NIL FOR BUSINESSES





As a business, how may you engage with an athlete in the NIL era?



Hire an athlete for the use of their NIL to endorse and/or market your business



Deals that serve as "pay-for-play" or compensation for athletic performance



Traditional/social media endorsements, autographs, appearances, etc. that align with NIL policy and law



Deals that serve as a recruiting inducement for an athlete to enroll or re-enroll at Tulane

CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. Determine your target audience.
 - Make sure the endorsement is authentic to the athlete's brand
 - Identify the impact of engaging with athletes that align with your brand
 - Will this endorsement help or hurt the athlete?
- 2. What type of engagement will be most effective for your business and the athlete?
 - Traditional endorsement, social media engagement, appearances, autographs, etc.
 - Cash v. in-kind payment (product/discount)
 - Create a marketing strategy that is mutually beneficial for both parties
- 3. Begin to think of the terms of the agreement What works for your business and are there any regulations the athlete needs to abide by?





PROCESS

- 1. Determine the best fit for your business/brand and how you will contact the athlete.
 - Athlete directory (QR code below)
 - Social media
 - Altius Sports Partners NIL Executive General Manager
 - Professional service provider/agent
- 2. Review Tulane's NIL policy and state law for any pertinent guidelines.
 - All NIL agreements must be disclosed prior to the athlete signing the deal
 - Currently, international college athletes on an F-1 visa are limited in the paid NIL activities they can partake in. Contact the Office of International Students and Scholars with further questions
 - > To learn more, please visit Tulane's FAQ for NIL here
- 3. Determine and agree to terms and compensation structure with the athlete and their representation.

TULANE MARKETPLACE

Search and/or hire a Tulane athlete today by scanning the code to visit the Wave Exchange!



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Businesses: Dos and Don'ts

Businesses can reach out to Jana Woodson or Altius Sports Partners on NIL or Tulane NIL policy questions

Reach out to a Tulane athlete through the Wave Exchange if you'd like to work with them

Promotion of current/past public deals with athletes to a broader audience

Educating other local businesses and supporters about Tulane's NIL developments

Interested third parties should encourage athletes to disclose their NIL deals in a permissible manner

Tulane members/coaches may not facilitate communications between a booster and a prospect athlete

Communicating specific financial terms with coaches or Tulane staff members

Conversations with coaches on earmarking specific deals or dollar amounts for athletes or teams

Businesses cannot use Tulane marks without contacting the licensing department

Recruiting conversations between a booster and a prospect are not permissible under NCAA rules

Examples of Tulane Athlete NIL Opportunities

TRADITIONAL ENDORSEMENTS + SOCIAL MEDIA

Compensating an athlete to endorse a product in any medium

- Pet Supply Store pays a midfielder to post a photo with his dog promoting the store
- Activewear brand pays a volleyball player to post photos in the company's clothes

IN-KIND DEALS (FREE SHOES, MEALS, ETC.)

Providing "free" product for a photo, autograph, social post, etc.

- Salon offers a golfer a free manicure in exchange for taking a photo in the lobby
- Electronics store offers a basketball athlete an Xbox in exchange for a social media post

APPEARANCES, AUTOGRAPHS + CAMPS/CLINICS

Receiving a service and compensating an athlete for their time

- Local park hosts a camp in partnership with a cross country athlete
- Event venue pays a swimmer to sign autographs at its grand opening

UNIQUE DEALS

Complex deals, including giving equity in companies in exchange for product endorsement or utilizing NIL for NFTs

- Cell phone provider gives a tennis player equity in its company for promotion
- Sailing athlete is asked to sit on a Board of Directors for a local non-profit organization

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STEP 1: DETERMINE THE BEST FIT FOR YOUR BUSINESS

- ☐ Determine your target audience
- ☐ Identify the impact of engaging with athletes that align with your brand
- ☐ Make sure the endorsement aligns with the brand of the business and the athlete
- ☐ Identify how many and which athletes you want to work with

STEP 3: CREATE AN NIL CONTRACT

- ☐ Determine the compensation structure
 - ☐ How, when, & how often will the athlete get paid?
- ☐ Determine the term length and services/deliverables that will be performed
 - ☐ i.e., three social posts and an appearance over a three-month period

STEP 5: DEAL ACTIVATION

- ☐ All parties sign the NIL deal contract
- □ Business provides any content, copy, or merchandise to athlete necessary for deliverables
- Athlete performs NIL deliverable(s) by agreed upon date
- ☐ Athletes and businesses should follow guidelines on use of logos/marks

STEP 2: CATEGORIZE THE OPPORTUNITY

- ☐ What type of engagement will be most impactful for your business and the athlete?
 - Compensating an athlete to endorse a product in any medium
 - ☐ Providing "free" products for a photo, autograph, social post, etc.
 - ☐ Compensating an athlete for a service (i.e., appearance)
 - ☐ Creating a unique opportunity

STEP 4: INFORM ATHLETE OF OPPORTUNITY

- ☐ How will you contact the athlete?
 - ☐ Nik Shah | NIL Executive General Manager | nik.shah@altiussp.com
 - ☐ INFLCR Wave Exchange (QR code below)
 - ☐ Social Media
 - ☐ Athlete Directly
- ☐ Communicate logistics with the athlete to ensure expectations are clear

STEP 6: PAYMENT + PROMOTION

- ☐ After confirmation that all deliverables have been accomplished, business pays athlete via agreed upon method
- ☐ Congrats, the NIL deal is done! Promote the deal via your business social channels and thank you for supporting Tulane athletes!

QUESTIONS?

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INFLCR WAVE EXCHANGE

NIL marketplace that connects businesses and Tulane athletes.

Scan QR code to register!





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