

Council on Intercollegiate Athletics Committee (CIA)

Annual Report Summary

Year(s): Academic Year 2021-2022

Members: Tom Cody - Educational Studies (ex-officio NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative), Brian Stone - School of Engineering and Technology, Beth Wilson welcomed into committee as Representative from Administration, Abigail Carlin - Honors student athlete representative, Davison Bideshi - Sociology and Anthropology (A&S), Mei Wen - Health Sciences

Council Objective: The primary objective for this council is to review and make recommendations relative to the various schedules submitted by the intercollegiate athletic teams in accordance with university policy.

1. There was a **Calling of new Chair** for the committee after a lively discussion about who could serve in this capacity. At the end of the discussion, **Brian Stone**, was nominated and voted in as the CIA Chair.
2. The committee reviewed and discussed the new **scheduling days** (of the week) as an upcoming system to better address **awareness of student mental health**. This is a part of a larger-scale effort to allow for students to have a “day off” from their sport to allow for better life stability. The typical day off is selected by the coaches and leadership of each individual sport. Typically, this day is Sunday. Committee discussion included the impact of added weekday games which will affect the attendance of student-athletes to classes)
3. A Review and **approval of the upcoming “Missed Days” schedule** was given for the fall Semester. The table for this approved set of days is listed at the end of this report. A Spring report for Missed Days was not reviewed/approved by the committee.
4. In the Spring of 2022, a review of season schedules and how the “**missed days**” impacted class schedules. Biggest impact was from Golf student athletes due to many of their tournaments being midweek. Additional impacts from covid restrictions (quarantine days and required stay-home guidelines for feeling ill).
5. Discussion on **position searches** in the Athletic department (Budget director, Office Manager, Assistant AD and AD). Impacts on student-athletes and relations with faculty. (*Director was found over the summer period: **Paul Bubb was selected** by the university for the position*)
6. Discussion on how to better accommodate student athletes in a post-mandates environment in the fall of 2022. (Use of streaming technology, having athletes better communicate with instructors about missing days etc.)
7. There are also two upcoming **NCAA guideline changes** that are notable and will be in effect beginning Fall 2022:

- a. Being more accommodating to athletes that desire **transfers** between universities. (Transfers will be greatly facilitated for athletes with this new structure)
- b. Allowances for student athletes to receive **compensation for commercial marketing**. This change could have a large impact on student athletes if commercial entities decide to recruit and market their talents.

The council reviewed and approved the “days missed” estimates for the Fall ‘21 class schedules. See table below to review the schedules.

I. Conference / NCAA Championships

II. Discussion of Fall ’21 Missed Class Schedules

Sport	M/W/F Missed	Tues/Thurs Missed
M/W Track & Field	No dates Yet	No dates Yet
M/W Cross Country	3	1
M Golf	5	4
W Golf	2	2
M Basketball	2	1
W Basketball	4	3
Tennis	3	0
Baseball	No dates	No dates
Softball	No dates	No dates
Football	5	1
M Soccer	3	3
W Soccer	3	0
Volleyball	12	6