



NATA FOUNDATION RESEARCH AWARDS

MEDAL FOR DISTINGUISHED ATHLETIC TRAINING RESEARCH

The NATA Foundation's Medal for Distinguished Athletic Training Research recognizes an established researcher who has sustained a prolific body of work that has contributed to research in the field of athletic training and health care.

Eligibility Criteria:

- The nominee must possess a doctoral degree such as PhD, EdD, JD, etc.
- At least fifteen (15) years must have passed from the date of degree conferral and the nomination deadline.
- The nominee must be a current NATA member, a BOC certified athletic trainer in good standing, and have a current National Provider Identifier number.
- Current members of the NATA Foundation Research Committee and Board of Directors are not eligible for consideration for this award.

NEW INVESTIGATOR AWARD

The New Investigator Award recognizes a researcher who is likely to continue to make significant contributions to the body of knowledge in athletic training and health care.

Eligibility Criteria:

- The nominee must possess a doctoral degree such as PhD, EdD, JD, etc.
- No more than eight (8) years must have passed from the date of degree conferral and the nomination deadline.
 - *Due to the 2020-2021 Research Awards nomination and application cycle being suspended, the research committee has decided to extend eligibility criteria so that the one-year suspension does not prevent a qualified candidate from receiving an award. The eligibility criteria will go back to "No more than seven (7) years must have passed from the date of degree conferral and the nomination deadline" in the 2022-2023 award cycle. [Read more.](#)*
- The nominee must be first author on a research publication beyond their dissertation.
- The nominee must be a current NATA member, a BOC certified athletic trainer in good standing, and have a current National Provider Identifier number.

THE DAVID H. PERRIN DOCTORAL DISSERTATION AWARD

The David H. Perrin Doctoral Dissertation Award recognizes outstanding doctoral student research in athletic training and health care.

Eligibility Criteria:

- No more than four (4) years must have passed from the date of degree conferral of their first doctoral degree.
 - *Due to the 2020-2021 Research Awards nomination and application cycle being suspended, the research committee has decided to extend eligibility criteria so that the one-year suspension does not prevent a*

qualified candidate from receiving an award. The eligibility criteria will go back to “No more than three (3) years must have passed from the date of degree conferral and the nomination deadline” in the 2022-2023 award cycle. [Read more.](#)

- The nominee must be the principal author of a published (or accepted for publication) manuscript (the seminal paper) that emanates from their dissertation research.
- The nominee must be a current NATA member, a BOC certified athletic trainer in good standing, and have a current National Provider Identifier number.