

**LIBERTY UNIVERSITY – ATHLETIC TRAINING PROGRAM (MSAT)**

**ATS Direct Supervision Form – REQUIRED**

**Supervision** – Supervision occurs along a developmental continuum that allows a student to move from interdependence to independence based on the student’s knowledge and skills as well as the context of care. Preceptors must be on-site and have the ability to intervene on behalf of the athletic training student and the patient. Supervision also must occur in compliance with the state practice act of the state in which the student is engaging in client/patient care. Only clinical education/integration experiences hours that occur under the direct supervision of a Clinical Preceptor are recognized by CAATE and LU’s ATP. Radio or cell phone contact does not constitute direct supervision and is an infraction of LU’s clinical education/integration experiences policies.

**Unsupervised** – Any clinical education/integration experiences in which the ATS is acting without the physical presence of a Preceptor.

**Clinical Education** – A broad umbrella term that includes three types of learning opportunities to prepare students for independent clinical practice: athletic training clinical education/integration experiences, simulations, and supplemental clinical experiences.

- **Athletic training clinical education/integration experiences:** Direct client/patient care guided by a preceptor who is an athletic trainer or physician. Athletic training clinical experiences are used to verify students’ abilities to meet the curricular content standards. When direct client/patient care opportunities are not available, simulation may be used for this verification.
- **Simulation:** An educational technique, not a technology, to replace or amplify real experiences with guided experiences that evoke or replicate substantial aspects of the real world in a fully interactive manner.
- **Supplemental clinical experiences:** Learning opportunities supervised by health care providers other than athletic trainers or physicians.

**The ATS may not:**

- Be considered a “*first responder*” or “*first aid provider*” for an LU ATP sponsored event (LU athletics, local high school events, or clinical patient interactions).
- Travel with any athletic team without a preceptor present.
- Initiate, plan or progress a rehabilitation plan without preceptor/supervision.
- Use electrical or ultrasound modalities without preceptor/supervision.
- Conduct a full, new evaluation of an injury without preceptor/supervision.
- Make a return-to-play decision without preceptor/supervision.

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**LU ATP Athletic Training Student:** Providing my Legal Signature below confirms that I certify that I have read, fully understand, and agree to adhere to the ATS Direct Supervision Form, its definitions, and the LU ATP ATS clinical education/Integration experiences responsibilities as listed above.

**Legal Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_/\_\_\_/20\_\_

**(Printed FULL Legal Name):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Witness' Signature:** Providing my Legal Signature below confirms that I certify that I have witnessed the legal signature, on the date provided above, by the LU ATP Athletic Training Student.

**Legal Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_/\_\_\_/20\_\_

**(Printed FULL Legal Name):** \_\_\_\_\_