



# Niner Knowledge



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## Important Dates!

- 10/10-11:** Fall Break, No Classes
- 10/21:** Last day to withdraw from all courses with a grade of "W" and receive a refund
- 11/7: Registration Begins**
- 11/22:** Last day to withdraw from all courses with a grade of "W"

## National Letter of Intent Signing Period

### All Sports Early Signing Period (Except Soccer)

Initial – November 9, 2005  
 Final – November 16, 2005

## Recurring Calendar

### Men's Basketball

October 1-5 Contact Period  
 October 6-31 Evaluation Period

### Women's Basketball

1-6 Contact Period  
 7-31 Evaluation Period

### All Other Sports

1-31 Contact and Evaluation Period

## Official Visits

Procedures for official visits:

- Transcripts and test scores turned into Academic Advising.
- Cash advance request/travel request official verification form should be given to Compliance Office preferably five days in advance.
- Prior to OV, letter from Compliance Office, graduation rates and NCAA Banned Substance should be sent. Also, student host receipt form should be signed.
- Subsequent to the official visit, complete Student-Athlete Host Expense Report, Prospective Student-Athlete Post-Visit Form (Optional) and the Student-Athlete Host Expense Report.
- Head coach will submit the Official Visit Voucher (including the above named forms) to the Director of Compliance. Once verified, these forms and the Official Visit Voucher will be sent to the Senior Associate Athletic Director for Business.

## Compliance Points

- 1. Remember:** Continue to submit weekly practice reports. All practice reports should be submitted each week. Please be sure to indicate any changes to your roster on your practice report.
- A recent NCAA Interpretation states that evaluations at multi-day events constitutes separate evaluations for each day, unless the event is conducted in a tournament format (i.e. a winner of the event is determined). Tournaments only count as one evaluation

## Revisions to the NLI Program

**Provision 2** at the time a prospect receives the NLI they must also receive an offer of athletics aid applicable for one full academic year. Term of award must be indicated by the institution *prior to* submission to the prospect, and as such, it is not permissible for an institution to leave that responsibility up to the prospect and still have a valid Letter.

**Provision 7a(2)** prospect can defer enrollment to a subsequent term without nullifying the agreement. In order for this provision to impact a student, it must first be the student's decision to defer enrollment. Second, a prospect must be eligible for admission for this provision to apply, it is not permissible for a prospect to make the decision to defer enrollment at the time the NLI is signed. Eligibility for admission at the signing institution may not be known at that time.

**Provision 18**, prospect's signature on the NLI document nullifies any other agreements (written, oral or otherwise) which would release the student from the NLI obligation. This provision disallows the use of secondary forms issued to prospects that ask them to defer admission to a subsequent term with the idea that doing so in a written statement indicates it is the prospect's decision to defer enrollment, an interpretation the Steering Committee has not agreed with as of yet.

The NLI is meant for prospects that plan to enroll at an institution during the fall term and attend for at least one academic year. It remains impermissible for a prospect to sign a valid NLI without a legitimate offer of aid for one academic year. If a student, or the institution for the student, wishes to enroll in a term other than the initial fall, it is advised that the student forego signing a NLI and simply sign the institutional financial aid agreement.

# Academic Advising

1. The Spring Schedule of Classes will be available on the web **October 18<sup>th</sup>**
2. Pre registration forms signed by on campus advisor is due by October 31<sup>st</sup>
3. Registration for Spring 2006 Classes begins **November 7<sup>th</sup>**

## DID YOU KNOW?

● When visiting a prospective student-athlete, you may bring either a recruiting brochure or media guide, but not both. Photo portfolios may not be created for use anytime during the recruiting process, but you are able to show recruits a stack of individual photos so long as it is not in bound "presentation" form. You may not mail game programs to prospects, but you may give programs to prospects on official and unofficial visits.



● Under a new rule, you may no longer send schedule cards to prospects, but you are allowed to print a copy of your schedule to send as an attachment to a letter.

● Any member of the athletic department staff, except for student office assistants and student managers, may provide transportation for a prospect and the prospect's parents between campus and the airport.

● The NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse registration fee has increased to \$50 for domestic registrants and \$75 for international registrants. The increase is primarily due to the new Amateurism Certification Clearinghouse. The amateur status of all prospects, both international and domestic, will receive increased scrutiny that has not previously taken place.

● 2006-07 recruits can now register with the Clearinghouse

● The NCAA Interpretation committee has determined pursuant to Bylaw 16.7 team entertainment is not permissible for institutions to provide game systems (XBOX, PS2) or games in locker rooms unless the institution provides them to resident life common areas. However it is permissible for SA's to bring their personal game system.

# Life Skills

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The week of October 17 – 21 is Women's Love Your Body Week.

### October 4<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday (MEN ONLY)

What's a Man to do? How Men Can Stop Domestic Violence.  
5:30pm – 7:00pm  
109 Cone Center

### October 5<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday (WOMEN ONLY)

When Push Comes Shove.  
5:00pm – 6:00pm  
268 Cone Center

### Women Only Events:

#### October 17<sup>th</sup> - Monday

Film Showing & Open-Chat: "Real Women Have Curves"  
6:00pm – 9:00pm  
McKnight Hall

#### October 19<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday

National Love Your Body Day Panel Discussion  
7:00pm – 9:00pm  
Spirit Square McGlohon Theater

#### October 20<sup>th</sup> – Thursday

"Body Image of Young Women and Girls"  
Forum  
12:30 PM – 2:00 PM  
Robinson Hall 103  
OR  
2:00 PM – 3:20 PM  
Denny 200

#### October 20<sup>th</sup> - Thursday

Embracing our Selves  
7:00 – 9:00 PM  
Spirit Square Education Room

### Other Events:

#### October 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday

Deadline for Senior to email Mark Verburg updated resumes as a word document for Senior Resume Book

#### October 24<sup>th</sup> – Monday

CRG  
6:00pm Mandatory for sophomores, optional for freshman  
7:15pm Mandatory for juniors, seniors and fifth year seniors  
McKnight Hall – Cone Center

### Important

**If there are any changes to your roster please inform Academic advising as soon as possible. Please contact the compliance office if there are changes to competition schedule or playing and practices sessions.**

**Thanks!**