Care II | 3 | |
| | | AT 6530 Practicum III | 1 | AT 7089*/*** Immersive Clinical | 2 | |
| | | AT 7189 Comprehensive Care I | 4 | AT 6700 Sport Sci Assessment | 2 | |
| Total | 1-5 | AT 7089*/*** Immersive Clinical | 2 | Total | 8-13,TOT | |

Total 12-17

The above plan demonstrates how students will complete the master's in athletic training program in four (4) semesters and two (2) 26 credits summer terms. There is limited flexibility in the curriculum plan. The professional curriculum is completed in sequence, and there is no provision for part-time or evening-only enrollment. Courses with the XX89 designations are athletic training clinical experiences. The final graduate school requirement can be completed through a non-thesis capstone project (ATHTRNG 7990) or thesis research (HTHRHSC 7999). To be eligible for graduation, a MAT student must meet a minimum of 62 credit hours.

****Students will choose to take one elective at any time in the second year of the MAT curriculum. The elective must be approved by the advisor. The student is encouraged to take electives in the HRS Advanced Practice Focus Master's Program or ATHTRNG 7990 -Capstone Project or HTHRHSC 7998 - Research Practicum. The elective must total at least 3 credit hours.

^{*}The course begins August 1st but is scheduled during the autumn semester.

^{**}An elective clinical experience (ATHTRNG 6789) can be taken in MAT Block 4 (summer year 2) for various reasons, including extending a required clinical experience or supplemental clinical experience.

^{***}The immersive clinical experiences (ATHTRNG 7089) may occur in MAT Block 5 (autumn year 2) or MAT Block 6 (spring year 2) based on clinical interest. Some on-campus time will be required to fulfill other course requirements during these experiences. Immersive clinical experience can only be taken after completing MAT Block 3 (spring year 1) successfully. This immersive experience must be with a contracted affiliated program and may include off-campus work in various locations and may include professional organizations such as the NFL, NBA, MLB, MLS, etc. The ATP does not guarantee clinical education placements with professional sports for immersive experiences but will help facilitate sites based on students' professional goals.