University of Delaware  
College of Health Sciences  
Department of Kinesiology & Applied Physiology  
Athletic Training Education Program  

Professional Conduct Statement  
All Athletic Training students (ATS) and Sports Health students involved with observational experiences will adhere to the following policy regarding professional conduct. Anyone failing to adhere to this policy and/or the National Athletic Trainers’ Association (NATA) Code of Ethics will be subject to disciplinary action outlined in the Athletic Training Education Program (ATEP) “Yellow Card” Infraction Policy and/or the University of Delaware’s Office of Student Conduct. The NATA’s Code of Ethics may be found at http://www.nata.org/sites/default/files/code_of_ethics.pdf  

All members of the ATEP (including Sports Health students involved in observational experiences) are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that upholds the integrity of the ATEP or the University of Delaware. All students are expected to behave in a professional manner both in and out of the classroom. **Unprofessional conduct** includes: (but is not limited to) inappropriate behavior, improper relationships, discriminatory behaviors, lack of honesty, and disrespect for fellow students, student-athletes, coaches, supervisors, certified athletic trainers, athletic department personnel, and teachers/professors.  

Cheering for your team is encouraged. Unsportsmanlike conduct, heckling the officials, the opposing team or coach, complaining about the officiating will not be tolerated. Your conduct at a game/match will be professional and courteous in nature.  

All members of the ATEP (including Sports Health students involved in observational experiences) are expected to be dressed and groomed in a manner appropriate to the profession at all times. Students are encouraged to carefully read UD ATEP dress code policies.  

All members of the ATEP (including Sports Health students involved in observational experiences) are encouraged to read the UD ATEP policies governing favorable professional relationships between themselves and various constituent groups they are likely to have contact with in both classroom and clinical environments.  

All members of the ATEP (including Sports Health students involved in observational experiences) are required to sign the following as acknowledgement of their understanding of this policy, the UD ATEP “Yellow Card” infraction policy and the NATA Code of Ethics:  

**Professional Conduct Pledge**  
This is to certify that I have read the professional conduct policies for the undergraduate athletic training education program (ATEP) at the University of Delaware and the NATA Code of Ethics. I am fully aware that failure to abide by the rules and regulations set forth in this document may subject me to UD’s ATEP “Yellow Card” Infraction Policy.  

By signing below I have indicated my agreement and understanding of these policies regarding professional conduct.  

(Name – Please Print)  

(Signature)  

(Date)