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UTEP ATHLETICS COMPLIANCE NEWSLETTER

COMPLIANCE HOTSHOTS



Mika Laaksonen
Head Track & Field Coach

Congratulations to our newest compliance hotshot, Coach Laaksonen. Mika was the highest scoring coach in our December rules education Kahoot Quiz. Mika is also great about bringing any NCAA rules questions to the compliance staff, as well as, making sure his staff is compliant with NCAA rules and timely in submitting compliance related forms. Thank you Coach for being a model of compliance.

AGENTS REMINDER

Any agreement with an agent, in writing or verbally to market his or her athletic skills will render a student-athlete ineligible for intercollegiate athletic competition. Additionally, any athletics department staff member that introduces an agent to a student-athlete is in violation of NCAA Bylaw 10.1.



SPORTS WAGERING (GAMBLING)

The NCAA prohibits any athletics department staff members, staff members who have responsibilities with or over the athletics department, and student-athletes from wagering anything of tangible value on intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition.



JANUARY RECRUITING CALENDARS

- QUIET
- EVALUATION
- CONTACT
- EVALUATION / QUIET
- RECRUITING SHUTDOWN
- DEAD

FOOTBALL						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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MEN'S BASKETBALL						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL						
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TRACK & CROSSCOUNTRY						
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MEN'S GOLF						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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VOLLEYBALL						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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SOFTBALL						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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OTHER SPORTS						
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Siblings on Official Visits

The NCAA permits institutions to provide meals, lodging, and/or entertainment for up to four family members accompanying a PSA on an official visit.

If a prospect-aged sibling accompanies the PSA on the official visit, then the prospect-aged sibling may receive meals lodging, and/or entertainment without triggering an official visit, provided no recruitment of the prospect-aged sibling occurs during the visit and he or she is designated as one of the four family members who receives meals, lodging, and/or entertainment.

Please see the chart below that outlines the official visit accommodations for recruited and non-recruited prospect-aged siblings.

Prospect-Aged Sibling Recruitment Status	Official Visit Meals	Official Visit Lodging	Official Visit Entertainment
PSA IS being recruited by UTEP and IS one of the four family members eligible for expenses while accompanying the PSA.	May attend and receive expenses for the meal.	May receive lodging expenses	May attend and receive entertainment expenses.
PSA IS NOT being recruited by UTEP and IS one of the four family members eligible for expenses while accompanying the PSA.	May attend and receive expenses for the meal.	May receive lodging expenses.	May attend and receive exertainment expenses.
PSA IS being recruited by UTEP and IS NOT one of the four family members eligible for expenses while accompanying the PSA.	May attend, but prospect-aged sibling must pay the costs of meals.	May not stay in the same room as the four family members designated to receive lodging as an additional occupant and prospect-aged sibling must pay costs for separate room. Failure to pay for a separate room would trigger an official visit for the prospect-aged sibling.	May attend, but prospect-aged sibling must pay the costs of entertainment.
IS NOT being recruited by UTEP and IS NOT one of the four family members eligible for expenses while accompanying the PSA.	May attend, but prospect-aged sibling must pay the cost of meals.	May stay in the same room as the four family members designated to receive lodging and prospect-age sibling must pay additional occupants' costs. Failure to pay for additional occupant costs would trigger an official visit for the prospect-aged sibling.	May attend, but prospect-aged sibling must pay the costs of entertainment.



Team Transportation

Please be reminded that UTEP may not provide transportation to any relatives or friends of student-athletes including, but not limited to: transportation to and from competition sites, restaurants, etc. This would be considered an extra benefit per bylaw 16.11.2.1.

Student-Athlete Employment

Earnings from a student-athlete's on or off-campus employment that occurs at any time is exempt and is not counted in determining a student-athlete's full cost of attendance or in the institution's financial aid limitations, student-athletes may be employed at any time as long as they are:

- Paid at the going rate in the locality for similar services;
- Paid only for work actually and already performed; and
- Not paid because of athletics reputation.

If you know an athlete is currently employed or plans on being employed soon, please have them fill out the Student Athlete Employment Form which can be found on the UTEP Compliance website and turned in to the Athletics Compliance Office.

Get to know your Compliance Office



Victoria Castanon

Where were you born:

El Paso, Texas

Alma mater:

UTEP, although for 1 year she was a traitor and went to UTSA

What sports did you play growing up:

Cheerleading

Favorite Holiday/Christmas Movie:

Elf

What age do you want to permanently be:

22

Who is your celebrity crush:

Devin Booker

Favorite Ice Cream Topping:

Pecans

Which Hogwarts House are you:

Gryffindor

What songs have you completely memorized:

Can You Stand the Rain – New Edition

Ignition (Remix) – R. Kelly

Meant to Be – Bebe Rexha feat. Florida Georgia Line

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