EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
Athletic Training Education Program

Code of Conduct

1. Athletic Training majors logging clinical hours are to be in the ATEP Uniform described in the ATEP Handbook unless previously given an alternate dress code:
   a. Wear your name tag
   b. Hats are allowed outdoors unless previously told otherwise. They will be ECU or plain hats without advertisement.
   c. Shirt sleeves may only be rolled up one or two hem lengths – no bare shoulders.
   d. Belt and socks are part of the required ATEP uniform.
   e. If you need a jacket – you will wear ECU colored jacket/rain gear (purple, gold, white, black gray) as the outermost layer.
   f. No umbrellas at any time.
   g. It is absolutely forbidden to wear your ATEP Uniform T-shirt while acting outside of the ATEP as a first responder (e.g. Camps, Campus Recreation, etc.)

2. NO electronics of any type are allowed (ipod, cameras, ipad, computer, etc.). Leave them in your car or backpack; do not wear/bring them into the clinical site.

3. Arrive at LEAST 5 minutes early to your clinical assignment

4. Be the first to introduce yourself. Smile :o)

5. If you recognize that something needs to be done, and you have mastered this skill, do not wait to be asked to do it; be a leader.

6. You are responsible for tracking your clinical hours and getting them verified.

7. You are responsible for getting your evaluation sheet to your Preceptor in a timely fashion, typically 7-10 days prior to the submission deadline. It is not the responsibility of your Preceptor.

8. No sitting down on the job. If you are outside, you will stand for the duration of your clinical assignment (no sitting on coolers, bags, etc.).

9. The proper language is “Athletic Trainer” and “Athletic Training Room.” You will set an example of this.

10. Only your Preceptor is to talk to the media, parents, etc. If anyone asks about the status of an athlete, refer him/her (even if it is a coach or player) to your Preceptor.

11. Using your cell phone while logging hours: Cell phones are for official clinical use ONLY while you are logged in. Students using their cell phones to check email, text, Facebook, twitter, etc. will be sent home immediately and need to meet with the Clinical Coordinator prior to returning to their assignment. Students have the right to show Preceptors their history (email, texting, Facebook, etc.) to prove they are not in violation, but after the dismissal from the clinical site, it is assumed they are responsible for violating this policy.

12. Social Media: If ATEP faculty or staff becomes aware of students violating the ECU Social Media Guidelines (http://www.ecu.edu/PRR/08/10/02/), or using social media in a manner that violates HIPAA or ECU ATEP policies, the offender will be suspended immediately and will meet with Program faculty for consequences.

13. There will be absolutely NO social medial contact with Pitt County high school students.

14. Attending Class: ATSs are expected to attend ALL classes for which they are enrolled. Missing class for non-university approved reasons is unacceptable. Students missing class for non-university excused reasons, except in the case of illness, will report to the academic suite (Ward 245) instead of clinicals that day. They will inform their Preceptor and the Clinical Coordinator that they will be in the academic suite. Students who do not
report their absences will be called to the Program Director’s office for their consequences.

15. Attending clinicals: Students are to attend all scheduled and assigned clinicals, keeping one full day a week free of hours. Students who miss 3 or more clinical assignments for non-university excused activities in one rotation will be called to the Program Director’s office to determine if they are fit to continue with logging hours that semester.

16. Maintaining your health: Students are to maintain their own health, including good hydration and nutrition habits. Students who have poor self-imposed behaviors (including sunburns) that can detract from providing appropriate clinical care will be removed from clinical sites until they can prove they can fulfill the technical standards of this program.

17. Erratic/disagreeable behavior: Students who exhibit erratic or disagreeable behaviors will be removed from clinical situation until reviewed and approved by medical and/or mental health care providers, followed by the ECU ATEP medical director. Return to clinicals will be determined on a case-by-case situation.

I have read and understand the ECU ATEP Code of Conduct and will abide by it.

Signed: ________________________________

Print name: ______________________________

Date: __________________________