



## **2021-2022 SWATA Student Senator Application**

The mission of the Southwest Athletic Trainers' Association Student Senate is to strengthen and advance the profession of athletic training by promoting student involvement, leadership, professionalism, and education within District VI. It is the intent of the Southwest Athletic Trainers' Association to include a total of 9 Student Senators, 8 voting members and the District VI NATA SLC Representative.

Applicants must have the time and availability to serve on the SWATA Student Senate. This involves:

- Displaying a desire to participate and contribute.
- Representing the athletic training students of your district in a professional manner.
- Encouraging other athletic training students to become involved in the profession at any level.
- Being informed on issues in the profession that may affect athletic training students.
- Replying to all communications by the required deadlines
- Participating in all conference calls and meetings.
- Attending the Annual SWATA meeting

### **Eligibility Requirements**

The applicant must be:

- Enrolled as a student pursuing an Athletic Training related degree within District VI with the intent of becoming a BOC Certified Athletic Trainer or Licensed Athletic Trainer.
- A current student member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association and Southwest Athletic Trainers' Association.
- Able to commit to a one-year term, with the option of renewal.
- Either a first-year student in a professional graduate program or a sophomore, junior, or senior in an undergraduate athletic training program at the time he/she is applying.
  - If applying as a senior, you must be attending graduate school within the District VI boundaries. You may be a Licensed Athletic Trainer but cannot be a Certified Athletic Trainer during your term.
- Able to attend the SWATA Annual Meeting each summer while holding a position as a Student Senator. This year, the dates of the conference are July 22-25, 2021 in Little Rock, Arkansas.
- Applicants must have a minimum GPA of a 2.5, in both overall and athletic training related coursework.

### **Application Procedures**

- Sections I and II of this application should be fully completed by the applicant and submitted to NATA's Gather site.
- The Program Director, Clinical Education Coordinator, or a Preceptor for the respective institution of the applicant should complete the recommendation section of the application.
- **Questions about the application or the process of submitting it can directed to the Chairman of our Application Committee at [hrj14@txstate.edu](mailto:hrj14@txstate.edu)**
- **Completed applications must be submitted on NATA's Gather site at <https://gather.nata.org/participate/volunteeropportunities> by 11:00pm on March 1, 2021.**
- **Applicants will be notified of positions by phone call or email by Friday, March 31, 2021.**



## Section I: General Information

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

NATA & SWATA Member Since: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ NATA Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Athletic Training GPA: \_\_\_\_\_  
Current Grade Level: 1st year MSAT Sophomore Junior Senior

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

Primary Phone: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**List any Seminars/Conferences attended (Name, Location, Date)**



**List leadership position held & Honors/Awards received (distinguish between HS and College)**

**List all other Extracurricular/Volunteer activities (distinguish between HS and College)**



## **Section II: Short Answer Questions**

(Use as much room as needed and please answer in *Italics*)

**Please tell the application committee a little about yourself. Ex: what you enjoy doing in your free time, your future career goals, etc.**

**Please describe your reasons for applying. What contributions do you feel you could offer the Student Senate? What are some things that you want to accomplish if selected as a Student Senator?**



**What are your strengths and weaknesses? Please explain.**

**What does leadership mean to you? Explain any leadership experiences that will aid in your service as a Student Senator.**



**Please provide the committee with examples of how you have helped promote or strengthen the Athletic Training profession.**

**The Strategic Alliance (NATA Board of Directors, the CAATE Commissioners and BOC, Inc. Board Members) have agreed to establish the professional degree in athletic training at the master's level. How do you think this will affect the profession, and in what direction do you see the profession going?**



### **Section III: Professional Reference**

*Must be completed by Program Director, Clinical Coordinator or Preceptor at the respective institution*

**How long have you known this applicant and to what degree have you been able to interact with them?**

**How well does this applicant interact with his/her peers and faculty?**

**Would you feel comfortable with this student leading others and being a role model for other students? Why or Why not?**

**What are some personal characteristics or strengths you see that would *benefit* this person as a Student Senator?**

**What are some personal characteristics or weaknesses that you see that would *hinder* this person as a Student Senator?**

**Is there any additional information that may assist the Student Senate in considering this candidate for a position as a Student Senator?**



**Section III: Professional Reference Continued**

Please rate the applicant based on the scale of personal qualities.

PLEASE **BOLD** OR **HIGHLIGHT** YOUR RESPONSE

Using the scale provided, please respond to each statement.

**0-Never      1- Rarely      2 -Acceptable      3-Outstanding**

**The applicant:**

Gets along with others	0	1	2	3
Possess leadership qualities	0	1	2	3
Communicates clearly / Listens well	0	1	2	3
Is concerned for others and is effective in helping them	0	1	2	3
Exhibits self-confidence	0	1	2	3
Has a strong commitment to activities involved in	0	1	2	3
Sets a positive example for others	0	1	2	3
Exhibits emotional stability	0	1	2	3
Exhibits good common sense	0	1	2	3
Handles stress appropriately	0	1	2	3
Works well as a member of a group	0	1	2	3
Demonstrates the ability to learn from their mistakes	0	1	2	3
Takes initiative and follows-through with projects or tasks	0	1	2	3

I would recommend this student to be a member of SWATA Student Senate:

YES      NO

**Professional Reference Section Completed By:**

Name:

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Date:

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Phone:

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