DESCRIPTIONS OF COLLABORATORS

WHO IS YOUR DIRECTOR/VICE CHANCELLOR/VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT AFFAIRS?

Student affairs is a division or department charged with growth and development of students outside the classroom as a complement to academic affairs. This unit also may be called student support or student services.

WHO IS YOUR CAMPUS COORDINATOR FOR ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG (AOD) PREVENTION?

The campus coordinator develops campus AOD programming and is a key player in developing AOD policy and recommendations. The coordinator works with the campus community, but also may work collaboratively with state and national groups and agencies. You may find your campus coordinator in student services, campus counseling or wellness center.

WHO IS YOUR DEAN OF STUDENTS?

Typically an office within the division of student affairs, the dean of students is a direct link to students who are in crisis, have violated campus honor codes or need help navigating the campus care network. The Dean of Students may act as a liaison or advocate for students.

WHO IS YOUR TITLE IX COORDINATOR?

A Title IX coordinator’s core responsibilities include overseeing the school’s response to Title IX reports and complaints and identifying and addressing any patterns or systematic problems revealed by such reports and complaints. Title IX deals with sex discrimination of all kinds – it is not just about athletics or sexual assault/violence. The coordinator may report to the provost, but be located in any department on campus.

WHO IS YOUR DIRECTOR OF RESIDENCE LIFE?

Residence life is the office charged with managing the student experience of living on campus, including staff [resident assistants (RA)] selection and training, and social/educational programming. It may be part of a larger housing division, or under student affairs or a business division.

WHO IS YOUR DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS SECURITY?

The person in this role is charged with managing the safety, security, and emergency plans for campus, and fulfilling reporting requirements (Clery). He or she may report to the chancellor or president, or to the dean of students. If the institution has a police force, the director of campus security may lead this office or act as a liaison between police and other campus departments.

WHO IS YOUR CONTACT IN THE OFFICE OF FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE?

The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life serves as the liaison among chapters, community, and institution to provide guidance, programming, and resources. May be called Greek Life. May be part of Student Affairs, Residential Life, or Campus Activities.

WHO IS YOUR DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES?

Health services manages student medical needs, often including a campus medical clinic and may include other programs such as women’s health, wellness, and counseling. Health services also may manage immunization needs, prevention and other educational programming.

WHO IS YOUR DIRECTOR OF COUNSELING/PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES?

This office is charged with supporting the mental health needs of students through group and individual counseling. Counseling services may be a part of campus health or student affairs or may be an independent unit.

WHO IS YOUR DIRECTOR OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAMMING/SERVICES?

Wellness programs support student well-being through programming that may include bystander training and prevention of sexual violence, and address similar aspects of spiritual, mental, emotional and physical wellness. This unit may fall under several names, but is typically part of the overall student health division.

WHO IS YOUR STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT?

This person is elected by the general student body or a student government association to represent the perspective of students on campus boards, committees and policy teams. The student body president may act as a liaison between students and campus administrators.

WHO IS YOUR LIAISON TO THE FACULTY SENATE?

The faculty senate is a representative body that is responsible for faculty participation in the planning and governance of your institution. Generally, senate members are chosen to represent the faculty of their unit, school or college.

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WHO IS YOUR DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS?
The athletics director, or AD, is the senior athletics department administrator and is responsible for general oversight and supervision of the athletics department. The AD is also responsible for decisions related to coach hiring and guidance, scheduling, strategy and policy.

WHO IS YOUR SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR?
Commonly known as the SWA, this is the highest ranking female staff member in the athletics department. This designated position is intended to encourage and promote the involvement of female administrators in the decision-making process in intercollegiate athletics, and to ensure representation of women’s interests, experience and perspective at the institutional, conference and national levels. The SWA’s responsibilities can include any department tasks, senior management team responsibilities and oversight of a number of teams.

WHO IS YOUR ATHLETICS LIFE SKILLS COORDINATOR?
The life skills coordinator administers any programs, workshops and necessary information to student-athletes to help them develop the skills needed to succeed as a student and athlete on campus and for life after sports. This staff manages outreach and relationships with campus and community organizations to create such events and opportunities for the student-athletes’ success.

WHO IS YOUR ATHLETICS ACADEMIC ADVISOR?
The academic advisor is responsible for the oversight of the academic-related tasks of the student-athlete such as advising and registration, monitoring satisfactory progress, tutoring and study sessions, and coordinating and implementing life skills programming and special events.

WHO IS YOUR FACULTY ATHLETICS REPRESENTATIVE?
The FAR is a member of the faculty at an NCAA member institution officially designated by the institution to serve as a liaison to the athletics department, and also as a representative of the institution in conference and NCAA affairs. The FAR plays a central role in the overall checks-and-balances system designed to ensure academic integrity, sound governance and commitment to rules compliance, attention to equity, and student-athlete welfare.

WHO IS YOUR HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER?
This allied healthcare professional is responsible for developing, coordinating, and administering a comprehensive sports medicine program for intercollegiate athletics, with a focus on injury prevention, evaluation, management, treatment and rehabilitation, and coordination of medical treatment with campus and community services.

WHO IS YOUR SAAC PRESIDENT?
This student-athlete is responsible for leading all SAAC (Student-Athlete Advisory Committee) events and meetings to help create a voice of change for the student-athletes at the institutional, conference and national levels. SAAC is made up of student-athletes assembled to provide insight on their experience and to offer input on the rules, regulations and policies that affect student-athletes’ lives.

WHO IS YOUR SAAC ADVISOR?
The SAAC advisor is a departmental staff person charged with supervision of SAAC-related meetings and events, as well as serving as the liaison between athletics administration and the student-athletes. This person may communicate the concerns of the students to the department in order to give the student-athlete the best experience possible.

WHO IS YOUR ATHLETICS COMPLIANCE COORDINATOR?
The compliance coordinator works closely with both the athletics director and the Faculty Athletics Representative, to ensure compliance with all institutional, conference and NCAA rules and regulations governing intercollegiate athletics; monitors eligibility of student-athletes; and communicates with the NCAA and conference about rules interpretations and compliance matters. The duties of the compliance coordinator address administration and reporting, rules education, eligibility, recruitment, admissions and investigation.

DO YOU HAVE A SPORTS PSYCHOLOGIST?
Sport psychologists help athletes enhance performance and may use various mental strategies, such as visualization, self-talk and relaxation techniques to help athletes overcome obstacles and achieve their full potential. Sport psychologists utilize knowledge from many related fields including biomechanics, physiology, kinesiology and psychology. Mental health counseling should be provided only by a licensed psychologist.

DO YOU HAVE A SPORTS DIETITIAN?
A registered dietitian (RD), or a Certified Specialist in Sports Dietetics (CSSD) provides individual, group, and team nutrition counseling and education to enhance the performance of student-athletes. This person may serve as a resource for coaches, trainers, and athletes, or track and document outcomes of nutrition services.