



Academic Highlights

2011-2012

81.8% of all student-athletes had a spring GPA of 3.0 or above

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The Eagles earned a 3.427 department average in spring 2012

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Field Hockey and Women's Lacrosse had the highest team grade point averages for all NCAA Division I programs in their sport

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Wrestling earned national recognition for their performance in the classroom

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Since joining the Patriot League in 2000, 47 Eagles have been named Scholar Athlete of the Year for their respective sport

Academic Support Center for Student-Athletes

What We Provide

- Assists students in successfully attaining their academic, athletic, personal and social goals
- Promotes excellence, responsibility and initiative
- Focuses on the development of the total person
- Works with student-athletes to develop life skills needed to navigate through college and beyond
- Connects student-athletes to the rich resources and facilities at American University
- Grants priority registration to student-athletes each semester
- Collects academic progress reports mid semester from professors
- Provides travel letters for student-athletes to encourage collaboration with professors
- Works closely with the Academic Support Center to provide additional support to students with learning disabilities and ADHD

Academic Study

All first-year and incoming transfer student-athletes are required to attend study hall for their first semester at American University.

Once student-athletes demonstrate successful academic progress, as defined by their team, student-athletes will manage their own study time.

Win. Learn. Lead.

Additional Programming

Tutoring

- Individual Peer Tutoring
- Writing Lab
- Writing Center
- Mathematics and Statistics Tutoring Lab
- Supplemental Instruction
- Center for Language Learning

Academic Support Center Workshops

- Nuts & Bolts of Academic Success
- Time Management
- Effective Reading
- Note Taking Skills
- How to Study for Tests
- Critical Thinking
- Overcoming Procrastinations
- Public Speaking



Guided Study

Guided Study is a proactive monitoring program, which identifies student-athletes who may confront a variety of challenges in their transition to AU.

Student-athletes selected for guided study meet weekly with a counselor to develop academic skills, such as reading, writing, note-taking, project planning, test preparation, and study skills. Counselors also work with student-athletes on time management skills in order to effectively balance their academic, athletic, and personal commitments.

Life Skill Development

New AU student-athletes —

- Thinking and Learning Opportunities for New Student-Athletes (TALONS) Workshops help first-year and incoming transfer student-athletes understand and cope with academic, social, athletic, and personal pressures related to the transition to AU.
- TALONS provides new student-athletes with practical strategies and information to adjust to college academics and athletics.

Sophomores—

- Leadership Development
- EverFi Financial Literacy Program helps students develop financial literacy skills around topics such as savings, banking, financing higher education, investing, payment types, and credit scores. Through a 10 week online class, students complete this interactive course, helping them to improve their financial health.

Juniors/Seniors—

- Resume development
- Begin career search, partnering with AU Career Center, which provides job placement fairs as well as mock interviews for students.

Graduating Seniors—

- Senior etiquette dinner gives student-athletes the opportunity to dine at a fine DC restaurant while learning proper etiquette from a professional protocol teacher, which can benefit students during job interviews.
- Continue career search, finalizing resume and cover letter for job applications.

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