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# FOCUS OF THE MONTH

## UMASS LOWELL VIOLATIONS

- A former UMass Lowell men's soccer head coach violated ethical conduct rules when he directed a student-athlete to pay him thousands of dollars from that student-athlete's scholarship funds.
- He directed a student-athlete to pay him \$10,000 from his athletics scholarship, which the coach said would go to other member of the team. The student-athlete ultimately paid the coach a total of \$7,000 in four installments. The student-athlete did not engage in behavior that would allow for reduction of his aid and was not notified in writing that his aid would be reduced or given an opportunity for a hearing regarding the reduction, the head coach's actions violated NCAA rules
- The coach also provided impermissible benefits to three student-athletes, directed men's soccer student-athletes to exceed countable athletically related activities during the COVID-19 pandemic, and tampered with a prospective transfer who later enrolled at and competed for UMass Lowell.
- He knowingly provided loans to two men's soccer student-athletes and provided the use of a car to a third. In total, the value of the impermissible benefits was \$4,173. As a result, the three student-athletes competed in a total of 64 games and received actual and necessary expenses while ineligible
- The head coach also did not meet his obligation to cooperate with an investigation when he refused to answer enforcement staff's questions related to specific possible violations.

## NCAA SPORTS WAGERING SURVEY

- The NCAA recently released a survey of campus compliance directors finding 27% of autonomy schools had dealt with a sports wagering problem among their athletes or staff within the past year.
- NCAA President Charlie Baker said the NCAA will use this staff survey data, as well as data from prior sports betting activities survey of college-age respondents, to make the best tools available to help schools educate student-athletes on how and why to avoid sports betting.
- 20,000+ student-athletes, coaches and administrators reached as part of the NCAA's education efforts with EPIC Risk Management, the largest program of its kind globally.

# IS IT PERMISSIBLE?

The Bowling Team would like to host an alumni tailgate for the Homecoming Football game. They previously planned an official visit to be that weekend as well. Can the student host bring the PSA and her family to the alumni event?

**Yes!** Former Student Athletes are allowed to have in person contact on campus with a PSA, the family / guest accompanying the PSA.

**13.1.2.1 General Rule.** All in-person, on- and off-campus recruiting contacts with a prospective student-athlete or the prospective student-athlete's family members shall be made only by authorized institutional staff members. Such contact, as well as correspondence and telephone calls, by representatives of an institution's athletics interests is prohibited except as otherwise permitted in this section. **13.1.2.2 General Exceptions.** This regulation is not applicable to:

(i) Former Student-Athletes. On-campus contacts between a former student-athlete and a prospective student-athlete, the prospective student-athlete's family members and/or other individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete.

## OCTOBER RECRUITING CALENDARS

Contact Period	Quiet Period	Evaluation Period	Dead Period	Recruiting Shutdown
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### Football

Su	M	Tu	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

### Women's Basketball

Su	M	Tu	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

### Men's Basketball

Su	M	Tu	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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### Lacrosse

Su	M	Tu	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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### Volleyball

Su	M	Tu	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

### Baseball

Su	M	Tu	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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### Swim and Dive

Su	M	Tu	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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### CC and Track

Su	M	Tu	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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### All other sports

Su	M	Tu	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
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