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# WELCOME TO THE U

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear 'Canes,

As student-athletes representing the University of Miami at the highest levels of intercollegiate athletics, you are part of a very honored and proud tradition. Like some of the finest student-athletes who have ever participated in NCAA athletics, you embody the spirit of the Orange and Green and have the wonderful opportunity to leave your own legacy at The U.

More importantly, you are part of a community of learning and service at one of the finest academic institutions in the world. Beyond achieving your potential in your chosen sport, your success both in the classroom and as a citizen of the world will shape your future well after your graduation. The University of Miami is committed to ensuring your experience as a student-athlete is nurturing, transformational, and challenging. You will be instructed, inspired, and guided by the very best coaches, exceptional faculty, and an impressive university-wide support network of services and resources.

I hope that you will remain a lifelong "Cane and that you will always represent this wonderful institution with distinction and respect. I look forward to celebrating your academic success, your athletic accomplishments, and your many contributions to our University family.

Go Canes!

Joe Echevarria

# WELCOME TO THE U

FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT/DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS



Dear Hurricanes,

On behalf of the University of Miami Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, we are excited to have you in the Hurricane family for the 2025-26 academic and athletic year. You have the opportunity to make an impact that will last long after you collect your diploma. You will be challenged to excel in the classroom and in competition. In everything you do, you represent your family, friends, hometown, teammates, our Department, and the University of Miami.

Whether it's your first year as a Hurricane or your last, your career as a Hurricane will include working toward an academic degree and participation in practice and competition for an athletic team, while also growing and developing as an individual. The administration, coaches, and support staff are committed to doing all that we can to help you seize every opportunity while you are here, inside and outside the lines of competition. We will provide you with every available resource, but it is your responsibility to dedicate yourself to earning your degree, competing to the best of your ability, and staying committed to your own personal development. The University of Miami is considered one of the top academic institutions in the nation, and it is our goal to send you into your future career field, whether in athletics or out, prepared for success.

I wish you the very best over the next year, and during your entire career as a Hurricane. However, it is your responsibility to take advantage of these resources as you forge your own path. It is now your time to be a Miami Hurricane.

I look forward to getting to know you and following you this season and throughout your Hurricane career, and helping you develop a lasting relationship with the University of Miami.

Go Canes!

Dan Radakovich

# Our History

## **The Early Years**

The University of Miami was chartered in 1925 by a group of citizens who felt an institution of higher learning was needed for the development of their young and growing community.

When the University opened in 1926, it consisted of the College of Liberal Arts, the School of Music, and the Evening Division. During the Ashe presidency, the University added the School of Law (1928), the School of Business Administration (1929), the School of Education (1929), the Graduate School (1941), the Marine Laboratory (1942; presently known as the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science), the school of Engineering (1947), and the School of Medicine (1952).

Dr. Jay F.W. Pearson assumed the presidency in 1953. A marine biologist by training, charter faculty member, and an assistant to President Ashe since 1929, Dr. Pearson presided during a decade of unprecedented growth. Total enrollment stood at over 10,000 in 1953 and increased to nearly 14,000 by the end of Pearson's presidency in 1962. New facilities and resources were added to keep pace with student enrollment as well as to increase the research strength of the institution. The University also added an undergraduate honors program, expanded the graduate programs to the doctoral level in a dozen fields, established a core curriculum for undergraduates, and vastly increased its research activity.

The University entered a new epoch, a time of reexamination and consolidation under its third president, Dr. Henry King Stanford (1962-81). Stanford's presidency was marked by further emphasis on research activity, additions to physical facilities, and reorganization of the University's administrative structure. Several research centers and institutes were established, including the Center for Advanced International Studies (1964), the Institute of Molecular and Cellular Evolution (1964), the Center for Theoretical Studies (1965), and the Institute for the Study of Aging (1975).

In 1981, Edward T. Foote II became its fourth president. Under his leadership, the University was elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and most prestigious honor society; three new schools were created—Architecture, Communication, and the Graduate School of International Studies along with its research component, the North-South Center.

## **The 21<sup>st</sup> Century and Today**

The University entered its present phase in 2001 when Donna E. Shalala became its fifth president. President Shalala was the longest serving Secretary of Health and Human Services in U.S. history. She served in the Clinton Administration from 1993-2000 and oversaw a \$600 billion budget. Prior to that, she was Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin – Madison for six years, the first woman ever to head a Big Ten University. President Shalala also served as president of Hunter College, The City University of New York, for seven years. President Shalala, who spearheaded extraordinary progress in all areas, stepped down as president in May 2015.

For the seventh year in a row the University of Miami was ranked in the top 50 in *U.S. News & World Report's* annual Best Colleges issue. In the 2015 report, UM is ranked No. 48 in the National Universities category. Under President Shalala's leadership the University experienced an extraordinary rise in these popular rankings, up from No. 67 in 2001. *U.S. News* also listed several UM graduate programs in its 2014 America's Best Graduate Schools rankings.

In 2012 the University publicly launched *Momentum2: The Breakthrough Campaign for the University of Miami*, a \$1.6 billion initiative to support academic resources, learning opportunities, and strategic initiatives throughout the University. The campaign goal was reached in May 2015.

In April 2015 Dr. Julio Frenk, dean at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Mexico's former minister of health, was named the University's sixth president. A noted leader in global public health and a renowned scholar and academic, President Frenk assumed the presidency on August 16. The University's first Hispanic president, Frenk views Miami as uniquely positioned as a gateway to Latin America and the Caribbean, and the University to be a leader in discourse throughout the hemisphere and beyond. Under President Frenk, the University launched its Ever Brighter campaign, a \$2.5 billion initiative dedicated to the pursuit of positive change through transformative power of people and ideas.

After Dr. Frenk's retirement, UM's first CEO and acting president Joe Echevarria was named the seventh president of the University. He is the first UM alumnus to hold the position and second Hispanic president of the University. The former Deloitte LLP CEO has been active in UM leadership for over a decade. Echevarria joined the Board of Trustees in 2012 and filled a series of advisory roles to former UM President Julio Frenk before being appointed CEO of UHealth, UM's sprawling medical arm, in 2020. He was then appointed as CEO of the University in 2022. He was hired by Deloitte LLP out of college where he quickly began moving up the ladder, eventually taking on the role of CEO in 2011 until his retirement in 2014. He has filled a number of other roles including being an advisor to the Obama Foundation, chair of President Barack Obama's My Brother's Keeper Alliance and a Board of Directors member for Pfizer and UNUM, an insurance company.

# Vision, Values, Mission and Goals

## **Vision Statement:**

The University of Miami's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics strives to be an elite Division I institution in providing support to all areas of the student-athlete experience. We are dedicated to developing and supporting our student-athletes in their efforts to achieve personal, academic, and athletic excellence.

## **Core Values:**

1. Excellence
  - a. We strive for excellence in all our endeavors, setting a high bar for success both on and off the playing field.
2. Integrity
  - a. We compete and conduct ourselves with integrity, holding ourselves and our peers to the highest ethical standards.
3. Respect
  - a. We treat our teammates, community, and competitors with respect, communicating from a place of understanding and displaying professional courtesy at all times.
4. Pride
  - a. We are personally invested in everything that we do, fostering an enormous sense of pride in our work and the work of those around us.
5. Family
  - a. We work together as a family, building on a support system that serves to encourage and motivate one another.

## **Mission Statement:**

Miami Athletics is dedicated to developing and supporting its student-athletes in their efforts to achieve personal, academic, and athletic excellence.

## **Goals:**

1. Recruit and attract gifted individuals to best represent the University, who allow our teams to compete nationally both in the classroom and on the competition surface.
2. Maintain a true commitment to complying with the rules and policies of the NCAA, Atlantic Coast Conference, the University of Miami, and the State of Florida laws.
  - a. Conduct ourselves with integrity, class and distinction as representatives of the University, its Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, students, staff, alumni and friends.
  - b. Support the mission of the University of Miami.
3. Provide each student-athlete with the appropriate academic resources to enable them to pursue and achieve their University of Miami degree and prepare them for their career after graduation.
4. Support the welfare and development of our student-athletes personally, professionally, and socially through an integrated system of care and support by providing relevant, state-of-the-art, targeted



programs, services and guiding principles to help develop them into leaders for their chosen career fields and communities.

5. Provide equitable opportunities regardless of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, national origin, disability or veteran status, and embrace the diversity of our student-athletes, coaches and administrators by fostering a respectful culture that utilizes and celebrates those differences.
6. Recruit, develop, and retain a diverse staff committed to the growth of the student-athlete as a person, student, and athlete.
7. Expand and enhance athletic facilities which serve the University of Miami student-athletes', coaches', and staffs' developmental needs while creating an unforgettable experience for our student-athletes and fans.
8. Create an exciting, fun, innovative, family atmosphere for fans and alumni to experience the best of the University of Miami and support current student-athletes.

## RESPECT

The department aims to encourage positive behavior amongst our student-athletes, coaches, staff and fans with a focus on increasing awareness and a commitment to sportsmanship at all Miami Hurricanes athletic events.

### Respect Guidelines to Student-Athletes:

- Make respect a core value of your team and yourself.
- Display acts of respect during competition such as handshakes before and after contests and respect during injuries (your team or opponents), and demonstrate a zero-tolerance policy for taunting.
- Understand the expectations set out for all Miami student-athletes and the consequences of violating these policies.
- Refrain from obscenities and profane language during practice and competition.
- Get involved with community outreach opportunities during season and promote sportsmanship and guidelines of the U Respect program to the youth of the community.
- Lead by example. Upperclassmen should expect the new members of your team (freshmen and transfers) to follow your role in how they carry themselves.
- Uphold the values of respect in both victory and defeat.

### Student-Athlete Development

Hurricane Athletics staff, coaches and student-athletes oppose all forms of discrimination. We strive to create a supportive environment where all students-athletes are encouraged to grow, express themselves authentically, and pursue competitive and academic excellence. The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics has enhanced its work in the area of student-athlete development. The goal is to EDUCATE, ENGAGE, and EMPOWER student-athletes from all walks of life to succeed. Student-athletes can request training in a one-on-one setting or as a team. Trainings are customized to the needs of the individual or team.

### Requesting Assistance:

To request assistance in the area of student-athlete development within the athletic department, please contact the following individual:

Shirelle Jackson – Executive Associate Athletic Director

s.jackson2@miami.edu

305-284-4874; 305-284-8168

## CODE OF CONDUCT

### **Department of Intercollegiate Athletics Philosophy**

The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is an integral part of the University of Miami, and its standards, goals, and ideals must be in sync with those of the academic programs and the University. We are committed to providing you with the opportunity to achieve your maximum athletic and academic potential. You are expected to conduct yourself in a responsible manner. This will allow you to benefit from the physical aspects of the program, develop the ability to work well with others on your team, exercise leadership, and realize the values of good sportsmanship. We offer a comprehensive system of student services and resources, including excellent athletic facilities, quality coaching, medical care, and academic counseling.

### **Code of Conduct**

As a student-athlete you play two roles. First you are a student – you will be held to the same standards and obligations as your fellow classmates. As a student-athlete, it is essential that you act in a responsible manner to obtain maximum results from your college experience. Your personal conduct should demonstrate good judgment and ethical behavior. You are expected to conduct yourself, both on- and off-campus, in a manner which brings credit to the University and your team. You should establish objectives and priorities, exercise self-discipline, and schedule your time wisely. Remember, you will be held accountable for your actions.

As a student-athlete, you are expected to maintain the same standards of conduct that the University of Miami Department of Intercollegiate Athletics requires of coaches, trainers, and staff. This includes acting with integrity in a manner which represents the values and ideals associated with the University, the ACC and the NCAA. You are a representative of your team, of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, and the University of Miami. Your position is unique in that you receive a great deal of attention from the public and the media.

The Code of Conduct upholds all related University conduct policies and it is your duty to adhere to them. If you are uncertain about any aspects of the Code of Conduct or other related University policies, consult with your coaches or other advisors. The student-athlete Code of Conduct is enforced by various officials. These officials include your coaches, administrators within the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, residence halls officials, the Dean of Students, your academic dean, the faculty, the Honor Council, and other authorities of the University.

You are expected to obey the policies and regulations of the University of Miami and you are subject to penalties for not following these rules. The University has the right to impose penalties in addition to those imposed by a court of law. The University's penalties range from reprimand to expulsion, depending on the severity of the

offense. You are expected to conform to all federal, state, and city laws, as well as University regulations. As a student-athlete, you are not exempt from further penalty if your actions also violate University rules.

### **Expectations**

1. Student-athletes are expected, in both attitude and behavior, to make a positive contribution to the team and the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, and to uphold the core values listed above in this Handbook.
2. Student-athletes are expected to maintain the highest standards of professionalism and integrity in all they do. It is a privilege and an honor to wear the U. Remember you represent the University of Miami, the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, your team, a distinguished group of alumni, and yourself in all you do. Take this seriously and commit to appropriate behavior and actions.
3. Academics are a top priority for the University and this Department. As a student-athlete, you must commit to academic excellence. Missed classes and study hall absences that are not excused for illness or team travel are not tolerated and are subject to the Missed Class/Study Hall Policy in the Academics section of this Handbook. Tardiness or inappropriate behavior in class is also not accepted. As a student-athlete, you are expected to take responsibility for your academic commitments. Failure to take academic responsibility could result in missed practices or games, lack of privileges from academic services or other appropriate penalties.
4. Cheating and other forms of academic dishonesty are not tolerated. All academic dishonesty cases will be treated by the professor student discipline committee as they would any other student.
5. Student-athletes are expected to follow all NCAA, ACC and University policies and regulations, and State of Florida laws including regarding name, image and likeness (NIL). If a student-athlete becomes aware of a violation of any NCAA, ACC or University policy or regulation, it is the responsibility of the student-athlete to notify the Compliance Office.
6. Student-athletes are expected to engage in the highest levels of sportsmanship at all times while representing the University of Miami. You are expected to abide by the spirit and letter of the rules of the sport during practice and competition and to treat teammates, opponents, officials and spectators with respect and courtesy.
7. Team success depends upon each student-athlete's ability and willingness to communicate and work as a member of the team. Student-athletes must treat all teammates, staff, and coaches with respect at all times. Profanity and any other forms of negative or inappropriate behavior are not tolerated.
8. Student-athletes are expected to follow all team rules and expectations outlined by your Head Coach.
9. Attendance and punctuality for practice, weight and strength training sessions, team meetings, academic, compliance, and administrative meetings are required.
10. Student-athletes must wear appropriate and/or suggested attire while representing the University of Miami. This includes practices, team travel and other events. For any official function or event sponsored by the University, Department, or team, staff and student-athletes must wear department- or team-issued gear or be in business or business casual attire, as applicable.
11. The use of tobacco products is prohibited in University of Miami facilities.
12. The use of illegal drugs, including marijuana and performance enhancing drugs are prohibited at all times. Miami conducts drug testing for all student-athletes. You are required to abide by all drug testing

procedures. Violations of the drug testing policy will be handled in accordance with the Drug Testing Policy in this Handbook.

13. Consumption of alcohol is discouraged during the training year. Alcohol consumption is strictly prohibited on road trips or any situation where the student-athlete is representing the University of Miami (e.g., recruiting visits, appearances).

### **Expectations as a Student**

1. Maintain eligibility to practice and compete.
2. Attend class, participate in class, and not be disruptive during class.
3. Inform professors of expected absences due to official athletic events.
4. Follow the University of Miami Undergraduate Student Honor Code.
5. Follow the University of Miami Graduate Student Honor Code.
6. Follow the directives of the Office of Athletic Academic Services.
7. Attend student-athlete development programming and community service events.

### **Expectations as an Athlete**

1. Display good sportsmanship.
2. Know, follow, and be accountable for University, ACC and NCAA rules and State of Florida laws including regarding NIL.
3. Protect your health
4. Obey team rules and policies.

### **Expectations as a Member of the University of Miami Community**

1. Know and follow the "Rights and Responsibilities of Conduct" in the University Student Life Handbook.
2. Obey residence halls policies and regulations.
3. Obey all federal, state and city laws.
4. Represent the U with the highest level of integrity in all you do.

### **Unsportsmanlike Conduct**

The University of Miami's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics and coaching staff will not tolerate any act by a player that deliberately injures an opponent or teammate during a game or practice. The same standards for team conduct apply when dealing with spectators, game officials and members of the media.

Unsportsmanlike conduct includes, but is not limited to: physical abuse of an official, coach, athlete, opponent or spectator; unauthorized seizure of equipment from officials or the media; use of inappropriate language or gestures directed towards officials, the media, opponents, team members or spectators; any action which violates generally recognized NCAA and ACC intercollegiate standards, or the values and standards associated with the University of Miami, as determined by individual head coaches and approved by the Sport Administrator.

For more information and examples please reference the University of Miami Students Rights and Responsibilities manual [here](#).

## **Hazing**

The University of Miami has an absolute prohibition on hazing.

Definition: an action or situation created on- or off-campus, which recklessly or intentionally harms, damages, or endangers the mental or physical health and safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into, or affiliation with, any organization operating within the University of Miami.

Hazing includes, but is not limited to:

- Any brutality of a physical nature (i.e., whipping, bating, branding).
- Forced calisthenics.
- Exposure to the elements.
- Forced/encouraged consumption of any food, liquor, drug, or other substance.
- Other forced activity which would adversely affect the physical or mental health or safety of the student.
- Any activity which would subject the student to mental stress.
- Encouraged exclusion from social contact.
- Forced/encouraged conduct which would result in extreme embarrassment.
- Any other activity which is inconsistent with the regulations and policies of the University of Miami.

## **Violation of Team Rules**

Each coach and team may develop team rules. It is your responsibility to know the rules specific to your team. You are accountable for knowing and abiding by these rules. These rules may be more restrictive than the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, University, Conference, or NCAA. The Head Coach of each sport has the authority to suspend and/or dismiss any student-athlete on his or her team if the student-athlete violates team rules separate and apart from proceedings under the Student-Athlete Discipline Policy.

A suspended student-athlete may appeal that decision under the following procedures:

1. The student-athlete must first meet with the appropriate individual(s) (e.g., head coach, coach's designee, sport administrator, etc.) to informally discuss the decision being appealed. Most cases involving team rules should be resolved at this level.
2. If no satisfactory resolution can be reached through this informal procedure, the student-athlete may request a more formal appeal in writing to the Vice President/Director of Athletics and the Sport Administrator for that sport. The student-athlete may present their case in written and/or oral form. The standard of review is whether the coach's decision was reasonable and not arbitrary and capricious. The finding of the Director of athletics and Sport Administrator shall be final and not subject to review.

## **Discipline Policy**

Any student-athlete arrested or involved in a discipline issue with campus is required to report the incident to his/her Head Coach or Sport Administrator within 24 hours of the incident.

Any new student-athlete who has been arrested is required to report that incident to his/her Head Coach upon reporting for athletic activities. Failure to report any incident will result in disciplinary action.

If a student-athlete is charged with a felony, the student-athlete will be suspended from all athletic related activities indefinitely. Once the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics has an opportunity to review the complete facts of the charges (which may result in waiting until the investigation is complete and final adjudication is reached by the appropriate authorities), the VP/Director of Athletics and/or his designee will determine what penalties are warranted (e.g., a minimum of a 10 percent withholding condition will be imposed for any student-athlete charged with a DUI).

If a student-athlete is arrested for a misdemeanor, the case will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Student-athletes will be suspended indefinitely pending the ability for the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics to obtain complete information relative to the facts of the charges. Once the complete facts are obtained, the Director of Athletics and/or his designee will determine what penalties are warranted.

If a student-athlete is involved in a disciplinary violation with the Dean of Students Office or University Housing that does not involve an arrest, the student-athlete will be allowed to participate in athletically related activities pending resolution of the investigation by the appropriate campus entity or until a penalty is imposed by the Dean of Students Office that prohibits such participation. Once complete information is available the VP/Director of Athletics and/or his designee will determine what penalties are warranted from athletics. The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics reserves the right to make a determination that a student-athlete should be indefinitely suspended during the investigation.

# Atlantic Coast Conference

## **Mission Statement**

The Atlantic Coast Conference, through its member institutions, seeks to maximize the educational and athletic opportunities of its student-athletes while enriching their quality of life. It strives to do so by affording individuals equitable opportunity to pursue academic excellence and compete at the highest level of intercollegiate athletics in a broad spectrum of sports and championships. The Conference will provide leadership in attaining these goals, by promoting diversity and mutual trust among its member institutions, in a spirit of fairness for all. It strongly adheres to the principles of integrity and sportsmanship, and supports the total development of the student-athlete and each member institution's athletics staff, with the intent of producing enlightened leadership for tomorrow.

## **History**

The ACC was founded on May 8, 1953, at the Sedgefield Inn near Greensboro, N.C., with seven charter members – Clemson University, Duke University, the University of Maryland, the University of North Carolina, North Carolina State University, the University of South Carolina and Wake Forest University – drawing up the conference bylaws.

The withdrawal of seven institutions from the Southern Conference came early on the morning of May 8, 1953, during the Southern Conference's annual spring meeting. One June 14, 1943, the seven members met in Raleigh, N.C., where a set of bylaws was adopted and the name became officially the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Suggestions from fans for the name of the new conference appeared in the region's newspapers prior to the meeting in Raleigh. Some of those suggestions were: Dixie, Mid-South, Mid-Atlantic, East Coast, Seaboard, Colonial, Tobacco, Blue-Gray, Piedmont, Southern Seven, and the Shoreline. Duke's Eddie Cameron recommended that the name of the conference be the Atlantic Coast Conference and the motion was passed unanimously. The meeting concluded with each member institution assessed \$200.00 to pay for conference expenses.

### **Key Dates:**

December 4, 1953: University of Virginia added as eighth member

June 30, 1971: Withdrawal of University of South Carolina

April 3, 1978: Georgia Institute of Technology added

July 1, 1991: Florida State University added

July 1, 2004: University of Miami and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University added

July 1, 2005: Boston College added

July 1, 2013: University of Notre Dame, University of Pittsburgh, Syracuse University added

July 1, 2014: University of Louisville added; University of Maryland removed

July 1, 2024: Southern Methodist University added

August 1, 2024: University of California, Berkeley and Stanford University added

# ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## **Fall 2025**

### *August*

|       |                                               |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 4     | Deadline for Readmission                      |
| 11-12 | Housing Available for New Students            |
| 12    | International Student Orientation (undergrad) |
| 13-17 | Fall 'Cane Kickoff                            |
| 14-17 | Housing Available for Continuing Students     |
| 15    | International Student Orientation (grad)      |
| 18    | CLASSES BEGIN                                 |
| 27    | Last Day for Registration/Add a Course        |

### *September*

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|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Labor Day (Holiday)                                                                                                                                                               |
| 3  | Last Day to Drop a Course Without a "W"<br>Deadline to Apply for Inactive Status<br>Deadline to Apply for Non-UM Programs<br>Last Day to Make a Change in Credit-Only Designation |
| 10 | Application for Graduation Opens                                                                                                                                                  |

### *October*

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|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 11-14 | Fall Recess (Holiday)                                                                                          |
| 10    | Last Day to Apply for Graduation for Fall                                                                      |
| 13    | Classes Available on Canelink for Spring Registration<br>Shopping Carts Available on Canelink for Registration |
| 20    | Registration Appointments Available on Canelink                                                                |
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### *November*

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| 3     | Registration for Spring 2026 Begins (as scheduled by appointment)         |
| 7     | Grad Students: Last Day to Defend Dissertation/Thesis for Fall Graduation |
| 17    | Last Day to Withdraw from Course/Semester                                 |
| 25-30 | Thanksgiving Recess (Holiday)                                             |

### *December*

|      |                                                                |
|------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2    | CLASSES END (11:00 PM)                                         |
| 3    | Reading Day                                                    |
| 4-10 | FINAL EXAMS                                                    |
| 10   | Graduate school Deadline for Completion of Dissertation/Thesis |
| 10   | SEMESTER ENDS (11:00 PM)                                       |
| 11   | Fall Commencement Exercises                                    |
| 12   | Housing Closes at 12:00 PM                                     |
| 18   | Final Grades Available to Students in CaneLink                 |



# ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## Spring 2026

### *December*

|    |                          |
|----|--------------------------|
| 29 | Deadline for Readmission |
|----|--------------------------|

### *January*

|      |                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| 7    | Housing Available All Students<br>International Student Orientation (undergrad)                                                                                                   |
| 7-10 | Spring 'Cane Kickoff                                                                                                                                                              |
| 9    | International Student Orientation (grad)                                                                                                                                          |
| 12   | CLASSES BEGIN                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 19   | Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Holiday)                                                                                                                                              |
| 21   | Last Day for Registration/Add a Course                                                                                                                                            |
| 28   | Last Day to Drop a Course Without a "W"<br>Deadline to Apply for Inactive Status<br>Deadline to Apply for Non-UM Programs<br>Last Day to Make a Change in Credit-Only Designation |

### *February*

|   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| 4 | Application for Graduation Opens |
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### *March*

|      |                                                                                                                |
|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4    | Last Day to Apply for Graduation for Spring/Summer                                                             |
| 9    | Classes Available on Canelink for Spring Registration<br>Shopping Carts Available on Canelink for Registration |
| 7-15 | Spring Recess (Holiday)<br>Spring InterSession                                                                 |
| 16   | Registration Appointments Available on Canelink                                                                |
| 27   | Grad Students: Last Day to Defend Dissertation/Thesis for Fall Graduation                                      |
| 30   | Registration for Fall/Summer 2026 Begins                                                                       |

### *April*

|    |                                           |
|----|-------------------------------------------|
| 10 | Last Day to Withdraw from Course/Semester |
| 27 | Classes End                               |
| 28 | Reading Day                               |

### *May*

|                   |                                                                                               |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Apr 29 -<br>May 6 | FINAL EXAMS                                                                                   |
| 6                 | Graduate school Deadline for Completion of Dissertation/Thesis<br>SEMESTER ENDS (11:00 PM)    |
| 7-8               | Spring Commencement Exercises - Undergrad<br>Housing Closes for non-commencement participants |
| 9                 | Housing Closes at 12:00 PM                                                                    |
| 11                | Spring Commencement Exercises - Grad                                                          |
| 13                | Final Grades Available to Students                                                            |

# ATHLETIC FACILITIES

## Schwartz Center for Academic Excellence



The 34,000 square-foot facility serves UM's more than 400 student-athletes with resources such as a new academic center, expanded training facilities, the football locker room and lounge, the Compliance Office, Gallery of Champions and more.

## Carol Soffer Indoor Practice Facility



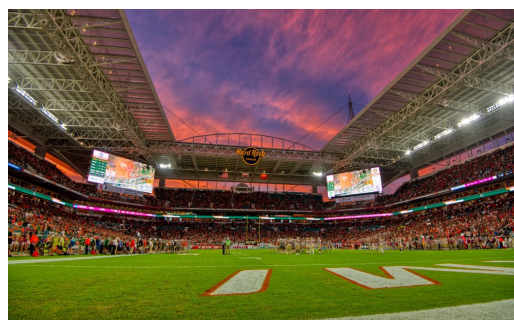
The \$40 million Carol Soffer Indoor Practice Facility, opened in 2018, encompasses not just indoor practice fields for football, but also new football coaches' offices, new football reception and recruiting areas, weight room renovations and new offices for golf, rowing, soccer and volleyball.

## Cobb Stadium



Cobb Stadium serves as the home for the Women's Soccer program and the Men's and Women's Track and Field programs.

## Hard Rock Stadium



## Greentree Practice Field



Hard Rock Stadium has been the home to the Miami Football program since 2008. In addition, Hard Rock Stadium is home to the Miami Dolphins and the Orange Bowl. Greentree Practice Field is home to the practice facility for the Football program.

# ATHLETIC FACILITIES

## WATSCO CENTER



The Watsco Center is the 200,000 square foot, 7,972 seat arena that is home to the University of Miami Men's and Women's Basketball programs.

## Knight Complex



Dedicated on November 12, 1985, the Knight Sports Complex is located adjacent to the Hecht Athletic Center and is home to the Miami Volleyball program. It was made possible through a gift from the James L. Knight Charitable Trust Fund.

## Norman Whitten Pool



Overlooking beautiful Lake Osceola, surrounded by hand-painted murals of past NCAA and Olympic champions, Norman Whitten Pool is one of the most scenic facilities on campus.

## The Biltmore



The Biltmore Golf course in Coral Gables, home course for the Hurricanes, is an 18-hole, par-71, championship course designed by distinguished golf designer Donald Ross.



# ATHLETIC FACILITIES

## Neil Schiff Tennis Center



Neil Schiff Tennis Center, home to the Miami Men's and Women's Tennis programs, was built to support college, amateur and professional tennis competitions.

## Ronald Shane Watersports Center and Rowing Training Facility



Located at 6500 Indian Creek Dr. on Miami Beach, the University of Miami Rowing Team has been a fixture at the world-class Ronald W. Shane Watersports Center since its inception of 1991. The Shane Center, on the beautiful Indian Creek waterway, includes 5 boat bays, an ergometer room, weight room, locker rooms, coaches' offices, and function space. The Indian Creek waterway, Biscayne Bay, and a multitude of connecting canals provide virtually limitless rowing opportunities on some of the most protected and beautiful rowing water in the country.

## Alex Rodriguez Park at Mark Light Field



## Jimmy and Kim Klotz Player Development Center



The University of Miami boasts one of the best baseball programs in the country, with four national championships, 25 trips to the College World Series and 47 NCAA Tournament appearances. The Jimmy and Kim Klotz Player Development Center was added to the Baseball facilities in 2021 as an elite indoor facility for baseball. Sitting down Mark Light Field's right field line, the 6,800-square foot facility features batting cages, three pitcher's mounds and a multi-purpose area, along with the latest state-of-the-art technology.

## EXECUTIVE STAFF



Dan Radakovich  
Vice President/Director of Athletics



Brian Baptiste  
Senior Deputy Director of Athletics



Jason Layton  
Chief Revenue Officer



Rachelle Paul  
Deputy Director of Athletic  
Senior Woman Administrator



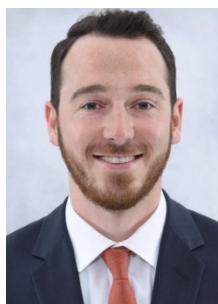
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Athletics Development



Shirelle Jackson  
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Student-Athlete Development & Strategic Initiatives



Dan Raben  
Executive Associate AD  
Strategic Athlete Services & Compliance



Matt Smale  
Senior Executive Associate AD  
Business Strategy and Capital Projects



Carter Toole  
Executive Associate AD  
Strategic Comms./Chief of Staff

## HEAD COACHES



**JD Arteaga**  
Baseball



**Mario Cristobal**  
Football



**Tricia Cullop**  
Women's Basketball



**Amy Deem**  
Cross Country/Track & Field



**Dario di Fazio**  
Diving



**Jose "Keno" Gandara**  
Volleyball



**Andy Kershaw**  
Swimming



**Jai Lucas**  
Men's Basketball



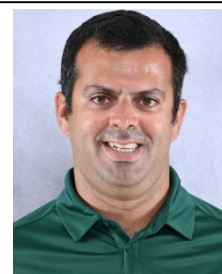
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Women's Soccer



**James Mulcahy**  
Rowing



**Janice Olivencia**  
Golf



**Alex Santos**  
Men's Tennis



**Paige Yaroshuk-Tews**  
Women's Tennis

# Athletic Academic Services

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Athletic Academic Services Staff of the UM Athletic Department is dedicated to providing the services and resources necessary to empower student-athletes to achieve their full academic potential. We aim to cultivate an environment that demands integrity, fosters self-reliance, and promotes opportunity leading to graduation and future success.

### **Academic Integrity Policy & Honor Code**

The University of Miami community recognizes integrity as a core institutional value. The responsibility to uphold the University Honor Code and high academic standards is a shared value between faculty, students, and administrators. It is each community member's responsibility to ensure that academic integrity is upheld. Faculty, in particular, have a vital role to play in this regard and should be diligent in reporting violations.

The University's academic integrity policy acknowledges that the norms and the responsibility of academic integrity are to be jointly upheld by the faculty and student members of the University community. Substantial responsibility is vested in the several schools and colleges to manage first-time offenses and to coordinate their faculty's efforts.

As a University of Miami student, you are responsible for understanding, abiding by, and upholding the University's academic integrity policy. The policies are available for review at:

- [Academic Integrity Policy & Undergraduate Honor Code](#)
- [Graduate School Honor Code](#)

The Honor Code specifically covers four main areas:

1. Cheating – implies an intent to deceive. It includes all actions, devices, and/or deceptions involved in committing the act. Examples include, but are not limited to, utilizing crib notes/cheat sheet on an exam and copying answers directly from another student's exam.
2. Plagiarism – is representing the words or ideas of someone else as your own. Examples include, but are not limited to, failing to properly cite direct quotes and failing to give credit for someone else's ideas.
3. Collusion – is the act of working together on an academic undertaking for which a student is individually responsible. Examples include, but are not limited to, sharing information in labs that are to be done individually.
4. Academic Dishonesty – includes any other act not specifically covered that compromises the integrity of a student or intrudes, violates, or disturbs the academic environment of the University Community. Examples are attempting or agreeing to commit, or assisting in or facilitating the commission of, any scholastic dishonesty violation, failing to appear or testify without good cause when requested by the Honor Council, failing to keep information about cases confidential, supplying false information to the Honor Council and accusing a student of a violation of this Code in bad faith.

These Codes are established for the student body to protect the academic integrity of the University of Miami, to encourage consistent ethical behavior among students, and to foster a climate of fair competition. While a student's commitment to honesty and personal integrity is assumed and expected, these Codes are intended to provide an

added measure of assurance that, in fulfilling the University's requirements, the student will never engage in falsification, plagiarism, or other deception regarding the materials he/she presents. Each student is responsible for completing the academic requirements of each course in the manner indicated by the faculty.

### **Academic Expectations**

The second floor of the Schwartz Center for Athletic Excellence is designated for academic purposes only. Below are expectations for conduct during required study hall:

- Be respectful of all administrators, faculty, staff, coaches, student-athletes and guests.
- Computers are for academic work only (i.e., no Facebook, Twitter, Netflix or any other non-academic use of the computers).
- Cell phones are not permitted to be used. They must remain in your bag and be on silent.
- No food, drinks or tobacco products are permitted in the academic area.
- Ice bags are prohibited.
- Headphones may not be used for personal use (this includes listening to music).
- Come prepared. Be on time. Unexcused absences from required study hall may result in revocation of Educational Benefit payment.
- Bring your books, pen, etc. Study hall hours are for doing academic work.
- Student-athletes reporting for study hall must sign in and must sign out when leaving the academic area for any reason (i.e., bathroom, phone call, treatment, etc.).
- All hours of study hall must be logged as actual hours in study hall.
- Arrive on time for all meetings, tutor/study sessions, and other set appointments.
- Uphold integrity of NCAA, University of Miami, and most importantly, yourself.
- Do not violate the UM Honor Code.
- Do not sign-in or sign-out anyone except yourself.

If you are not meeting the above expectations, you will receive one warning before being asked to leave. If you are asked to leave study hall, you will receive no hours for your session and your coach will be notified. It will be your responsibility to make up any hours.

### **Academic Eligibility**

The Athletic Department is responsible for determining your eligibility to practice and compete on an athletic team. To maintain your eligibility you must:

- Be enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies leading to a baccalaureate or equivalent degree (Bylaw 14.01.2). Full-time at the University of Miami is considered a 12-credit course load.
- Maintain Good Academic Standing as defined by the University (Bylaw 14.01.2.1).
- Declare your major no later than the beginning of your fifth semester or third year of enrollment (Bylaw 14.4.3.1.7).
- Successfully complete a minimum of six credit hours each regular academic term to be eligible for the following term (or for postseason competition that begins between academic terms) (Bylaw 14.4.3.1).



- Successfully complete 40%, 60%, and 80% of your specific degree requirements prior to the beginning of your third, fourth, and fifth years of full-time collegiate enrollment, respectively (Bylaw 14.4.3.2).
- Successfully complete at least 24 credits prior to the start of your second year and a minimum of 18 credits during each academic year (Bylaw 14.4.3.1).
- Maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 90% of the required graduation GPA at the beginning of your second year of enrollment, 95% at the beginning of your third year, and 100% at the beginning of your fourth or fifth year (Bylaw 14.4.3.3). At UM, this is equivalent to a 1.8 GPA at the beginning of your second year, a 1.9 GPA at the beginning of your third year, and a 2.0 GPA at the beginning of your fourth or fifth year. However, any major in the School of Education requires a minimum of a 2.3 GPA at the beginning of each year.
- Football Specific Rules
  - Football student-athletes must pass at least 9 degree-applicable credit hours in the fall semester.
    - If a student-athlete does not earn 9 credit hours, he will be ineligible for the first four contests in the following playing season. Football student-athletes can regain full eligibility by completing at least 27 credit hours before the start of the next fall semester.
    - If a student-athlete fails to earn 9 credit hours in the fall a second time, he can regain eligibility for two contests by completing at least 27 credit hours before the start of the next fall semester.

### **Degree Requirements**

The University of Miami expects you, as a baccalaureate degree candidate, to have a basic knowledge of words, usage and grammar, and be able to express your views clearly. Please see your Advisor for details, but each college or school will have specific requirements, however, general education requirements include:

- |                                                  |                        |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. English Composition – ENG 105 and ENG 106     | 4. STEM                |
| 2. Mathematics – complete a course above MTH 101 | 5. People and Society  |
| 3. Writing Across the Curriculum – 5 courses     | 6. Arts and Humanities |

### **Class Attendance Policy**

Class attendance is **mandatory** and the Athletic Academic Service staff performs class checks on a daily basis. All student-athletes are expected to attend classes, to complete all assignments, to take all exams, attend required study hall hours and to act appropriately in all academic scenarios. All student-athletes are expected to attend every class regardless of professor/faculty policies/expectations or attendance policy. All student-athletes are responsible for informing their professors of upcoming excused class absences and for arranging to make-up for any exams or assignments missed. Students will not be dropped from classes because of nonattendance. Study hall is required for all new undergraduate students and for any student below a 2.3 cumulative GPA through their junior year.

Class attendance will be monitored by communication with faculty, personal visits to class, and monitors. Study hall attendance will be monitored by communication with Academics Support Services staff. The student-athlete will be advised of each unexcused absence by written notice. The head coach will be advised of all recorded unexcused absences.

**Penalties are imposed on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) absence in a singular class in a semester:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> absence = Warning.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> absence = 2<sup>nd</sup> Warning, and warrants a joint meeting with the coaching staff and academics staff.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> absence = Final Warning, and results in team discipline (options are game ticket reductions, reduction in team awards/gifts or game suspension).
  - Note for Study Hall attendance – this third absence will result in the revocation of the educational benefit payment if the student does not earn a C or better in **ANY** class.
- 4<sup>th</sup> absence = continued team discipline and a decrease in the educational benefit payment if the student does not earn a C or better in the class.

Note that coaches may impose more strict policies than these listed above as part of their team rules. Student-athletes may appeal each unexcused absence from class within a week of the occurrence.

When a class is missed due to travel for an athletics competition, it is the responsibility of the student-athlete to notify each instructor/professor during the first week of class and present an official Institutional Excuse Form from Athletic Academic Services at least one week prior to departure.

It is University policy that a student who is absent from class for University approved reasons be afforded the opportunity by the instructor to either make-up the missed class or be excused from missed work without a penalty. However, it is the student-athlete's responsibility to contact each professor for missed work.

NCAA rules prohibit missing class for practice and/or promotional activities.

**Incomplete Grades**

An incomplete ("I") will be assigned by an instructor ONLY when he or she is satisfied that there are reasonable non-academic grounds for the incomplete work. Incomplete grades MUST be completed within one year or prior to graduation (whichever comes first). If you receive an incomplete grade, consult with the instructor as soon as possible to establish a schedule and deadline – incompletes not completed within one year or prior to graduation will be converted to a FAILING grade.

**Class Withdrawal**

You must be classified as a full-time student (enrolled in 12 credit hours). Dropping a course will cost you credits toward graduation and may jeopardize your academic standing or athletic eligibility. Unofficial withdrawal may result in a failing grade for the course! You must receive approval from an Academic Advisor as the initial step in withdrawing from a course.

**Online Class Policy**

Online classes offered in the fall and spring semesters are not included in normal UM tuition charges. The cost is charged separately and if you are taking 12 or more credits, the cost of enrollment in an online course is in addition to your semester tuition charge. Students requesting to enroll in online classes during fall and spring semesters must receive approval and authorization from the Senior Associate AD – Academic Services and the Associate AD – compliance as well as authorization from their campus advising office.

In summer terms, students may enroll in online courses with athletic academic advisor approval; however, students must be staying in the Miami area in order to receive room and board stipends.

## **Graduation**

To receive a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Miami, the student must earn at least 120 hours (in some degrees it may be more) with a "C" average. The final 45 credits applied to the degree must be earned in residence at the University of Miami.

| <b>Graduation Honors</b> |                                                   |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Cum Laude</b>         | 3.6 cumulative GPA                                |
| <b>Magna Cum Laude</b>   | 3.75 GPA & other requirements as determined by UM |
| <b>Summa Cum Laude</b>   | 3.9 GPA & other requirements as determined by UM  |

| <b>Semester Honors/Awards</b> |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Book Buster</b>            | 3.0 Semester GPA  |
| <b>AD's Honor Roll</b>        | 3.2 Semester GPA  |
| <b>Dean's List</b>            | 3.5 Semester GPA  |
| <b>Provost's Honor Roll</b>   | 3.75 Semester GPA |
| <b>President's Honor Roll</b> | 4.0 Semester GPA  |

## **Study Sessions & Tutoring**

Study sessions and tutorials are offered on an ongoing basis throughout the day (see Athletic Academic Services for hours). All freshmen are required to participate in study and tutorial sessions. All upperclassmen with less than a 2.3 GPA are required to participate in study and tutorial sessions. Tutors in individual subjects are also available during the regular evening Study Table sessions. Student-athletes who fail to meet their weekly study hall requirements 3 times during a semester will be subject to penalties, including suspension from athletics competition.

## **Mentorship Program**

Most freshmen are required to participate in the one-on-one mentorship program.

## **Equipment Issue and Retrieval**

Computer laptops, calculators and recorders are available for checkout (See Athletic Academic Services). Failure to return such items will result in the student-athlete not receiving the Educational Benefit Plan award (assuming that student-athlete is eligible for that award).

## **Study Abroad Policy**

All courses must count in the student's 120-hour degree program and cannot be taken as an additional/optional requirement. The student-athlete's campus advisor, athletic academic advisor, coach, sport administrator and the Senior Associate Athletic Director of Academics must approve the study abroad opportunity by signing the Study Abroad Program Approval Form. The completed form must be turned in the Associate Athletic Director of Compliance for final approval. The student-athlete will only receive aid if currently on athletic scholarship and they will only receive tuition, fees, and book assistance equal to the percent of scholarship that they are on during the academic year. Any additional charges associated with the study abroad program will be the requirement of the student-athlete on their own.

### **Textbook Distribution**

The University is permitted to provide student-athletes who are receiving an athletics grant-in-aid that includes book scholarship with course textbooks listed as required course-related textbooks for each class in which they are enrolled. Students on book scholarship are permitted to receive books for each class in which they are enrolled. Books are distributed at the beginning of each semester. Required course related textbooks are the only books authorized under the book distribution policy. The Division of Athletic Academic Services will authorize all textbook distribution. If additional required textbooks are necessary for the completion of the course, a supplemental requisition form must be processed.

Return Policy – all textbooks must be returned to Athletic Academic Services by the day following the last day of exams in the semester in which they were obtained. A charge will be placed on the student's account if he/she does not return his/her books at the end of the semester.

Returns Due to Dropped or Cancelled Courses – Textbooks received in the current semester for a course that is dropped or cancelled must be returned to Athletic Academic Services by the day following the last day of exams in the semester in which they were obtained. A charge will be placed on a student-athlete's account if he/she does not return his/her books at the end of the semester.

## **Athletes and The Media**

**The University of Miami's intercollegiate teams generate high levels of public interest and media coverage. The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is aware that its image affects the reputation of the entire University and urges you to exercise extreme care when making statements to the media.**

### **Interviews**

All interviews, other than interviews in conjunction with NIL activities, must be arranged through the Athletics Communications Office.

#### **General Rules**

- Any media requests must be arranged by the Athletics Communications Office.
- If you are contacted by a member of the media do not agree to any interview request; refer them to the Athletics Communications Office.
- The Athletics Communications Office is responsible for all publicity materials released to the media.

### **Who to Contact with Media Related Questions**

- Your Head Coach
- Your team's Sports Information Director (SID)
- Compliance Office

## **Social Media Etiquette**

- Any posting on social media is the responsibility of the student and should reflect positively on the University, athletic department, team and individual.
- Inappropriate content that is harmful to the reputation of the University, athletic department, team or individual is prohibited.
- It is against NCAA rules to tweet at or about incoming prospective student-athletes. Leave the recruiting to our coaches.

## Athletes and NIL Activities

**An NIL activity is any activity in which a student-athlete's name, image, likeness, or personal appearance is used for promotional purposes. Student-athletes are engaging in NIL activities when they receive compensation for providing services, selling products, or hosting events, monetize media, or license rights to/for others tied to their name, image, or likeness.**

### **Participation in NIL Activities**

Domestic Student-Athletes: student-athletes who are not in the country on an F-1 visa may permissibly participate in NIL activities.

International Student-Athletes: student-athletes who are in the country on an F-1 visa **may NOT** engage in NIL activities for compensation (e.g., "work") while in the U.S.

- An F-1 visa does not authorize international student-athletes to enter into endorsement agreements to secure remuneration for their name, image, and/or likeness.
- The intent of an F-1 visa is to allow a person who is not a US citizen to study in the U.S. Only people who have been accepted into course or school in the U.S. are eligible for an F-1 visa. The F-1 visa is not a work visa and does not allow you to hold a job in the U.S.. You *may* work for up to 20 hours per week during the Spring and Fall semesters at your school without any authorization as on-campus employment. Full-time on-campus employment is allowed during official school breaks. Athletics, extracurriculars, part time jobs, and making money off NIL activities are all secondary to a student's education.
- There is nothing worse you can do on an F-1 visa than engage in unauthorized employment. Unauthorized employment will put you out of status with immigration, your SEVIS record will be terminated immediately, and you will need to leave the country. Falling out of status may also affect future applications for a visa to enter the U.S.
- Questions regarding permissible employment opportunities for student-athletes in the country on an F-1 visa should be directed to the Office of International Students and Scholars Services.
  - Campus location: 1306 Stanford Drive, Whitten University Center, Suite 2275
  - Phone: 305-284-2928; Website: [isss.miami.edu](http://isss.miami.edu)

**NIL Rules at-a-Glance** *(student-athletes are also responsible for the information in the NIL Policy available on Teamworks)*

- All agents and representatives must be disclosed. Disclosures can be sent to Compliance Office.
- NIL activities in excess of \$600 must be disclosed via NILGO (NILGO.com) prior to the execution/signing or prior to the NIL activity in the underlying disclosure taking place, whichever is earlier.
- Student-athletes cannot use the University's logos/marks/trademarks unless partnered with a University of Miami sponsor and received approval.
- Student-athletes cannot be compensated for athletic performance or in exchange for enrollment.
- Student-athletes may not participate in an NIL activity while "on-call" for any athletic activity, in addition NIL activities cannot take place in University facilities without prior written approval from the department
- Student-athletes cannot use any image, video, graphic or other content provided to them by University of Miami staff members in conjunction with an NIL activity without prior written approval
- Student-athletes may not miss class to participate in NIL activities.
- In order to receive University resources, a student-athlete must opt-in to disclosures per NCAA legislation.
- The University of Miami has a comprehensive NIL Policy that is available via Teamworks.

**Prohibited Categories** for NIL activities include sports gambling activities, assault weapons, bars and night clubs (under 21), cannabis, drugs (illegal), alcohol (under 21), pornography, other college sports teams, and tobacco. For a complete list of prohibited categories please review the NIL Policy on Teamworks.

**If you have questions on NIL activities, please contact Dan Raben (Executive Associate AD) at [d.raben1@miami.edu](mailto:d.raben1@miami.edu) or Evan Roberts (Associate AD, NIL and Digital) at [ejr214@miami.edu](mailto:ejr214@miami.edu).**

# Athletics Compliance Office

## ***Mission Statement***

The Compliance Office for the University of Miami Athletics exists to protect the institution through its efforts aimed at ensuring institutional control. The Compliance Office strives to maximize opportunity for the constituents of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics while maintaining an uncompromising commitment to the NCAA rules. It is the goal of the Compliance Office to maintain an educationally empowered environment throughout the University. The Compliance Office shall be dedicated to ethical decision making with the highest standard of quality and professionalism while maintaining a fair balance between the student-athletes and athletic department staff members. The Compliance Office is aware of the vital role it plays in creating a culture of compliance and takes its duties seriously while providing a friendly and welcoming atmosphere, and encouraging interaction with all individuals affected by the rules.

## ***The Role of Compliance***

The Compliance Office has several functions, which include educating, monitoring, performing numerous functions required by NCAA rules, developing policies and procedures as well as investigating, enforcing and reporting violations of the rules and regulations of the University of Miami, the ACC and the NCAA.

The Compliance Office works to identify and reduce areas of risk within the athletic program that could negatively impact the University of Miami. If a problem arises, it is the responsibility of the Compliance Office to determine how the problem occurred, how it could have been prevented and how to reduce the chances of it occurring in the future.

All components within an athletic program must work together and each function properly, effectively and efficiently to ensure compliance and institutional control. Compliance is a shared responsibility. It is critical that all of us do our part to learn and abide by NCAA rules that impact the University of Miami's student-athletes, recruits, coaches, staff and donors. All known or potential NCAA rules violations must be disclosed to either Dan Radakovich, Brian Baptiste, or Dan Raben.

As a student-athlete, your athletic and academic eligibility depends on your compliance with NCAA, ACC, and University of Miami rules and regulations. Please contact the Athletics Compliance Staff with questions relating to NCAA, ACC or University of Miami rules and regulations.

### **Unethical Conduct**

All student-athletes and athletic department staff members must abide by NCAA, ACC and UM rules and regulations. Student-athletes are subject to NCAA Bylaw 10.1.

**10.1 Unethical Conduct.** Unethical conduct by a prospective student-athlete or student-athlete or a current or former institutional staff member, which includes any individual who performs work for the institution or the athletics department even if the individual does not receive compensation for such work, may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- (a) Refusal to furnish information relevant to an investigation of a possible violation of an NCAA regulation when requested to do so by the NCAA or the individual's institution;
- (b) Knowing involvement in offering or providing a prospective or an enrolled student-athlete an improper inducement or extra benefit or improper financial aid;
- (c) Knowingly furnishing or knowingly influencing others to furnish the NCAA or the individual's institution false or misleading information concerning an individual's involvement in or knowledge of matters relevant to a possible violation of an NCAA regulation;
- (d) Receipt of benefits by an institutional staff member for facilitating or arranging a meeting between a student-athlete and an agent, financial advisor or a representative of an agent or advisor (e.g., "runner");
- (e) Knowing involvement in providing a banned substance or impermissible supplement to student-athletes, or knowingly providing medications to student-athletes contrary to medical licensure, commonly accepted standards of care in sports medicine practice, or state and federal law. This provision shall not apply to banned substances for which the student-athlete has received a medical exception per Bylaw 18.4.1.4.9; however, the substance must be provided in accordance with medical licensure, commonly accepted standards of care and state or federal law;
- (f) Engaging in any athletics competition under an assumed name or with intent to otherwise deceive; or
- (g) Failure to provide complete and accurate information to the NCAA, the NCAA Eligibility Center or the institution's athletics department regarding an individual's amateur status

### **Reporting Violations**

In accordance with NCAA rules and regulations, all suspected or alleged violations of NCAA rules shall be investigated. AS a student-athlete, any potential rules violations MUST be reported to the Director of Athletics, Senior Deputy Director of Athletics, or Executive Associate Athletic Director of Compliance so that they may act in the appropriate manner. It is not sufficient to only notify your coach. If the individuals listed above determine a violation has occurred, the violation will be reported to the NCAA.

An individual may report an alleged, rumored, or suspected violation, and may do so anonymously. Investigations of alleged violations will be conducted by the Executive Associate Athletic Director for Compliance who may use additional resources (e.g., General Counsel's Office, Faculty Athletics Representative) at his/her discretion. Violations



that involve other NCAA member institutions may impact the University of Miami through interaction with those institutions, and therefore should also be reported.

The University of Miami will, at no time, compromise the integrity of either this institution or its athletic department when it comes to rules compliance. If you have any questions regarding any of this information or concerning whether an activity is permissible by NCAA or University rules and regulations, ask your Coach or contact the Compliance Office before doing something that may jeopardize your eligibility to participate in intercollegiate athletics.

Student-athletes have the following options related to internal reporting of factual or potential violations, concerns, or grievances: Dan Radakovich, Brian Baptiste, or Dan Raben.

### **Sports Wagering Activities**

NCAA rules prohibit sports wagering on any sport sponsored by the NCAA at any level, including intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competitions. Sports wagering includes placing, accepting or soliciting a wager of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur, or professional team or contact.

You may not knowingly participate in sports wagering activities or provide information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur, or professional athletics competition.

*Sports wagering activities include, but are not limited to:*

- Influencing the outcome of an intercollegiate contest;
- Affecting win-loss margins;
- Use of a bookmaker;
- Internet sports wagering;
- Providing information to someone involved in sports wagering activities;
- Auctions in which bids are placed on teams, individuals, or contests; and
- Pools or fantasy leagues in which an entry fee.

### **Automobile Registration**

All student-athletes, regardless of sport or scholarship status are required to provide information (copy of registration) for any automobile that you have access to use while in the Miami area. If you are renting a car for a weekend or short period of time, you MUST receive approval from the Compliance Staff and provide proper documentation of the rental agreement.

### **Parking Permit Policy**

In accordance with NCAA legislation allowing institutions to have greater flexibility in providing certain benefits for student-athletes, the University of Miami Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is implementing a policy to pay for parking passes for student-athletes who meet certain criteria. In order to receive a parking permit paid for by the Department of Athletics, a student-athlete must meet the following conditions:

- Be on a Full Athletic Scholarship;
- Must be a Sophomore, Junior, Senior, or Graduate Student according to the University's Registrar (Freshmen are not permitted to have a car on campus under University policy); and

- SA's will need to come to the Compliance Office with their most up-to-date vehicle registration and they will then fill out the parking pass permit application.
- If a student has already purchased a parking permit and fulfills the above requirements then we will pay the charge that is on their student account.

Once a student-athlete has met the above criteria, the Compliance Office will work with the appropriate campus groups to add a parking pass to the student-athlete's account. Student-athletes are required to follow all University of Miami Parking and Transportation Services rules and policies (i.e., parking in the appropriate zone based on the student's permit, head-in only parking, etc.). The student-athlete is solely responsible for any citations received from the University of Miami Parking and Transportation Services.

All student-athletes, regardless of whether they qualify for this benefit or not, must still provide a copy of their vehicle registration to the Compliance Office. Student-athletes who do not meet all of the criteria listed above are responsible for their own parking pass, or any parking citations that arise.

If you have any questions please reach out to the Compliance Office. Student-athletes who qualify for this benefit under the Policy can bring their vehicle registrations to the Compliance Office where they will then fill out the application.

### **Off-Campus Housing Leases**

All student-athletes living off-campus must turn in a copy of their signed lease to the Compliance Office each academic year upon request.

### **Employment**

Student-athletes must notify the Compliance Office of all employment throughout the year and during the summer.

The following criteria are applicable to any employment of student-athletes:

- The rate of pay is to be commensurate with the duties performed.
- The hours paid must be for actual hours worked.
- Payment in advance of hours worked is not permitted.
- Transportation to work may only be accepted if transportation is available to all employees.
- The Compliance Office may require you to turn in receipt of payment at any time.
- All employment must be disclosed to the Compliance Office through the completion of the Student-Athlete Outside Employment Form, which is available via Teamworks.

Student-athlete employment is different than engaging in NIL activities. When a student engages in an NIL activity, he/she is using his/her name, image, and or likeness to receive a benefit. With employment, a student-athlete is not using his/her name, image, and or likeness (or athletic reputation) to receive a benefit.

### **Fee-For-Lessons**

A student-athlete may receive compensation for teaching or coaching sports skills in his/her sport on a fee-for-lesson basis, provided the following conditions are met:

- Institutional facilities may NOT be used (this includes the IM Fields) without going through the institution's normal facility use/rental processes and procedures.
  - This is the same for use of institutional facilities for NIL activities.

- The lesson recipient may not simply “play” against the student-athlete (e.g., playing lessons).
- You must have prior approval from the Compliance Office.
- You must keep documentation on file – recipients of the lessons, fee charged for the lessons, and all other documentation associated with providing a lesson.
- The lesson must be paid for by the lesson recipient (or recipient’s family) and not another individual or entity.
- All employment must be disclosed to the Compliance Office through the completion of the Student-Athlete Outside Employment Form, which is available via Teamworks.

### **Agents**

All agents must be registered with the state of Florida and with the University of Miami Compliance Office. You may not sign a contract with an agent (other than an NIL agent), or agree verbally to be represented by an agent until after your eligibility has expired. You are not eligible in a sport if you and/or your family have ever accepted money, transportation, or other benefits from an agent, or agreed to have an agent market your athletics ability or reputation in that sport.

If you would like to speak with an agent, other than an NIL agent, you must first inform the Compliance Office so a meeting can be set up on campus in a controlled environment.

### **Representative of Athletics Interests a.k.a. “Boosters”**

As a student-athlete, there are limitations on the interactions that may occur with any individual that the NCAA identifies as a “representative of the University of Miami’s athletics interests,” also known as a “Booster.” A booster is defined as:

An individual who is a member of the institution’s athletics booster club, has made donations to the booster club or the athletics department, is involved in any manner in recruiting prospects or in providing benefits (i.e., summer jobs) to enrolled student-athletes, or is otherwise involved in promoting the institution’s athletics program.

The NCAA stipulates that once an individual has been identified as a booster, he/she retains that status forever, even if the individual no longer contributes to the athletics program. In addition, a student-athlete becoming friends with an athletics booster and/or employee of UM does not change their status as far as NCAA rules are concerned.

**You may NOT receive an impermissible extra benefit from any individual, including boosters, that is based directly or indirectly on the fact that you are a student-athlete at the University of Miami. Any individual who provides an impermissible extra benefit to a student-athlete automatically becomes an athletics representative.**

### **Impermissible Extra Benefits**

Extra benefits are any special arrangement by an institutional employee or booster to provide you (or your relative or friend) with a benefit not expressly authorized by NCAA legislation, and the benefit is not generally available to the student-population. The below examples/provisions of extra benefits may be applied differently if a student-athlete engages in a permissible NIL activity.

- You cannot accept anything from an employee of UM or a Hurricane athletics booster.
- You cannot accept free or reduced merchandise or services from any merchant, unless that free or reduced cost item is available to the general public.
- You cannot eat at a restaurant as the guest of an athletics booster.

- On special occasions, you may accept an invitation to the home of a UM employee for a meal (the individual may provide you with a ride from your residence to the individual's home and back to your residence).
- You cannot use an athletic department copy machine, fax machine, express mail service or make long distance phone calls using athletic department equipment.
- Members of the athletic department staff are not permitted to type reports, papers, letters, etc. for any student-athlete.
- You cannot receive a special discount, payment arrangement, credit on purchase or service from an employee of UM or an athletic booster.
- A UM employee or booster cannot provide you with a loan of money, a guarantee of bond, or the signing or co-signing of a note to arrange a loan.
- A UM employee or booster cannot provide you with the use of an automobile.
- The acceptance by you, your parents or guardians, or friends of any extra benefit is a violation of NCAA rules and places your eligibility for intercollegiate athletics in immediate jeopardy.

### **Team Travel**

It is your responsibility to make arrangements for absences from classes when you are traveling with your team. At least one week prior to departure, you should notify your professors that you will be absent, and make arrangements to make up the work that you will miss. For those traveling for competition representing UM, a member of the academics staff will be able to help provide you with team travel letters to give to your professors. For those missing class for outside competition, you may not miss class unless each of your professors provide you with approval to miss class. Approval must be provided in writing and attached to the Outside Competition Form.

Specific requirements to be established and discussed by your coach include, but are not limited to: dress code, curfews, free-time activities, and individual conduct. Team travel arrangements will be made by your Head Coach or their designee. Incidental charges made while staying in a hotel are the responsibility of the student-athlete, as NCAA rules prohibit the University from paying for such expenses.

### **Amateurism**

An individual will lose amateur status and thus would not be eligible for intercollegiate competition in a particular sport if the individual:

- Enters into an agreement with an agent (other than for NIL); or enters into an agreement with an NIL agent for representation outside of NIL and/or the agreement extends beyond the student's collegiate eligibility.
- Is represented by an agent or organization to market their athletic skills or reputation (other than being represented in NIL activities).
- Uses their athletic skill (directly or indirectly) for pay in any form in their sport.
- Accepts the promise of pay even if such payment is to be received following completion of intercollegiate athletics participation.
- Signs a contract or commitment of any kind to play professional athletics, regardless of whether or not he/she is paid.
- Receives (directly or indirectly) a salary reimbursement of expenses or any other form of financial assistance from a professional sports organization based upon athletics skill or participation, except as permitted by NCAA legislation.
- Competes on a professional team after full-time enrollment.

- Enters into a professional draft after full-time collegiate enrollment.
- Accepts an impermissible benefit.
- Commits academic misconduct.
- Participates in a summer league or outside team not approved by the NCAA. A student must have written permission from the Compliance Office prior to participation on any outside team or summer league.

### **Playing and Practice Season Rules**

The NCAA sets daily and weekly hour limits on countable athletically related activities (CARA). Examples of CARA include practice, competition, strength & conditioning, film review, team meetings, skill instruction, etc. for in-season sports, these limitations do not apply during an official vacation period or between terms when classes are not in session.

|                                                                                                                     | DAILY LIMIT                                                                                                                                | WEEKLY LIMIT                                                                                                                                                      | MINIMUM DAYS OFF |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Pre-Season                                                                                                          | Unlimited prior to 8/22                                                                                                                    | Unlimited prior to 8/22                                                                                                                                           | 1 per week       |
| IN-SEASON<br><i>*Unlimited hours during vacation period, but 1 day off per week required*</i>                       | 4 hours                                                                                                                                    | 20 hours                                                                                                                                                          | 1 per week       |
| OUT-OF-SEASON<br><i>*CARA may not take place during a vacation period. Voluntary activities remain permissible*</i> | 4 hours                                                                                                                                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max 8 hours of weight training/conditioning</li> <li>• 4 of the 8 hours can be dedicated to skill instruction</li> </ul> | 2 per week       |
| Vacation Period Exceptions                                                                                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual Sport Exception</li> <li>• Safety Exception</li> <li>• Voluntary Activities</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |

Countable Athletically Related Activities (17.02.1): Countable athletically related activities include any required activity with an athletics purpose involving student-athletes and at the direction of, or supervised by, one or more of an institution's coaching staff (including strength and conditioning coaches) and must be counted within the weekly and daily limitations under Bylaws 17.1.7.1 and 17.1.7.2. Administrative activities (e.g., academic meetings, compliance meetings) shall not be considered as countable athletically related activities. Examples include practice, competition, film review, team meetings, skill instruction, strength & conditioning.

Required Athletically Related Activities (17.01.14): Required athletically related activities include any activities, including those that are countable in the daily and weekly limitations, that are required of a student-athlete. Examples include compliance meetings, team building, promotional activities, media activities, student-host duties, travel to an away game.

Voluntary Athletic Activities (17.02.19): student-athlete must initiate the workout; coaches and non-coaching

staff members cannot be present (exception for strength coach to be present for safety purposes so long as not conducting workout (exception for summer activities)), no reporting back to coaching staff members/non-coaching staff members on attendance or performance, no penalty/reward for attendance/participation.

### **Time Management Plans**

Each team must develop a student-athlete Time Management Plan (TMP). The TMP is designed to provide clear communication and adequate notice of scheduled athletic activities for student-athletes. The TMP is a collaborative process that involves student-athletes, coaches and senior athletics department staff members to declare each team's TMP. Student-athletes must receive "adequate notice" of changes to a previously established schedule for CARA or RARA.

The TMP requires that student-athletes athletic schedule be declared in writing (through Teamworks) and the coaching staff shall provide the CARA schedule to the student-athletes at least 1-week in advance. The RARA schedule must be provided to student-athletes at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance.

Any additions, changes or shifts in the current schedule can be made within a forty-eight (48) hour period of the countable activity or twenty-four (24) hour period of the required activity. The only time a schedule change can be made within these windows is for issues related to inclement weather, facility conflict, or circumstances outside the control of the coaching staff.

For more information, please reference the Time Management Plan Policy.

### **Complimentary Admissions**

NCAA rules permit student-athletes to receive up to four (4) complimentary admissions in the student-athlete's sport per contest (home and away) and up to six (6) for NCAA championships or Bowl Games. All tickets must be issued through a pass list, and each individual receiving a complimentary admission ticket MUST present a photo ID. All complimentary admissions will be requested via Teamworks Software.

Home Games: all eligible student-athletes dressing for the game are able to receive four complimentary admissions. Injured and non-dressed student-athletes may also receive four complimentary admissions. Tickets may be transferred between eligible student-athletes.

Away Games: only student-athletes on the travel squad will receive four complimentary admissions, and only those traveling will have access to submit names for tickets. Tickets may be transferred between eligible student-athletes.

**Sale of complimentary admissions is prohibited.** Student-athletes may NOT:

- Receive payment from any source for a complimentary admission;
- Exchange or assign tickets for anything of value;
- Purchase tickets for an athletics event and sell the tickets at a greater price – no scalping!

Receipt of payment for tickets is considered an extra benefit and will render you ineligible for participation in intercollegiate athletics.

**Transferring tickets** is permissible to other teammates who are eligible. You may not put names down for

your teammate. You may not transfer complimentary admissions to a student-manager, and a student-manager may not transfer their complimentary admissions to you. Similarly, a coaching staff member may not transfer to, or use their complimentary admissions for, a student-athlete.

### **Policies for Guests Receiving Complimentary Admissions**

- Individuals must present their photo ID and must be on the pass list. Names on ID must be an exact match to name on pass list.
- Individuals might be required to sign for their complimentary admission.
- Individuals will be required to pick up their complimentary admission at the designated area (e.g., Southwest Gate).
- Each individual guest can only sign for his/her admission ticket; one person may not pick up several admissions regardless of situation.
- Do not repeat names, list each person individually.
- Children under 2 years old do not need a ticket at home games.
- Visiting Team admission entry guidelines vary. Check with the Ticket Office if you have any questions.
- If your guest needs wheelchair seating, please indicate this when registering your guest on ARMS.
- You must provide a working phone number and email address for complimentary admission recipients when requesting tickets through Teamworks. Complimentary admission requests will be denied if this information is not provided (or is inaccurate).

### **Hosting a Prospective Student-Athlete**

When a prospective student-athlete (PSA) visits the University of Miami, you may be asked to serve as a student-host for the PSA's visit. The NCAA has strict rules and regulations regarding student-hosts. Institutional staff members will conduct host orientation sessions for those student-athletes who will act as hosts during official visits. Student-athletes will also receive student-host reminders as part of their Beginning of Year Compliance Meeting.

The University of Miami is permitted to provide up to \$60 per person on an official visit. The funds are to be used to cover actual entertainment costs that go along with hosting a PSA (and the PSA's guests). **The funds may not be used to purchase institutional souvenirs (such as t-shirts or other mementos for PSA), or any other tangible item the PSA can take home.**

Additionally, as a student-host you may not participate (with or without the PSA) in underage consumption of alcohol, use sex or drugs as a recruiting policy/inducement/practice, participate in any activities that violate criminal law, participate in gambling/gaming activities, attend adult entertainment establishments, or participate in any other activity that violates Team Rules or Athletic Department policies.

### **Outside Competition**

During the academic year, you are not permitted to represent an athletic team other than the University of Miami unless you meet the following exceptions:

- Outside your team's season and competition occurs during official vacation period.

- In Women's Soccer – outside the declared playing season and may not occur prior to May 1<sup>st</sup>, no class time is missed, and the student receives permission from Compliance.
- You may participate as an individual in outside competition during the academic year at any time as long as you represent only yourself and are not representing any team/club. You may not receive expenses or compensation from any team or club to participate in outside competition.
  - For questions on competing as an individual, please see the Compliance Office.
- No team member may receive cash prizes and all awards should conform to the regulations of the recognized amateur organizations associated with the event.
- You may participate in the following: High School Alumni Games, Olympic Games, Official Pan-American Tryouts/Competition, US National Teams (or your country's equivalent), Official World Championships, and events that directly qualify you for the aforementioned elite level events.

You must notify the Compliance Office **before** you participate in any outside competition. Student-athletes must receive approval to participate by completing the Outside Competition Form in Teamworks. Unless approved by Compliance, a student-athlete may not participate in outside competition.

### **Athletic Awards**

As a student-athlete you may receive awards which recognize your contribution to the sports program. You may not sell or exchange any award received. Your letter award may be withheld if you fail to replace equipment issued for practice, competition, or post-season conditioning.

In order to be eligible to receive an athletic award, you must be:

- In good academic standing,
- Eligible for athletic participation as defined under NCAA legislation, and
- Complete the championship season as a member of the team

Consideration for an award may be based on:

- Athletic performance
- Sportsmanship
- Other criteria as determined by head coach and Sport Administrator
- Observance of rules (NCAA, ACC, athletic department, team rules, etc.)

### **Underclassmen Participation Awards**

Available to non-seniors. Total value of the participation award may not exceed \$225 for each sport in which you participate.

### **Senior Participation Awards**

Multiple awards may be given if the total value of all participation awards and gifts given to a student-athlete in a sport during an academic year does not exceed \$425.

### **Letterman Awards**

Student-athletes that meet certain criteria may receive a letter award. Student-athletes who red-shirt are not



eligible for letter awards. Awards based on letter-earning year at UM are as follows:

First year: Letterman Jacket

Second year: Duffel Bag

Third year: Watch

Fourth Year: Ring

Fifth Year\*: Professional Development award (subject to the above policy and available only to student-athletes who have previously earned all other letterman awards and remain at UM due to the Covid-19 seasons-of-competition waiver and eligibility clock extension waiver.)

### Championship Awards

Awards for winning a team conference or national championship may be presented each year, limited in value by NCAA regulations.

### Individual Special Achievement Awards

Awards may be provided each year to individual student-athletes and teams to recognize special achievements, honors, and distinctions, limited in value and number as specified by NCAA regulations.

Check with the Compliance Office before accepting any award that recognizes your athletic accomplishments and is provided to you by anyone outside the University. **ALL gifts or awards from boosters and/or professional athletics associations are restricted by NCAA rules and regulations.** Acceptance of such gifts or awards may jeopardize your eligibility.

## **NCAA Transfer Rules**

### **Notification of Transfer**

Under NCAA legislation, all student-athletes interested in contacting other four-year institutions regarding a potential transfer must provide the University of Miami with written notification of transfer.

The University of Miami considers this “written notification” to be a fully completed “Notification of Transfer” form, as well as completion of watching the NCAA’s Educational Module. The Form can be picked up in person from any member of the compliance staff (or requested via email through the Associate AD for Compliance). The Educational Module can be accessed via the NCAA’s website.

In order to be placed in the Transfer Portal to be contacted by other four-year institutions, a “completed” Form must be returned to the Associate AD for Compliance in person. In limited circumstances (in between full-time semesters and/or student-athlete is not reasonably able to physically come to the Schwartz Center, etc.), with prior communication, the completed form can be received via email by the individual listed above. A “completed” Form is one where all of the following are present:

- The student-athlete’s name, sport, release date, preferred phone number, preferred email address and signature are clearly written (or typed),
- The student-athlete has checked the box providing the institution consent to place his/her name (and limited protected information) into the Transfer Portal, AND
- The student-athlete has checked the box confirming they would like to be placed in the Transfer Portal.

The institution suggests and recommends that all student-athletes wishing to have their names entered into the Transfer Portal also secure signatures from both their Head Coach (or designee) and their Sport

Administrator prior to returning a completed form. Neither of these signatures are required for a “completed” Form or to be placed in the Portal.

Upon receipt of a completed Notification of Transfer Form, and with confirmation the student-athlete has watched the Educational Module, the institution will place the student-athlete’s name into the Transfer Portal within two (2) business days.

All of the above is subject to the NCAA’s implementation of Transfer Windows. Transfer Windows are a period of time where, by sport, a student-athlete may be permissibly entered into the Transfer Portal (subject to the same requirements above, e.g., Form and Educational Module). Each sport’s Transfer Window is unique and will vary. Generally speaking, a sport’s Transfer Window will open the day after the NCAA postseason selection takes place and will last for thirty (30) days. Additionally, fall championship sports (other than Football) will have a second window May 1-15. Football student-athletes will have a second window April 15-30. Spring championship sports will have a second window December 1-15. Student-athletes may not be entered into the Transfer Portal outside of the legislated windows, unless an exception exists under NCAA legislation.

In order for a student-athlete to be eligible at an institution he/she transfers to, he/she must leave the University of Miami in good academic standing.

### **Access to Resources**

After receipt of the Form, student-athletes (at the coaches’ discretion) may lose access to the following: locker room, training room (unless currently rehabbing an injury), strength and conditioning facilities, and team meeting rooms. Students will still have access to academic areas (tutoring and study hall) through the remainder of the regular semester unless otherwise noted based on specific circumstances. Student-athletes may be asked to schedule their use of such facilities at the discretion of their academic advisor to eliminate potential conflicts, but access to services will not be denied.

### **Removal from Portal**

Should you wish to have your name removed from the Portal (and not have the ability to contact other institutions), you must submit a request in writing to the Executive Associate AD for Compliance. Removing your name from the Portal has no effect on the institution’s ability to cancel athletics aid once the original notification has been received.

### **Athletics Financial Aid**

To qualify for an athletics financial aid award, a student-athlete must fulfill admissions requirements of the University of Miami as well as meet and maintain the eligibility requirements for athletics participation and financial aid established by the NCAA, ACC, and the University of Miami.

#### **Definition**

Athletics financial aid consists of tuition, fees, room, board, course-related books, supplies, personal expenses, and regional transportation.

#### **Duration**

Athletics financial aid awards remain in effect for a minimum of ONE academic year and a maximum of FIVE academic years. Institutional athletic awards will be used to help a student-athlete complete their undergraduate degree at the University of Miami. The University reserves the right to not renew a scholarship should the student-athlete complete their undergraduate degree.

For student-athletes who wish to be in graduate programs, the Department may provide scholarships to those that have remaining eligibility. The University reserves the right to approve or deny a student-athlete's scholarship request for graduate level programs on a case-by-case basis. For a student-athlete that exhausts eligibility while enrolled in an approved graduate program and the term of the aid agreement has been completed, the department will only provide financial aid that covers tuition costs (the student-athlete will be responsible for fees, room, and board, and other associated expenses) towards the completion of that program. Any student-athlete looking to enroll in a graduate program must receive approval from their Head Coach, Sport Administrator and Academics.

The institution also reserves the right to cancel the aid based upon the terms of the athletics aid agreement including failure to abide by team rules. For undergraduate transfer student-athletes, the terms of those aid agreements will be binding as well.

Athletic scholarships **will not be used to cover the costs of the following (list is not exhaustive):**

- School of Law or School of Medicine;
- Special programs including the Executive MBA, Working Professional MBA;
- Master in International Business Studies;
- Doctoral level study;
- All private lessons, including music, and hobby courses;
- Auditing of courses;
- In-service courses in Miami-Dade County Schools;
- Courses required for certification or licensure that are conducted in whole or in part by outside vendors;
- Non-credit courses;
- Test Prep courses (e.g., GRE, GMAT, LSAT, SAT, etc.); and
- Programs not approved by the Head Coach, Sport Administrator and Academics.

#### Changes in Aid

- Institutional athletics aid may be increased for any reason at any time.
- Institutional athletics aid will NOT be reduced or canceled during the period of its award on the basis of a student-athlete's athletics ability, performance or contribution to the team's success, or because of injury or illness that prevents a student-athlete from participating in athletics.
- A student-athlete must be notified no later than July 1 of any reduction, renewal or cancellation of athletic aid.
- Should a student-athlete on athletics financial aid quit or voluntarily withdraw from their team, their financial aid will not be renewed for the following semester. In addition, facility access to the academic/study hall areas will remain on a provisional basis and can be revoked. However, access to all other athlete facilities (strength and conditioning, practice fields, training room, etc.) shall be

withdrawn. Exceptions are permitted should the coach and sport administrator agree on continued access (rehab, etc.).

- The terms of the financial aid agreements will be controlling. All student-athletes whose aid is non-renewed or cancelled will have the ability to appeal that decision per NCAA rules.

#### Mid-term Reduction or Cancellation

Institutional financial aid based in any degree on athletics ability may be reduced or canceled during the period of the award if the recipient: renders himself/herself ineligible for intercollegiate competition; fraudulently misrepresents any information on an application, letter of intent or financial aid agreement; engages in serious misconduct warranting substantial disciplinary penalty; or voluntarily withdraws from a sport at any time for personal reasons.

Athletics aid must be reduced or canceled if the student-athlete signs a professional sports contract for the sport, accepts money for playing in an athletics contest, accepts money or other tangible benefits from an agent, or receives other aid that causes him/her to exceed individual limits.

Athletics aid may also be decreased or canceled during the period of the award, or decreased or not renewed after the period of the award, due to non-athletically related conditions (e.g., compliance with athletic department rules, policies and Student-Athlete Code of Conduct; departmentally approved team rules acknowledged by each student-athlete, and compliance with academic policies or standards (e.g., as outlined in the Student-Athlete Code of Conduct, which include, but are not limited to, adherence to the class attendance policy for student-athletes, attending all scheduled academic appointments with Academic Coordinator, attending study hall and/or tutorial appointments).

#### International Students

Please be aware that financial aid packages that include room and board are considered taxable income by the Internal Revenue Service. If you have questions regarding international taxes please contact the Compliance Office.

#### Charges Not Covered by Athletic Scholarship

Charges not covered by a student-athlete's athletic scholarship include but are not limited to the following:

- Vehicle registration fees, parking tickets;
- Health Insurance (unless you qualify for an exception);
- "Consumable charges" (e.g., lab fees for breakage, non-required field trips, etc.);
- Library fines;
- Fines for damage to University property, including residence halls;
- Key deposits or the cost of key replacements;
- Replacement costs for lost Student IDs, administrative fines, and late registration charges;
- Illegal housing checkouts.

#### Reporting Non-Athletics Aid

All financial aid from any source outside of the Office of Financial Assistance Services must be reported to the Compliance office and Office of Financial Assistance Services to make sure it is provided in accordance with NCAA regulations.

Every student wishing to be considered for Pell Grant MUST fill out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student aid) at the beginning of the spring semester for the upcoming academic year. Any available funds are distributed on a first-come first-served basis. You can find more information at [www.FAFSA.ed.gov](http://www.FAFSA.ed.gov). The Pell Grant is a need based financial aid award which does not have to be re-paid to the federal government.

### Student-Assistance Fund

This fund is intended to assist student-athletes in meeting financial needs that arise in conjunction with participation in intercollegiate athletics, enrollment in academic curriculum or that recognize academic achievement. SAF can be provided to students for health insurance (if you qualify for an exception), family emergencies, counseling, academic opportunities or other program enhancements.

Student-athletes who are eligible for the Pell Grant may qualify to receive assistance from SAF to help cover the costs of the University health insurance. Once you have filled out your FAFSA, and have been approved for a Pell Grant through the Financial Aid Office, contact the Sports Medicine Department to complete the SAF application for health insurance assistance. The funds are given on a first-come first-served basis.

Please contact the Compliance Office regarding any questions.

### **Summer Financial Aid**

#### Incoming Prospective Student-Athlete

The availability of athletic department summer school aid for students who have not yet attended University of Miami during the regular academic year (i.e., incoming prospective student-athletes) is for the purpose of allowing the student to gain a “head start” on his or her academic career at the University of Miami. It is a valuable experience for the student to have the opportunity to experience the academic culture of the university, while concentrating on only a few classes. The focus of this initial summer school attendance shall clearly be for the purpose of advancing academically, rather than getting a head start on athletic activities (Bylaw 15.2.8.1.4).

#### Incoming Prospective Student-Athlete - Who is Eligible to Receive Aid?

The recipient shall be admitted to the University of Miami in accordance with regular, published entrance requirements and shall have provided all final, official documentation required by both the NCAA Eligibility Center and the University of Miami’s admissions office. The student must have been determined to be a high school qualifier or academic redshirt for an incoming freshman. Students who do not meet the above requirements must be granted an exception by the Senior Associate Athletic Director for Academics and the Executive Associate Athletic Director for Compliance in order to attend summer school. For incoming transfer students, a preliminary review of records must indicate that the student should be eligible for competition for the upcoming academic year (i.e., the student appears to meet transfer requirements applicable to that individual student), unless he or she will be required to serve an academic year in residence pursuant to Bylaw 14.5.5 (four-year college transfers) (Bylaw 15.2.8).

#### Incoming Prospects - Awarding Guidelines

Students will be permitted to attend all of the summer sessions. The recipient must be enrolled in a minimum of three hours of academic course work (other than physical education activity courses) that is acceptable degree credit toward any of the University of Miami’s degree programs. Remedial, tutorial and noncredit courses may be used to satisfy the minimum three-hour requirement, provided the courses are considered by the University of

Miami to be prerequisites for specific courses acceptable for any degree program and are given the same academic weight as other courses offered by the University of Miami.

All schedule changes must be approved by the Senior Associate Athletic Director of Academics, who will notify the sport administrator and the Compliance Office. During the summer term or orientation period, the recipient shall not engage in any organized athletic practice activities (except as permitted by NCAA rules – basketball and football); and summer coursework may not be used for the purpose of completing initial-eligibility (i.e., prospects with learning disabilities) or continuing-eligibility (i.e., transfer eligibility, progress toward degree) requirements.

Students who are attending summer school will receive athletics aid in proportion to the aid to be received for the upcoming academic year (e.g., a student receiving a 25% scholarship for the academic year will receive the same for summer). Incoming freshmen may receive up to full tuition if they have a lower scholarship percentage, but it must be approved by the sport administrator and Athletic Director.

Academic responsibilities take priority over athletic activities at ALL times. No academic responsibility (e.g., orientation, class) shall be missed to engage in any athletic activities.

Should a student fail a class (or receive unsatisfactory/no credit), a mandatory meeting with the Associate Athletic Director of Academics, Director of Athletics and Head Coach will take place prior to the start of the academic year.

#### Current Student-Athletes

Current student-athletes may receive athletic aid for summer school provided the amount is not greater than the proportion of their athletic scholarship during the previous year. Summer session requests will be considered for the following reasons: eligibility concerns; graduation requirement completion; class and practice/competition conflicts; academic deficiencies; sport approved summer school (agreement with Head Coach and Athletic Director); or new freshmen and transfer enrollment. Student-athletes must contact their academic advisor to initiate the process in April prior to the summer term in which they wish to enroll. After the first day of summer school, schedule locks will be placed on the student's schedule. All schedule revisions must be approved by the Associate Athletic Director of Academics, who will notify the sport administrator and the Compliance Office. If a student-athlete is not staying in Miami for the semester or summer session (e.g., taking Distance Education courses, study abroad) only scholarship dollars for tuition, fees and books will be provided to the student. No room or board will be provided. Summer aid for non-counters must be approved by the head coach and Sport Administrator.

#### **Permanent Disability Insurance**

Permanent Disability Insurance (PDI) enables qualifying student-athletes to purchase disability insurance contracts with pre-approval financing, if necessary. This program will provide the student-athlete with the opportunity to protect against future loss of earnings as a professional athlete, due to a permanent disabling injury or sickness that may occur during their collegiate career. Student-athletes with remaining athletics eligibility in all sports, who meet the criteria outlined below are eligible for this program.

Student-athletes interested in determining their qualifying status for such a policy should put a request in writing to the Executive Associate AD for Compliance. The Compliance Office will then determine what, if any, level of coverage the student-athlete qualifies for and will pay portions of the premiums for PTD policies as outlined below.

If a student-athlete wishes to purchase a policy other than one determined as valid by the institution, they must provide any and all documents for the policy (and accompanying loans) to the Compliance Office. Third

parties, including representatives of athletic interests (boosters), cannot be involved in securing any loans involved in the purchase of such a policy. The University of Miami will not pay for Loss of Value insurance.

### Sport Specific PDI Policies

*Football:* Student-athletes are eligible for this program if they have athletics eligibility remaining and have demonstrated they have professional potential to be selected in the first two rounds of the upcoming National Football League Draft under the Exceptional Student-Athlete Disability Insurance (ESDI) Program. The University will provide a maximum of up to \$5 million in coverage for PTD/CI from the ESDI Program or by any other broker that the student-athlete would like to work with.

*Men's Basketball:* Student-athletes are eligible for this program if they have athletics eligibility remaining and have demonstrated they have professional potential to be selected in the first two rounds of the upcoming National Basketball Association Draft under the Exceptional Student-Athlete Disability Insurance (ESDI) Program. The University will provide a maximum of up to \$5 million in coverage for PTD/CI from the ESDI Program or by any other broker that the student-athlete would like to work with.

*Baseball:* Student-athletes are eligible for this program if they have athletics eligibility remaining and have demonstrated they have professional potential to be selected in the first two rounds of the upcoming Major League Baseball Draft under the Exceptional Student-Athlete Disability Insurance (ESDI) Program or by the MLB itself. The University will provide a maximum of up to \$5 million in coverage for PTD/CI from the ESDI Program or by any other broker that the student-athlete would like to work with.

*Women's Basketball:* Student-athletes are eligible for this program if they have athletics eligibility remaining and have demonstrated they have professional potential to be selected in the first two rounds of the upcoming Women's National Basketball Association Draft under the Exceptional Student-Athlete Disability Insurance (ESDI) Program. The University will provide a maximum of up to \$5 million in coverage for PTD/CI from the ESDI Program or by any other broker that the student-athlete would like to work with.

*All Other Sports:* student-athletes are eligible for this program if they have athletics eligibility remaining and have demonstrated a strong likelihood of a professional career in their sport under the Exceptional Student-Athlete Disability Insurance (ESDI) Program. The University will provide payment for half of the premium from the ESDI up to \$15,000 that can be used by the student-athlete for coverage by the NCAA ESDI or by any other broker that the student-athlete would like to work with.

### Critical Illness Policy

Critical Illness coverage is insurance that provides payments based upon specific injuries suffered during an intercollegiate season that results in contests missed.

Insurance underwriters will first determine an athlete's eligibility based on their draft position. The critical illness policies will count towards the \$5M worth of coverage that the institution will potentially provide.

# DRUG TESTING POLICY

## **Philosophy**

The University of Miami and the Athletic Department are committed to maintaining a safe and healthy environment where students can develop socially and academically to their fullest potential. Drug use poses a risk of direct harm to the user and harm to others resulting from impaired judgement. As part of our commitment to your well-being, the Athletic Department coordinates a drug testing program for all student-athletes. If you have any substantial questions please contact the Athletic Training Facility or the Compliance Office. While the information presented here in the Student-Athlete Handbook is important and covers much information related to the Department's Drug Testing Policy, it does not serve as the complete Drug Testing Policy. That Policy is held with Compliance and Athletic Training.

## **Substance Abuse**

The Athletic Department strongly believes that non-therapeutic drugs and alcohol can negatively affect both your academic and athletic performance, as well as your physical and mental well-being. Therefore, we have instituted a comprehensive program of drug education, testing, counseling, and rehabilitation.

It is not the intent of the program to interfere with your right to privacy, but rather to aid and educate you concerning the problems and dangers associated with drug abuse. Additionally, this program is designed to prevent unauthorized drug use and to identify any student-athlete using drugs. Lastly, the program is intended to answer any questions you may have concerning the usage of drugs.

Our comprehensive drug testing program was developed with the intent that random screening provides each student-athlete with a reason to say no to drug use. In addition to maintaining its own comprehensive program, the Department strictly upholds and enforces NCAA regulations regarding substance abuse.

Under University procedures for drug testing, there are immediate progressive disciplinary and rehabilitative actions taken if you are found abusing drugs. In addition to University testing, the NCAA conducts its own drug tests. If you are found to be using drugs under an NCAA test, the NCAA rules for discipline will apply in addition to University policy. Be aware that many over-the-counter products may have an NCAA banned drug in their make-up. It is imperative that you report any usage of any products or medicine (including prescriptions) to the University of Miami athletic trainers.

## **Testing Frequency**

Drug screening shall be conducted at any time at the sole discretion of the Athletic Director (or his designee) and/or MRO and may be subject to change without prior notice. At a minimum, drug screening will be scheduled under the following circumstances:

- Student-athletes will be scheduled for urine testing a minimum of two (2) times a year and a maximum once a semester. If a student-athlete has exhausted his/her eligibility, he/she will be removed from the random testing group. Student-athletes who are medical non-counters will be removed from the testing group.

The University of Miami may test for the following categories of drugs

1. Amphetamines
2. Barbiturates
3. Cocaine
4. Opiate and synthetic opiates (Morphine, Codeine, Demerol, Heroin, etc.)



5. Natural and manufactured hallucinogens
6. Drug analogs (designer drugs)
7. Anabolic Steroids and Masking Agents
8. Narcotics
9. Cannabinoids/Marijuana

### **Positive Test Results**

*Marijuana:* There are no game suspensions for positive marijuana drug tests.

#### *Drugs Other Than Marijuana*

First positive: 10% competition withholding;

Second positive: 20% competition withholding;

Third positive: removal from team and cancellation of athletic scholarship.

- Any student-athlete who is found to have attempted to alter or provide a fake urine sample will have that result treated as a positive test result for a drug other than marijuana.

- A multi-sport student-athlete will be withheld from the specified number of competitive games or dates of competition in either sport in which the student-athlete participates. If the number of competitions remaining in the current season is insufficient for the student to serve the entire suspension, the balance of the suspension will carry over to be served at the beginning of the student-athlete's following season.

-An unexcused missed test is considered a positive test.

### **Testing the Collected Sample**

The initial test shall use an immunoassay, which meets the requirements of the FDA for commercial distribution. The following initial cutoff levels shall be used when screening specimens to determine whether they are negative for all drugs or classes of drugs:

| Classes of Drugs           | Initial test level (ng/mL)                                |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Cocaine metabolites.....   | 300* (25 ng/mL if immunoassay specific for free morphine) |
| Opiate metabolites.....    | 25                                                        |
| Phencyclidine.....         | 500 {                                                     |
| Amphetamines.....          | 500 {                                                     |
| Ephedrine.....             | 300 {                                                     |
| Phenylprolamine (PPA)..... | 300                                                       |
| Phenylephrine .....        |                                                           |

Note: initial cutoff levels for other classes of drugs will be determined by the MRO & the laboratory during contract negotiations (subject to review by the Drug Testing Policy Committee).

#### *Confirmatory Test*

All specimens identified as positive on the initial test shall be confirmed for the class(es) of drugs screened positive on the initial test using gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) at the cutoff values listed in this paragraph. All confirmations shall be by quantitative analysis. Concentrations which exceed the linear region of the standard curve shall be documented in the laboratory record as "exceeds the linear range of the test."

| Classes of Drugs            | Confirmatory Test Level (ng/mL) |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Cocaine metabolites* .....  | 20 {                            |
| Opiates:                    | 300                             |
| Morphine.....               | 300                             |
| Codeine.....                | 25                              |
| Phencyclidine.....          |                                 |
| Amphetamines:               | 150 {                           |
| Amphetamine.....            | 500                             |
| Methamphetamine** .....     | 10,000 {                        |
| Ephedrine.....              | 10,000 {                        |
| Phenylpropramine (PPA)..... | 10,000 {                        |
| Phenylephrine .....         |                                 |
| marijuana metabolites       | 150                             |

\*Benzoylcegonine

\*\*Specimen must also contain amphetamine at a concentration greater than/equal to 200 ng/mL

*Procedures Implemented for Student-Athletes:*

- All testing will take place in the Hall of Fame building which is adjacent to the Knight Sports Center.
- Testing may begin as early as 6:00 AM for all student-athletes.
- All student-athletes must bring a form of identification with them (i.e., Cane Card, driver's license).
- The site collector will present the student-athlete with documentation and the student-athlete will sign the chain of custody form.
- The student-athlete will be given a specimen cup by the site collector. The student-athlete must give a urine sample with the site collector in full view of the procedure.
- After giving the sample the student-athlete will hand it to the site collector where it will be temperature tested and sealed.
- No student-athlete will be allowed to leave the drug testing area until they produce a urine sample.

- Any student-athlete who does not show up on time or whom fails to give a urine sample will be subject to a positive test.
- Should a student-athlete have their urine Sample A test positive for a banned substance, and wish to have their Sample B of urine tested, there is a 30 day window to request the testing. Should the sample test positive, the student-athlete will have to pay the amount necessary for the re-testing.

### **Effects of a Positive Test**

Once the MRO has determined that a urine test is to be reported as positive, he/she will notify the Athletic director or his/her designee in writing the names of the student-athletes who have tested positive in violation of the Policy and the date that the urine sample was collected. This information will be transported in a manner that ensures the confidentiality of all findings. Upon receiving a positive test notification, in consultation with the MRO, the athletic director's designee in conjunction with the Associate AD for Compliance will determine if the reported positive test, is a first, second or third positive test result so that proper procedures may be implemented. Once a determination is made as to whether this is the student-athlete's first, second, third or fourth positive test result, the head coach(es) for the sport(s) the student participates in will be notified and informed of the positive test penalty.

The Athletic Director, Senior Associate Athletic Director for Performance, Health and Wellness, Head Athletic Trainer, and sport administrator for the student-athlete's sport(s) will also receive the notification of the positive test and mandatory penalties. The Athletic Director has the discretion to provide the positive test information to other individuals with a compelling need to receive the positive test result information.

#### *Positive Test:*

The Athletic Director designee will contact the MRO and have the MRO schedule the student-athlete for an assessment interview. The assessment agency will evaluate the student-athlete and make a recommendation for drug treatment specifying the modality and length of treatment. If the assessment indicates no treatment is required, the MRO will review the recommendation and if he/she concurs, the student-athlete will not be required to attend treatment. If a recommendation is made for the student-athlete to attend treatment the MRO will review the recommendation and if he/she concurs, the MRO will have the student-athlete sign a release form, approved by the Committee and the University's legal counsel, which authorizes the treatment program to release to the MRO the student-athlete's attendance to treatment, results of urine testing, compliance with treatment, and general progress while in treatment. The MRO will in all cases make the final determination as to the modality of treatment and length of time a student-athlete must participate in treatment. As the student-athlete progress in treatment, the MRO may change the modality of treatment the student-athlete must participate in or he/she may adjust the length of time (to a longer or shorter period) a student-athlete must participate in treatment.

If the assessment program, treatment program, or MRO identifies a problem which severely threatens the student-athlete's physical or mental well-being, the MRO, with appropriate representation from the Athletic Department and with consultation from the University's legal counsel, may contact the student-athlete's parents (or legal guardian(s)) to obtain assistance in arranging proper care for the student-athlete which will minimize the potential of harm to the student-athlete and enhance the student-athlete's chances for rehabilitation. In the event the student-athlete refuses to sign the release of information described in the Policy, does not attend treatment, attends but does not participate in treatment, does not progress in treatment, does not follow the treatment protocols developed for him/her by the treatment program, and/or the student-athlete does not maintain a proper academic standing, then the MRO will bring the student in front of the Committee for disciplinary action. Disciplinary action may include, but is not limited to, suspension from future participation in a specified number of contests, suspension from future athletic participation and revocation of athletic scholarship, or other disciplinary action as deemed appropriate. The MRO has final review and determination of all penalties and consequences established as part of the Drug Testing Policy.

Penalties for positive test results are noted above and are described in greater detail as part of the Drug Testing Policy.

Student-athletes who are medically unable to participate in a specific contest(s) may not use that contest(s) to satisfy their drug testing penalty. A student-athlete who is injured to the point where they are declared medically unable to participate for the remainder of a championship segment is not considered to have 'served' their drug testing penalty by simply not participating due to injury. It is expected that competition penalties will be served by offending student-athletes in the following year's championship segment unless the following criteria are met:

1. Athletic Training staff have documented that the injury/illness was to the level of being considered season-ending in the offending year;
2. The documented on-set of the injury occurred with enough remaining competitions in that season to satisfy the drug testing penalty based upon the positive test; and
3. Prior to the start of the next academic year's season, the student-athlete does not fail another drug test while a part of the accelerated program for a period of 6 months.

Determination or interpretation of penalties is at the discretion of the MRO. If there is a challenge by the student-athlete, the Committee, after reviewing all relevant information and interviewing relevant individuals as appropriate, can make a final determination as to what, if any, disciplinary action shall take place. Any challenges by the student-athlete must be made in writing to the Senior Associate Athletic of Performance, Health and Wellness. Only the student-athlete can request a review. Parents and/or legal representatives may be copied on such requests at the discretion of the student-athlete. A challenge can only be heard by the Committee when requested in writing by the offending student-athlete. If there is disagreement as to what discipline should take place, the outcome of a simple majority vote of a quorum (equaling one half of the committee plus one) of the Committee shall become the required disciplinary action. Upon receipt of the disciplinary action determination, the student-athlete has 72 hours to appeal the determination in writing to the University President (after 72 hours all rights to appeal are lost).

- If the recommended discipline requires loss of playing time, or suspension from future athletic participation, then the student-athlete will not participate in regular competitive play while the appeal is being considered. The University President's determination of what, if any, discipline should take place is final.
- A positive NCAA test result will result in a positive test result for the University of Miami. The NCAA requirements for addressing positive test results will apply in addition to the requirements of the University's Policy.

Third Positive (all drugs other than marijuana): Upon verification of a third positive test result, it is assumed that the student-athlete has a severe problem which must be addressed and resolved. After proper notifications are made, the student-athlete will immediately be suspended from all athletic participation. The assumption is that the

student-athlete will be deemed permanently ineligible, however, the specific circumstances of the situation will be reviewed by the MRO, the athletics director and the athletics director's designee to determine appropriate next steps. In addition, all athletic scholarships pertaining to this individual may be revoked, as soon as possible after the reporting of the third positive test result, as determined by the Athletic Director and the University's legal counsel.

**Application of Loss of Competition Sanction:** If a student-athlete is to miss competitive playing time as part of a withholding penalty per the Policy, then he/she shall miss the next competitive event in which he/she is to represent the University of Miami and in which he/she is eligible as determined by the University, as well as by NCAA rules. Once a student-athlete has been clean for 365 days from their last positive test, the penalties for positive drug test will reset.

### *Positive NCAA Drug Test*

Prior to an NCAA championship competition, or at any other time, the NCAA may require urine testing. Student-athletes will be scheduled for urine testing as required by the NCAA. NCAA testing will be conducted in addition to any other testing scheduled under the Drug Testing Policy. Any student-athlete selected for an NCAA test will have that test count towards the required tests per this Policy in a given semester. The NCAA Policies and Procedures for urine testing and any sanctions for positive test results will apply for all NCAA scheduled drug tests. In addition to NCAA sanctions for a positive test result, the University of Miami sanctions as described in the Drug Testing Policy will also apply for a confirmed positive test result identified by the NCAA. More on the NCAA Drug Testing Policy can be found below.

### **Rehabilitation**

The University of Miami recognizes that addiction is a disease characterized by relapse, and that anyone who remains drug free for one year has put forth considerable effort in his/her own recovery and is in remission. Consequently, any student-athlete who does not have a declared positive test by the MRO for 365 days since the last determined positive test result will eliminate one positive test result.

### **Information and Self-Referral**

The University of Miami Department of Athletics, as part of the Policy, encourages student-athletes to inform themselves about drugs so that they can avoid drug involvement and seek help should they have a problem. A policy with consequences, such as this Policy, may be viewed by student-athletes as an impediment to seeking help and may result in greater harm to the student-athlete if he/she does not seek treatment early to avoid the consequences. In order to open communications between student-athletes and the Athletics Department, in this Policy, student-athletes are given unrestricted access to the head athletic trainer and the MRO in order to answer any and all questions. In addition, if a student-athlete presents him/herself to the head athletic trainer or MRO as having a drug problem on a one time basis, he/she may receive an assessment and/or drug treatment and not have it count as a positive test result, subject to the following restrictions:

- The head athletic trainer or MRO must be approached prior to the athlete being notified that they are scheduled for a urine test.
- The waving of the positive test result is subject to review of the MRO. The MRO, to encourage student-athletes to seek treatment when the need exists, will automatically approve the waiver of the positive test result, except where the MRO's review reveals compelling evidence that the student-athlete is applying

this option solely with the intent of avoiding consequences and manipulate the Policy, not with the intent of truly seeking help for a recognized problem. In determining whether or not to grant the waiver, the MRO's professional judgment will suffice and is not subject to review.

### **Confidentiality Statement**

The University of Miami recognizes the confidential nature of information received in the administration of the Policy and will make every effort to maintain the confidentiality of such information.

### **NCAA Drug Testing Policy**

The NCAA bans the following drug classes:

1. Stimulants
2. Anabolic Agents
3. Alcohol and beta blockers (banned for rifle only)
4. Diuretics and masking agents
5. Narcotics
6. Peptide hormones, growth factors, related substances and mimetics
7. Hormone and metabolic modulators.
8. Beta-2 agonists.

There is no complete list of banned substances! Any substance chemically/pharmacologically related to the classes listed above and with no current approval by any governmental regulatory health authority for human therapeutic use (e.g., drugs under pre-clinical or clinical development or discontinued designer drugs, substances approved only for veterinary use) is also banned. The institution and the student-athlete shall be held accountable for all drugs within the banned-drug class regardless of whether they have been specifically identified. Examples of substances under each class can be found on the NCAA's website.

The NCAA restricts the following substances/methods:

1. Blood and gene doping
2. Local anesthetics (permitted under some conditions)
3. Manipulation of urine samples
4. Beta-2 antagonists (permitted only by inhalation with prescription)
5. Tampering of urine samples.

For more information on NCAA Drug Testing, including penalties, please also see NCAA Bylaws 18.4 in the NCAA Division I Manual (which can be downloaded for free from the NCAA website).

# Canes Connect: Office of Student-Athlete Development

**The Office of Student Athlete Development** at the University of Miami is committed to the personal and professional development of our student athlete population. We support the student-athletes by focusing on: **Personal Enhancement, Community Outreach, Leadership Development, and Career Competence Development.** These components make up our comprehensive programming under *Canes Connect*.

## Programming Overview

### PERSONAL ENHANCEMENT

#### Hurricane 101 Session

We conduct a student-athlete orientation for all freshmen and new transfer student-athletes during the fall, spring & summer semesters. The topics include the following: *Campus Resources, Dean of Students Office, Mental Health Resources, Sexual Misconduct Education, and Drug & Alcohol Awareness.* We provide additional workshops to all student-athletes as needed or requested throughout the year.

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

George W. Carver Elementary School, CARE Elementary School, Miami Mission Shelter, South Miami Community Center, Clean Miami Beach, Miami-Dade Animal Shelter and Holtz Children Hospital are a sample of the many organizations we partner with to provide support and community engagement. Our student-athletes also support many University of Miami campus initiatives.

### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

#### Hurricane Leadership Academy

This Leadership Development program focuses on accountability, self-awareness and personal growth, as well as collective and individual leadership. Student-athletes will discover their own leadership skills and styles, in addition to recognizing when and how to use them. Participants are nominated by their coach and remain in the program for a one-year period.

#### HER (Honor.Empower.Rise) Women's Leadership Academy

HER was created in 2022 to develop and guide our women student-athletes in their leadership journey. This one-year program consists of high-level programming and mentorship designed to enhance leadership capabilities. Participants are selected through self-nomination and coach recommendation.

#### Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)

SAAC is our student-athlete leadership organization. SAAC assists with our community outreach and planning of our educational and developmental programming. The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee's mission...*To serve as a liaison between all student-athletes and administration, to better enhance the student athlete overall experience, and to unite the University of Miami athletic family.*

#### Affinity Groups

Miami Athletics supports two student-athlete affinity groups. Athlete Ally is a group for those who identify as or are allies for the LGBTQIA+ community. Black Student Athlete Alliance is committed to supporting the

issues and challenges of the Black community. These groups are both student-led and all activities and events are programmed by the student-athletes.

### **CAREER COMPETENCE**

We collaborate with the University of Miami's Toppel Career Center to provide professional leadership and career development for our student-athlete population, in addition to our own department programming. Toppel conducts many workshops and presentations during the year, which are available to all students at the University of Miami. We also provide customized programs for our student-athletes regarding career development: networking, resume building, professional attire, interview skills, career panels and career fairs.

## **Sports Psychology**

The goal of the Sports Psychology service is to help athletes improve performance, facilitate injury recovery, overcome mental barriers and improve emotional health by using mental training and psychological skills.

Our department offers two main types services: Sports Psychology and Mental Health Counseling.

### **Sports Psychology**

This service is designed to help athletes with the mental side of their performance. Learning skills such as visualization, mindfulness, mental toughness training, concentration training, building self-confidence, and self-talks are just some of the mental skills athletes can learn. Some of the most common reasons athletes use the sports psychology services are performing well in practice but not in competition, anxiety and nervousness before games, low self-confidence, poor concentration or focus, low motivation, and making technical corrections.

### **Mental Health**

This service is designed to help student-athletes with their emotional wellness and psychological well-being. Some of the concerns that are addressed in the mental health service include: difficulty adjusting to college, relationship concerns, stress (especially with the demands of being a student-athlete), anxiety, depression, ADHD, eating disorders, substance misuse, and any other concerns that are impacting your life.

### **Confidentiality**

All meetings with the sports psychologist are confidential. Information is only shared if you give your written permission.

### **Making an Appointment:**

You can make an appointment directly with Dr. Eric Goldstein, the sports psychologist, by calling him at 305-284-9859 (office) or 305-519-8876 (mobile – you may text him at this number as well). You can also send him an email at [eric.goldstein@miami.edu](mailto:eric.goldstein@miami.edu).

Please also use your athletic trainer as a resource to help schedule an appointment.

### **Other Resources:**

In addition to the Sports Psychology Services within athletics, there are a number of other resources available to student-athletes both on and off campus. If you or someone you know or encounter is experiencing a mental health emergency that may result in imminent danger, call 911 immediately. Other resources that may be



helpful include:

- The University Counseling Center: 305-284-5511 (if it is after hours, press the after hours option)
- University of Miami Police Department
  - 305-284-6666 (emergency)
  - 305-284-3152 (non-emergency)
- Suicide Hotline: 1-800-273-8255
- SART Hotline (for sexual assault): 305-798-6666
- Crisis Text Line: text CONNECT to 741741

## Sports Nutrition Services

The Sports Nutrition Department at the University of Miami uses nutrition as a tool to enhance performance on the field and improve quality of life off the field. We are dedicated to supporting the nutritional needs of our student-athletes by providing them high-quality products to rebuild, rehydrate, replenish, and revitalize pre- and post-training. The Sports Nutrition team cultivates healthy dietary habits, for impactful and sustainable performance results, tailored to each student-athlete and team.

### **Your Responsibility With Supplements**

The NCAA compliance rule on nutritional supplements states: An institution may provide permissible nutritional supplements to a student-athlete for the purpose of providing additional calories and electrolytes. Permissible nutritional supplements do not contain any NCAA banned substances and are identified according to the following classes: carbohydrate/electrolyte drinks, energy bars, carbohydrate boosters, protein supplements, omega-3 fatty acids, and vitamins and minerals. (NCAA Bylaw 16.5.2.7)

Impermissible supplements cannot be provided by the athletic department, but are allowed for the student-athlete to purchase on their own, as they may not lead to a failed drug test. Inquiries on the usage of impermissible supplements should be directly communicated to a member of the healthcare team prior to consumption.

Supplements are not regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) like food is. However, the FDA does not strictly regulate the supplement industry. Therefore, purity and safety of nutritional/dietary supplements cannot be guaranteed. In order to help ensure supplement safety and quality, there are third-party companies that are often used to test supplements. Three of the preferred companies that provide quality assurance are the NSF for Sport, Informed Sport (nutritional supplements), and USP (vitamin and mineral supplements).

### **University of Miami Sports Nutrition Supplement Approval Process**

All supplements should be vetted by the dietician or athletic trainer prior to consumption by the student-athlete. In order for a supplement to be “approved” it must meet BOTH these standards:

1. The NCAA and Drug Free Sport AXIS and/or Aegis Shield must provide a report of zero banned substances on the ingredient list

2. The product has also been third party tested by NSF for Sport OR Informed Sport OR USP approved for vitamins and minerals.

### **NCAA Supplement Categories**

The following is a list of nutritional supplements/ingredients as developed by the NCAA Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports Committee.

*Permissible* (can be provided to student-athletes by athletic department):

- Calorie replacement drinks
- Carbohydrate/electrolyte replacement drinks
- Energy bars
- Omega-3 fatty acids
- Protein supplements (e.g., protein powder)
- Vitamins and minerals

*Impermissible* (cannot be provided to student-athletes by athletic department):

- Chrysin; CLA (conjugated Linoleic Acid); Creatine/creatine-containing compounds; Garcinia cambogia (hydroxycitric acid); Ginkgo biloba; Ginseng; Glucosamine; Glycerol; Green Tea; HMB; Carnitine; Melatonin; MSM (Methylsulfonyl methane); Tribulus; Yohimbe; Amino Acids (including amino acid chelates); and Chondroitin.

It is permissible to use some substances for medical purposes provided they are prescribed by a licensed medical doctor to treat a specific, diagnosed condition (as opposed to prescribing them for preventive reasons).

*Banned:* substances banned for use by student-athletes

### **Key Takeaways**

- Impure supplements may lead to a positive NCAA drug test.
- Student-athletes have tested positive and lost their eligibility due to using dietary supplements.
- Many dietary supplements are contaminated with banned drugs not listed on the label.
- The use of supplements is at the student-athlete's own risk.
- It is the responsibility of the student-athlete to notify your assigned athletic trainer of all medications, vitamins, supplements and prescriptions you are currently taking to ensure health and safety, and to ensure things are not on the NCAA banned drug list.

### **Contact for Drug Free Sport:**

[www.drugfreesport.com/rec](http://www.drugfreesport.com/rec)

Organization: NCAA I      Password: ncaa1

# Athletic Performance

Your physical well-being is essential to your success. The Athletic Department is committed to helping you reach and maintain optimum health. If you have any questions regarding programs designed to assist you with issues of wellness and physical performance, you can contact the Athletic Training Facility, Weight Room, or Equipment Room directly.

## **Hours of Operation:**

Due to varying sports schedules, the athletic training facility will be open to accommodate the needs of all student-athletes. Consult with your athletic trainer on the times that they will be in the athletic training facility for daily treatments, pre-practice/game preparation, and post-practice/game care.

## **Emergencies**

911 is the emergency phone number.

University of Miami Hospital Emergency Room Address: 1400 Northwest 12<sup>th</sup> Ave, Miami

## **Conditioning and Training**

Your coaches and strength coaches will put together a conditioning program tailored to your specific needs. Strength coaches supervise the program which is carried out in the Weight Room. All rules set by the weight room and athletic training staff must be followed at all times.

## **Equipment Room Rules**

Athletic equipment is available from the equipment room. The equipment room is also available for equipment exchanges and repairs. You are only allowed in the equipment room for these activities, and are held responsible for standard and special equipment issued to you. Student-athletes are not allowed in the equipment room unless permission is given.

- All equipment is property of the Athletic Department and is subject to the department's issuance and retrieval policies.
- You may not sell any of your equipment.
- Failure to return equipment that has been issued to you will result in you reimbursing the University.
- Equipment should be worn only in conjunction with practice or competition.
- All issued equipment is to be returned at the completion of the season or academic year.
- Workout items, such as shorts, t-shirts, etc., can be retained for summer workouts and conditioning.
- Official issued Adidas gear must be worn at any time you are representing the University of Miami in any official capacity (practice, games, travel, media appearances, etc.) unless otherwise specified (e.g., business attire).

## **Athletic Training Room Policies & Procedures:**

The athletic training facility is centrally located in the athletics complex. In the facility, student-athletes are evaluated for injury/illness, are provided treatment, rehabilitation and may also be referred to medical staff for athletically-related injuries. The following is a general summary of policies pertaining to this area:

1. It is your responsibility as a student-athlete to report all injuries and illnesses to your athletic trainer in a timely manner.
2. You are required to follow all prescribed treatment and rehabilitation programs assigned to you by any member of the medical staff (athletic trainer, team physician, medical specialist, and physical therapist).
3. You must shower prior to receiving treatment. Do not enter whirlpools or use treatment tables without doing so.
4. No food or drinks in the athletic training facility unless authorized for medical reasons by an athletic trainer.
5. No shoes are allowed on the treatment tables at any time.
6. Do not remove any items from the athletic training facility unless told to do so by an athletic trainer.
7. Student-athletes are prohibited from using the athletic training facility phones, computers, or copying machines per NCAA guidelines.
8. Student-athletes are prohibited from using electronic equipment in the athletic training facility unless they have permission from an athletic trainer.
9. Receiving pre-practice or routine daily treatment in the athletic training facility is not a reason to miss classes or team activities. It is also not a reason to be late to class or team activities. Being taped before the start of practice or games is also not a reason to be late. Come for treatments or taping early enough to prevent any issues.
10. The athletic training facility is a medical facility and will be operated as such. If you do not have a medical need warranting your presence in the athletic training facility, you may be asked to leave. You will not be allowed to "hang out" if you are not receiving medical care.

#### Reporting for Treatment & Rehabilitation

If you are injured, it is your responsibility to report for treatment at the designated time. It is required that you receive no fewer than two treatments per day. You are required to attend all practices and team meetings unless otherwise directed by your head coach. No rehabilitation programs will begin after 5:00 PM. **PLEASE BE ON TIME!**

#### Emergency Treatment

If the Athletic Training Facility is closed and emergency treatment is required, you should report to University of Miami Hospital Emergency Room. If you have no transportation, or the emergency is too severe to be transported in a car, the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) must be activated. Call 911 from either a cell phone or campus phone to reach EMS. Contact your athletic trainer as soon as possible to inform them of the situation. When EMS arrives, you need to request to be taken to the University of Miami Hospital Emergency Room. If the situation is life threatening the EMS will transport to the nearest medical facility.

#### Medical Care

It is your responsibility as a varsity student-athlete to report all injuries or illnesses that might interfere with your ability to attend classes, practice, or compete to an athletic trainer in a timely manner.

*Medical Referral:* in some cases you may be referred by an athletic trainer to one of the University's team physicians, medical specialists, or the Student Health Center. In all cases you will need to receive a written

referral form from your athletic trainer to give to the physician's office or Student Health Center. The Department of Athletics will not assume any financial responsibility for medical treatment obtained without the written referral.

*Walk-On Student-Athletes:* First time walk-ons must present a physical exam that has been completed within the six (6) months and includes an EKG, labs and sickle cell test prior to trying out for your team. You must also see your athletic trainer for the proper forms to be completed.

### **Prescription Medications**

You must report any medications you are taking to your athletic trainer. This applies to prescription medication and over the counter (OTC) medication. Some prescriptions contain substances banned by the NCAA and the University of Miami drug testing programs. Never take any prescription medication that has not been prescribed to you and approved by the University of Miami athletic training or sports medicine staff.

In the event that your injury or illness requires prescription medication, you can obtain it one of three ways:

1. Your athletic trainer will give you a prescription form identifying you as a student-athlete. This form will also take care of any co-pays or balances left once your insurance has been billed for any prescriptions needed. Without this form, you will end up paying out of pocket for prescriptions.
2. You may obtain your prescription by going to the Walgreens Pharmacy located at the University of Miami Lennar Center at 5555 Ponce de Leon Blvd, Suite 186, Coral Gables, FL 33146, or at the Walgreens Pharmacy at 6701 SW 56<sup>th</sup> St., Miami, FL 33155. This location can be used until 9 PM. After 9 PM, prescriptions must be filled at the Walgreens Pharmacy located at 5731 Bird Rd, Miami, FL 33155. Your athletic trainer will advise you as to which pharmacy has the medication(s).
3. A student-athlete who returns to school and is awarded a fifth year of athletics aid, but has no athletic eligibility remaining, will be responsible for his/her own medical expenses for any injury/illness that might occur while attending the University of Miami. The only exception to this would be if the student-athlete were injured while working during an athletics event that was part of his/her responsibilities for fulfillment of his/her scholarship obligation.
4. Student-athletes who are rehabilitating injuries that are continuing injuries sustained from direct intercollegiate competition/practice while in their fifth year (without eligibility) will qualify for therapeutic medications only.

*Prescription and OTC Medication Distribution:* In order for student-athletes to pick up their prescription medication from Walgreens they must have a Medication Form filled out and signed by the athletic training staff and present a picture ID to the Walgreens pharmacist.

*ADHS/ADD Medication:* All student-athletes that are currently prescribed ADHD/ADD medication must have required documentation from a medical clinician accepted by the team physician, supporting the medical need for ADHD/ADD medication. The documentation must include the following:

- Diagnosis
- Medication and dosage
- Blood pressure and pulse readings, plus comments
- Follow-up orders

- Date of clinical evaluation
- Written report summarizing comprehensive clinical evaluation

The evaluation should include individual and family history, address and any indication of mood disorders, substance abuse and previous history of ADHD/ADD treatment and incorporate the DSM (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual) criteria to diagnose ADHD/ADD. Supporting documentation, such as completed ADHD rating scale scores must also be attached.

*Eye Exams & Contact Lenses:* NCAA guidelines only allow the University of Miami to provide eye lenses (contacts or glasses) to allow the student-athlete improved eyesight for competition. The University of Miami is not allowed to provide financial assistance in the procurement of eye lenses for reading or classroom use only. If necessary, an appointment with the eye specialist will be set up by your athletic trainer.

### **Guidelines for the Pregnant Student-Athlete**

In the interest of maintaining the good health of women participating in athletics, the Athletic Department makes the following recommendations in the event of pregnancy:

1. That a student-athlete who suspects she is pregnant has this verified as soon as possible by a physician of her choice. She should avoid all medications and x-rays until she is certain that she is not pregnant.
2. That continued participation in athletic activities during pregnancy will be determined by the student-athlete's physician.
3. That the student-athlete's active participation, particularly in contact sports, will be discontinued after the first trimester (at the end of three months of pregnancy) or as recommended by her physician.
4. That the student-athlete notify her coach, athletic trainer and/or team physician of the pregnancy as early as possible.
5. Student-athletes with pregnancies that do not reach full-term should not return to participating in athletics until such participation is approved by her physician.

### **Insurance Coverage and Procedures**

All students who enroll at the University of Miami are required to carry some form of health insurance. Every student must provide proof of insurance to the Health Service Office in order for the insurance fee to be waived on the account. A waiver may be completed online by the end of July to waive the Health Insurance charge for the upcoming year. Proof of outside insurance must be shown each year. If this waiver form is not completed, your student account will be charged for health insurance. Please contact your athletic trainer for assistance.

The University of Miami, along with your personal insurance plan, assumes responsibility for the payment of all athletically related medical expenses incurred as a result of your participation in intercollegiate athletics, as defined by the NCAA. Note that appendicitis is a non-athletically related illness. An insurance carrier and the University cannot accept the responsibility or expense for a preexisting injury. Coverage provided by the Department is in compliance with the guidelines issued by the NCAA. Departmental insurance covers the difference between the total cost of the approved medical treatment and the benefits paid by you or your parents' personal medical insurance coverage. Students who choose to have services provided by physicians other than the team physicians will be responsible for payment of those expenses on their own. You must fill

out and submit a University of Miami Insurance Questionnaire annually. All insurance claims should be submitted to the insurance coordinator.

If you are on your parents' health insurance and there is a lapse in coverage, or you are dropped from coverage, you must notify the University of Miami immediately.

### **Second Opinion Physician Visits Policies and Procedures:**

The Department of Athletics can provide payment for a second opinion physician visit if the visit is approved by the Medical Director or a Team Physician. Any visit to an outside physician that is not approved by the Medical Director or Senior Associate AD for Athletic Training will not be covered.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that a second opinion is available to student-athletes when the need is determined by the Medical Director or Team Physician.

If a student-athlete wants to see another physician for a second opinion related to an injury/illness, they must be granted permission to do so by the Medical Director or Senior Associate AD for Athletic Training. Once approval for the second opinion is granted, the Athletic Trainer will assist in setting up the appointment. The Athletic Trainer will ensure that the Senior Associate AD for Athletic Training and the Insurance Coordinator are notified of the appointment so that coverage of expenses can be coordinated. Financial responsibility for any procedures deemed necessary by the second opinion physician will be the responsibility of the student-athlete unless approval is granted by the Medical Director. This includes but is not limited to: diagnostic testing, surgery, and labs.

## Concussion Policy

### **Concussion Policy:**

The NCAA has created guidelines stating the course of action to be followed in the event of a sports-related concussion (SRC) to student-athletes. Treatment of SRC will follow these guidelines and include additional steps put in place by the UHealth Sports Medicine Concussion Team. Student-athletes will receive concussion education materials and sign an injury reporting acknowledgement stating their understanding of the responsibility they have to inform the athletic training staff of concussion signs or symptoms. Each coaching staff member will sign an injury reporting acknowledgement form and receive concussion education materials. Return to activity following concussion will follow the steps outlined in the University of Miami Department of Athletics Concussion Guidelines.

### **Purpose:**

To allow safe return to play for any student-athlete who has experienced concussion signs or symptoms.

To follow the NCAA's guidelines for safe management and return to activity following concussion-related episodes.

### **Guidelines:**

1. Baseline Testing and Concussion Education
  - a. The University of Miami Department of Athletics (UM) will follow the NCAA guidelines with

regard to concussion and concussion management of student-athletes.

2. NCAA Guideline Treatment Protocol That Will Be Followed

- a. The NCAA Safeguards Committee reaffirms its recommendation from December 2009 that a student-athlete exhibiting an injury that involves significant symptoms, long duration of symptoms or difficulty with memory function should not be allowed to return to play during the same day of competition and expands upon it by stating a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion should not return to activity for the remainder of the day. Student-athletes that sustain a concussion outside of their sport should be managed in the same manner as those sustained during sport activity. The student-athlete should be monitored for recurrence of symptoms both from physical exertion and also mental exertion, such as reading, phone texting, computer games, working on a computer, classroom work, or taking a test.
- b. Healthcare professionals should assume a concussion when unsure and waiting for final diagnosis. When in doubt, sit the student-athlete out. Institutions should ensure healthcare professionals attain continuing education on concussion evaluation and management annually. Structured and documented education of student-athletes and coaches is also recommended to improve the success of the recognition and referral components of a consistent concussion management program.

3. UM Concussion Treatment and Return to Play Guidelines

- a. Concussions and other brain injuries can be serious and potentially life-threatening injuries in sports. Research indicates that these injuries can also have serious consequences later in life if not managed properly. In an effort to combat this injury the following concussion management guidelines will be used for student-athletes suspected of sustaining a concussion.
- b. Return to Play Guidelines: In order to be considered for return to play, the student-athlete must follow the outlined guidelines by the physician for management of his/her injury.
  - i. Be within normal baseline limits on all post-exertion assessments as determined by the team physicians; AND
  - ii. Be cleared for participation by the University of Miami Team Physician and/or his/her designee.

Assumption of Risk

Participation as a student-athlete in athletically related activities involves a risk of injury that is understood and assumed by the student-athlete and for which the University has NO legal obligation.

The University will provide access to Athletic Training facilities and/or sports medicine staff for the treatment of student-athletes for athletically related injuries (i.e., injuries sustained while participating in athletics events as a student-athlete for the University) for up to two (2) years after exit physicals are completed.

This policy covers only those specific medical conditions identified on the exit interview form and/or confirmed by the exit physical or other acceptable medical documentation. After the two-year period any treatment for any medical condition is the responsibility of the student-athlete and the athlete will not have access to the Athletic Training Facilities or sports medicine staff for any purpose whatsoever unless specifically authorized by the University's Director of Athletic Training.

Professional Waiver and Release

Any student-athlete that signs with a professional organization or participates in athletic activities as a



professional will be solely responsible for any medical treatment for any medical condition. Such action shall constitute a waiver of the student-athlete's ability to receive any medical treatment as of the date of signing, regardless of the medical condition or the manner in which it was incurred.

#### Notification of Schedule

The exit interview process will be conducted as needed, but at least twice a year (early December and late April/early May). Notifications will be done via email, flyers, and team meetings. Where applicable all student-athletes will complete the necessary forms in the presence of their trainer.

#### Exit Interview Procedure

The University of Miami Department of Intercollegiate Athletics will offer exit interviews/physicals for all student-athletes upon loss or completion of eligibility, or dismissal or inability to continue to participate as a student-athlete at the University. The purpose of exit interviews and physicals is to provide continuity of care, striving for excellence in medical care for our outgoing student-athletes for injuries they sustained while participating in athletics activities as student-athletes at the University.

## University of Miami Resources/Policies

### **Title IX and Equal Opportunity/Non-Discrimination**

Beyond the resources available within the Athletic department, the University offers a variety of resources designed to assist you throughout your time at UM.

#### Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook

The University of Miami Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook provides information on University regulations, policies and procedures. As a student of the University of Miami, you are responsible for everything included in this Handbook. Topics addressed include, but are not limited to:

- FERPA
- The Honor Code – Undergraduate and Graduate
- University Policies and Procedures
- Anti-hazing Policy
- Sexual Battery Incidents
- Sexual Harassment Policy
- Discipline System, Procedures and Sanctions

*Disciplinary policies and procedures can be found in the Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook, available at [www.miami.edu/SRR](http://www.miami.edu/SRR).*

#### Equal Opportunity/Non-Discrimination

It is the policy of the University of Miami that no person in the University may be excluded from participation

in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination or harassment under any educational or employment program or activity on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, national origin, age, disability, marital status, familial status, or other prohibited classification. This includes all forms of sexual harassment, sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. Retaliatory actions against any person who has, in good faith, reported a potential violation, or participated in a subsequent investigation, is also prohibited.

With limited exception, any University employee who receives a sexual misconduct complaint involving a member of the University community shall promptly report the complaint to the Title IX Coordinator. Confidential Resources (those who are not required to report the complaint) are listed in the Policy.

Reports of Sexual Misconduct (sexual harassment, sexual assault, sexual battery, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking) or Sex- or Gender-Based Discrimination will be addressed in accordance with the University's Sexual Misconduct and Sex- or Gender-Based Discrimination Policy.

### **Title IX and Sexual Misconduct Policy**

The University of Miami seeks to maintain a safe learning, living, and working environment free from all types of sex-based and gender-based discrimination; as such, sexual misconduct by any member of the UM community. If you or someone you know has experienced sexual misconduct, we are here to help! To learn more about sexual misconduct at UM, including options and resources available to those who experience misconduct, visit [www.miami.edu/titleix](http://www.miami.edu/titleix) or call UM's 24-hour Sexual Assault Resource Team (SART) at 305-798-6666. For student-specific sexual misconduct policies and procedures, you may also review the Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook at [www.miami.edu/SRR](http://www.miami.edu/SRR).

#### **Title IX Office**

The University's Title IX Office works to prevent, stop, and address sexual misconduct across all university campuses and for all community members. You may reach the Title IX Office by calling 305-284-8624 or emailing [titleixcoordinator@miami.edu](mailto:titleixcoordinator@miami.edu).

*Title IX Coordinator:* Maria Sevilla

In addition, the University has designated Area Deputy Title IX Coordinators to assist specific members of the University community within their role or campus location. A current list of Deputy Title IX Coordinators is posted at [www.miami.edu/titleix](http://www.miami.edu/titleix) under Title IX Coordinators. Title IX Liaisons help provide sexual misconduct resources to the University community and help develop and implement sexual misconduct prevention and awareness programs. The list of Title IX Liaisons is posted at [www.miami.edu/titleix](http://www.miami.edu/titleix) under Title IX Liaisons.

**Rachelle Paul, Deputy Athletic Director, serves as the Department of Athletics Title IX Liaison. You may contact her at [rapaul@miami.edu](mailto:rapaul@miami.edu).**

#### **Sexual Misconduct Disclosure**

All incoming, current and transfer college athletes must disclose annually to their school whether their conduct as resulted in an investigation, discipline through a Title IX proceeding or a criminal conviction for sexual, interpersonal or other acts of violence. A failure by the athlete to accurately and fully disclose investigatory activity, a disciplinary action or criminal conviction may result in penalties, including a loss of athletics eligibility as determined by the school.

### Supportive Measures

Supportive Measures are administrative actions that can be taken to help you feel safe on campus. Examples include mutual no contact orders, facility access restrictions, and changes in housing, class, or employment arrangements to minimize interaction between individuals. To inquire about Supportive Measures, call the Title IX Office at 305-284-8624 or email [titleixcoordinator@miami.edu](mailto:titleixcoordinator@miami.edu).

### Reporting Options

You may report sexual misconduct to the police, University, or both (recommended). Information on reporting can be found by going to the following link: <https://titleix.miami.edu/file-complaint/index.html>. There are anonymous and confidential reporting options. Filing a report does not mean that formal disciplinary action will be automatically taken; it is up to the reported to decide if and how to participate in the University's investigative process.

### Seeking Medical Attention

Seeking timely medical attention can be extremely important. In case of emergency, call 911.

If non-emergency:

Roxcy-Bolton Rape Treatment Center – 305-585-7273

University Health Services – 305-284-9100

### Confidential Resources

Confidential Resources are those who are not required to report the full details of the complaint to the Title IX Coordinator. They are limited to:

Sexual Assault Resource Team (SART) – 305-798-6666

Counseling Professionals – 305-284-5511

University Health Services – 305-284-9100

Campus Clergy – [miami.edu/religiouslife](http://miami.edu/religiouslife)

## **Housing and Residential Life**

### On-Campus Housing

1. Scholarship student-athletes can be placed into the athletics housing block based upon amount of housing scholarship received. Each residence hall has a well-trained staff, which includes a full-time housing director and student resident assistants. They will provide any support you might need. The residential colleges allow you to enjoy the intimate atmosphere of a small college while having the advantage of the extensive facilities and faculty of a major research university.
2. There is a \$500 fee associated with canceling a previously submitted housing application. *You are responsible for paying this fee and any other additional housing charges (e.g., improper checkout, late checkout, cleaning fees, etc.).*
3. Student-athletes living in the athletic house-block may not submit roommate or housing requests to the Compliance Office. All on-campus housing requests for student-athletes living within the athletic house-block must go through the student-athlete's head coach, who is then responsible for submitting requests to the Compliance Office.

### Pre-Season Housing Expectations

In the event that pre-season training requires your team to return to campus early, your coach will notify you, and will make all necessary arrangements for housing and food. During pre-season training, you will be provided on campus housing provided you are living on-campus for the academic year. Students who are not living on-campus for the academic year should plan to not live on-campus during the pre-season practice period.

You are subject to the same rules and regulations as the rest of the student body. You are expected to conduct yourself in a responsible manner in the residence halls. You will be held accountable for any property damage that results from your negligence or abuse. The earliest a student may report for pre-season practice is the day prior to the start of practice. Student-athletes that arrive in the vicinity of the institution earlier than this will be responsible for providing their own housing accommodations.

### University Village Requirements

To apply and sign-up for UV apartments, students must have 45 or more completed academic credits. In order to move into the UV, students must have 60 or more completed academic credits or have completed 4 academic semesters at the University and be achieving satisfactory academic progress as defined by the University Bulletin.

### Rules of Residence Hall Living

The Department of Housing & Residential Life Policies 2024-25 can be found [here](#). The Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook can be found [here](#).

Student-athletes, like all students, are responsible for understanding these policies and must abide by them. These policies are enforced and serious offenses may result in immediate dismissal from the residence hall. A summary of a few rules are listed below:

1. The minimum drinking age in Florida is 21. If you are 21 or older, you may drink alcoholic beverages in accordance with University policies. Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed in hallways, lobbies, elevators or other public areas.
2. There are no firearms permitted in the dorms.
3. No pets or animals, other than fish, are permitted in the residence halls.
4. You may add curtains, bedspreads, rugs, wall hangings, posters, carpet or lamps. You may not, however, paint, hang flags, parachutes, fishnets or the like from ceilings as these are fire hazards.
5. Residents may pre-order a loft at [www.bedloft.com](http://www.bedloft.com) and have the loft delivered to their room and assembled before move-in. lofts may also be rented on-site during move-in, however, quantities will be limited.
6. Refrigerators are permitted in your room if they meet University specifications.
7. You may store your bicycle in your room or in the bike racks provided outside of the residential areas. You are not permitted to store your bicycle in hallways, balconies, or stairwells.
8. If the General Fire Alarm sounds, all students are required to leave the building regardless of the time of day. Failure to evacuate may result in disciplinary action.

### Off-Campus Housing

During the first meeting with the Compliance Office, you will be required to provide information regarding your off-campus housing. Students receiving a stipend check for off campus housing must provide a lease to the compliance office before receiving your stipend check.

For more information on the University of Miami Housing and Residential Life, click [here](#).

### **University Dining**

All undergraduate students living in any of the residential colleges during the fall and/or spring semesters are required to purchase a residential meal plan. A meal plan must be purchased each semester of occupancy. Students who do not select a meal plan upon enrollment in housing will automatically be signed up for the Unlimited Meal Plan. First year/Freshmen residents must choose between the Unlimited, 19/Week, or 14/Week meal plans. Meal plan availability during the application process is based on student current class status. More information can be found [here](#). Student-athletes, whether on- or off-campus, who have a meal plan/meal allowance covered as part of an athletics scholarship must confirm with their specific coaching staff members on which meal plan they would like to choose.

#### **Residential Dining Halls**

Centennial Dining Hall

Mahoney-Pearson Dining Hall

Dining Facilities are open almost continuously from 7:00 AM to 9:30 PM. You have a choice of meal plans, and you can use your meal card in more than one location. In addition to the full meal service, you have the convenience of the campus food court located in the University Center.

#### **Rules Applying to Meal Plans**

1. Cane Cards must be presented at each meal.
2. Food and beverages should not be taken out of the dining facility, unless a take-out box is requested upon entering.
3. You are responsible for taking your tray and trash to the busing area.
4. You are not allowed to give food to people not authorized to eat in the dining facility.
5. Chewing tobacco and other tobacco products are not permitted in any of the dining halls.
6. Proper clothing must be worn when eating at the dining facility.

#### **Lakeside Village Meal Plan Requirement**

Lakeside Village Suite residents are required to minimally purchase \$250 Dining Dollar plan. Lakeside Village apartment residents may choose from any of our meal plan options. If a Lakeside Village Suite resident selects a Commuter Block Plan option in the fall, they will automatically be enrolled in the same plan in the spring.

First year/Freshmen students residing in Lakeside Village, regardless of room type, must choose between the Unlimited, 19/Week, or 14/Week meal plans. Students may select a Meal Plan at the time of the housing selection process; however, a change in housing assignment may result in a change to their Meal Plan requirement.

Dining Dollar plans are available in \$250, \$500, \$750, and \$1,000 increments. Dining Dollar only plans are nonrefundable. Balances roll over from the fall semester to the spring semester but are forfeited at the end of the spring semester.

### Commuter/University Village Apartment Options

Commuter and UV students may choose from any meal plan options. If you would like to sign up or make a change to your plan, email [diningservices@miami.edu](mailto:diningservices@miami.edu). You will need to provide your name, student number, and meal plan choice.

### Types of Meal Plans

There are 4 different types of meal memberships you can choose from: Unlimited plans, Weekly Plans, Block Plans, or Dining Dollar Plans. Each type of membership varies in what it has to offer.

*Unlimited Meal Plans:* unlimited meal swipes as long as there are 15 minutes between each transaction. 10 guest swipes per semester.

*Weekly Meal Plans:* Limited to 5 swipes per day with at least 15 minutes between each transaction. Meals reset at the end of Late Night Dining Sunday night. Unused meals do not carry over from week to week. 10 guest swipes per semester.

*Block Meal Plans:* valid the entire academic year. Unused meals from fall semester roll over to spring semester. All block meal plans expire at the end of the spring semester. 10 block refresh option available. Only 4 refresh plans can be purchased in the same semester the original plan was purchased. 2 guest swipes per meal plan.

*Dining Dollar Meal Plans:* Dining Dollars can be used at any campus dining location. Dining Dollars are not accepted at Food Trucks or the Farmer's Market.

### Meal Plans & Athletic Scholarships

#### Scholarship Student-Athletes Living On-Campus

If you are utilizing University dormitory housing, and your athletic scholarship includes board, you must sign a meal contract. Contracts may be for 5 day all access or 7 day all access meal plans. If you live in UV, you may decide whether to add a block meal plan. Block plans offer a set number (125, 50, or 15) of meals that may be consumed throughout the semester.

#### Scholarship Student-Athletes Living Off-Campus

In compliance with NCAA regulations, if your athletic scholarship includes board and you generally eat off campus, you will receive a stipend based upon the cost of meals on campus.

#### Miscellaneous Topics Related to Meal Plans

- There are no summer meal plans. Student-athletes who have their meal plans paid for during the summer will be provided a meal stipend that they can use to purchase dining dollars.
- If you are married, you receive the same amount given to any other student-athlete living on campus.
- Special arrangements can be made for conflicts with regularly scheduled board hours within University guidelines for late/early meals. Special arrangements can also be made for pre-game meals.

### **Ombudspersons & University Troubleshooters**

Ombudspersons, originally referred to as ombudsman, have been around for quite some time, mostly existing in government systems to support leadership. The Oxford English Dictionary (2017) defines an ombudsperson as "a person who handles complaints, a mediator, a spokesperson for the rights of a particular individual or group."

At the University of Miami, an Ombudsperson serves you, as a student, to help you resolve your concern whether that be about your academic, extracurricular, or social life. We are here to listen to you, whether you

are sure about your next step or not, and to help connect you to a way to resolve your concern.

Ombudspersons help you identify a concern, understand policy, answer questions, and provide guidance. Below are some examples of academic and administrative issues in which you may want additional guidance.

Academic:

- Grade appeal
- Incomplete grade in a course
- Difficulty in transferring between schools and colleges at the University
- Withdrawal from a course

Administrative:

- Financial registration
- Individual health concerns
- Payment of your student account or disbursement issues
- Transcripts access or error
- Policy/Procedure (e.g., parking, housing, dining)
- Withdrawal from the University

### What's the Process?

Do not feel as though you must navigate the University system on your own. If you have a question or concern, seek out the assistance of a University Troubleshooter or an Ombudsperson. Each case can present its own unique challenges. However, most follow this similar procedure:

1. Submit Case ([here](#))
  - a. Submitting a case is the best way to meet with the Advocacy Coordinator or an Ombudsperson.
2. First Contact to Student within 2 Business Days
3. Initial meeting to discuss issue
4. Connects student with appropriate Troubleshooter(s) or discuss resolution.

For more information, please visit the University's Ombudsperson website [here](#). The list of University Ombudspersons, Academic Troubleshooters, and Administrative Troubleshooters (and their contact information) can be found by visiting this [link](#).