



2023-2024 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 a degree in Athletic Training within District VI with the intent of becoming a BOC Certified 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.
- A student is defined as a current SWATA member who has been accepted to or has graduated from an accredited/internship Athletic Training Program and is currently attending an institute of higher education on a full or part-time basis (defined by the institutions hourly policy). A student may not be employed as a full-time Certified Athletic Trainer (ATC), but may be a state Licensed Athletic Trainer (LAT). This definition of a student includes a graduate or undergraduate student who is currently enrolled at an institution within the geographic boundary of District VI
- 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 20-23, 2023 in Arlington, Texas
- Applicants must have a minimum GPA of a 2.5, in both overall and athletic training related

Application Procedures

- Sections I and II of this application should be fully completed by the applicant.
- The Program Director or Clinical Education Coordinator for the respective institution of the applicant should complete the recommendation section of the application.
- The completed (all sections) SWATA Student Senate application must be electronically submitted by March 3, 2023 to swatastudents@gmail.com.
- All applicants will be notified once selections have been made through email.
- **Questions about the application or the process of submitting it can directed to the Chairperson of our Application Committee at aemikah2@cougarnet.uh.edu**



Section I: General Information

Applicant's Name: _____
Last First Middle

NATA & SWATA Member Since: ____/____/____ NATA Member Number: _____

Overall GPA: _____ Undergraduate GPA: _____

Current Grade Level: 1st Year MSAT 2nd Year MSAT 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

List all other Extracurricular/Volunteer activities



Section II: Short Answer Questions

Please tell the application committee a little about yourself. Ex: what are your career goals, what intrigued you to be in the athletic training profession, 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 aide in your service as a Student Senator.



Please provide the committee with examples of how you will help promote/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 or Clinical Coordinator 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?



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:

Date:

Phone:
