

Monthly Compliance Meeting

October 2014



Today's Agenda

- Announcements
- Reducing and Canceling Aid
- NLI
- Camp Refunds
- Who Can Have Contact with PSAs?
- Notes

HAC Announcements

Week 7

Faculty Feedback

- BFA-Ex Comm requested two feedback requests instead of three
- Weeks 7 (Oct. 8) and 13 (Nov. 19)

Class Checks

- Sport programs conduct
- Do not disrupt faculty or students
- Do not enter classroom or look through door



HAC Announcements

Faculty/Tutors

- Build strong relationships with faculty
- Do not discuss academic progress of individual students with faculty or tutors
- Herbst Academic Center staff will communicate with faculty and tutors

Honor Code and Plagiarism Awareness Weeks

- Week of September 29
- Week of October 6



Jo's Announcements

- NLI- email coming today for early signing period. May start submitting requests now!
- OV- great communication about upcoming visits – keep it up-
- Remember to update your Google Doc

Reducing and Canceling Aid



Basic Guidelines

Aid cannot be canceled during the period of the award (one-year or multi-year), unless:

- SA renders themselves ineligible for competition.
- SA voluntarily quits the team.
- SA fraudulently misrepresents any information on application, NLI, FAA.
- SA engages in serious misconduct warranting substantial disciplinary penalty.

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Basic Guidelines

When can't you cancel during the period of the award?

- On the basis of a SA's athletics ability, performance or contribution to a team's success.
- Based on an injury, illness or physical or mental medical condition.
- For any other athletics reason.

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Basic Guidelines

- Aid canceled outside of the period of the award must be approved by your sport supervisor.
- Aid reduced outside the period of the award must be approved by your sport supervisor.

Basic Guidelines

- Reduction vs Cancellation
- Head count sports:
 - Reduction is not an option.
 - Cancellation must be approved by sport supervisor.
 - A recruiting mistake on your part is no reason to cancel (i.e., they are still working hard, going to class, etc.).
- Equivalency sports:
 - Reduction is an option, and must be approved by sport supervisor.
 - Cancellation must also be approved by sport supervisor.



Process for reduction/cancelation

During the period of the award:

- Complete change in status form, which must be signed by Rick.
- Submit paperwork to compliance.
- Meet with SA to discuss. Make sure you have all paperwork necessary prior to meeting with the student. This includes reduction/cancelation letter as well as the form they sign acknowledging they have received the letter. If you are unable to meet with the SA, a certified letter will be sent.
- SA must be given the opportunity to appeal.

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Process for reduction/cancelation

During the renewal process (March/April):

- Complete financial aid contract worksheet, which must be signed by sport supervisor's.
- Submit paperwork to compliance.
- Meet with SA to discuss. Make sure you have all paperwork necessary. This includes reduction/cancelation letter as well as the form they sign acknowledging they have received the letter. If you are unable to meet with the SA, a certified letter will be sent.
- SA must be given the opportunity to appeal.

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Making 'deals' regarding future aid

If you are planning on having some type of financial aid deal with a SA, your sport supervisor must be present during this meeting with the SA.

Example: You have extra money to award for one year, want to provide an increase for that year only, thus SA will eventually be receiving a reduction later on.

SPORT SUPERVISOR APPROVAL.

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Appeal Process

- Student-Athlete has 15 days to appeal the reduction or cancellation.
- Hearing will occur within 15 business days (during academic term) or 20 business days (during summer) but no later than the first day of the next semester.
- Student presents case to committee.
- Athletic Department presents case to committee.
- Committee can request more information, ask further questions or just make decision.
- Committee's decision is final.

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National Letter of Intent



NLI GUIDELINES

- Any NLI sent to a PSA must be accompanied by a financial aid agreement.
- The parents of the PSA must sign the NLI, if the PSA is under the age of 21.
- Walk-ons cannot sign a NLI, fake NLI or anything else created by CU for them to sign. Walk-ons can 'sign' their confirmation of their intent to enroll or anything else that they've created on their own. CU can only announce them if they've submitted their enrollment deposit.

NLI GUIDELINES

- PSA must be registered with the NCAA Eligibility Center in order to receive a NLI.
- PSA must receive sport supervisor approval to be issued a NLI (have core eval completed, CCHE index, admissions).
- Rick George signs each NLI and the financial aid office signs each financial aid agreement PRIOR to the PSA signing.

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NLI GUIDELINES

- The initial signing date for the November period is November 12-19, 2014.
- A PSA has seven days to sign their NLI.
 - If a NLI is sent on the 12th, they must sign by the 18th.
 - If a NLI is sent on the 17th, they must sign by the 19th.
- CU then has 14 days from the date of signing to submit the originals to the conference office.



NLI GUIDELINES

- Once a PSA signs a NLI, the recruiting ban is in effect. CU cannot contact a PSA who has signed with another institution.
- Once a PSA enrolls at another institution, the recruiting ban is lifted, but you must have permission to contact.

NLI GUIDELINES

How to satisfy the provisions of the NLI:

- Attend the signing institution for one year.
- Attend and graduate from a 2-year institution.

NLI GUIDELINES

What happens if the PSA does not satisfy the provisions of the NLI:

- Must serve one year in residence at the second NLI institution (can still practice and receive aid), AND
- Will lose one season of competition in ALL sports.

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NLI GUIDELINES

Can a PSA appeal the penalty?

- Yes—PSA can request a NLI release from the institution. This is an online form that the PSA must complete.
- The institution can then lift the recruiting ban and give a 'complete' or 'no release'. The institution has 30 days to respond to the request.

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NLI GUIDELINES

- If the institution does not grant the release, the student-athlete can appeal to the NLI committee. This must be done within 30 days.
- There must be extenuating circumstances to request the release. A coaching change is not an extenuating circumstance.
- The institution can still lift the recruiting ban if they are not granting the complete release.

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NLI GUIDELINES

- When a PSA is signing, CU cannot offer any type of written 'release agreement' such as promising a complete release if there is a coaching change.
- No additions to or deletions from the NLI, but you can put reasonable non-athletically related conditions on the financial aid agreement (i.e., must meet academic standards).



NLI GUIDELINES

Example 1:

- PSA signs NLI with CSU. PSA attends CSU for the fall, but decides to transfer to CU and wants to be immediately eligible.
- What has to happen for this to be possible?

NLI GUIDELINES

Example 1:

- CU should have permission to contact prior to talking to the PSA.
- PSA must request a release from their NLI and it must be granted.
- PSA must meet all other NCAA, Pac-12 and CU transfer regulations (one-time transfer, PTD, etc.)

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NLI GUIDELINES

Example 2:

- PSA signs financial aid agreement with Nebraska November 2014. PSA then signs NLI and financial aid agreement with CU in April 2015.
- Which signing is valid?

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NLI GUIDELINES

Example 2:

- The NLI and FAA with CU is valid.
- A financial aid agreement is not binding to the student, but is binding for the institution.

NLI GUIDELINES

Example 3:

- PSA signs NLI with Texas A&M, attends summer school and receives financial aid. PSA wants to transfer to CU for the fall semester.
- Is the NLI still valid?

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NLI GUIDELINES

Example 3:

- The NLI is still valid and the PSA must request a release from Texas A&M.
- Again, CU must have permission to contact and/or the recruiting ban must be lifted.
- We can check the EC to see if they have that release.

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Camp Refunds



Camp Refunds

- Camp refund policies must to be designated in the camp operating plan. Must be applied CONSISTENTLY.
- Be as specific as possible with your policy.
- If you are allowing camper to use cancelled camp funds for another camp, must also outline this in your policy.
- Don't make promises you can't uphold. Must follow through with what is in the camp operating plan.
- Make sure your campers are aware of your policy when they sign up (on website, in brochure, etc.).

Camp Refunds

Cancellation Fee Examples:

- Camp costs \$100, if cancelled, \$25 administrative fee. Camper receives \$75 refund.
- Camp costs \$100 with the option to purchase cancellation 'insurance' for \$25. If cancelled with insurance, they receive the \$100 refund and CU receives the \$25 fee. If cancelled without insurance, they receive no refund.

Camp Refunds

Refund Examples:

- Must be requested in writing.
- Medical/injury refunds only.
- Date limitations (full refund two weeks prior to camp).

Regardless of the policy, it must be applied consistently.

Contact with PSAs



Contact with PSAs

Who **can** have contact with PSAs on campus for Official or Unofficial Visits?

- Coaches
- Noncoaching athletics staff members
- Current Student-Athletes
- Parents of Current Student-Athletes
- Athletic Department Staff Members
- Athletic Department Staff Member's Significant Other or Dependent Child
- Academic Advisors
- Professors/Faculty
- Professional Interpreter

Contact with PSAs

Who **can** have contact with PSAs within a 30-mile radius of campus for Official Visits?

- Coaches
- Noncoaching staff members
- Current Student-Athletes
- Athletic Department Staff Members
- Athletic Department Staff Member's Significant Other or Dependent Child
- Academic Advisors
- Professors/Faculty
- Professional Interpreter

- Please note—parents of current SAs cannot have off-campus contact!

Contact with PSAs

Who **cannot** have contact with PSAs on campus for Official or Unofficial Visits or off-campus arranged by CU?

- Other outside athletic department family members (i.e., Coach's Parents, sibling, niece/nephew)
- Boosters/Donors
- Former student-athletes (unless they are enrolled FT or completing their degree that term)
- Professional Athletes (arranged by CU)
- CU Board of Regents

Contact with PSAs

Coach providing student-athletes with prospects' telephone numbers.

- It is not permissible for an institution's coaching staff member to provide enrolled students (or student-athletes) with telephone numbers of prospective student-athletes for the purpose of making recruiting calls.
- It is permissible for coaching staff members to provide prospective student-athletes with telephone numbers of enrolled students (or enrolled student-athletes).



Notes



Notes

- CU is hosting a Nuggets preseason game on Tuesday, October 21. This is not a CU event, so PSAs and SAs must purchase their own tickets. \$10 CU students, \$15 GA for PSAs.
- It is permissible, if you are in your 20-hour weeks, to purchase tickets to this Nuggets preseason game for your student-athletes as 'entertainment'.
- Spring enrollees can request their final amateur status through the NCAA Eligibility Center.
- VIP passes for FB games are for pre-game only.
- If you are having a large recruiting weekend during a MBB game, please be sure to give the ticket office a heads up THIS week as they will be selling single game tickets soon. •

Questions??
GO BUFFS!

