

**FORM G**  
**BOARD OF REGENTS, STATE OF IOWA**  
**PROPOSAL FOR PROGRAM/DEPARTMENT NAME CHANGE**

Institution: University of Northern Iowa

Current Title of Program/Department: Athletic Training

Proposed Title of Program/Department: Athletic Training & Rehabilitation Studies

Program College: College of Education

Approximate date to implement changes: Month June Year 2018

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**Please do not use acronyms without defining them.**

1. **Describe reasons (justification) for the proposed changes.**  
The profession is currently changing the degree route for entry into the profession from a BA in Athletic Training to a Masters in Athletic Training. Therefore, to prevent any confusion for future undergraduate students interested in becoming a professionally certified athletic trainer, we want to change the name of the major from Athletic Training to Athletic Training & Rehabilitation Studies. It will be important to explain that students who complete this major will not yet be certified as an athletic trainer; they will have to complete the Masters of Athletic Training (M.ATR). The BA in Athletic Training & Rehabilitation Studies will be an undergraduate option for students who are interested in becoming an athletic trainer after they complete the Masters of Athletic Training degree (M.ATR).
2. **How will the proposed change affect current students?**  
This change will not affect current students. Current students will finish their BA in Athletic Training and will be certified as an Athletic Trainer.
3. **If relevant, have accreditation requirements been addressed?**  
Yes, this degree will no longer be an accredited Athletic Training program leading to certification as an athletic trainer.
4. **If relevant, describe program configuration changes that will accompany the proposed program or department name change, e.g., change in number of credit hours required, faculty appointments, etc.**  
Faculty appointments will remain the same. The core curriculum will be reduced from 56-58 credits to 54 credits. In addition, the curriculum has been adjusted to reflect a pre-professional curriculum that will prepare students for our Masters of Athletic Training Program.
5. **If relevant, identify resources that will be needed in connection with the proposed program or department name change, e.g., facilities, faculty, funds, etc.**  
No new resources will be needed.
6. **Is this intended to be a temporary or permanent change? If temporary, for how long?**  
This is intended to be a permanent change.