

**GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**  
**School of Recreation, Health, and Tourism**

**ATEP 456 -001 — Practicum 5: Professional Integration (6)**  
**Fall 2014**

DAY/TIME	M W 10:30 – 11.45 am	LOCATION:	BRH 247
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**PRE- AND CO-REQUISITES**

**Pre-requisites:** Formal acceptance to the professional phase of the ATEP; ATEP 150, 180, 250, 255, 256, 260, 265, 266, 270, 350, 355, 356, 360, 365, 366; BIOL 124, 125; HEAL 110, 230; PHED/KINE 300; current Emergency Cardiac Care (ECC) certification.

**Co-requisite:** Concurrently enrolled in ATEP 450.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

A clinical practicum field experience under the direct supervision of an Approved Clinical Instructor (ACI) with emphasis on professional skill integration.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES**

At the completion of this course students should be able to complete the following:

1. Apply theories, concepts, and philosophies learned through previous didactic and clinical experiences;
2. Identify and execute risk management and injury prevention techniques;
3. Assess and evaluate athletic injuries;
4. Provide acute care of injuries and illnesses;
5. Execute pharmacological interventions;
6. Utilize therapeutic modalities;
7. Implement therapeutic exercise;
8. Manage general medical conditions and disabilities;
9. Explain and evaluate nutritional aspects for the physically active;
10. Identify the need for psychosocial intervention, and refer to the appropriate professional;
11. Employ health care administration practices; and
12. Employ foundational behaviors of professional practice in athletic training.

**NATURE OF COURSE DELIVERY**

Face to Face.

## **ACCREDITATION STANDARDS**

The course meets Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) competencies and proficiencies in one or more of the following content areas: evidence-based practice, prevention and health promotion, clinical examination and diagnosis, acute care of injury and illness, therapeutic interventions, psychosocial strategies and referral, healthcare administration, professional development and responsibility.

## **REQUIRED READINGS**

ATEP 456 Clinical Education Practicum Manual V: Professional Integration

## **SUGGESTED READINGS**

NATA Position Statements. <http://www.nata.org/position-statements>

## **EVALUATION**

The course instructor assigns the final grade based on several specific requirements for evaluation as detailed below. The PRECEPTOR will supply scoring and relative open-ended feedback on the Mid Semester Clinical Performance Evaluation, Final Clinical Performance Evaluation, and Clinical Proficiency Evaluations.

### **Expectations Document**

This form is a guide to explain and clarify the PRECEPTOR expectations of the student. Both student and PRECEPTOR will read and sign this document together at the initial meeting to help ensure that all parties understand their respective responsibilities and duties.

### **Mid Semester PRECEPTOR Clinical Performance Evaluation**

The PRECEPTOR will complete the evaluation and assign a letter grade based on the student's clinical performance. PRECEPTORS are encouraged to discuss the results of the evaluation with the student.

### **End Semester PRECEPTOR Clinical Performance Evaluation**

The PRECEPTOR will complete the evaluation and assign a letter grade based on the student's clinical performance. PRECEPTORS are encouraged to discuss the results of the evaluation with the student.

### **Throughlines**

The student is required to complete two throughline reflective entries.

### **Clinical Proficiency Evaluations**

The student will complete a must complete all clinical proficiency evaluations associated with the previous and current courses. These evaluations will be assessed by each student's PRECEPTOR.

### **Evaluation of PRECEPTOR/Clinical Site Survey**

This survey will be conducted to collect feedback about the PRECEPTOR and clinical site. A link to the survey will be provided in an email.

### **Professional Portfolio**

The student will complete a professional portfolio that will summarize their professional and academic career. Directions and a list of items to include will be covered in class. This will be due at the class dinner on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014.

### **Comprehensive Final Examination**

There will be a comprehensive final examination administered at the time deemed by the official university schedule.

## GRADING

### Course Grading Scale

ASSESSMENT METHOD	NUMBER	POINTS EACH	POINTS TOTAL
Expectations Document	1	25	25
Mid Semester PRECEPTOR Clinical Performance Evaluation	1	100	100
End Semester PRECEPTOR Clinical Performance Evaluation	1	100	100
Throughlines	2	50	100
Clinical Proficiency Evaluations	9	Pass/Fail	Pass/Fail
Evaluation of PRECEPTOR/Clinical Site Survey	1	25	25
Professional Portfolio	—	—	25
Comprehensive Final Examination	1	100	125
<b>TOTAL</b>	—	—	<b>500</b>

The student's final letter grade will be earned based on the following scale:

A: 465 – 500 pts. (93%)	C+: 385 – 399 pts. (77%)
A-: 450 – 464 pts. (90%)	C: 365 – 384 pts. (73%)
B+: 435 – 449 pts. (87%)	C-: 350 – 364 pts. (70%)
B: 415 – 434 pts. (83%)	D: 315 – 349 pts. (63%)
B-: 400 – 414 pts. (80%)	F: < 315 pts.

## ATTENDANCE

Each student must meet with his/her preceptor during the first week of the semester to develop a weekly schedule. Students must accrue a minimum of 300 hours during the entire semester (approximately 10-20 hours per week). Students are expected to be on time, attend all class meetings and clinical experiences as mutually agreed upon with the Coordinator of Clinical Education, course instructor and the PRECEPTOR. Excused absences include the following: illness (must bring a receipt or note from a doctor), family death, athletic/academic event, and others at the discretion of the PRECEPTOR and course instructor. For known upcoming absences, students must contact the PRECEPTOR and the course instructor at least one week in advance of the missed class or clinical experience. In the case of illness or some other unforeseen absence, the student must contact the PRECEPTOR and the course instructor via e-mail or telephone.

## SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

This course requires a laboratory fee of \$50.00 that has been included on your financial aid and university bill. Supplies will be picked up on Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at the ATEP opening session.

### Technology Use During Class

As per GMU policy, all sound emitting technology is required to be turned off during the class meeting time. Additionally, *no laptop computers* will be permitted for use during class time; the exceptions are for use during presentations/projects, and technology deemed as necessary by the Office of Disability Services. Students utilizing various technology devices during class will be asked to leave class and will not be permitted to complete course work or receive any points for assignments that day.

### E-mail Correspondence

Only messages that originate from a George Mason University address will be accepted. The following is an appropriate professional format:

Dear Dr. Mrs. Caswell (*Beginning salutation*)

I am looking forward to your class. (*Text body*)

Regards, (*Ending Salutation*)

Amanda Caswell (*Your name*)

### **MAKE UP WORK**

Students who are absent or who arrive late without an official university or a medical doctor's excuse will not be permitted to participate in the class activities for credit the day of the absence or tardy event. There will be no make-up quizzes or exams unless an excused absence has been warranted. Students who miss an examination, quiz or other class activity because of an excused absence must complete the assignment *within a week of the excused absence*. It is the student's obligation to pursue any make-up work.

### **LATE ASSIGNMENTS**

All work is due at the beginning of class time on the indicated day. **NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

### *Student Expectations*

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the George Mason University Honor Code [See <http://oai.gmu.edu/honor-code/>].
- Students with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with the George Mason University Office of Disability Services (ODS) and inform their instructor, in writing, at the beginning of the semester [See <http://ods.gmu.edu/>].
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing [See <http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/>].
- Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their George Mason University email account and are required to activate their account and check it regularly. All communication from the university, college, school, and program will be sent to students solely through their Mason email account.
- Students must follow the university policy stating that all sound emitting devices shall be turned off during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.

### *Campus Resources*

- The George Mason University Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) staff consists of professional counseling and clinical psychologists, social workers, and counselors who offer a wide range of services (e.g., individual and group counseling, workshops and outreach programs) to enhance students' personal experience and academic performance [See <http://caps.gmu.edu/>].
- The George Mason University Writing Center staff provides a variety of resources and services (e.g., tutoring, workshops, writing guides, handbooks) intended to support students as they work to construct and share knowledge through writing [See <http://writingcenter.gmu.edu/>].
- For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, School of Recreation, Health, and Tourism, please visit our website [See <http://rht.gmu.edu/>].

PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR: Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times.

CORE VALUES COMMITMENT: The College of Education and Human Development is committed to collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based practice, and social justice. Students are expected to adhere to these principles.



<b>WEEK (Date(s))</b>	<b>TENTATIVE TOPIC</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENTS DUE</b>
1 (Aug 25)	Introduction to Course and Syllabus	
2 (Sept 1)	No Class- Labor Day	
3 (Sep 8*)	No Formal Class- On-line Reference Letter Activity	Clinical Schedule, Completed Hours & Throughlines 1, On-line Reference Letter Activity Due by Wednesday September 10 <sup>th</sup> 12pm
4 (Sep 15)	How to locate employment/resumes/ Cover letters	Expectations Document, Bring a copy of your resume and cover letter
5 (Sep 22*)	Interviewing	Clinical Schedule & Completed Hours
6 (Sep 29)	Interviewing	
7 (Oct 6*)	Mock Interviews	Clinical Schedule & Completed Hours
8 (Oct 14) <i>Monday classes on Tuesday</i>	Research and Scholarship in Athletic Training Evidence Based Practice: Asking Clinical Questions	
9 (Oct 20*†)	Evidence-Based-Practice: Acquiring the Evidence	Clinical Schedule, Completed Hours, Mastery Proficiencies, & Mid-Semester PRECEPTOR Clinical Performance Evaluation
10 (Oct 28)	Evidence Based Practice: Appraising the Evidence	
11 (Nov 4*)	Evidence Based Practice: What do we do now?	Clinical Schedule & Completed Hours
12 (Nov 11)	Athletic Trainers as Practitioners and Educators – Knowledge Dissemination	
13 (Nov 18*)	EBP Project Presentation	Clinical Schedule & Completed Hours Evidence-Based-Practice Project
14 (Nov 25)	Becoming a Young Professional/ Preventing Burnout	
15 (Dec 1*)	Thank You, Surveys, Closing Points, Reflection	Clinical Schedule, Completed Hours & Throughlines 2
(Dec 3) 4:30pm	ATEP Senior Dinner	Professional Portfolio
Finals (Dec 11†)	Comprehensive Final Examination 10:30am-1:15pm	All Proficiencies, End-Semester PRECEPTOR Clinical Performance Evaluation
<i>Faculty reserve the right to alter syllabus as necessary</i> <i>* Bi-monthly schedule/ hours log due.</i> <i>† PRECEPTOR evaluations and proficiencies due.</i>		

### Student Acknowledgement of Syllabus

I, \_\_\_\_\_, by signing below, attest to the following:  
(Print First and Last Name)

\*I have read the course syllabus for ATEP 456 in its entirety, and I understand the policies contained therein. This syllabus serves as an agreement for ATEP 456 between me and the instructor.

\*I have a clear understanding of the due dates for assignments and examinations, and I accept responsibility for the material.

\*I am aware that failure to submit assignments by the dates assigned will result in no points awarded as late work will not be accepted.

\*I understand the instructor reserves the right to alter the provided schedules as necessary and I am responsible for the assignments and examination dates for the most current version of the syllabus schedule.

\*I accept responsibility for reading announcements that are sent to me via e-mail through Blackboard; it is my responsibility to access Blackboard e-mail for announcements and assignments.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

*(Student Copy: This copy should remain attached to your syllabus)*

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

*(Instructor Copy: Submit to the instructor at the end of the first class meeting)*