

The Mid-Atlantic Athletic Trainers' Association Larry Sutton Scholarship

The Larry Sutton Scholarship was developed to target candidates who indicate an intention to continue academic work beyond the completion of the Professional Athletic Training Program level, and who plan pursuing the profession of Athletic Training as their means of livelihood.

To be eligible for consideration an applicant shall:

1. Be a member in good standing with the NATA/MAATA.
2. Be a graduating student during the academic year of the scholarship application or a graduate of a CAATE-accredited Professional Athletic Training program within the last year (NOTE: applicant will either be eligible to take the BOC Examination at the time the scholarship is awarded or who has become BOC-certified within the last year).
3. Have distinguished himself/herself academically with an overall minimum accumulative grade point average of 3.0 (based on a maximum of 4.0) or its equivalent at **ALL** institutions attended.
 - A. Records of students shall be judged on their grade point average at the completion of the fall semester of their final year in the Professional ATP or their final grade point average, whichever is applicable.
4. Have performed with distinction as a member of the Athletic Training Program (NOTE: *The degree of the athletic training student's achievements shall be weighed at least equally with the degree of his/her academic performance*).
5. Indicate an intention to continue academic work beyond the completion of the Professional Athletic Training Program. If the applicant has completed the master's degree, then he/she should indicate his/her intent to pursue the profession of Athletic Training as his/her means of livelihood.
6. Have conducted himself/herself in a manner that has brought credit to the candidate, the ATP, the institution, intercollegiate athletics, and the ideals and objectives of American higher education. This includes demonstration of the ability to uphold the NATA Code of Ethics and BOC Standards of Practice.

Need shall not be a factor in granting MAATA scholarships. An award of assistance from other sources available to the applicant will not affect his/her eligibility for a MAATA scholarship. Moreover, an individual may not receive more than one MAATA scholarship during the same application period (NOTE: the recipient is expected to remain enrolled in the Athletic Training program except for military service or religious missions).

NOMINATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CERTIFIED ATHLETIC TRAINER

1. Each sponsoring Certified Athletic Trainer may submit no more than two recommendations for candidates from the institution the AT is affiliated. For example, one recommendation as the sponsoring athletic trainer and another recommendation as the sponsoring AT professor.
2. The four steps to complete a nomination are as follows:
 - A. The application is completed and signed by the nominee and includes all ancillary documentation in one packet (if mailed) or one email (save for recommendations).
 - B. An evaluation is completed and signed by the sponsoring certified athletic trainer.
 - C. An evaluation is completed and signed by the Athletic Training professor or AT preceptor (NOTE: if a preceptor sponsors you, then an AT professor needs to provide the other recommendation and vice versa).
 - D. A student essay is completed.
3. Official transcripts from all institutions where the applicant has attended must be included.

Complete applications must be sent to the chairperson of the scholarship committee either via US mail or email. Applications that are mailed must be postmarked by **March 1**, while applications emailed must be received by 11:59pm on **March 1**.

All information must be typed

Sponsoring Athletic Trainer's signature _____

Academic and Other Honors and Awards Recognition

Award Title and Date	Purpose of the award

Assigned Athletic Training Clinical Experiences

Clinical Experience Description	Responsibilities	Extent/Hours of involvement

Volunteer Athletic Training Experiences

Description of experience including City & State	Responsibilities	Extent/Hours of involvement

Professional and Campus Memberships and Organizations

Name and description of the organization	Date(s) of membership	Extent/Hours of involvement per semester or year

Public/Community Service Activities

Name and description of the organization	Activity summary	Date(s) and location(s) of Activity/Hours

Leadership Positions

Position Held or Position Title	Organization Name	Type of Organization (Indicate if student, community service, athletic training, or other organization)	Dates of the Position

Certifications/Licenses (i.e., EMT, CSCS, etc.)

Credential/License	Credentialing agency	Date of issuance	Certification/ License number

Continuing Education attendance at Professional Meeting/Conference/Symposia

Title of Meeting/Symposia	Location	Date(s)

Scholarly and Other Related Presentations

(Date of presentation; full title; authors; name of meeting/conference; indicate if the presentation was at a local, state, regional, national or international conference)

Title of Presentation	Author(s)	Meeting/Conference	Name of Meeting/Conference (Indicate if local, state, regional, or national)	Location & Date(s)

Scholarly Publications

Provide the citation below for all applicable publications

*Attach a written essay that describes the reason you chose to become an Athletic Trainer, the highlights of your athletic training education and clinical experiences, and the importance of continuing education in the field of Athletic Training by providing examples of learning opportunities you have sought beyond the requirements of the Athletic Training program you were enrolled in. Please use a 12-pt font, double-spacing, and limit your response to 500 words.

By affixing my signature and date below, I affirm that I will follow and uphold the NATA Code of Ethics and the BOC Standards of Professional Practice now and in my future practice.

Applicant Signature & Date _____

Larry Sutton Scholarship Recommendation

(To be completed by sponsoring Athletic Trainer)

A. Student's Name: _____
Last First Middle

B. Rating: *Please rank applicant comparing to other similar level AT students*

	Outstanding Top 5-10%	Excellent Top 25%	Good Top 40%	Needs Improvement	Unable to Judge
Punctuality and attendance					
Positive attitude and enthusiasm					
Self confidence					
Emotional maturity					
Shows respect for others					
Ability to receive constructive criticism					
Completes tasks as assigned					
Communication skills with all appropriate personnel					
Follows policies and procedures of the clinical setting					
Initiative					
Persistence					
Leadership					
Judgment					
Responsibility/ Reliability					
Fitness for a career in Athletic Training					

C. In a separate letter, please support your ratings in section B.

Submitted by:

Name: _____

Title: _____

E-mail address: _____

BOC#: _____

Signature: _____

Larry Sutton Scholarship Recommendation

(To be completed by Athletic Training Professor or AT Preceptor)

A. Student's Name: _____
Last First Middle

B. Rating: *Please rank applicant comparing to other similar level AT students*

	Outstanding Top 5-10%	Excellent Top 25%	Good Top 40%	Needs Improvement	Unable to Judge
Punctuality and attendance					
Positive attitude and enthusiasm					
Self confidence					
Emotional maturity					
Shows respect for others					
Ability to receive constructive criticism					
Completes tasks as assigned					
Communication skills with all appropriate personnel					
Follows policies and procedures of the clinical setting					
Initiative					
Persistence					
Leadership					
Judgment					
Responsibility/ Reliability					
Fitness for a career in Athletic Training					

C. In a separate letter, please support your ratings in section B.

Submitted by:

Name: _____

Title: _____

E-mail address: _____

BOC#: _____

Signature: _____

Mid-Atlantic Athletic Trainers Association NATA District III

The Mid-Atlantic Athletic Trainers Association (MAATA) has a scholarship award program honoring students from the MAATA membership who have excelled both academically and as athletic training students.

Currently, a first place award of \$1,500.00 and a second place award of \$1,000.00 is presented annually to selected candidates in a college or university who have participated with distinction in an athletic training program. This award is meant to encourage the continuing education of the individual toward completion of a Master's degree.

Each Athletic Trainer may nominate no more than one candidate for this award.

Complete applications must be sent to the chairperson of the scholarship committee either via US mail or email. Applications that are mailed must be postmarked by **March 1**, while applications emailed must be received by 11:59pm on **March 1**.

The MAATA Scholarship Committee will evaluate each candidate's application form and announce the award winner's to the membership committee at its annual business meeting. The members of the MAATA Scholarship Committee are:

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