SPMG 652-01 NCAA: Rules, Regulations, and Policies

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XAVIER UNIVERSITY SPORT ADMINISTRATION

SPMG 652-01
NCAA: Rules, Regulations, and Policies
Spring Semester 2012
Thursday 7:00 – 9:30pm

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Text Required: 2011-12 NCAA Division I Manual

Objectives of the Course
Within this basic framework, the objectives of this course are:
1. To gain an understanding of the history, purposes, fundamental policies and administrative organization of the NCAA.
2. To gain sufficient working knowledge of the Operating Bylaws of the NCAA Manual to qualify for an entry level coaching and/or administrative position in an NCAA member institution.
3. To learn to apply NCAA rules and regulations to compliance-related scenarios that coaches and athletic administrators must analyze and make decisions about on a routine basis.
4. To learn the basic principles of institutional control of an intercollegiate athletics program and the basic components and applications of an institutional compliance program.
5. To gain an understanding of the relationship between the NCAA and member institutions

Course Outline:
I. NCAA OVERVIEW, CONSTITUTION, AND BYLAWS
   a. History
   b. Administrative Organization and Governance
   c. Purposes and Fundamental Policy
   d. Membership: Composition and Division Criteria
   e. Principles for Conduct of Intercollegiate Athletics
   f. Ethical Conduct, Gambling and Drug Testing
   g. Conduct and Employment of Athletics Personnel
   h. Agents, Amateurism, and Promotional Activities
   i. Recruiting and Coaches Certification
   j. Eligibility: Academic and General Requirements
   k. Financial Aid: Maximum Individual and Sport Limits
   l. Awards, Benefits, and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes
   m. Playing and Practice Seasons – Team and Individual Sport
   n. Enforcement: Violations, Committee on Infractions, Penalties, and Appeals
II. INSTITUTIONAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE
   a. General Principles and Institutional Governance
   b. Self-Study and Evaluation – Athletics Certification
   c. Responsibilities for Actions of Outside Entities
   d. Key Elements of an Institutional Compliance Program
   e. The Relationship between the NCAA and Member Institutions

CLASS POLICIES AND EXPECTATIONS

Attendance: Attendance and punctuality are essential and expected. It is the student’s responsibility to notify the instructor when they will be absent or late. The student is responsible for material covered when absent and to make arrangements to make up any missed assignments.

Incompletes: Incomplete grades will not be granted in this class without prior approval from the instructor

Late Assignments: Assignments handed in late will be lowered one letter grade, unless approved in advance by instructor

Participation: Students are expected to interact in a professional manner during class discussions and presentations

Extra Credit: Will be provided at the discretion of the instructor and made available to all students

Case Studies, Article Reviews & Extra Credit: Assignments must be typed when submitted. Hand-written assignments will not be accepted.

ARTICLES REVIEWS/CRITIQUES

1. Identify 2 articles, editorials, columns or issues pertaining to the NCAA and/or course outline that appear in either the NCAA News/Online, newspaper, or magazine/periodical
2. Summarize the issue(s) raised in the article, cite associated bylaws (if applicable) followed by your review/critique of the issue(s), including your comments and opinions and those of others (if applicable). Attach a copy of the article.

DUE DATES: MARCH 1st & APRIL 12th

EVALUATION AND GRADING CRITERION

1. Attendance, Participation, Quizzes 20 Pts
2. 8 Written Assignments (2 Article Reviews & 6 Case Studies – 20pts ea.) 160 Pts
3. 2 Exams (60 pts each) 120 Pts

Total 300 Pts

GRADING SCALE

A 100 – 91% (300 - 272)
A- 90% (271 - 269)
B+ 89% (268 - 266)
B 88 – 81% (265 - 242)
B- 80 – 79% (241 - 239)
CLASS OUTLINE (Subject to Change)

NO CLASS JANUARY 12th

Class 1 (January 19)
Pass out and review course syllabus (objectives, required text, attendance, participation and grade evaluation)
Discuss how to use the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org) and how to order the NCAA manual
Pass out and discuss article reviews
Discuss case studies assignments
Complete and turn in student questionnaires
Instructor and class introductions

Assignment for January 26
Read the material in subheadings under About the NCAA
(NCAA Online Homepage @ www.ncaa.org)
Read the NCAA Manual
  -Table of Contents, Table of Figures, User’s Guide
  -Constitution (Articles 1 - 5)
  -Operating Bylaw (Article 20 – Division Membership)
  -Administrative Organization

Class 2 (January 26)
Class Discussion
  -About the NCAA @ www.ncaa.org
  -Organization of the NCAA Manual
    -How to use
    -Table of Contents
    -Table of Figures
    -User’s Guide
  -Name, Purposes and Fundamental Policy (Article 1)
  -Principles for Conduct of Intercollegiate Athletics (Article 2)

Class 3 (February 2)
Class Discussion
  -NCAA Membership (Article 3)
  -General Requirements for Division I Membership (Bylaw 20)
  -Organization (Article 4)
    -Division I, II, III Governance Structures
    -Association Governance Structure
  -Legislative Authority and Process (Article 5)

Assignment for February 9
Read NCAA Manual
  -Operating Bylaw (Bylaw 10 – Ethical Conduct)
  -Operating Bylaw (Bylaw 11 – Conduct and Employment of Athletics Personnel)

Class 4 (February 9)
Class Discussion
  -Ethical Conduct (Bylaw 10)
  -Conduct and Employment of Athletics Personnel (Bylaw 11)/Sample Case Studies
  -Case Studies Assignments (Agents, Recruiting, Eligibility, Financial Aid, Extra Benefits, Playing & Practice Seasons)
Assignment for February 16
- Amateurism and Promotional Activities (Bylaw 12)
- Agent Case Study (Bylaw 12)

Class 5 (February 16)
Class Discussion
- Amateurism, Agents, and Promotional Activities
- Agent Case Study

Assignment for February 23
- Recruiting (Bylaw 13)
- Complete Recruiting Case Studies (Bylaw 13)

Class 6 (February 23)
Class Discussion
- Recruiting Case Studies
- Recruiting (Bylaw 13)

Assignment for March 1
- Complete Article Review #1

Class 7 (March 1)
Turn in Article Review #1

Class Discussion
- Recruiting (continued)

Review for mid-term exam
- Constitution (Articles 1 – 5)
- Operating Bylaws (Bylaws 10, 11, 12, 13, 20)

Pass out mid-term exam (take home)

NO CLASS MARCH 8th – SPRING BREAK
Assignment for March 15
- MID-TERM DUE
- Eligibility: Academic and General Requirements (Bylaw 14)
- Academic Performance Program (Bylaw 23)
- Complete Eligibility Case Studies (Bylaw 14)

Class 8 (March 15)
MID-TERM EXAM DUE AT BEGINNING OF CLASS

Class Discussion
- Mid-term (bring questions/concerns)
- Eligibility Case Studies
- Eligibility (Bylaw 14)
- APP (Bylaw 23)

Assignment for March 22
- Financial Aid (Bylaw 15)
- Complete Financial Aid Case Studies (Bylaw 15)
Class 9 (March 22)
Class Discussion
- Financial Aid Case Studies
- Financial Aid (Bylaw 15)

Assignment for March 29
- Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes (Bylaw 16)
- Complete Awards & Benefits Case Studies (Bylaw 16)

Class 10 (March 29)
Class Discussion
- Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes (Bylaw 16)
- Awards & Benefits Case Studies

NO CLASS April 5th – EASTER BREAK

Assignment for April 12
- Complete Article Review #2
- Playing and Practice Seasons (Bylaw 17)
- Complete Playing & Practice Season Case Studies (Bylaw 17)

Class 11 (April 12)
Turn in Article Review #2

Class Discussion
- Playing and Practice Seasons (Bylaw 17)
- Playing and Practice Season Case Studies

Assignment for April 19
- Enforcement (Bylaw 19)
- Enforcement Policies and Procedures (Bylaw 32)
- Institutional Control (Article 6)
- Athletics Certification (Bylaw 22)**
- Athletics Certification Policies and Procedures (Bylaw 33)**

Class 12 (April 19)
Class Discussion
- Enforcement
- Institutional Control
- Athletics Certification**

Class 13 (April 26)
- Current Issues in College Athletics
- Jobs in College Athletics
- Extra credit due

FINAL EXAM REVIEW
- Article 6
- Bylaws 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 23, 32, 33

Class 14 (May 3)
FINAL EXAM