UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

STUDENT-ATHLETE
ACADEMIC PROFILE

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

• 86% of our student-athletes are in good academic standing (over 2.00 gpa)
• 14% of those student-athletes earned Dean's List honors as of Spring 2007
• The average semester gpa for all student-athletes for Spring 2007 was 2.61
• The average cumulative gpa for all student-athletes as of Spring 2007 was 2.55
• UH student-athletes passed 12.9 credit hours on average for Spring 2007
Academic Achievement

- 13 student-athletes earned a C-USA Commissioner’s Academic Medal (overall gpa of 3.75 or higher) for 2006-2007
- Ninety-four student-athletes were named to the C-USA Commissioner’s Honor Roll, for Spring 2007 (GPA 3.00 or higher)
- Two teams earned semester gpa’s of over 3.0: Soccer, Volleyball and Tennis (Spring 2007)
- Two teams have cumulative gpa’s over 3.0: Tennis and Soccer (Spring 2007)
- The football team earned its’ 2nd best ever semester gpa (2.44) and its highest-ever hours passed (12.4)

Measures of Academic Success

- Federal Graduation Rates (measures only freshmen scholarship cohorts):  
  - 45% for the entering Class of 2000; 48% 4-class average; Will be released in Fall 2007

- Graduation Success Rates: Measures scholarship freshmen and transfers into UH:  
  - 63% for the entering Class of 2000

- Exhausted Eligibility Rate: Measures scholarship athletes who exhaust eligibility at UH and graduate without time limit  
  - 70% for the classes entering 1991-2000

- Fifth-Year Seniors: have completed athletic eligibility but need additional coursework to graduate:  
  - 19 of 23 (82%) graduated in 2006-2007
APR: Academic Progress Rate

- NCAA's new measure of retention and graduation (per student-athlete, per semester).
- A score of 925 for a team is approximated to a 50% graduation rate by the NCAA.
- UH has 12 teams who meet or exceed the NCAA minimum of 925 (including Football and Baseball).

Summer 2007 Enrollment

- Approximately 175 student-athletes attended summer school at UH on some type of athletic financial aid for Summer 2007.
- Student-athletes on summer aid are required to take a minimum of 6 degree-countable hours.
- New student-athletes in Football, Women's Basketball, Men's Basketball, and Track and Field attended summer school at UH this summer prior to their first semester of full-time enrollment to get acclimated to the campus and the classroom.
- Study hall and tutoring was provided and required for all summer sessions.
ACADEMIC AWARDS & HONORS

NCAA POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS:

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POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS:

Accountability: Policies aimed at increasing academic achievement

- Student athletes who render themselves ineligible for the next season of competition will be removed from athletic scholarship until such time as they re-gain eligibility to compete
- In order to receive athletic scholarships for summer, student-athletes must: pass at least 9 credit hours; earn no more than 1 F or W; attend class; attend study halls and tutorials; return all issued textbooks; meet with academic counselor regularly
STUDENT-ATHLETE OUTREACH

- Regular outreach in the community gets student-athletes involved in volunteer service and brings positive to exposure to the University of Houston.
- Residents and families at the Star of Hope visited in June for lunch and games with UH student-athletes and staff.
- All-N-One/UH Outreach brings hundreds of disadvantaged youth to each home football game.
- Thirty-one student-athletes from various sports worked as camp counselors at area summer camps (HISD, Aldine, Alief, Katy, Baytown ISDs).
- UH athletes gave tours all summer to local youth visiting the campus.

Student-Athlete Welfare

- All student athletes become members of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) so that they have a voice to express their individual or team concerns.
- The SAAC assists contributes to the Student-Athlete Handbook, Outreach events, Student-Athlete Orientation.
- The President of SAAC meets regularly with the Student Services staff.
Student-Athlete Services

• Student-Athlete Services is staffed by one Associate Director of Athletics; five Academic Counselors and an Outreach Coordinator.

• The work of student-athlete services is also supported by the Associate Director of Athletics for Compliance and his staff.

• Approximately 20 tutors – UH students and graduate students - are employed on a part-time basis each semester as part of our tutorial program. At least 6 UH students work part-time as computer lab monitors and technicians.

SERVICES OFFERED TO UH STUDENT-ATHLETES

• PLACEMENT TESTING
• CAREER COUNSELING
• INTAKE TESTING AND EVALUATION OF LEARNING DISABILITIES
• TRAVEL LETTERS
• STUDY HALL
• STUDENT-ATHLETE HANDBOOK
• ORIENTATION PROGRAMS

• PROGRESS REPORTS
• OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES
• TUTORS – INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP
• WEEKLY MEETINGS WITH ATHLETIC COUNSELOR
• MENTORING PROGRAM
SERVICES OFFERED TO UH STUDENT-ATHLETES

- DETERMINATION OF NCAA ELIGIBILITY AND CERTIFICATION, IN COORDINATION WITH COMPLIANCE STAFF

- RECOGNITION OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AT END-OF-YEAR DINNERS AND TEAM AWARDS