

May 15, 2019

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Academic Senate Executive Committee

**FROM:** University Graduate Committee  
Chair, Marilyn Wilson *MW*

**RE:** Approval of Proposal for Master of Science in Athletic Training

**MSC:** 5/14/19. The UGC unanimously agreed to support the proposal for the Master of Science in Athletic Training.

This program is proposed by the Kinesiology Department. The program moves their undergraduate program in Athletic Training to the graduate level. The move was compelled by requirements for their accrediting commission; only those with graduate degrees from an accredited program will be eligible to sit for the licensing exam.

We were impressed by the restructuring that has gone into developing this program. Courses were not just intensified to make them graduate level, but entire new modules were developed. The clinical components exceed the requirement by the Commission of Accreditation for Athletic Training Education. Dr. Sailor and Dr. Moore explained that two eight-week back to back sessions during the second year of the program would allow candidates to obtain training outside the local area; thus expanding the potential recruitment and employment opportunities.

The program consists of all new coursework that has been approved by the Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee. The department has a teach-out plan for students currently enrolled in the undergraduate program, and hopes to begin the graduate program in fall 2020.

**CC:** Robert Harper, Interim Provost  
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