## Mercyhurst University Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT) Program Fees

## **Additional Student Fees and Financial Responsibilities**

The Athletic Training Program, being an allied health professional program does have some additional associated costs. These include professional membership fees, background checks, estimated cost of AT gear/supplies, and various other costs. Below are listed the additional costs; however, these are estimates based on the previous year and could fluctuate year to year based on market variability:

- Accepted students must obtain student membership within the NATA on an annual basis, beginning in <u>Spring of Year 1</u> (\$97/year = \$194 total). This covers the cost of NATA, EATA and PA State Association student-level dues, which gains access to scholarships, grants, discounted conference registration, etc. and is used during course instruction.
- Emergency Cardiac Care: cost of certification (approximately \$50 for 2-year certification obtained in summer of first year in the MSAT program)
- Students are expected to purchase a sling/waist med pack and incur some cost on MU gear relative to financial availability. Minimum required purchases include a Mercyhurst Polo and t-shirt. (\$100 average total—varies depending on kit/clothes).
- ATrack Expense (one-time): **\$90**; This software membership is used to track program outcomes and clinical hours/patient contacts.
- Allegheny Health Network specific cost: myClinicalExchange.com access (\$20-6 month; \$39.50-12 month). This cost is required for completion of clinical experiences at AHN locations in and around Erie, PA.
- The cost of any immunizations/vaccination required will be incurred by the student, and may vary depending on insurance coverage.

All students must obtain the following clearances at a minimum prior to an off-campus secondary school clinical experience in PA; however, this may vary for other non-secondary school clinical sites:

PA Child Abuse History Clearance - \$13;
 PA State Criminal Record Check - \$22;

FBI Criminal Background Check - \$25.25

(Total up to \$60.25)

\*Note: off-campus clinical sites are added when opportunities arise. Some clinical sites may require additional documentation, including but not limited to a TB test, the cost of which is incurred by the student.

## Additional Student Fees and Financial Responsibilities (continued)

- For many clinical skill assessments, students will be required to purchase a competency manual: Hauth, Gloyeske, Amato. Clinical Skills Documentation Guide for Athletic Training. Third Edition. SLACK, Inc. ISBN13: 9781617116193; ISBN10: 161711619X. This cost varies, but is approximately \$85 (one-time).
- Students must incur the entire cost of applying to, registering for, and completing the BOC exam during the Spring of their 2<sup>nd</sup> year or during the summer after their 2<sup>nd</sup> year (highly encourage March/April window for exam scheduling). If a student does not pass the exam on the first attempt, any subsequent attempts to complete will also be at the expense of the student.
  - o Application to BOC exam: \$75 for NATA members, \$100 for non-members
  - o Registration for the BOC exam: \$375 (for all testing windows)

In addition to these fees, students are responsible for all costs (including parking fees) associated with transportation to and from clinical sites and all academic/classroom locations and activities.

Depending on selected Immersive Clinical Experiences, students may opt to complete these at distance-sites (such as out of state, or outside of Erie, PA). This will require students to incur the cost of transportation, housing, meals, and other accommodations during their Immersive Clinical Experiences. Students are not expected to complete these at distance sites, but may choose to do so at their own discretion with approval of the Clinical Education Coordinator.