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FOCUS OF THE MONTH

HOW TO REPORT A VIOLATION

Question: Where can I report NCAA violations?

Answer: All actual and potential violations of NCAA rules should be reported to Compliance Office staff, Director of Athletics, Faculty Athletics Representative or the Anonymous Reporting Hotline as soon as you are made aware of the situation.

Question: Will my anonymity remain intact after reporting a violation?

Answer: The Compliance Office is a confidential place to discuss any questions and concerns. If you have a violation to report or a question to ask about a potential violation, your conversation will be held in confidence unless a threat of harm exists. If you aren't comfortable reporting in person, you are encouraged to do so anonymously through the reporting hotline: <https://www.uc.edu/about/hotline.html>

Question: What if I need to submit a Title IX violation?

Answer: Potential Title IX violations should be reported to the Title IX Office or athletics liaison, Maggie McKinley. The Interim Title IX Coordinator is Matthew Olovson. He can be reached by phone at 513-556-3349 or by email at matthew.olvson@uc.edu or titleix@uc.edu.

CASE STUDY: MISSISSIPPI STATE

A former Mississippi State student and part-time athletics department tutor committed academic misconduct in a course to aid 10 FB SAs and a MBB SA. The former tutor completed assignments, exams and, in some instances, nearly the entire course for SAs. As a result of the academic misconduct, 8/10 FB SAs and the MBB SA competed while ineligible. This violation was discovered by a full-time athletics department staff member and reported to Compliance. The penalties are listed below:

- A fine of \$5,000, plus 1% each of the football and men's basketball budgets.
- A reduction of two football scholarships during each of the 2020-21 and 2021-22 academic years.
- A reduction of one men's basketball scholarship during the 2020-21 academic year.
- A reduction of official visits for the football and men's basketball programs..
- A prohibition of several unofficial visits for the MBB and FB programs spanning the next 3 years.
- A reduction of football evaluation days by two in the fall 2019 and 10 in spring 2020.
- A reduction of men's basketball recruiting-person days by six in the spring of 2020.
- Three years of probation.
- Vacation of records in which SAs competed while ineligible. A disassociation of the former tutor.
- All involved student-athletes must conduct one rules education session.
- A **10-year show-cause** order for the former tutor. During that period, any NCAA member school employing her must restrict her from any athletically related duties unless it shows cause why the restrictions should not apply.

REMINDERS

Please be aware that all student-athletes, coaches, staff employed in the athletic department, and staff members that have any influence over the athletic department that they are **PROHIBITED** from sports wagering such as participating in fantasy football leagues in which there are entry fees, wagering through Draft Kings or Fan Duel, or gambling on college football through legal sportsbooks.

CAN YOU SPOT THE VIOLATION ?

Several coaches at South Harmon University decide to start a fantasy football league for the upcoming 2019-20 NFL season. They set up the league with a minimal \$3 buy-in, with the league champion taking all. At lunch the day after the draft, two coaches decide to make things interesting by agreeing the winner of a coin flip will get the other's best draft pick and the loser must buy lunch.



1. While the buy in for the fantasy football league is only \$3, the NCAA Bylaws strictly prohibit sports wagering; specifically mentioning any fantasy leagues with entry fees and an opportunity to win a prize.

Sports Wagering Activities (Bylaw 10.3)

- The following individuals **shall not** knowingly participate in sports wagering activities or provide information to individuals involved in or associated with sports wagering activities at any athletic level:
 - * Student-Athletes
 - * Staff members of an institution's athletic department
 - * Nonathletics department staff members who have responsibilities within or over the athletics department

Sports Wagering (Bylaw 10.02.1)

- Sports wagering includes placing, accepting or soliciting a wager (on a staff member's or student-athlete's own behalf or on the behalf of others) of any type with any individual or organization at any athletic contest. This may include, but is not limited to:
 - * Internet sports wagering
 - * Fantasy leagues with entry fees and opportunity to win a prize
 - * Auctions with bids placed on contests
 - * Bookmaker or parlay cards

Wager (Bylaw 10.02.2)

- A wager is any agreement in which an individual agrees to give up an item of value (e.g., cash, shirt dinner) in exchange for the possibility of gaining another item of value.



2. At first glance, the friendly wager during lunch may seem like an obviously prohibited activity, but the NCAA bylaws do not prohibit any of the individuals covered under Bylaw 10.3 from participating in "friendly wagers" outside of institutional practice or intercollegiate competition due to the fact that these outings would not be considered professional or intercollegiate practice or competition. **However, the NCAA discourages individuals from engaging in this type of activity.** See: [Educational Column—Ethical Conduct—Sports Wagering Activities \(I\) 1/6/07](#)

RECRUITING CALENDARS

Contact Period	Evaluation Period	Dead Period	Quiet Period	Recruiting Shutdown
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Football						
S	M	Tu	W	Th	Fr	Sa
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					

Baseball						
S	M	Tu	W	Th	Fr	Sa
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					

Men's Basketball						
S	M	Tu	W	Th	Fr	Sa
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					

Women's Basketball						
S	M	Tu	W	Th	Fr	Sa
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					

All Other Sports						
S	M	Tu	W	Th	Fr	Sa
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
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