# KENT STATE UNIVERSITY CERTIFICATION OF CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

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Department	Health Sciences	
College	EH - Education, Health and Human Services	
Degree	BS - Bachelor of Science	
Program Name	Athletic Training	Program Banner Code ATTR
Concentration(s)	Concentration(s) Banner Code(s)	
Proposal	Temporarily suspend admissions	

Description of proposal:

This action suspends admission into the B.S. Athletic Training major following spring semester, 2020. The intent is to permanently inactivate after the new B.S. Sports Medicine major is approved to accept students.

Does proposed revision change program's total credit hours? ☐ Yes ⊠ No Current total credit hours: **120** Proposed total credit hours **120** 

Describe impact on other programs, policies or procedures (e.g., duplication issues; enrollment and staffing considerations; need; audience; prerequisites; teacher education licensure):

This action is in response to mandates issues by our accrediting body that entry-level athletic training programs be at the master's level. Current B.S. ATTR students in the Professional Phase will be able to complete their program of study.

Units consulted (other departments, programs or campuses affected by this proposal):

Chemistry, Exercise Science, Health Education, Nutrition, Psychology, and Sociology have been notified that their courses will no longer be required.

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## Proposal Summary Suspend Admission Into the B.S. Athletic Training Major

### Description of Action, Including Intended Effect

The purpose of this proposal is to suspend admission into the Bachelor of Science Athletic Training [BS ATTR] major housed in the School of Health Sciences [HS] within the College of Education, Health and Human Services [EH] until the new Bachelor of Science Sports Medicine major begins accepting students (not to exceed three years).

Currently, the Athletic Training major is a professional program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) that leads to eligibility to sit for the Board of Certification Examination (BOC) to practice as an athletic trainer. While the existing program is at the undergraduate level, CAATE mandates all professional programs will be required to move to the master's level by the year 2022, meaning those with only a bachelor's degree will no longer be able to qualify to practice.

The athletic training program area recently began a new Master of Science Athletic Training (MS ATTR) major and is proposing a new B.S. Sports Medicine major to begin in fall 2020. Consequently, the current undergraduate major will no longer be viable, and admission will be suspended at the conclusion of spring 2020. This allows for spring admits of students who can complete requirements and be accepted into the professional phase by the completion of spring semester.

It is the intent to permanently inactivate the major once the new B.S. Sports Medicine major is approved to admit students.

#### Impact on Other Programs, Course Offerings, Students, Faculty, Staff

Chemistry, Exercise Science, Health Education, Nutrition, Psychology, and Sociology have been notified that their courses will no longer be required.

#### Fiscal, Enrollment, Facilities and Staffing Considerations

If approved, the new B.S. Sports Medicine major will replace the BS ATTR major and will serve as the pathway for students seeking careers in care and prevention of injuries associated with physical fitness and sport and will prepare students seeking admission to graduate programs in athletic training or other health professions. The suspension of admission, along with the addition of the new graduate and undergraduate majors will result in a neutral effect on staffing needs.

#### Evidence of Need and Sustainability if Establishing

NA

#### **Provisions for Phase-Out if Inactivating**

Students currently in the BS ATTR major will be able to continue to completion and will still be eligible to sit for the athletic training exam, as long as the BOC continues to offer it. As the sequence of the coursework is structured, current students will have access to the courses they need. Students who are enrolled in the BS ATTR major but not admitted to the Professional Phase at the completion of spring semester 2020 will not be permitted to apply/reapply to the professional phase of the program. Those students will work with the program coordinator to identify alternative academic programs to pursue.

**Timetable and Actions Required:** The proposal will go through the required curriculum approval process to be effective following spring 2020 admissions. The following is the anticipated schedule:

ATTR program approval: April 16, 2018 HS SCC approval (electronic): April, 2018 EHHS approval: May 18, 2018 presented to EPC for approval: May 20, 2019

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