

University of Virginia Compliance Charter

The University of Virginia (the "University") Athletics Compliance Office is designed to insure that the intercollegiate athletics program is operated within the rules and regulations of the University, the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC), and the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). Compliance with these rules and regulations is the shared responsibility of everyone associated with the University. In order for institutional control to be maintained, the NCAA Committee on Infractions developed principles with the idea of assisting institutions to better understand what efforts and attitudes are needed in order to create an atmosphere of compliance and institutional control.

As stipulated by NCAA Bylaw 6.1.1 and requirement for participation within the ACC as indicated in Article XI, Section XI-2 of the ACC Bylaws, the ultimate authority and accountability for the University athletics program rests with the University President. The President is appointed by the University Board of Visitors, and through the Board's delegation of authority the President has ultimate responsibility for the Athletics Department. To share in the responsibilities of NCAA and ACC oversight, the University President delegates day-to-day administration of the University Athletics Department to the Director of Athletics, who in-turn shares that responsibility with the Athletics Compliance Office. The University Athletics Compliance Program will interface with student-athletes, coaches, athletic staff members, other University personnel, as well as the University's alumni and friends. The Athletics Compliance Office will assist coaches and staff by developing and maintaining a compliance program that will educate, monitor, interpret, and report rules violations, if they occur.

As mentioned above, Compliance is a shared responsibility within the University. To ensure the University maintains institutional control and full compliance with applicable rules, departments outside of the Athletics Department have responsibility for certain NCAA, ACC and University compliance functions, as outlined below:

Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR): The FAR serves as a liaison for the President between the University Faculty and the Athletics Department; reviews student-athlete grade distribution at the end of each academic term; reviews and approves and student-athlete grade changes; serves as the ACC's voting representative for institutional positioning on NCAA/ACC legislation and may serve the same role for the NCAA's voting representative if need be as directed by the President; and assists in review of potential academic misconduct/impermissible academic assistance allegations/violations.

Admissions: The Office of Undergraduate Admissions has ultimate responsibility to determine which prospective student-athletes are admitted to the University. The Athletics Department will have designated liaisons who may speak with Admissions regarding a prospective student-athlete's admission.

University Registrar (UREG): The University Registrar is the certifying officer for all student-athlete academic eligibility, including initial, continuing, and transfer eligibility certification; full-time enrollment; and NCAA Academic Performance Review cohort review.

Student Financial Services (SFS): The SFS office is the certifying officer for student-athlete financial aid; responsible for squad list production/completion; outside award certification; and athletic aid renewal/non-renewal notifications.

Athletic Academic Affairs: The Athletic Academic Affairs office collaboratively works with UREG and the Athletics Compliance Office to monitor student-athlete eligibility; and communicates with faculty and staff regarding student-athletes' academic requirements for NCAA academic purposes since only academic advisors within the University departments can add student-athletes to courses.

Institutional Assessment and Studies: The Office of Institutional Assessment and Studies is responsible for tracking and reporting graduation rate and Graduation Success Rate cohort review.

Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer and Vice President for Institutional Compliance: During quarterly meetings with the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, the Assistant Vice President for Institutional Compliance, and University President's Chief of Staff, the Athletics Compliance Office reviews any compliance concerns, reporting requirements, potential violations, and the results of any external compliance reviews.