

LONG BEACH STATE UNIVERSITY
INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

Degree Completion Program

The Intercollegiate Athletic Department is committed to assisting student-athletes in achieving a bachelor's degree. The department has established a Degree Completion Program which provides student-athletes with an opportunity for financial assistance after completing their eligibility. Awards will be equal to the cost of in-state tuition and fees. Any additional financial assistance will be determined by the Director of Athletics and the Head Coach and funded by the appropriate sports budget. The number of awards will vary from year to year depending on the availability of funds.

All former students-athletes in the Degree Completion Program will be assigned an internship in the Athletics Department with the number of hours to be determined by the amount of the grant (75 hours per semester for up to 6 units or 150 hours per semester if more than 6 units funded). In addition to the internship, participation in the Senior Excellence program (7 sessions) is required. The hours of the excellence program will count towards your internship hours.

The Degree Completion Program is designed for student-athletes who have exhausted their eligibility and are in their fifth or sixth consecutive year of full-time undergraduate collegiate enrollment. (Per Bylaw 15.01.5.(c) a student-athlete may receive athletic aid five of the six years from the initial date of full-time collegiate enrollment).

QUALIFICATIONS

In order to be eligible for consideration for the Degree Completion Program, the student-athlete must:

1. Have or will file a Request to Graduate when appropriate;
2. Be within one year (30 units) of completing the requirements for a bachelor's degree;
3. Have exhausted eligibility within five years of the initial date of full-time enrollment and not received more than four years of athletic financial aid;
4. Have a 2.0 LBSU cumulative GPA and not be on University academic probation;
5. Have completed 18 units toward satisfactory progress during the final year of eligibility, including summer school;
6. Enroll in at least 12 degree applicable units but not more than 18 degree applicable units each semester of the award unless in your final semester;
7. Have competed two (2) years at LBSU
8. Have no eligibility remaining in his/her major sport and will not be competing in a second intercollegiate sport.

9. Received endorsement from head coach to be included in the Degree completion program with APR implications.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Submit a Degree Completion Program application to the Associate Athletics Director for Compliance and Student Services with **(1) your academic plan signed by your BAC advisor, (2) one letter of recommendation from a coach or BAC advisor, (3) a personal statement how this program can help you.**

Application deadline is **February 15** for fall semester and **September 15** for spring semester.

Your application will be reviewed by the Athletic Academic Committee. Applications recommended by the committee will be forwarded to the Director of Athletics for final approval.

Notification of approval or denial will be made during the month of May for fall semester and during the month of November for the spring semester.

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Degree Completion Program Student Athlete Application

Name: _____		Student ID # _____	
Address: _____		Sport: Select Sport	
City: _____		State: _____ Zip _____	
Telephone #: _____		Email: _____	
Are you a transfer Student Athlete? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Institution you transferred from: _____			
		LBSU Sport	Other Institution Sport
Number of Years on Athletic aid at:		Select Sport	
Number of Years of Participation at:		Select Sport	
Have you filed for graduation: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, why? _____			
Expected term of graduation: _____			
Have you signed or are you under contract with a professional sports organization or agent?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
I agree to serve as an intern for the Athletic Department (75 hours if 6 units or less or 150 hours if greater than 6 units).			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
I agree to attend the Senior Excellence Program during the semester			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Based on your career goals what area of the athletic department would you like to work: Check all areas you are interested in:			
Marketing & Promotions	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sports Information	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Event Management	<input type="checkbox"/>
		CHAMPS Life skills	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Compliance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Athletic Training Room	<input type="checkbox"/>	Business Office	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Pyramid Annex	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Strength & Conditioning	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Bickerstaff Academic Center	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ticket Office	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please provide below a typed personal statement that will help the committee understand your short term goals and how the Degree Completion Program will help you meet these goals.

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Application

Name of student-athlete _____

Date _____

To be completed by your Head Coach

I recommend the above student athlete for the Degree Completion Program. I understand by recommending this student athlete for the Degree Completion Program, they will have an effect on my team's APR.

Signature of Head Coach

Date

To be completed by the Athletics Evaluation Technician

Fall completed units _____ Spring enrolled units _____

Total units for the year _____

Cumulative LBSU GPA _____ units remaining to graduate _____

Filed Request to Graduate _____ Term _____ Major _____

Signature of Athletics Evaluation Technician

Date

To be completed by the Athletic Academic Committee

Recommend _____ Non-recommend _____

Comments _____

Signature of Committee Chair

Date

To be completed by the Director of Athletics

Approved _____ Denied _____

Amount \$ _____ Semester _____

Signature of Director of Athletics

Date