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CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- Cedarville University's new [Master of Athletic Training](#) degree program will officially begin Monday, June 6. The new program will focus on educating and preparing future athletic trainers to be clinically prepared as healthcare professionals in athletic training.

The fully accredited, two-year master's program, will be taught in person and offered through a five-year accelerated track for freshmen students.

The program is founded in compliance with the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education's decision to require all institutions to teach exclusively at the master's level by 2025, a new entry-level for the profession. As a result, Cedarville University graduated its final undergraduate athletic training class on May 7.

With a degree from accredited schools, students are eligible to sit for the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Certification Exam, which is necessary to qualify for a job in athletic training.

"Due to the relationships we have developed for the last 15 years, this program has a lot of clinical experiences to offer," said professor of athletic training [Michael Weller](#). "We will provide them with the chance to work in National Football League and Major League Baseball clubs, industrial settings and dance medicine locations to prepare them to go into the workforce."

Mike Weller's professional background includes working with the Cincinnati Bengals and the National Football League. He was a college athletic trainer before joining the team at Cedarville.

The University has established relationships with college and professional sports organizations, including the Cincinnati Bengals and Cleveland Browns. In both of these partnerships, Cedarville students are given the opportunity to work with high-quality professionals while gaining first-class educational experiences.

"We compete at the national level. Our Biblical integration makes us even rarer. Students are getting a great education here."

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 4,715 undergraduate, graduate, and online students in more than 150 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is one of the largest private universities in Ohio, recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, including the [Master of Athletic](#)

[Training](#), strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings, and high student engagement ranking. For more information about the University, visit cedarville.edu.

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Photo captions:

1- Professor Mike Weller teaches students kinesiology

2- Professor Mike Weller

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