

ABSTRACT

THE CHARACTERISTICS OF MENTORSHIP IN ATHLETIC TRAINING

This study incorporated Scandura's (1988, 1992) Mentoring Function Questionnaire to the profession of athletic training, further establishing its validity and reliability. Within the past 10 years identification of the importance of mentoring in the profession of athletic training has emerged. Characteristics were identified that have been previously characterized in business and nursing. This study determined the characteristics of mentorship in the profession of athletic training and their relation to previous research in the field of business. This study also discusses the relationship of mentoring on the professional development of athletic trainers.

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