



David (Dave) Carrier, MA, AT, ATC – MATS Hall of Fame Inductee Class of 2005

Place of employment when selected into the Hall of Fame: Michigan State University

Education:

- **Central Michigan University (MA, 1983)**
- **Ferris State University (BS, 1979)**

Dave has served the Athletic Training profession with distinction through his clinical experiences, leadership, and volunteering. He provided exceptional care for patients in both intercollegiate athletics and in international sports. Dave worked at Ferris State University from 1980-1984 and Michigan State University from 1984-2020. During his time at MSU, Dave progressed from Assistant Athletic Trainer to Associate Head Athletic Trainer. While at MSU, he advanced the next generation of Athletic Trainers as a preceptor and taught osteopathic manual medicine principles (both clinically and in the classroom) for the Athletic Training program at MSU. Countless student-athletes at MSU appreciated Dave's skills and kindness towards others. He also volunteered in the international setting: 1985 US Olympic Training Center, US Olympic Festival (1986 in Houston and 1987 in Greensboro, NC), and USA Winter Olympic Sports Medicine Staff (1988 for Ice Hockey and 1992 for Downhill Ski Jumping/Nordic Combine). Dave also spent considerable time volunteering for the Athletic Training profession as MATS President-Elect (1988-1990), GLATA Executive Council Member (1988-1990), MATS President (1990-1992), organized the first MATS Educational Seminar (1988, now known as the MATS Annual Symposium), and founder of the MATS Golf Outing (1988, later renamed to Carrier Golf Classic in 2011). For his service, Dave has earned several distinctions such as the NATA Service Award (1998), MATS Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award (1998), NATA Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer (2005), GLATA Most Outstanding Educator Award (2012), and NATA Hall of Fame member (2015). Colleagues have described Dave as "modest, determined, benevolent, genuine, and dedicated to the Athletic Training profession."