Professional Baseball Athletic Trainers’ Society (PBATS) Scholarship Endowment

About the Endowment: The Professional Baseball Athletic Trainers’ Society awards three scholarship to Professional or Post Professional Masters athletic training students. The mission of the Professional Baseball Athletic Trainers’ Society (PBATS) is to serve as an educational resource for the Major League and Minor League Baseball athletic trainers. PBATS serves its members by providing for the continued education of the athletic trainer as it related to the profession, helping to improve their understanding of sports medicine so as to better promote the health of the constituency – professional baseball players. PBATS also serves as a resource to educate those outside the professional baseball athletic trainer community about the profession and about the athletic trainer’s integral position within the sports medicine team.

PBATS Hall of Fame Scholarship

Scholarship Recipients:

2022  Kate Cunningham, East Stroudsburg University
2021  John Sheerin, Indiana University
2020  Maddison Miller, West Chester University
2019  Victoria Hunt, Texas A&M University
2018  Samuel Wilkins, Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions
2017  Nicholas Cromidas, Washington State University

PBATS Memorial Scholarship
Bill Buhler, Clarence Livingood, Ralph Salvon, and Jimmy Warfield Memorial Scholarship

Bill Buhler: Buhler, who spent 44 years with the Dodgers, became lead athletic trainer in 1960, holding the position until his retirement after the 1995 season. For several years after that, he assisted the Long Beach State baseball program and attended fantasy camps at Dodger town in Vero Beach, FL.

Clarence Livingood: Many called Clarence S. Livingood, MD, “legendary,” not only for his leadership in dermatology but for his passion as team physician for the Detroit Tigers baseball organization. More than a baseball fan, Dr. Livingood who had two years internal medicine training, became the team physician for the Detroit Tigers in 1966. He became close to the team’s member, and especially close to Hall of Fame manager George “Sparky” Anderson.
Ralph Salvon: Salvon spent 36 years as a professional baseball athletic trainer, 31 of them with the Orioles organization. He held the head athletic trainer position for 20 years. He graduated from Gus Mauch’s training school in St. Augustine, FL in 1952 and immediately joined the St. Louis Browns farm system and followed the St. Louis franchise to Baltimore in 1954. He was athletic trainer for various Orioles minor league teams through 1961, when he joined the Houston Astros organization. One of his stops in the minors was with the Oklahoma City 89ers in the early 1960s, He rejoined Baltimore in 1966.

Scholarship Recipients:
2022  Dayshia Davenport, Tulane University
2021  Caitlin Bacon, Springfield College
2020  Tyler Beauregard, Ohio State University
2019  Katelyn Robinson, University of Tulsa
2018  Melissa Kay, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
2017  Cory Penfold, Hardin-Simmons University
2016  Thomas Henrie, Idaho State University

PBATS President’s Scholarship

Scholarship Recipients:
2022  Kaitlyn Whipp, Towson University
2021  Wattanai Manasurangkul, Moravian College
2020  Emily Meyerl, George Mason University
2019  Abigail Rogers, University of Tennessee Chattanooga
2018  TsungYeh Chou, University of Texas at Arlington
2017  Ian McGinnis, Temple University