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Smith Center is closed due to renovations. The **ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES** and **2ND FLOOR RESTROOMS** are the only accessible areas from now until August 31st.

GW Earns NCAA Athletics Certification

The George Washington University has been fully certified by the NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification.

The University is one of 35 Division I member institutions that have completed the Association's second cycle of athletics certification.

"This certification demonstrates our commitment to the principles of integrity, equity and academic excellence," GW Director of Athletic Jack Kvancz said. "I am proud that GW has earned this recognition by the NCAA and the campus community."

As a Division I member of the

NCAA, the GW Athletics Department went through its second cycle of the Athletics Certification Program during the 2007-2008 academic year ending with a peer visit in September 2008. In doing so, the University conducted a self-study of the athletics program which included an assessment of the progress it has made since its first-cycle self-study in 1997-1998.

The second round of athletics certifications is completed by the NCAA on a 10-year cycle, and all 326 active Division I members participate in the certification process. The second-cycle self-study allowed the University community to examine the Ath-

letics Department's operations in the areas of governance and commitment to rules compliance, academic integrity, and equity and student-athlete well-being. This examination ensured, as confirmed by the Committee's certified status, that the University is in full compliance with all NCAA requirements and policies.

The purpose of athletics certification is to ensure integrity in the institution's athletics program and to assist institutions in improving their athletics departments. NCAA legislation mandating athletics certification was adopted in 1993.

GW HAS FOUR PROGRAMS HONORED BY NCAA

The NCAA released the Division I Academic Progress Rate (APR) public recognition awards, and GW has four teams being honored this year: men's soccer, women's rowing, softball and men's swimming & diving. This is men's soccer and women's rowing second public recognition award as they were recognized last year along with women's volleyball.

"I want to congratulate these student-athletes for this outstanding academic achievement," GW Direc-

tor of Athletics Jack Kvancz said. "These four teams, along with all 22 of our varsity programs, continue to achieve success both in the classroom and on the athletic fields, and this is a testament to the educational mission of the University."

The NCAA is honoring a total of 767 Division I sports teams that earned multi-year APR scores in the top 10 percent of all squads in their respective sports. The most recent APR scores are multi-year rates based on the scores from the

2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 academic years. The public recognition awards are part of the overall Division I academic reform effort.

The APR provides a real-time look at a team's academic success each semester by tracking the academic progress of each student-athlete. The APR includes eligibility, retention, and graduation in the calculation and provides a clear picture of the academic culture in each sport.

Summer Participation - Leagues & Teams



Sport	Max # of GW SAs Per Outside Team
Baseball, Softball	4
#Basketball, * Volleyball	2
Lacrosse, * Soccer	5
Cross Country, Golf, Gymnastics, Rowing, Squash, Swimming, Tennis and * Water Polo	No Limit



Please remember competition on an outside team **may only occur during the summer months** outside of GW's declared playing and practice seasons. Participation during any other part of the academic year will render you ineligible for the remainder of that academic year and the following academic year.

#Competition may only occur between June 15th and August 31st and only in NCAA approved summer leagues. You must limit your participation to **one team in one league.** League play must be held within **100 air miles of GW or your official residence.**

*All competition may begin on May 1, 2009.

Student-Athlete Page

Academic Dates to Reminder:

4/29
Last Day of Spring 2009 Classes (Designated Monday)

5/1
Reading Day

5/4
Senior Honors Luncheon
Noon—2 pm

5/4—5/12
Final Exam Period, Spring 2009*

5/17
Commencement

5/18—6/27
Summer Session I

7/6—8/15
Summer Session II

Good luck on exams and congratulations to all of our soon to be graduates.



Summer Vacation Reminders for In-Season Sports

With summer vacation fast approaching, here are some reminders as it relates to practice and travel for those teams that are in season (baseball and rowing, etc.).

✓ Daily and weekly hour limitations do not apply to countable athletically related activities

once summer break begins. This means a coach can require as many hours a day or week as s/he would like.

✓ Daily and weekly hour limitations apply to all countable activities during final exams (May 4th – 12th).

✓ May 13th summer break

begins and the start date occurs during part of a week in which exams are in session. This means the team is subject to the daily and weekly hour limitations during the portion of the week when exams are in session. Therefore you must be given a day off during the week exams are in session.

Student-Athlete Advisory Council Representatives and Athlete Mentors Named for 2009-2010

The Athlete Mentor Program (AMP) and the Student-Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC) have been chosen for 2009-2010. Congratulations to them all!

Athlete Mentors



Name	Year	Sport
Ivy Abiona	Sr.	W. Basketball
Nick Archambault	Sr.	M. Water Polo
Madelyn Babgy	Sr.	Volleyball
Curtis Batts	Sr.	M. Rowing
Zach Borenstein	Jr.	M. X-Country
Mia Breheny	Sr.	Lacrosse
Kara Clauss	So.	Softball
Jacqui Corba	So.	W. Tennis
Stephanie DeFlora	Sr.	W. Rowing
Will Doar	Sr.	M. Soccer
Laura Dominiak	Sr.	Lacrosse
Amanda Gabriel	Sr.	Softball
Cynthia Gamboa	Jr.	W. Soccer
Max Greenblum	Sr.	M. Rowing
Kelsey Honeyford	Sr.	Lacrosse
Dan Kane	So.	M. X-Country
MacKenzie Knox	So	Volleyball
Andrew Maguire	Jr.	M. Swimming
Bridget Mahon	Jr.	W. Soccer
Allison Miedema	Sr.	W. Rowing
Noelle Miesfeld	Jr.	W. Swimming
Sara Mostafa	So.	W. Basketball
Allison Peotter	So.	W. Water Polo
Emily Perling	So.	Lacrosse
Charlotte Schou	Jr.	W. Water Polo
Kristen Slack	Jr.	W. Soccer
Meaghan Smith	Jr.	W. X-Country
Hannah Stuart	Jr.	Volleyball
Tara Sullivan	Sr.	W. Water Polo
Abby Syverson	Sr.	Volleyball
Peter Thomas	Jr.	M. Water Polo

SAAC Representatives



SPORT	NAME
Baseball	Brendan Kelliher Eric Cantrell
Men's Basketball	Tony Taylor Aaron Ware
Men's Cross Country	Dan Cartica Dan Kane Zach Borenstein
Golf	Max Hamm Cole Turner
Men's Rowing	Curtis Batts Max Greenblum
Men's Soccer	Luke Wildy
Men's Squash	Michael Bower Brett Feldman
Men's Swimming	Dan Krizan Andrew Maguire
Men's Tennis	Erik Hannah Arya Vayghan
Men's Water Polo	Cray Thomas Peter Thomas
Women's Basketball	Ivy Abiona Taina Myers Sara Mostafa
Women's Cross Country	Jessica Stern Megan Hogan
Gymnastics	Lindsay Tom Megan Quinn
Lacrosse	Lauren Mobyed Kelsey Honeyford
Women's Rowing	MacKenzie Hovermale Stephanie De Flora
Women's Soccer	Janine Rotsides Liz Hillin Bridget Mahon
Softball	Amanda Holst Kara Clauss
Women's Squash	Mallory Ward TT Pasanen
Women's Swimming	Emily Leik Katrina Timlin Noelle Miesfeld
Women's Tennis	Jennifer Hirsh Michele Style
Volleyball	Leah Hill Abby Syverson
Women's Water Polo	Tara Sullivan Emily Chereson

Professional Tryouts and the Draft

For those with eligibility remaining you may want to "test the waters" as it relates to your pursuit of a potential professional career in your sport. Involvement in activities during this process can affect your eligibility. The following information is designed to help you protect your eligibility if you "test the waters."

Seven Points to Remember:

You will lose your eligibility IF:

1. You agree orally or in writing to be represented by an agent or any individual acting on behalf of the agent [e.g., runner].
2. You accept any benefits from an agent, a prospective agent or any individual acting on behalf of the agent [e.g., runner].
3. If you participate in a tryout with a professional team that lasts longer than 48 hours, which you have not personally financed.
4. If you tryout with a professional team and miss class e.g., summer school.
5. If you enter the draft AND do not take the appropriate steps to withdraw and declare your intention to resume intercollegiate participation.
6. If you enter the draft AND are drafted by a professional team.
7. If you sign a contract with a professional team, whether that team is based in the United States or internationally.



Reminder that the NCAA conducts summer drug testing. Below are important facts to remember:

- ◆ All student-athletes are eligible to be tested at any time.
- ◆ You may be tested more than once during the summer and the regular school year.

Summer Drug Testing Reminders!

- ◆ The Summer Drug Testing Coordinator is Chris Hennelly.
- ◆ If you are selected to be tested, you will be **notified in person or by telephone.**
- ◆ Testing for on campus student-athletes and/or in the immediate vicinity will take place at the **Smith Center.**
- ◆ If you are not present on campus for

testing, the NCAA drug-testing collector will contact you to schedule the test at a time and place agreeable to both parties.

- ◆ If you refuse to sign the notification or signature form, fail to provide a sample, or attempt to alter the integrity or validity of the urine specimen and/or collection process, your sample will be treated as if there was a **positive result for a banned substance.**

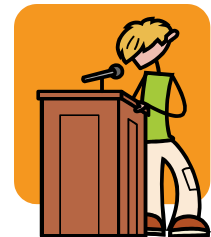
Interaction with Prospects during Summer

Another academic year is almost over. As you return home for summer vacation you may have contact with prospective student-athletes. Please remember the following:

- ✓ You may **NOT** provide any material assistance (e.g., place to stay, rides, meals, etc.) to any prospect, even if the prospect has signed a National Letter of Intent to attend GW. These student-athletes are all considered to be prospects by the NCAA until the first day of fall classes in 2008-2009 or the first day of fall practice for 2008, whichever comes first.
- ✓ You may be invited by your high school coach or a program planner for a local organization to speak to a group. You may

do so, talking about your experiences as a member of GW Athletics. However, please be aware of the following:

- You may **NOT** make a recruiting "pitch" for the University or your program.
- You may **NOT** talk one-on-one with any student, who is in grades 9-12, other than casual civil conversation which does not involve recruitment.
- You may **NOT** comment publicly about any prospect that the University is recruiting.



Teaching Lessons at Home?



You may receive compensation for teaching or coaching sport skills or techniques in your sport on a fee-for-lesson basis, provided:

- GW obtains and keeps on file documentation of the recipient of the lesson(s) and the fee for the lesson(s) provided during any time of the year.
- You have the payee complete the **Fee-for-Lesson Instruction Payment Confirmation Sheet** which is located on the GW website at <http://gwsports.cstv.com/school-bio/compliance-current-student-athlete.html>
- GW facilities **are not** used.
- You do not advertise your lessons using your name, picture, or appearance.

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To our graduating student-athletes:

Congratulations!
Today is your day.
You're off to Great Places!
Your off and away!



And will you succeed?
Yes! You will, indeed!
(98 and 3/4 percent guaranteed.)


KID, YOU'LL MOVE MOUNTAINS!

So...
be your name Buxbaum or Bixby or Bray
or Mordecai Ali Van Allen O'Shea,
you're off to Great Places!
Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting.
So...get on your way!

-- Dr. Seuss, (1904-1991) (*Oh! The Places You'll Go*)

Will you be Eligible for fall 2009?

All student-athletes must have earned at least six credits toward their degree during the spring 2009 semester, be enrolled full time for fall 2009 and meet the following for their academic year:

<p>Sophomore (entering 3rd semester)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earned at least 24 credit hours during 08-09 academic year with at least 18 earned during fall 08 and spring 09 semesters combined. • Have 90% of minimum cumulative GPA for graduation.
<p>Junior (entering 5th semester)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earned at least 18 credit hours toward your declared major during fall 08 and spring 09 semesters combined. • Declared a major with an identified concentration (if applicable). • Have 95% of minimum cumulative GPA for graduation. • Have 40% of degree completed.
<p>Senior (entering 7th semester)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earned at least 18 credit hours toward your declared major during fall 08 and spring 09 semesters combined. • Declared a major with an identified concentration (if applicable). • Have 100% of minimum cumulative GPA for graduation. • Have 60% of degree completed.
<p>5th Year Senior (entering 9th semester)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earned at least 18 credit hours toward your declared major during fall 08 and spring 09 semesters combined. • Declared a major with an identified concentration (if applicable). • Have 100% of minimum cumulative GPA for graduation. • Have 80% of degree completed.
<p>Graduate Students</p> 	<p>Those entering graduate school for the first time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attained an undergraduate degree. • Accepted in a graduate program as a full time degree seeking student. <p>Those continuing graduate school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be in good academic standing based on the standards of the program.

Recruiting Calendars

Baseball

May 1st—May 31st

(Contact/Evaluation Period)

Men's Basketball

May 1st—May 20th

(Quiet Period)

May 21st—May 30th

(Dead Period*)

*May 27th—May 31st

May attend NBA Pre-Draft Camp

(Evaluation)

May 31st

(Quiet Period)

Women's Basketball

May 1st—May 31st

(Quiet Period)

Cross Country

May 1st—May 31st

(Contact/Evaluation Period)

Women's Lacrosse

May 1st—May 21st

(Contact/Evaluation Period)

May 22nd—May 24th

(Dead Period*)

*Evaluation may occur at 1 event conducted within 100 miles of Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship site and on a day in which NO championship competition is conducted.

May 25th—May 31st

(Contact/Evaluation Period)

Softball

May 1st—May 25th

(Contact/Evaluation Period)

May 26th—June 4th (noon)

(Dead Period)

Volleyball

May 1st—May 21st

(Quiet Period)

May 22nd—May 31st

(Contact/Evaluation Period)

All Other Sports

May 1st—May 31st

(Contact/Evaluation Period)

Don't Forget!

Mother's Day is
May 10, 2009!

Do something
nice for Mom!



This is the last issue of the Colonials Compliance Newsletter for the 2008-2009 academic year. Have a fun and safe Summer Vacation! See you next fall!!