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**UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON  
STUDENT-ATHLETE  
ACADEMIC PROFILE**

# Graduation Rates (Federal):

- Graduation rates for UH student-athletes have surpassed and remain higher than those of the general student population at UH.
- For the cohort entering in 1999, our estimate is a 51% graduation rate compared to approximately 40% of the UH student-population from the same cohort.

# ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

- **87% of our student-athletes are in good academic standing**
- **12% of those student-athletes earned Dean's List honors as of Spring 2006**
- **The average semester gpa for all student-athletes for Spring 2006 was 2.62**
- **The average cumulative gpa for all student-athletes as of Spring 2006 was 2.59**
- **UH student-athletes passed 12.6 credit hours on average for Spring 2006**

# Academic Achievement

- Seven student-athletes earned a C-USA Commissioner's Academic Medal (overall gpa of 3.75 or higher) after Spring 2006
- Ninety-four student-athletes were named to the C-USA Commissioner's Honor Roll, for Spring 2006
- Two teams earned semester *gpa's of over 3.0*: Soccer and Swimming and Diving
- Two teams have cumulative *gpa's over 3.0*: Tennis and Soccer
- The football team earned its' best ever semester gpa (2.49) and its 3<sup>rd</sup> highest hours passed (11.7)

# Summer 2006 Enrollment

- Approximately 175 student-athletes attended summer school at UH on some type of athletic financial aid for Summer 2006.
- 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, Track and Field and Volleyball 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.
- Summer coursework included Math, Spanish, Religion, English, Statistics, Kin, Health, Dance, History, Political Science, Sociology, Chemistry, Geology and Biology.

# **ACADEMIC AWARDS & HONORS**

**NCAA POST-GRADUATE  
SCHOLARSHIPS:**

**1990, 1998, 2002, 2003**

**CONFERENCE USA POST-GRADUATE  
SCHOLARSHIPS: 1997, 1998, 2006**

# **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 exposure to the University of Houston**
- **All-N-One/UH Outreach brings hundreds of disadvantaged youth to each home football game**
- **National Student-Athlete Day involves a week of volunteer and outreach activities in the Houston community. In April, 300 K-12 students visited campus and met with student-athletes.**
- **By partnering with The WorkSource, 18 local youth were employed on-campus for Summer 2006**
- **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.**

# Career Planning and Placement

- Student-athletes are regularly recruited (as they near graduation) by the Houston Police and Fire Department, New York Life Insurance Corporation, Methodist Hospital System, Houston Independent School District, Unum Provident, and CenterPoint Energy, among others.
- Potential employers cite leadership qualities, ability to work as a team, and the self-discipline student-athletes develop as reasons our athletes are targeted for career opportunities.
- First Annual Career Night was held in April 2006 and attended by over 200 student-athletes; will be an annual Spring event.

# Projections

- Graduation rates will continue to improve with the increased emphasis on academic achievement, the increase in computer lab and tutorial support, the focus on recruiting student-athletes who are prepared academically and are committed to earning a degree.
- The Graduation Success Rate will take into account Student-Athletes who transfer in good standing or join the professional ranks – currently, those students are ‘losses’ in the tradition NCAA/Federal rates.
- The Academic Performance Rate (APR) emphasizes academic achievement and retention and will demand that coaches, academic staff and student-athletes all work toward the shared goal of graduation to avoid loss of scholarships and other penalties.

# 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 40 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
- PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

# 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