



Athletic Training Programs

University of South Carolina

Arnold School of Public Health - Department of Exercise Science

Position: Clinical Assistant Professor in Athletic Training

The **Department of Exercise Science** in the **Arnold School of Public Health** at the University of South Carolina invites applications for a clinical assistant faculty position within the **Athletic Training Programs** to begin in July 2026. This is a professional track position with responsibilities in both the professional and post-professional Athletic Training Programs. Highly experienced candidates may be considered at clinical associate level. Successful candidates will have an earned doctoral degree in a field relevant to the position, evidence of effectiveness as an instructor, evidence of scholarly productivity, and previous teaching experience in a CAATE-accredited and/or a Post-Professional Athletic Training Program. The position is a 10.5-month academic year appointment with opportunities for summer salary. The salary is commensurate with experience.

The Arnold School is composed of six departments and several Institutes and Centers that are focused on specific areas of research including physical activity.

The Department of Exercise Science offers degrees at the undergraduate, masters, and doctoral level with programs in exercise science, athletic training, and physical therapy. The PhD program is consistently one of the top ranked programs in the US, and USC is among the top sport science universities in the US and the world. The department currently serves approximately 1200 undergraduates and over 270 graduate students across all programs. The Professional Athletic Training Program, accredited by CAATE since 1996, transitioned fully to the Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT) degree in Summer 2019, with cohorts filled every year with a cap of 30 students per cohort. Our Post-Professional Athletic Training Program offers Certificates of Graduate Studies in Behavioral Health in Athletic Training & Critical Incident Management and Primary Care in Athletic Training.

USC is a research-intensive university that has been designated by the Carnegie Foundation as a doctoral institution with highest research activity. USC has also been designated a community engaged institution, making it one of only a few public universities to earn both top-tier research classification and the community engagement classification from Carnegie.

The university is in Columbia, South Carolina, the state capital and the center of a metropolitan area that is home to over 800,000 residents. The low cost of living in the Columbia metropolitan area, coupled with abundant recreational, cultural, and educational opportunities provides the opportunity for an excellent quality of life. Filled with historic homes and charming, diverse neighborhoods, Columbia is a city on the rise, noted by Thrillist website as one of eight cities with the cool appeal of Nashville or Portland. Jogging and walking paths line the downtown and riverfront greenway, with parks scattered throughout the rest of the city. The popularity of downtown living has sparked the growth of independent restaurants, coffee houses, wine bars, breweries, galleries, boutiques, and street fairs. Other Columbia highlights include: the Columbia Museum of Art with continuous high-profile traveling exhibits; the Nickelodeon art house cinema; the South Carolina State Museum with its planetarium, observatory, and 4-D movie theatre; the nationally recognized Riverbanks Zoo and Garden; and Lake Murray. Columbia has a lively local music scene as well as national entertainment tours that visit the Colonial Life Arena. Known for its college athletics teams as a member of the SEC, the city also hosts a minor league baseball team (the Columbia Fireflies). Centrally located, Columbia is two hours from the South Carolina coast and the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Responsibilities: The individual responsibilities will include: 1) teach in the Professional and Post-Professional athletic training programs (with content expertise in therapeutic interventions in rehabilitation and modalities, primary care, and pharmacology is preferred), 2) mentor professional athletic training student practice-based research projects, 3) engage in scholarly activity, 4) serve as the Coordinator of Experiential Learning, 5) hold regular office hours, 6) assist with administration of the AT Programs as requested, and 7) provide service to the AT Programs, Department, College, and University.



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Qualifications:

Minimum qualifications include an earned doctorate in sports medicine, athletic training, or a related field, along with BOC certification and eligibility for South Carolina state licensure. Candidates should demonstrate experience in one or more of the following areas: teaching at the graduate level (e.g., therapeutic interventions in rehabilitation and modalities, primary care, pharmacology); engaging in scholarly activity; familiarity with CAATE processes and requirements; and/or providing academic or research mentorship.

How to apply:

Complete applications will include: 1) letter of application, 2) curriculum vitae, 3) concise teaching philosophy, 4) brief statement on research focus, and 5) contact information for three professional references. All finalists will be required to submit official transcripts from degree granting institution(s). Submit the complete application electronically (PDF format preferred) and integrate information below:

Direct Link to Application: <https://uscjobs.sc.edu/postings/197407>

If you have questions pertaining to the job, please contact Dr. James Mensch, Search Committee Chair at JMENSCH@mailbox.sc.edu. Review of applications will occur December 10, 2025, with virtual interviews to follow. The anticipated start date is July 6, 2026.

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