

### **SUMMER SCHOOL AID**

NCAA & MAC regulations govern the administration of summer school aid. The ICA policy with regard to summer school access and funding allows for all student-athletes to receive the following (pending available funds):

**Returning Student-Athletes:** Tuition, required fees (General Fee & SIS fee), room, board and books for one session for a maximum of one course (2-5 credit hours) based upon the athletics scholarship equivalency the student-athlete received during the previous academic year. Additional credit hours will only be approved in order to meet progress towards degree requirements, graduation within the next academic year and/or by approval of the Director of Athletics.

**Procedure:** All returning student-athletes must complete the summer school request form in mid-February of each academic year. Forms will be made available to student-athletes via email in *The Weekly Weigh-In* and on OhioBobcats.com. Requests will be reviewed by the Summer School Aid Committee. This committee is comprised of the Senior Woman Administrator, Associate Athletic Director for Compliance and the Associate Athletic Director for the NCAA Eligibility and Student-Athlete Success Center. Student-athletes will be notified that they are approved for summer school and the amount of aid they will receive by March 31 of each academic year. Requests received after deadline will be processed only if necessary for progress toward degree requirements or graduation within the next academic year, and if funds remain available. Student-athletes who average less than 16 credits per quarter and/or have multiple failures, incompletes, withdrawals and/or multiple study hall violations may not be awarded summer school aid. *Any charges incurred as a result of enrollment in additional credits are the responsibility of the student-athlete.*

**Incoming Student-Athletes:** Tuition, required fees (General Fee & SIS fee), room, board and books for one session for 6 credit hours based upon the athletics scholarship equivalency the student-athlete is scheduled to receive for the subsequent academic year. Incoming student-athletes must meet initial eligibility and/or transfer requirements prior to starting summer school to be eligible for funding. Prospects attending summer school will be required to attend a mandatory orientation session.

**Procedure:** Coaches must complete the Incoming Student-Athlete summer school request form in March of each academic year. Requests will be reviewed by the Summer School Aid Committee. Coaches will be notified by the Committee about which prospects have been approved for summer school and the amount of aid they will receive by April 30 of each academic year. Requests received after the deadline will be processed only if funds remain available. Additionally, requests can only be approved if the incoming student-athlete has been admitted to Ohio University. *Any charges incurred as a result of enrollment in additional credits are the responsibility of the student-athlete.*

If available resources do not provide for the total funding of tuition, room, board, and books, for all student-athletes, the following objective criteria will be applied in the awarding of summer school aid:

- a. Student-athletes requiring summer school for eligibility purposes.
- b. Student-athletes who need summer school to graduate within the next academic year or to remain on track to graduate.
- c. Incoming student-athletes who are determined to be at-risk academically by the NCAA Eligibility and Student-Athlete Success Center.
- d. All remaining requests to attend on an equitable basis with any remaining funds.

Students on medical or exhausted eligibility athletics aid are not eligible for summer school aid from the general scholarship fund, unless the student will complete graduation requirements within the next academic year by attending a summer session. Student-athletes who are eligible at the conclusion of the Spring quarter may not be permitted to attend summer school if it is determined that they might jeopardize that status by taking summer school. Classes must be dropped by the deadline for receiving a 100% refund of tuition charges. Any class dropped after this date will result in charges to the student-athlete's account. Such action will constitute forfeiture of summer school aid, and these charges will become the responsibility of the student-athlete.

Failing a class in summer school may result in the forfeiture of summer scholarship aid, and all charges will become the responsibility of the student-athlete. Student-athletes must conform to the policies and procedures contained in the Ohio University Student Code of Conduct, as well as those established by the NCAA, MAC and Ohio Athletics. Failure to do so may also result in the forfeiture of summer scholarship aid.

**Summer School at Another Institution:** Per NCAA rules, Ohio Athletics may only pay for classes taken at the Athens branch of Ohio University. Courses taken at another branch of Ohio University (e.g., Lancaster, Southern, etc.) are considered courses from another institution per NCAA rules. If you need hours to meet the normal progress requirements, you may attend any university, but you must receive prior approval for those classes from your College advisor. If you are attending summer school to change your eligibility status, please remember that only classes taken at Ohio University can be used in determining your GPA. Courses transferred from other institutions do not impact your GPA.

**Gender Equity Statement:** Ohio Athletics firmly supports gender equity and this policy was drafted to support gender equity and Title IX requirements. As part of Title IX reporting requirements, the University annually submits the Equity in Athletics Disclosure report to the Department of Education. As part of this report, an unduplicated count of athletics participants is

calculated on an annual basis. Athletics participants include all individuals participating and/or receiving support in a sport during a sport season and individuals not participating but still receiving athletics aid as a result of injury. Athletics aid for the fiscal year (academic year and summer) should be substantially proportionate to the unduplicated participation count. Specific data on participation and scholarship expenditures for Ohio University can be found on the Department of Education's website at: <http://ope.ed.gov/athletics/index.aspx>. Any questions regarding Title IX and gender equity can be addressed by contacting the Ohio University Title IX Coordinator at [equity@ohio.edu](mailto:equity@ohio.edu), calling 740-593-9132 or writing/visiting 101 Crewson House, 1 Ohio University, Athens, OH 45701.