

**WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
HEALTH AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE DEPARTMENT
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SPORT STUDIES**

MATERIALS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE APPLICATION:

There is an online application process:

- **APPLICATION FORM:** Complete the Application for Admission hardcopy.
- **APPLICATION FEE:** An application fee of \$28 (resident) or \$39 (non-resident) must accompany each application for admission. The application fee cannot be waived or deferred and is not refundable. Make Checks Payable to: West Virginia State University
- **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** Complete a statement of purpose, explaining aspirations and reasons for pursuing an MSS at WVSU. (500 – 1000 words)
- **RESUME/CURRICULUM VITA:** Submit resume or vita documenting successful professional experiences, community service and professional development.
- **TRANSCRIPTS:** Provide an official transcript from each college or university attended. Graduates of West Virginia State University must provide official WVSU transcripts. Transcripts must be sent directly from the institution.
- **PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS AND/OR LICENSE:** Provide copy of any/all Professional Certifications or License you may have.
- **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:** Two letters of recommendation are to be included with the application. Address Letters to: Dr. Aaron A. Settle, ATC, CSCS
- **TEST SCORES:** Applicants must take the *Graduate Record Exam* OR the *Millers Analogy Test* and have scores sent to the **Masters of Sport Studies Program** at West Virginia State University. If applicable, successful TOEFL scores will also be submitted. (See address on Application)

The successful application will be complete, will demonstrate a coherent statement of purpose aligned with program goals, and will meet these GPA and MAT/GRE requirements:

- A minimum overall GPA of 2.5 on a 4 point scale for all undergraduate work from accredited institution(s) with an MAT score of 350 **or**
- GPA of 2.4 and MAT score of 360 **or**
- GPA of 2.3 and MAT score of 370 **or**
- Exceptional expertise in the field of Exercise Science/Athletic Coaching or Education as demonstrated through an interview with the Graduate Studies Committee.

STUDENT CATEGORY

- **Post-Baccalaureate Graduate:** Students who have a Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university and are not currently enrolled in a graduate program at another institution of higher education. These students must submit all seven items listed above.
- **Transient Graduate:** Students who have a Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university (including West Virginia State University) and **are currently** enrolled in a graduate program at another institution of higher education. Transient Student must submit an application, fee, and transient approval from their current institution of higher education.
- **Non-Degree students:** Students interested in taking specific classes but not enrolling in the degree program must still complete an application and submit fees and transcripts **but need not** submit Statement of Purpose, Resume, Letters of Recommendation or Test Scores. Completed graduate and undergraduate transcripts must be on file and are necessary prior to enrollment. Permission to take courses without enrolling in the degree program may be granted by the Program Coordinator. Non-degree students may not enroll in more than 12 hours of graduate credit without applying for program admission.

Send ALL Materials to:

Dr. Aaron A. Settle, ATC, CSCS
West Virginia State University
Master of Sport Studies – Program Director
P.O. Box 1000
N-148 Fleming Hall
Institute, WV 25112

You may email all material to asettle1@wvstateu.edu (Place: Graduate Program Application Material in the email heading) and mail Official copy of transcripts via U.S. Postal Service to the above address:

Application for Admission
MASTERS OF SCIENCE IN SPORT STUDIES
Graduate Program
West Virginia State University

Return to: Dr. Aaron Settle, Graduate Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Performance, WVVSU
N-148 Fleming Hall, P.O. Box 1000, Institute, WV 25112
Phone: (304) 766-3367

(Please complete in blue or black ink)

PERSONAL DATA

Date of application: _____ Social Security Number: _____ A# (if applicable): _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Preferred First Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Current Address: Street or P.O. Box: _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ County _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Permanent Address (if different): _____

Have you ever been enrolled in school under any other name(s)? Yes _____ No _____

If so, please provide full name(s): _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes _____ No _____ If not, please indicate immigration status: _____

_____ VISA: _____

(Include a copy of both sides of your I-551 card)

Emergency Contact (Optional).

(Last, First, Middle): _____ Relationship: _____

Street or P.O. Box: _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ County _____ Country _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Business/Other Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Additional Personal Data (Disclosure of additional personal data is **optional** and will in no way affect a decision concerning your application.)

Date of Birth: ___/___/___ Birthplace (State): _____ Gender: Male _____ Female _____

Have you ever served in the U.S. Armed Forces? Yes _____ No _____

Will you be applying for veteran's benefits? Yes _____ No _____

Ethnicity (Optional):

Please check one of the following that best describes your ethnicity:

_____ Hispanic or Latino

_____ Asian

_____ Native American Indian or Alaska

_____ White

_____ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

_____ Race/Ethnicity Unknown

_____ Black or African American

_____ Non-Resident Alien

_____ Resident Alien

Enrollment Data:

Year you plan to enroll: _____ Term/Semester you plan to enroll: _____

State of Residency: _____ If resident of WV, how long have you lived in WV?

Years: _____ Months _____

Academic History

College(s) Attended (Undergraduate):

<u>College/University</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Date of Graduation</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Major</u>

Have you been suspended or expelled for academic or disciplinary reasons? Yes _____ No _____

If you have, are you currently eligible to return to that institution? Yes _____ No _____

List the two (2) people you have asked to write letters of recommendation. They should be familiar with your educational and/or professional work and be able to evaluate your potential success as a graduate student.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Email Address</u>

Student Category:

1. _____ Post-Baccalaureate Graduate 2. _____ Transient Graduate 3. _____ Non-Degree Graduate Student

Application checklist **Post Baccalaureate Graduate Student:** (see next page for transient and non-degree students)

- I am enclosing/have requested official transcripts from the institutions where my degrees were earned
- I am enclosing/have requested official transcripts for any transfer work I would like used toward my graduate degree.
- I have enclosed the \$28 (resident of WV) or \$39 (non-resident) graduate application fee.
- I have uploaded/ am enclosing a copy of my professional license and/or certifications
- I have completed the statement of purpose.
- I have uploaded / am enclosing a resume or curriculum vita.
- I have uploaded/ am enclosing/have requested two (2) letters of recommendation.
- I have requested an official score report for the MAT **or** GRE general test (and TOEFL, if applicable.) (*MAT/GRE scores are waived for applicants who already hold a Master's Degree)

Application checklist **Transient Student:**

- I have enclosed the \$28 (resident of WV) or \$39 (non-resident) graduate application fee.
- I have uploaded / enclosed transient approval from my current IHE.

Application checklist **Non-degree Student:**

- I am enclosing/have requested official transcripts from the institutions where my degrees were earned
- I am enclosing/have requested official transcripts for any transfer work I would like used toward my graduate degree.
- I have enclosed the \$28 (resident of WV) or \$39 (non-resident) graduate application fee.

I certify that all statements in this application are complete and true and I give the aforementioned institutions permission to use this information for statistical and reporting purposes. I further understand that any willful misrepresentation of information given in this application may be grounds for denial of my admission or dismissal.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: West Virginia State University adheres to the principles of equal opportunity without regard to race, color, gender, age, creed, national origin or disability. This policy extends to all programs and activities supported by the University.

West Virginia State University, in adhering to its commitment to maintain a safe and tranquil environment and assist the members of the University Community to provide for their own safety, publishes and disseminates information by publishing Crime Statistics for the present and two previous calendar years. For information about crime statistics, please use the link: <http://www.wvstateu.edu/administration/public-safety2.aspx> For additional information, contact a Public Safety representative at (304) 766-3353 or Fax (304) 766-5193 or writing to Department of Public Safety, PO Box 1000, Campus Box 124, Institute, WV 25112-1000.