

UPPER EXTREMITY ATHLETE FELLOWSHIP OVERVIEW

At ATI, we are driven by our mission. To achieve it, we look for phenomenal individuals who are bright, creative, dedicated and energetic.

Our Mission

To exceed customer expectations by providing the highest quality of care in a friendly and encouraging environment. This allows ATI to best serve each of its local communities.

As part of that mission our residency and fellowship programs aim to provide physical therapist with advanced training in order to better meet this mission. This mission, along with our values assist to guide our residency in achieving this goal.

Our Values



COLLABORATION



EXCELLENCE



INNOVATION



PATIENT CARE



Fellowship Program Overview

ATI Physical Therapy has been a leader in upper extremity fellowship since our start in 2010 with the Seattle Mariners. Over the years of fellowship-training and accreditation, we've had 17 fellows successfully complete our fellowship and pursue employment in professional sports. ATI's fellowship alumni make up over 10% of employed PTs in professional baseball and are represented in both the Major League and Minor League levels.

ATI's fellowship is a 12-months long with the first 5 months (September-January) spent in Greenville, SC focusing on intense upper extremity mentoring by our faculty, and last 7 months (February-August) spent with our team affiliate. The fellowship focuses on preparing their fellows for working professional sports and create clinicians who are ready to treat all upper extremity injuries ranging from little league elbow to shoulder arthroplasty and hand and wrist injuries. ATI achieves this through our growing partnerships with American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons (ASES) at Steadman Hawkins of the Carolinas, Kansas City Royals and Colorado Rockies organizations and more. Our fellows have the opportunity to contribute to research projections ranging from clinical care expertise to pre-season assessments on baseball players in helps to reduce upper extremity injuries led by Sr. Vice President of Clinical Excellence Charles Thigpen, PhD, PT, ATC; Sr. Director of Care Delivery Optimization Ellen Shanley, PhD, PT, OCS; and Upper Extremity Throwing Program Coordinator Daniel Kline, DPT, SCS, ATC.

The program curriculum is made up of direct patient care in both an outpatient clinical setting and a professional sports athletic training room, mentorship, didactic learning, specialty observation, and the opportunity to instruct in our Sports and Orthopedic residencies.

Admission Requirements

Fellows must be licensed clinicians at the time they start the program in the state where they are practicing. They must have either completed a sports or orthopedic physical therapy residency program OR are currently a clinical specialist in sports or orthopedics (SCS/OCS). We are looking for candidates who are willing to learn, have a strong passion for their area of interest, are flexible, and demonstrate effective communication and teamwork.

To apply please visit the RFPTCAS website here: https://rfptcas.liaisoncas.com/

For additional questions or interest in either program please contact: Daniel Kline daniel.kline2@atipt.com for information related to the Upper Extremity Athlete Fellowship

