



Niner Knowledge



December 2005

Important Dates!

- Dec. 7:** Last Day of Classes
- Dec. 8:** Reading Day
- Dec 9-10 & 12-16:** Final Exams
- Dec. 17:** December Commencement

Recruiting Calendar

- Men's and Women's Basketball**
 - Dec. 1-23 Contact/Evaluation Period
 - Dec. 24-26 Dead Period
 - Dec. 24-31 Contact/Eval. Period
- Baseball**
 - Dec. 1-31 Quiet Period
- Softball**
 - Dec. 1-4 Dead Period
 - Dec. 5-31 Quiet Period
- Volleyball**
 - Dec. 1-4 Contact/Evaluation Period
 - Dec. 5-13 Quiet Period
 - Dec. 14-31 Dead Period
- All Other Sports**
 - Dec. 1-31 Contact/Evaluation Period

Redistributing Aid

If a student-athlete who receives athletically related financial aid voluntarily withdraws from an institution during preseason practice; but prior to the first day of classes or the first contest (whichever comes first), institutions may redistribute the athletics aid to another student-athlete, only if the following conditions are met:

Institutions must demonstrate the following:

1. Documentation that the student-athlete who voluntarily withdrew was not "run off" from the program and was not brought to campus as part of a tryout.
2. The withdrawing student-athlete was with the institution's team for one academic year and was receiving athletically-related financial aid for the current year (i.e., a counter); and the student-athlete receiving the redistributed aid must meet the following conditions:
 - a. Must have been with the institution's team (on the squad list) for the past two academic years.
 - b. Must have never counted previously at the institution or a previous institution.

Also, scholarship upgrades are permitted between terms for non-athletic reasons. Documentation must be submitted with the upgrade request. See Bylaws 15.5.2.2, and 15.5.5.4.1 for more information.

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.
2. **In-Season Team Entertainment Over Holiday Break:**
During the holiday break period there are no practice-hour limitations for teams that are in their traditional playing season. Because of this, it may be a good time for a team to get together for entertainment purposes. As long as the reasonable entertainment destination is within 30 miles of campus, we may provide expenses but not cash for transportation and entertainment. Please contact the Compliance Office if you have further questions.
3. **Alumni Practicing with Current Teams:**
The CCACA group agreed that once-a-week and twice-a-month would not be considered occasional and that one must use common sense when trying to define occasional.
4. **Mid Year Certification:**
Certification of GPA and Credit Hours must be done within 14 business days. If grades are posted prior to the 14th business day fall grades must be used to certify. All players on the team do not have to be certified at the same time.

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Academic Honors and Awards

- Soccer's Lindsey Beam Named Third-Team *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-America
- Arroyo and Ramos were chosen to a seven-member A-10 Academic All-Conference team. That team was chosen on the basis of both academic and athletic performance.
- Atlantic 10 Cross Country Academic All-Conference Teams: Seniors Cassie Ficken and Russell Slade were joined by sophomore Ryan Jank
- Atlantic 10 academic all-conference Women's Soccer team selects: Beam, Labuda and Ormsby.
- *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District III women's soccer team, selected by CoSIDA. Sophomores Lindsey Beam and Nicole Labuda earned first-team honors. Junior Kelsie Ormsby earned second-team honors.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Student-athletes can drive a beverage cart and distribute beverages at a golf tournament hosted by the University. However, it is impermissible for student-athletes to accept tips from tournament participants because of the high potential that they may receive excess compensation as a result of being a student-athlete.
- So-called "training aids" that are worn or attached to the body (e.g., bracelets, discs, adhesive patches) that are marketed as "energy enhancers" are considered extra benefits since they are not necessary for intercollegiate participation. Therefore, they may not be provided to student-athletes free of charge. However, if the product is a medical device, it may be provided to student-athletes for the sole purpose of treating an injury or illness. For example, the NCAA has determined that a LifeWave product advertised as a hot/cold patch may be provided to student-athletes for the purpose of treating an injury or illness, but a product marketed as a way to improve stamina may not be provided.
- An athletics department staff member may not provide any financial contributions to a high school through participation in a fund-raising event. In addition, it is not permissible for the Department of Athletics to provide items (e.g., autographed ball, tickets) to any program for prospect-aged individuals to utilize to raise money for their program.

Be aware that this prohibition extends to all programs benefiting prospect-aged students, not just high school athletics programs.

- **Greeting Cards** — it is not permissible to send holiday greeting cards to prospects. The only permissible cards are plain postal service cards and institutional note cards. It is permissible to use colored ink if you want to include a holiday message inside an institutional note card.

Life Skills

Many thanks to the 90 student-athletes who donated a toy for the Toys for Tots competition. Davidson did collect more, but we did much better than last year!!!

Fall 2005 Examination Schedule

CLASS MEETING & TIME	FINAL EXAMINATION DAY & TIME
MWF 8:00 - 8:50	MON Dec 12 8:00am - 11:00am
MWF 9:00 - 9:50	WED Dec 14 8:00am - 11:00am
MWF 10:00 - 10:50	FRI Dec 16 8:00am - 11:00am
MWF 11:00 - 11:50	MON Dec 12 12:00pm - 3:00pm
MWF 12:00 - 12:50	WED Dec 14 12:00pm - 3:00pm
MWF 1:00 - 1:50	FRI Dec 16 12:00pm - 3:00pm
MWF 2:00 - 2:50	MON Dec 12 3:30pm - 6:30pm
MWF 3:00 - 3:50	WED Dec 14 3:30pm - 6:30pm
MWF 4:00 - 4:50	FRI Dec 16 3:30pm - 6:30pm
TR 8:00 - 9:20	TUES Dec 13 8:00am - 11:00am
TR 9:30 - 10:50	THUR Dec 15 8:00am - 11:00am
TR 11:00 - 12:20	TUES Dec 13 12:00pm - 3:00pm
TR 12:30 - 1:50	THUR Dec 15 12:00pm - 3:00pm
TR 2:00 - 3:20	TUES Dec 13 3:30pm - 6:30pm
TR 3:30 - 4:50	THUR Dec 15 3:30pm - 6:30pm

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 practice sessions.

Thanks!