

Who We Are

The Student-Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS) team assists student- athletes in balancing their academic and athletic demands. Our office provides comprehensive academic support to over 550 student-athletes across 22 sports and spirit teams in the following areas: Advising, Learning Specialists, Mentoring, Tutoring, Study Hall, and through our facilities in the Quillen Family Academic Center.

What We Do

SAASS Academic Counselors provide additional support for student-athletes to help them be successful during their college career and after. We do that by meeting with student-athletes frequently to verify progress toward degree requirements, check grades, and advise on issues of NCAA eligibility requirements. SAASS Academic Counselors work alongside college advisors to help student-athletes make responsible academic and career decisions, but we do not replace the services college advisors provide to students.

How We Work Together



Travel Letters

It is the student-athlete's responsibility to communicate their sport travel commitments with faculty. Our office will provide hard copies of the travel letter to be distributed by the student-athlete, and SAASS Academic Counselors will send out a digital copy through the Navigate platform to ensure faculty are fully informed that a student-athlete has been selected for the travel team and will be absent from class.



Progress Reports

Faculty Academic Progress Reports are sent out to instructors twice a semester. These reports allow for faculty to provide feedback on student-athletes performance in class such as attendance, completion of assignments, and current grade status. We appreciate participation and the time faculty members put aside to submit the progress reports.



Open Communication

Feedback from faculty is greatly appreciated, as it allows us to intervene and support our students-athletes to the fullest. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

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