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FOCUS OF THE MONTH

NON-COACHING STAFF MEMBERS WITH SPORT SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

Permissible activities:

- Sit on bench/sideline & be in game huddle
- Observe practice for evaluation/analysis of performance with coaches only
- Handle/assign equipment
- Track academics of SA's
- Arrange/conduct campus tours (not during camps)
- Be present at on or off-campus recruiting events (meal with PSA)
- Initiate/receive telephone calls to/from a PSA provided they signed NLI or offer of admission
- Arrange travel
- Attend & participate in meetings involving coaching activities
- Analyze video of institution's or opponent's team
- Edit/splice game film; coordinate film exchange
- Pick-up recruits at the airport for official visits
- Set-up offense, defense, sp. Teams strategy with coaches prior to practice or competition
- Keep play chart & handle statistics
- Arrange official visit travel
- Prepare (create) recruiting materials (general correspondence, email)
- Complete/submit recruiting documentation to compliance
- Initiate/receive telephone calls to/from a PSA or anyone associated with PSA's with documentation of permissible call purpose (camp, clinic)
- Prior to NLI signing, initiate/receive telephone calls to/from appropriate academic authority (registrar, guidance counselor) related to admissions/academic issues provided nothing further is discussed & no solicitation of the PSA occurs
- Coordinate complimentary admissions
- Initiate/receive telephone calls to/from PSA/those accompanying during an official visit
- Run practice clock
- Work institutional camp/clinic
- Send recruiting materials (general correspondence, email)
- Coordinate/manage institutional camp/clinic
- Coordinate public service activities
- Coordinate pre/postgame meals
- Coordinate complimentary admissions

Impermissible activities:

- Off-Campus recruiting (contacts & evaluations)
- Participate in practice drills
- Provide *any* benefit not specifically authorized in bylaw 13 or 16 (e.g., loan of car or money, gift, lodging, food)
- Provide academic assistance or tutoring
- Participate with or observe voluntary activities of SA's
- Assist with warm-up activities
- Providing technical or tactical coaching instruction to SA's (On-field and off; video)
- Gamble on sporting activities
- Attend on or off-campus sporting events in the individual's sport involving prospects (except for immediate family members)
- Signal in plays at the direct of a coach—hold play cards
- Analyze/evaluate tapes of prospects
- Assemble/gather/organize SA's on the sideline before they enter the field
- In-person scouting of opponents

CAN YOU SPOT THE VIOLATION ?

An adjunct instructor changed a winter quarter course grade from an F to a B-minus for a student-athlete, which allowed her to maintain her eligibility for the spring and earn her degree. The instructor originally offered to change the grade to incomplete on the condition that she complete the course when he taught it again over the summer. When the instructor attempted to do that, the online grading system would not allow the instructor to change the grade to incomplete. The student-athlete then told the instructor that an F would impact her ability to compete and that she needed at least a B-minus. The instructor agreed to change the grade to a B-minus to reflect the work she had completed to date, much of which was submitted after the course was over. He then agreed to update the grade with the grade she earned after completing all the coursework during the summer term.

The violation occurred when the instructor changed the student's grade in violation of the institution's grading policy, which was then relied upon to certify eligibility for the spring and allow the student-athlete to graduate. Because the instructor changed the grade in violation of the grading policy this constituted a violation of NCAA Bylaw 14.02.10. If the grade had been changed in accordance with institutional policy, and was a benefit the instructor generally offers to all students, no NCAA violation would have occurred as a student-athlete is permitted to compete after graduation under NCAA Bylaw 14.2.2.1.3.1.

14.02.10 Impermissible Academic Assistance -- Institutional Staff Member or Representative of Athletics Interests. Impermissible academic assistance by a current or former institutional staff member or a representative of an institution's athletics interests includes, but is not limited to, the provision or arrangement of: (Adopted: 4/28/16 effective 8/1/16)

- (a) Substantial assistance that is not generally available to an institution's students and is not otherwise expressly authorized in Bylaw 16.3, which results in the certification of a student-athlete's eligibility to participate in intercollegiate athletics, receive financial aid, or earn an Academic Progress Rate point; or
- (b) An academic exception that results in a grade change, academic credit or fulfillment of a graduation requirement when such an exception is not generally available to the institution's students and the exception results in the certification of a student-athlete's eligibility to participate in intercollegiate athletics, receive financial aid, or earn an Academic Progress Rate point.

14.2.2.1.3.1 Eligibility Following Final Term. A student-athlete who is eligible to compete while enrolled less than full time during his or her final term remains eligible for regular-season competition that occurs after the term and any postseason event that begins within 60 days following the term. A student-athlete who attends a quarter-system institution and who graduates at the end of the winter quarter may compete in any postseason event (and preceding regular-season competition) that occurs during the same academic year following the completion of the winter quarter. (See Bylaw 12.8.) (Adopted: 4/29/04 effective 8/1/04, Revised: 3/27/18)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Question: If a full-time student-athlete drops a course that puts them under full time status, are they still able to practice?

Answer: No, student-athletes are no longer considered enrolled in a minimum full-time program when the dropped course becomes official. Full-time status is required to practice. NCAA Bylaw 14.2.1.2, 14.2.1

Question: A student-athlete is doing an internship or a co-op. Can they still compete?

Answer: Yes, a student-athlete may compete while enrolled in a cooperative educational work experience program, provided the student is considered to be enrolled full-time. However, if the experience program is not required by the program, the SA must be enrolled in a minimum of six credit hours. NCAA Bylaw 14.2.2.5

Question: Do student-athletes in their final semester need to be full-time provided that they are taking the necessary course to complete their degree?

Answer: No, student-athletes may participate in organized practice sessions and compete while enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies, provided the student is enrolled in the final semester of the degree program and the institution certifies that the student is carrying the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements. NCAA Bylaw 14.2.1.3

RECRUITING CALENDAR

FOOTBALL	MBA	WSO	TF & XC, MGO,	MBB & WBB	WLA	WVB	ALL OTHERS
Dead: 1st-10th	Dead 3rd-5th	Dead 1st-5th	Contact: 2nd-31st	Evaluation: (WBB) scholastic only: 1st -31st	Contact: 3rd-31st	Quiet 1st-31st	Contact 1st-31st
Contact 11th-31st	Quiet 1st-2nd; 6th-31st	Contact 6th-31st	Dead: 1st		Dead: 1st-2nd		