

Department of Intercollegiate Athletics Policy Manual

On-line Course Policy

Student-athletes are permitted to enroll in one non-traditional course (e.g., online course, independent study course, etc.) per semester. Exceptions can be made for students needing to enroll in more than one online course. Any student enrolling in a non-traditional course or requesting an exception must receive approval from their Academic Services Coordinator and the Associate Athletics Director for Student-Athlete Academic Services. Online course enrollment is monitored each semester by the Associate Athletics Director for Student-Athlete Academic Services to avoid abuses in enrollment practices by student-athletes. Students enrolled in any non-traditional course must complete a mandatory online educational training. The training must be completed within the first three weeks of the semester. The training covers topics such as NCAA and institutional rules on academic misconduct / plagiarism, the different types of online courses, and online course resources and tools. Students who fail to complete the online course training will be contacted by the Associate Athletics Director for Student-Athlete Academic Services reminding them to complete the course. Their Coach and Sport Administrator are also copied on the correspondence.

Students requesting to enroll in an Independent Study course must complete the Non-Traditional Course Form provided by Student-Athlete Academic Services. Included with the form must be a course syllabus or a signed agreement between the instructor and the student that outlines the requirements and due dates for the course. The form is to be signed by the Registrar's Office, The Associate Athletics Director for Student-Athlete Academic Services and the Faculty Athletics Representatives. The Academic Services also provides educational training opportunities to student-athletes during freshmen orientation, certification meetings and specialized programming events throughout the year to ensure academic integrity standards are being met with regard to non-traditional courses.

