Academic Support Services for Student-Athletes

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We are committed to cooperation and communication with those invested in the overall success of student participation in the University's intercollegiate athletics program. The fulfillment of the mission and values of our work is contingent on the strong and supportive relationships among the Department of Athletics and the faculty, administration, and staff of Shippensburg University.

Services

The Office of Academic Support Services for Student-Athletes provides resources for enhancing the academic experiences of student-athletes. Through the coordinator, a variety of academic assistance services are available, including:

- academic advising support,
- academic progress monitoring,
- academic counseling and referral, and
- assisting graduating student-athletes in researching and pursuing employment and/or opportunities for graduate education.

The office provides information and informed advice about academic matters to all student-athletes, and all student-athletes are strongly encouraged to use the services.

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Core Values

Within an environment that values integrity and respect, the Office of Academic Support Services for Student-Athletes strives to:

- Conduct affairs of the office in a manner consistent with the highest ethical standards.
- Provide a congenial support program that fosters academic success and develops leadership in a diverse group of student-athletes.
- Emphasize the priority of student-athlete academic responsibilities.
- Provide support and encourage participation in the office's and University's special and enriched programming in order to maximize the collegiate experience of the student-athlete.
- Celebrate the academic achievements of Shippensburg University student-athletes.

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