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student-athletes will be provided the opportunity to develop the skills and character necessary to achieve their personal goals and be successful contributors to society upon graduation.

The University is a vital part of the community and reaches out to the community, the State of Nevada and the nation through its athletic programs. The Athletic Department enhances the University's image by providing competitive athletic teams that engender a sense of pride and recognition for the University. Through shared positive athletic experiences, the athletic programs help unite the University, community, alumni, and State of Nevada.

Academic success with integrity, strict adherence to University, Conference and NCAA rules, fiscal responsibility, and a dedication to excellence in the athletic programs are critical to the successful performance of the Athletic Department's mission. While the hope is for victory, the goal is to pursue excellence within the rules and available financial resources.

Article IV - Statement of Principles Governing Intercollegiate Athletics

Section 4.01 General Principles. The mission, educational values, and practices of the University ultimately determine the standards by which it conducts its intercollegiate athletic program. The intercollegiate athletic program shall be intend



Section 5.02 Amateurism. Student-athletes shall be amateurs in an intercollegiate sport and their participation should be motivated primarily by the educational, physical, mental, and social benefits to be derived. Student participation in intercollegiate athletics is an avocation, and student-athletes should be protected from exploitation by professional and commercial enterprises (NCAA Manual, Constitution, Article 2).

Section 5.03 Sound Academic Standards. The intercollegiate athletic program shall be maintained as a vital component of the educational program and student-athletes shall be an integral part of the student body. The admission, academic standing and academic progress of student-athletes shall be consistent with the policies and standards adopted by the University for the student body in general (NCAA Manual, Constitution, Article 2).

Section 5.04 Recruitment. During recruitment activities, policies concerning University intercollegiate athletics shall be made known to potential male and female student-athletes (Regents Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 17). The University is encouraged to recruit student-athletes within the State of Nevada and seek their participation in intercollegiate sports (Regents Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 17, 5, b).

- a. The Athletic Department shall adhere to recruiting regulations and procedures approved by the University, the Conference and the NCAA.
- b. The Athletic Director will assign an athletic department employee to be responsible for monitoring Athletic Department compliance with recruiting regulations and admission regulations. The Athletic Department will develop procedures and informational data to be utilized by all Athletic Department recruiters.
- c. All funds for recruiting prospective student-athletes will be deposited with the Athletic Business Office. The athletic department employee who oversees the athletic business office shall be held responsible for the manner in which these funds are expended.
- d. Only student-athletes who demonstrate the capability of meeting the University's admission requirements shall be offered paid campus visits.
- e. Prospective student-athletes will be provided up-to-date information on University admission requirements.
- f. Prospective student-athletes will be provided information on University academic programs, support services and graduation rates.
- g. The Athletic Department will adopt and adhere to the national letter of intent program in recruiting student-athletes.

Section 5.05 Admission. Policies and standards concerning the admission of student-athletes shall be consistent with policies and standards adopted for the student body generally (Regents Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 17, 2,a).



other financial assistance, except that received from one upon whom the student-athlete is naturally or legally dependent, shall be prohibited unless specifically authorized by the NCAA (NCAA Manual, Constitution, Article 2).

- a. To be eligible for and to retain athletically related financial aid, each student-athlete must comply with all applicable financial aid regulations of the University, Conference and the NCAA.
- b. The University requires that continuing financial aid recipients complete twenty-four (24) credits per year with a cumulative University GPA of at least 2.00.
- c. Student-athletes who are ineligible to participate due to University GPA deficiency will be given the term of one financial aid contract to correct the deficiency prior to the termination of their financial aid.
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- c. No out of town competitions will be scheduled so that participating student-athletes miss two consecutive days of class - i.e. on a MWF schedule, the student-athletes will not miss Monday and Wednesday; on a T/TH schedule, the student-athletes will not miss both class sessions during one week. The Athletic Director or his/her designee must notify the IAC when such scheduling does occur.

Section 5.09 Post Season Competition and Contests Sponsored by Non collegiate Organizations.

The conditions under which post season competition occurs shall be controlled to assure that the benefits inherent in such competition flow fairly to all participants, to prevent unjustified intrusion on the time student-athletes devote to their academic programs, and to protect student-athletes from exploitation by professional and commercial enterprises (NCAA Manual, Constitution, Article 2).

Article VI - Student-Athlete Responsibilities

Section 6.01 General Principles. Student-athletes are considered to be representatives of the University and are in a position of high visibility to the community and therefore are often held to a higher standard of responsibility than non-athletes (Regents Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 20, p. 2). The handbook provision referenced will be distributed to all student-athletes at the beginning of each academic year.

Section 6.02 Normal Progress. Student-athletes are expected to attend classes regularly, complete class assignments, complete and submit assigned papers and take course examinations. In addition to meeting academic standards required of their peers, student-athletes are responsible for making normal progress toward degrees as a prerequisite to athletic participation and be enrolled in a minimum of twelve (12) credits per semester or twenty-four (24) credits during a calendar year (Regents Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 20, p. 2).

Section 6.03 Ethical Conduct. The University adopts and promotes the principle that student-athletes shall deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship and that their behavior shall at all times reflect the high standards of honor and dignity that characterize participation in competitive sports in the collegiate setting (NCAA Manual, Constitution, Article 2).

Section 6.04 Degree Completion. Academic advising for student-athletes will be predicated upon completion of the degree within a five-year period.

Section 6.05 Academic Integrity. Student-athletes are required to avoid involvement in receiving,



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Section 8.06 Institutional Control and Responsibility.

- a. Responsibility for Control. It is the responsibility of the University to control its intercollegiate athletic program in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Conference and NCAA. The President is responsible for the administration of all aspects of the athletic program, including approval of the budget and audit of all expenditures (NCAA Manual, Constitution, Article 2).
- b. Scope of Responsibility. The University's responsibility for the conduct of the athletic program includes responsibility for the actions of its staff members and for the actions of any other individual or organization engaged in activities promoting the athletic interests of the institution (NCAA Manual, Constitution, Article 2).

Section 8.07 Rules Compliance. The University shall comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Conference and NCAA in the conduct of its intercollegiate athletic programs. It shall monitor its programs to assure compliance and to identify and report to the NCAA instances in which compliance has not been achieved. In any such instance, the University shall cooperate fully with the NCAA and shall take app

of the voting members present, in person or by proxy, a simple majority vote of the voting members present, in person or by proxy, shall be required to approve any other item of business brought before the IAC.



Section 11.01 Approval of the Code. The Code was approved by the IAC on March 20, 1992 and its adoption by the University was recommended to the President. The President approved the Code on March 27, 1992.

Section 11.02 Amendment of the Code. Any proposal to amend the Code must be submitted in writing to the chairperson of the IAC, approved by the IAC, recommended to the President and approved by the President before becoming effective.

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