WHY STUDY ATHLETIC TRAINING AT UMAINE?
Outstanding facilities, diverse hands-on learning opportunities and the chance to study at Maine’s only Division I school are hallmarks of UMaine’s athletic training major. The nationally accredited program incorporates rich academics and an intensive hands-on clinical component. Our students are able to take advantage of internship opportunities nationwide, as well as UMaine’s relationship with Major League Baseball. Athletic training majors at the University of Maine have the opportunity to work within the community of the College of Education and Human Development, yet take advantage of the vast resources available at Maine’s largest and most comprehensive university. As a result of the professional and academic experience they gain at UMaine, graduates of the program enjoy an excellent job placement rate. Students in the College of Education and Human Development also have the option of studying in the Honors College, which offers intensive work in small classes, as well as the chance to pursue undergraduate research. They also have the option of minoring in Innovation Engineering. This program allows students to create, communicate and realize/commercialize unique ideas in their field.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A DEGREE IN ATHLETIC TRAINING?
Athletic training students can pursue graduate study in athletic training, sports administration, sports psychology, physical therapy, education and more. The University of Maine offers a pre-med option in any major, and our athletic training degree establishes a solid foundation for medical school, physician’s assistant programs and chiropractic study. Our graduates are in demand in the workforce, and an athletic training degree prepares students for work in clinical, military, professional or educational settings.

OUR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM
At UMaine, athletic training majors become part of a close-knit community of students, professors, clinical instructors and physicians. Our students are able to work with athletic trainers who have decades of experience in the field. Because UMaine is a Division I school, athletic training majors can work with elite athletes on campus on a daily basis. They also have the chance to work with high school sports teams, NCAA Division III athletes and patients in local hospitals and doctor’s offices. To hone their skills, students can work with several types of health care providers, including nurse practitioners, physicians assistants, medical doctors and osteopathic doctors. The heart of the program is the Wes Jordan Athletic Training Complex, a spacious, recently renovated facility that features classrooms, an aquatherapy lab, a rehabilitation lab, and a lab designed to replicate an athletic training room. Each of these labs has supplies and equipment that a certified athletic trainer would use in the field, providing real-world experience in a state-of-the-art on-campus setting.

OUR GRADUATE PROGRAM
The University of Maine offers a Master of Science and a Master of Education in Kinesiology and Physical Education. The former focuses on exercise science, while the latter focuses on curriculum and instruction.

OUR FACULTY
Athletic training faculty at the University of Maine give each student the opportunity to be challenged, to gain a great deal of knowledge, and to excel as a student and as a professional. Many professors work in the field and are able to share their real-world experience with students. Certified athletic trainers have a great deal of responsibility, so our faculty work to instill the confidence and professionalism that are necessary for graduates to excel in the workforce. In addition to teaching, athletic training faculty
are engaged in groundbreaking research on youth obesity, fitness and athletic performance.

OPPORTUNITIES TO EXCEL
The Athletic Training Student Organization is a large, active group that provides opportunities for peer mentoring, professional development, networking and community outreach. Students are able to attend seminars and workshops related to the field. There are several scholarships available to undergraduates, including the Wes Jordan Scholarship and the Paula Linder Award. The Maine Athletic Training Association, the Eastern Athletic Trainers Association and the National Athletic Trainers Association also provide scholarships for UMaine athletic training students. Undergraduates are able to conduct research alongside leading faculty and participate in high-profile internships. A strong alumni network helps graduates of our program make valuable career connections.

NEBHE PROGRAM
Applicants to this program who reside in Rhode Island are eligible for reduced tuition (in-state plus 50 percent) under the New England Regional Student Program, administered through the New England Board of Higher Education (nebhe.org).

HOW DO I APPLY?
Visit umaine.edu for an application, as well as information about academics and life at UMaine.

I really liked UMaine for athletic training. This is a D-I school, and I got to work with the most competitive athletes. It was a more intense level. But athletic training isn’t just about athletes. I could go anywhere. You have a whole skill set that allows you to do anything you want.”

— John Stowe, Class of 2010, Old Town, Maine, athletic training major