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Student Affairs and Enrollment Management: Reaching Vision 2020

Focus Area: Athletics and Recreation

Leader(s): Anthony Bates (Director of Athletics) and Dean Jennings (Program Director of the Athletic and Recreation Center)

Implementation Year: 2016 - 2017

Goal 1: Establish a tradition of academic and competitive excellence where student athletes meet and exceed Governors State University measures for athletic and academic success and embody the NAIA Champions of Character core values.

Objective 1:	Mandate and ensure that all athletes complete six hours of supervised and or assisted academic study with the Academic Resource Center, the student's professor, or student success workshops.An exception will be made for any athlete that maintains a 3.0 GPA or higher for the Spring 2016 semester.
Action Items	All student athletes must sign in and out during all academic study time as well as show proof of workshops attendance.
Indicators and Data	Consistent student athlete GPA above 3.0 on both mid-term and final grades.
Needed	
(Measures that will	
appraise progress	
towards the strategic	
objective)	
Responsible Person	Associate Athletic Director
and/or Unit (Data	
collection, analysis	
reporting)	
Milestones	Consistent Student Athletes GSP above 3.0 by the end of Fall 2016
(Identify Timelines)	
Desired Outcomes and	85% student athlete retention rate with above a 3.0 in midterm and final grades.
Achievements	85% persistence (Fall to spring) and 75% retention rate (fall to fall)
(Identify results	65% of athletes qualifying for the AD Honor roll.
expected)	3.75% GSU student athletes achieving NAIA academic all-American scholars

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Objective 2:	Sponsor student athlete involvement in community service projects to service the surrounding community, to positively market the University and to develop a civic minded student.
Action Items	Require each head coach to sponsor a plan for community service work.
Indicators and Data	Coaches outreach to determine the greatest community needs related to athlete volunteering
Needed	impact.
(Measures that will	
appraise progress	
towards the strategic	
objective)	
Responsible Person	Head Coaches
and/or Unit (Data	
collection, analysis	
reporting)	
Milestones	June, 2017
(Identify Timelines)	
Desired Outcomes and	One community service project per team per season.
Achievements	
(Identify results	
expected)	

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Objective 3:	Challenge student athlete to reach their physical and mental limits on the field of competition to illicit inner strength that translates to academics and life skills achievements.
Action Items	Strict physical pre and post season conditioning.
	Behavior accountability beyond that of an average GSU student.
Indicators and Data	We have established a pre and post season conditioning process that has helped our student-
Needed	athletes be in better conditioning and less injuries.
(Measures that will	
appraise progress	
towards the strategic	
objective)	
Responsible Person	Head Coaches
and/or Unit (Data	
collection, analysis	
reporting)	
Milestones	Ongoing
(Identify Timelines)	
Desired Outcomes and	We want healthy student-athletes for the entire season. The main goal is to continue to get
Achievements	stronger and quicker.
(Identify results	
expected)	