

Arkansas Tech University ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME BY-LAWS

Name

The name will be the Athletic Hall of Fame. (Hereafter Hall of Fame)

Purpose

The purpose of the Hall of Fame is to recognize and honor those individuals or teams who have made an impactful contribution to the success of Arkansas Tech University's athletics. This is recognized by their participation or involvement in intercollegiate athletics that are or have been offered by the university.

Selection Committee

The function of the Selection Committee will be to select an annual induction class from the list of eligible nominees. The Selection Committee will be limited to ten (10) working members and must include the following: The Director of Athletics, Director of Athletic Communications, Senior Woman Administrator, Faculty Athletic Representative, one (1) faculty member (sport mentor), one (1) university administrator (department head level or higher), one (1) member of the T-Club, one (1) Green and Gold member, one (1) at-large member, and one (1) member of the Athletic Hall of Fame.

The committee each year will be formed by the Director of Athletics, or their designee, who will also serve as the committee chair. The Athletics Director, or designee, will be an ex-officio (non-voting member) of the committee. No individual of the committee can satisfy more than one of the ten (10) positions.

The committee will meet as deemed necessary by the Director of Athletics, with a quorum of the committee needed for voting purposes.

Qualifications and Categories

Induction in the Hall of Fame can be earned through one of five (5) categories (student-athlete, team, coach, service, and staff).

An individual is given recognition for their impact and contributions to Arkansas Tech as a student-athlete, coach, member of a team, service to athletics, or support as a staff member within the university, during their time at Arkansas Tech, as well as their achievements after leaving the university. A student-athlete is eligible for nomination and selection after a period of five (5) years following the completion of their time at the university, except in the cases of posthumous induction. A coach or staff member who did not participate in athletics at Arkansas Tech University is not eligible for nomination until five (5) years after their separation from the department of athletics, except in cases of posthumous induction. There is not a specific time requirement for the service category, which can be awarded at the discretion of the selection committee.

A team is given recognition that has excelled in athletic competition during a given year. A team is eligible for nomination and selection after a period of ten (10) years after the completion of that team's season.

Criteria

General criteria, where applicable, will be used for induction into the Hall of Fame for individuals and teams. Criteria used, but not limited to are:

- Good academic standing with the university
- Olympic participation and performance (medal winner, participant).
- National recognition (Player/Coach of the Year, Academic/Athletic All-American, Championships, Record Holder, etc.).
- Conference recognition (Player/Coach of the Year, Academic/Athletic All-Conference, Championships, Record Holder, etc.).
- Arkansas Tech recognition (Record Holder, Team Captain, Multi-Sport Participation, etc.).
- Program Development and Progress (Record, Championships, National Championship Appearances, Reputation Enhancement, etc.).
- Acknowledgement of contributions to community and campus.
- Must be a person of unquestionable integrity and reputation in all phases of life and career.

Nomination of Individuals and Teams

Nominations for the Hall of Fame can be made for individual and team categories by current members of the Hall of Fame, current and past head coaches, any member of the Selection Committee, members of the T-Club, and Green and Gold Club members.

Nominations must be submitted online using the online nomination form found at www.arkansastechsports.com/hof. Up to 10 additional pages of supporting information (vita, newspaper/magazine articles, etc.) can be uploaded, mailed, or delivered to the Director of Athletic Communications Office inside Tucker Coliseum. Mailing address:

Arkansas Tech University Athletics
Director of Athletic Communications
1604 Coliseum Drive
Russellville, AR 72801

All nominations shall be submitted to the Selection Committee by the announced deadline each year. The Sports Information office shall be responsible for providing biographies for each nominee, based on the information furnished by the nominator and any additional information that may be obtained, to each committee member.

All nominations will be eligible for consideration for a period of three (3) years. After that time anyone not selected for induction will be removed from consideration. Any eligible nominee may be re-nominated.

Selection and Induction of Individuals or Teams

Each year the Selection Committee shall meet to select the next induction class for the Hall of Fame. Once the committee has reviewed all the submitted nominations, they may select:

- Up to six (6) individuals (of which only one (1) will be posthumous) in the student-athlete, coach, and staff categories. A maximum of two (2) can be made from any single sport.
- Up to one (1) team.
- Up to two (2) individuals in the service category.

Exceptions to all criteria, nominations, and selections can be made by a unanimous vote of the Selection Committee

Voting

Voting shall take place by secret ballot. All committee members should rank their top fifteen (15) candidates in order, with 15 going to the top candidate. Once the balloting is complete, the candidates will be ranked by points. As no more than two (2) inductees per sport can be inducted per year, if a third candidate from an individual sport ranks in the top six, they will be dropped from consideration for that year alone and the next eligible candidate will be selected for induction.

If a candidate does not finish in the top ten in points of all totaled ballots, they are ineligible to be moved into the top six candidates.

Selection and entry into the Hall of Fame is contingent upon attendance at the annual ceremony during Hall of Fame weekend. If a selected candidate cannot attend, they will not be inducted into the Hall of Fame and will be re-entered into the list of nominees. Individual circumstances will be addressed by the selection committee.