

## 2012-13 ATHLETIC COUNCIL REPORT

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### I. Athletic Council Membership

**Faculty:** Constantinos Coursaris, Martin Crimp, Tomas Hult, Fayyaz Hussain, Rebecca Malouin, Mitchell Robinson, Louise Selanders, and Geraldine Alumit Zeldes. **Alumni:** Joan Garety, Elizabeth Turpin, and Colin Cronin. **Students:** Kevin B. Jackson, Shannon Demlow, and Katie Gross. **Ex Officio:** Mark Hollis, Scott Westerman, Kathy Collins, and Michael Kasavana. **UCAP Liaison:** Jan Brady.

### II. Athletic Council Meetings

**Guests:** DIA Staff: Jennifer Smith, Jim Pignataro, Peggy Brown, Shelley Appelbaum, Greg Ianni, Chuck Sleeper, Paul Schager, and invited coaching staff members and student-athletes.

**Meeting Dates:** August 23, September 20, October 18, and November 29, 2012; January 10, February 21, April 18, 2013.

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### III. Intercollegiate Athletics - Operational Matters

- Varsity Team Schedule Review
    - Missed Class Time Guidelines (sports scheduling)
    - Length of Season Constraints
    - Avoidance of Final Exam Conflicts
  - MSU Athletic Department Budget Review
    - Reorganization and Changes in Development
    - Review of Scholarship and Operations Funding
    - Gender Equity and Facilities Annual Report
  - Student-Athlete Academic Support Services
    - Student-Athlete Surveys/Exit Interviews
    - Smith Academic Center Program Review
    - Life Skills/MSUnity [[www.sass.msu.edu](http://www.sass.msu.edu)]
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### IV. Intercollegiate Athletics - Academic Matters

- a. **NCAA:** Academic and Related Matters
  - Satisfactory Progress/Degree Requirement Monitoring
  - Athletic Certification Interim Report Review
  - Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse Operation/Amateurism
  - Gender-Equity in Intercollegiate Athletics (Annual Report)
- b. **MSU/NCAA:** Graduation Rate Disclosure Reports
  - NCAA graduation report for student body and student-athletes
  - Compliant with the Federal Student Right-to-Know Act (1990)
  - Report submitted by Office Planning & Budgets [IPED/GRDF]
  - Report includes only athletes receiving athletically related aid
  - FGR (federal graduation rate) <> GSR (graduation success rate)

**20-Years – MSU Academics (COHORT: only S-As on athletic aid)**

| <u>Cohort:</u> | <u>Student-Body:</u> | <u>FGR S-A:</u> | <u>GSR S-A:</u> |
|----------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1986-87        | .69                  | .62             | --              |
| 1987-88        | .72                  | .52             | --              |
| 1988-89        | .70                  | .74             | --              |
| 1989-90        | .69                  | .51             | --              |
| 1990-91        | .66                  | .74             | --              |
| 1991-92        | .66                  | .67             | --              |
| 1992-93        | .66                  | .66             | --              |
| 1993-94        | .64                  | .56             | --              |
| 1994-95        | .66                  | .62             | --              |
| 1995-96        | .69                  | .57             | --              |
| 1996-97        | .69                  | .74             | --              |
| 1997-98        | .69                  | .70             | --              |
| 1998-99        | .71                  | .63             | .76             |
| 1999-00        | .74                  | .70             | .81             |
| 2000-01        | .74                  | .60             | .79             |
| 2001-02        | .74                  | .65             | .79             |
| 2002-03        | .75                  | .66             | .80             |
| 2003-04        | .77                  | .69             | .80             |
| 2004-05        | .77                  | .70             | .83             |
| 2005-06        | .77                  | .75             | .85             |

☞ MSU S-A exhausted athletic eligibility graduation rate = 89%

• Calculations:

- ◆ Student-Body = number graduated / freshman cohort
- ◆ FGR S-A = number graduated / freshman cohort (single year)
- ◆ GSR S-A = adjusted graduated / freshman adjusted cohort
- ◆ Exhausted Eligibility = S-As who exhausted athletic eligibility

☞ NCAA Division FBS Rates:

2005-06 Student-Body: 63%      2005-06 FGR S-A: 65%  
 2005-06 GSR S-A Rate: 80%      2005-06 Exh. Eligibility: 87%

☞ MSU– 2008-09, 09-10, 10-11, 11-12 Academic Progress (2012 Report)

★ Multi-year academic eligibility, retention, and graduation.

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| ◆ M Baseball (978)      | ◆ W Basketball (987)    |
| ◆ M Basketball (971)    | ◆ W Cross Country (986) |
| ◆ M Cross Country (974) | ◆ Field Hockey (979)    |
| ◆ Football (955)        | ◆ W Golf (986)          |
| ◆ M Golf (954)          | ◆ Gymnastics (1000)     |
| ◆ Ice Hockey (978)      | ◆ Rowing (986)          |
| ◆ M Soccer (971)        | ◆ W Soccer (989)        |
| ◆ M Swimming (979)      | ◆ Softball (984)        |
| ◆ M Tennis (1000)       | ◆ W Swimming (978)      |
| ◆ M Track/Field (955)   | ◆ W Tennis (959)        |
| ◆ Wrestling (976)       | ◆ W Track/Field (980)   |
|                         | ◆ Volleyball (990)      |

## V. Highlighted Council Deliberations

### a. MSU Sportsmanship Taskforce (RSO)

**Intent:** received a proposal from the Spartan Squad (planned RSO of ASMSU) to enhance sportsmanship, school spirit, and participation at MSU athletic events with the objective to enhance MSU Unity.

**Process:** proposed actions included a planned website (similar to the site at Iowa) to include a Sportsmanship Agreement, traditions, cheers, schedules, results, events, public service announcements and email.

**AC Discussion Points:** generally the Council was supportive of the proposal but will await next steps and accomplishments by the group prior to consideration of endorsement or support.

**AC Resolution:** interested consideration of proposal.

### b. Adoption of Big Ten Postgraduate Scholarships

**Intent:** adoption of two \$7,500 postgraduate scholarships sponsored by the Big Ten Conference. Starting Spring 2013 one male and one female awarded scholarship for graduate studies.

**Process:** AC noted nomination, eligibility, and selection protocols and supported creation of an MSU Big Ten Postgraduate Scholarship Committee (two AC members).

**AC Discussion Points:** discussed Big Ten definitions of full-time enrollment, use of funds guidelines, and related considerations.

**AC Resolution:** AC supported creation of a committee to include DIA, administration, and Athletic Council representation.

### c. AC Website Redesign by TC 842 as Client Project

**Intent:** redesign a comprehensive AC website that would be user friendly and easier to keep current through a TC 842 project.

**Process:** review and support of Statement of Work developed by the Project Team (with firm go “live” completion deadline).

**AC Discussion Points:** benefits of outcomes/findings achieved.

### d. Athletic Council Subcommittee Activities

**Academic and Compliance Services:** review SASS annual academic reports and plans for improved services; review academic accountability; review compliance services report.

**Planning and Equity:** review varsity sport gender equity and minority equity data; review minority equity planning; review and recommend elevation of club team for varsity sport status.

**Communications and Operations:** review ticket distribution policies and recommended ticket pricing; sport venue plans.

**Drug Education and Testing Policies:** review policies relative to performance enhancement drugs, street drugs, alcohol, and tobacco products; review MSU, Big Ten and NCAA guidelines.

Each Athletic Council member is eligible to receive two season football tickets and two M Basketball or Ice Hockey season tickets at a discounted price, subject to IRS tax rules. Seat premiums are payable in full.

→ Athletic Council website: [www.spartanmedia.net/athletic-council](http://www.spartanmedia.net/athletic-council)