



CAREER PATH

# Health

CAREER CLUSTER  
**Health Sciences**

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**Support Services**



## ATHLETIC TRAINER

Evaluate, advise, and treat athletes to assist recovery from injury, avoid injury, or maintain peak physical fitness.

### Knowledge and Skills Needed

In addition to courses required for high school graduation, essential skills and knowledge needed for a career as an athletic trainer are reinforced by taking rigorous and relevant courses, as well as participating in work-based experiences and student organization activities.

*(See the Sample Personal Plan of Study for suggested coursework, activities, and knowledge and skills to pursue in preparation of an occupation in this Career Cluster.)*

### Education Requirements

Occupation	Percent of Missouri employees aged 25 to 44 in the occupation whose highest level of educational attainment is:		
	High School or Less	Some College	Bachelor Degree or More
Athletic trainers	9.4%	18.3%	72.4%
Other Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	9.4%	18.3%	72.3%
Healthcare Practitioner and Technical	9.9%	31.0%	59.1%

Most Common Educational Level: Bachelor's degree

Apprenticeships are available for more than 240 occupations. Visit [www.oa.doleta.gov/bat.cfm](http://www.oa.doleta.gov/bat.cfm)

Note: Be sure to learn whether your occupation has a specific requirement for education or licensing.

### National and State Wage Information

Location	Pay Period	2008		
		Entry*	Median	Experienced**
United States	Hourly	—	—	—
	Yearly	\$32,100	\$39,600	\$49,300
Missouri	Hourly	—	—	—
	Yearly	\$33,800	\$38,400	\$50,700

Based on (\*) lower 25% and (\*\*) upper 25% percentile of wages

### National and State Employment Trends

Athletic Trainer	Employment		Percent Change	Job Openings*
	2006	2016		
United States	17,100	21,300	+ 24%	740
Missouri	590	660	+ 12%	20

\*The estimate for Job Openings includes both turnover that results from people who leave the occupation (e.g. quit, retire, death) and new jobs that are created.

### Educational Opportunities

*Note: This list may not be all inclusive. For more information about Missouri schools and programs, visit [www.dhe.mo.gov](http://www.dhe.mo.gov)*

#### A T Still University of Health Sciences

Kirkville, MO  
(660) 626-2121  
[www.atsu.edu](http://www.atsu.edu)

#### Central Methodist University - College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

Fayette, MO  
(660) 248-3391  
[www.centralmethodist.edu](http://www.centralmethodist.edu)

#### Culver-Stockton College

Canton, MO  
(573) 288-6000  
[www.culver.edu](http://www.culver.edu)

#### Lindenwood University

Saint Charles, MO  
(636) 949-2000  
[www.lindenwood.edu](http://www.lindenwood.edu)

#### Missouri State University

Springfield, MO  
(417) 836-5000  
[www.missouristate.edu](http://www.missouristate.edu)

#### Missouri Valley College

Marshall, MO  
(660) 831-4000  
[www.moval.edu](http://www.moval.edu)

#### Park University

Parkville, MO  
(816) 741-2000  
[www.park.edu](http://www.park.edu)

#### Pinnacle Career Institute

Kansas City, MO  
(816) 331-5700  
[www.pctraining.edu](http://www.pctraining.edu)

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**Saint Louis University**  
Saint Louis, MO  
(314) 977-2222  
[www.imagine.slu.edu](http://www.imagine.slu.edu)

**Southeast Missouri State University**  
Cape Girardeau, MO  
(573) 651-2000  
[www.semo.edu](http://www.semo.edu)

**Southwest Baptist University**  
Bolivar, MO  
(800) 526-5859  
[www.sbuniv.edu](http://www.sbuniv.edu)

**Truman State University**  
Kirksville, MO  
(660) 785-4000  
[www.truman.edu](http://www.truman.edu)

**University of Central Missouri**  
Warrensburg, MO  
(660) 543-4111  
[www.ucmo.edu](http://www.ucmo.edu)

**William Woods University**  
Fulton, MO  
(573) 642-2251  
[www.williamwoods.edu](http://www.williamwoods.edu)



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