

ATHLETIC COMPLIANCE NEWSLETTER

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Academic Reminders

Final Grades Posted May 29, 2015 – Athletes check your grades

If you did not make your PTD at 24 hours or if your GPA has fallen below 2.0 you will need summer school. Below is the summer school schedule.

Summer Session School Dates

Summer Session 1 – June 8th – July 10th, 2015

Summer Session 2 – July 13th – August 14th 2015

Summer Session 3 (Long Session) – June 8th – August 14th, 2015

Bylaws/Educational Columns

17.1.6.2.6.1 In fall championship sports (including golf and tennis, for those institutions that conduct the championship segment during the fall), beginning June 1 through the conclusion of an institution's summer vacation period, a student-athlete may participate in workouts designed and conducted by the institution's strength and conditioning personnel, provided such workouts are voluntary and conducted at the request of the student-athlete. Strength and conditioning personnel who conduct such workouts must perform strength and conditioning duties for more than one of the institution's intercollegiate teams during the academic year, must be certified through a national strength and conditioning program and must maintain current certification in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use.

Question - Is it permissible for a fall sport prospective student-athlete to participate in voluntary summer workouts during the summer prior to initial enrollment at the certifying institution?

<u>Answer</u>: Yes, provided the individual has signed an NLI or written offer of admission and/or financial aid. See Bylaw 13.2.9 (summer facility fees for prospective student-athletes) and an official interpretation [Reference: 12/16/08, Item No. 7] (prospective student-athlete participating in conditioning activities subsequent to signing a National Letter of Intent or written offer of admission and/or financial aid).



NCAA Hot Topics

Division II Management Council votes down drug testing recommendation

Division II strategic plan, brand enhancement also covered at April meeting

April 22, 2015 11:59am by Rachel Stark

After a lengthy discussion, the Division II Management Council did not support a recommendation to eliminate testing for marijuana and other "street drugs" at Division II championships.

The vote, which occurred last week during the council's meeting in Indianapolis, came in response to a recommendation from the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. The committee had proposed all three divisions sponsor legislation to remove "street drugs" – classified as marijuana, heroin and synthetic cannabinoids – from the list of NCAA-banned drugs, effectively removing these non-performance enhancing drugs from the NCAA testing program.

In place of this testing, the competitive safeguards committee called for a new, more effective drug intervention model relying on physical, mental and social components that would occur at the national and, more important, school levels.

The Management Council listened to rationale from NCAA Chief Medical Officer Brian Hairline, who detailed research that led to the recommendation. The NCAA has tested for marijuana at championships since 1986, but usage among athletes has continued at a steady rate over the last 10 years. Additionally, data shows athletes who test positive for recreational drugs and are penalized are less likely to return to the sport and more likely to drop out of school.

While Management Council members were receptive to the concept of a new model that would better address and assist athletes with drug abuse issues, most felt more preparation is needed before dropping marijuana and other street drug testing. They expressed concerns about the perception of making the change before implementing the recommended intervention model and potential negative impacts it could have on an individual school's efforts to test athletes year-round.

"By taking it away, it looks like you're endorsing the use," said Tim Ladd, the Management Council chair and Palm Beach Atlantic University faculty athletics representative. "The council was not ready to remove the street drug category without an educational piece already in place."



Congratulations to all of our graduates from the Athletic Department

Athletic Staff

Nikki Narducci (Masters of Science in Education)

Athletic Training

Christopher Gill (Bachelor of Arts)

Jorge Rodriguez (Bachelor of Arts)

Andy Garcia (Bachelor of Science)

Baseball

Dino Cristiani (Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice)
Jared Curnel (Bachelor of Science)

Cross Country

Cornelius Kipkorir (Master of Business Administration)
Daniel Alfaro (Bachelor of Science)

Men's Basketball

Matt Pritchett (Masters of Business Administration)
Johnel Gray (Bachelor of Science)

Kevin Jefferson (Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice)

Men's Soccer

Luis Ponte (Bachelor of Science) Distinguished Student Scholar

Jaime Cano (Masters of Arts)

Cristobal Larrain Punti (Bachelor of Business Administration)
Jovany Macias (Bachelor of Science)

Softball

Sarah Johnson (Bachelor of Science)
Mariena Gallardo (Bachelor of Science)
Kendall Reaves (Bachelor of Science)

Volleyball

Tierney Bannon-Coad (Bachelor of Science in Nursing)
Alexandra Ciszek (Bachelor of Science in Nursing)
Sophia Quinones (Bachelor of Science)

Women's Basketball

Nikkiti Scott (Masters of Business Administration)
Alexis Thomas (Bachelor of Arts)
Malika Jackson (Bachelor of Science)

Women's Golf

Amber Lopez (Bachelor of Business Administration) Abigail Palacios (Bachelor of Business Administration)

Women's Soccer

Linda Fahara (Bachelor of Arts)

Sol Medina (Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice)
Veronica Rodriguez (Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice)
Laura Twinem (Bachelor of Science in Nursing)

Congratulations to All-Heartland Conference Honors

Brittany Mussett – First Team All-Heartland Conference Softball

AVG.	AB	Runs	Hits	2b	3b	Hr	RBI	Slg%	Ob%
.404	151	24	61	11	0	9	38	.656	.436

Chelsea Capello – Second Team All-Heartland Conference Softball

AVG.	AB	Runs	Hits	2b	3b	Hr	RBI	Slg%	Ob%
.331	142	35	47	8	0	2	11	.430	.448

Jake Cardoza – Second Team All-Heartland Conference Baseball

AVG.	AB	Runs	Hits	2b	3b	Hr	RBI	Slg%	Ob%
.328	137	26	45	3	0	1	15	.372	.448

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