Student Athlete Information for Faculty

Student Athlete Schedules

Student athletes are responsible for keeping their professors informed of their athletic schedule in advance and throughout the semester and work to complete any assignments ahead of time. Travel letters are intended to notify professors at the beginning of the semester of any athletic-related absences. Professors are asked to sign the accompanying confirmation of communication form and return it to Jack Mehl (mehl@hood.edu) in athletics. Players must return this form to be able to play in a game/scrimmage. Student athletes should bring professors these letters the first week of school.

Student athletes are not permitted to miss class/field work/clinical/internships for <u>practice</u> but they can miss class/lab/field work/clinical/internships for <u>competition</u>.

- Away competitions: Student-athletes are allowed to leave class/field work/clinical/internships 30 minutes prior to departure time to get their gear out and grab their lunch before the bus leaves.
- Home competitions: Student-athletes are allowed to leave an hour before game time for home games to warm-up.

Other reminders of expectations of student athletes that are helpful for advising:

- Student athletes are asked to enroll in at least 15/16 credit hours each semester.
- If a student athlete drops below 12 credit hours they CANNOT practice or play. If a student athlete is withdrawn from a class and they practice or play while being enrolled in less than 12 credit hours athletics is required to report this to the NCAA and harsh penalties can be enforced (no play-offs, fines, student loses eligibility, etc.).
- If a student athlete is in their last semester they can be enrolled in less than 12 credits as long as the remaining credits are the only ones needed for graduation.