



Student Rights and Responsibilities

Being a responsible student member of the Stony Brook community is more than showing up to class on time and doing assignments. On the following pages you will find an overview of some of your additional responsibilities as well as your student rights. It is up to you to make yourself familiar with these rights and responsibilities so that your college experience will be everything you expect it to be and more.

By accepting responsibility for your education, you are on your way to developing your academic, social, and career goals.

Your Responsibilities as a Stony Brook Student

As a Stony Brook student, you are responsible for knowing all the codes and conduct you are required to follow. For the complete listing of your responsibilities, please review the entire Student Handbook, which is available online at studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/handbook.

Students are also encouraged to visit www.stonybrook.edu/success, which provides additional information to help you become acclimated to life at Stony Brook throughout your years at SB.

Student Responsibility Statement

Each student is responsible for reviewing, understanding, and abiding by the University's regulations, procedures, requirements, and deadlines as described in official publications, including the University's bulletins, the Student Handbook, and class schedules.

These regulations are available on the Web at studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/handbook.



Student Consumer Information Statement

The following information is available through the University's Web site at studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/sci/

- Stony Brook's academic programs, including the University faculty, laboratory, and physical facilities; student financial assistance
- The University Student Conduct Code and the State University of New York's rules for the maintenance of public order
- Campus safety policy and crime statistics
- The University alcohol and drug policy
- Stony Brook's intercollegiate athletic program participation and financial support
- Student retention, graduation, and placement rates

Student Rights Statement

Stony Brook University is committed to the creation of an environment wholly supportive of students' academic and personal achievements. Beyond providing requisite academic resources and support services, the University seeks to sustain an environment in which the diverse cultural traditions and ideals represented in both the campus community and the nation at large are valued, nurtured, and promoted. In so doing, the University fulfills its mandate to prepare students to participate actively and productively in our larger society.

The following students' rights reflect this mandate within the context of the campus community and will be viewed in the larger context of federal and state mandates.





- The right to participate in all aspects of the University experience, both in and outside the classroom, without harassment or discrimination on the basis of religion, age, gender, disability, ethnicity, or sexual orientation.
- The right to participate in a free exchange of ideas and dissent from views on all matters of interest to the student body, both in and outside the classroom.
- The right to organize and demonstrate peacefully, which includes expressions or actions that capture attention and attempt to persuade, so long as access to buildings and University community activities are not hampered.
- The right to free inquiry and expression by student media in accordance with professional journalistic standards.
- The right to personal privacy, confidentiality of records, and individual self-determination.
- The right to file a grievance in the event of an alleged breach of one's rights.

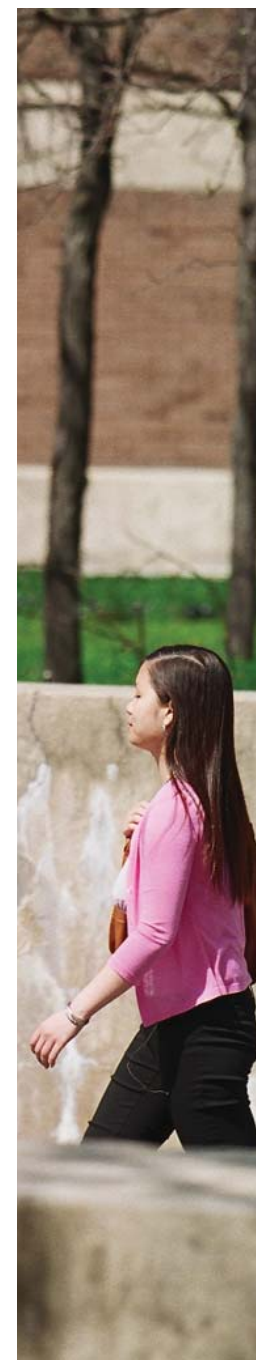
With the freedom that these rights afford comes the responsibility to conduct oneself with civility and respect toward the rights of others. It is also the responsibility of all those given these rights to protect and preserve them for others, so that with vigilance we may move closer to the ideals that these rights promise.

Community Standards, Student Rights and Responsibilities, and Respect for People and Property in the University Community

The University Student Conduct Code is the campus guide for responsible nonacademic student conduct. The Code also describes how to file a complaint if your rights as a member of the University community have been violated by another student.

University students and their guests are expected to respect the rights of others regardless of their gender, ethnicity, religion, or sexual orientation, on the campus, in the residence halls, and in the classroom. Complaints of harassment, physical abuse, threats, bias-related acts of harassment, assault or abuse, sexual harassment, sexual abuse or sexual assault, violations of alcohol and other drug policies, health and safety violations, theft, property damage, and misuse of electronic communications systems, will be investigated by the appropriate campus judicial body. Information about campus safety statistics and reports can be found on the University Police's Web site at www.stonybrook.edu/police. Students may be arrested for violations of the law in addition to a referral to the conduct process. Significant violations of the University Student Conduct Code and Alcohol and Other Drug policies can result in separation from the University.

It is imperative that all full-time, part-time, undergraduate, and graduate students, campus residents, and visitors read, understand, and abide by the rules, regulations, and policies contained in the University Student Conduct Code; the Policy for On-Campus Sales, Service, and



In the 1999-00 school year, Stony Brook University began its Campus Community initiative with the Year of Community. This was followed by the 2000-01 Year of Community Service; the 2001-02 Year of Community Leadership; and the 2002-03 Year of Community: Ethics in Leadership. For 2003-04 and 2004-05, the theme was Year of Community: Mentoring for Success. For 2005-06, the theme is Year of Community Giving. For more information, visit www.stonybrook.edu/sb/yocg

STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY

As members of Stony Brook University, we acknowledge that the primary purpose of this community is education, including academic achievement, social development, and personal growth.

In committing ourselves to study and work at Stony Brook, we agree to promote equality, civility, caring, responsibility, accountability, and respect. We also recognize the importance of understanding and appreciating our differences and similarities.

As members of a respectful community, we will not encroach on the rights of others, either as individuals or as groups. We recognize that freedom of expression and opinion entails an obligation to listen to and understand the beliefs and opinions of others, and to treat others fairly.

We strive to be a responsible community. We are accountable individually for our personal behavior and development, and collectively for the welfare of the community itself.

We encourage all Stony Brook community members to celebrate and express pride in our community's academic, athletic, and social accomplishments, and to involve themselves in the surrounding local and global communities.

In affirming this statement, we commit ourselves to becoming dedicated, active, and full members of Stony Brook University in each and every role we assume.

Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages; Drug Policy; the Rules of Public Order; and all applicable federal, state, and local laws including parking regulations.

Students, staff, faculty, and visitors whose rights were allegedly violated by others on the campus, are encouraged to file a complaint with the Office of the Student Judiciary, 347 Administration Building, 632-6705; University Police, 162 Dutchess Hall, South Campus, call 911; and with your Residence Hall/Apartment Complex staff.

The University Student Conduct Code, Alcohol Policy, and Rules of Public Order are available online at studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/jud/ and in hard copy in the Office of the Student Judiciary, and the Office of Campus Residences, in Mendelsohn Quad. Students are encouraged to apply to become Administrative Hearing Board members who sit on panels and periodically hear cases of alleged student misconduct.

If you have any questions related to the Conduct Code or judicial process, please contact the Director of Judicial Affairs at Gary.Mis@stonybrook.edu.

Residence Hall Regulations

Residence Halls offer students the convenience of location for academic pursuits and the advantage of participation in a peer community. The University sets certain limits on occupancy and establishes regulations to preserve the facilities. The offer of on-campus accommodations is



extended only to full-time matriculated students as a privilege and not a right. Occupancy in campus housing is conditional upon acceptance by each student of a set of terms and regulations established by the University through the Division of Campus Residences. In accordance with Chapter 416 of the Laws of 1988, the full set of rights, responsibilities, terms, and regulations for Residence Hall living can be found at studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/res/ and studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/handbook.

The University has the right, using established procedures, to suspend or withdraw accommodations, guest privileges, or access to a campus residence to any person(s) for violation of these regulations, for health and safety reasons, or for nonpayment of bills. In addition, the University can seek financial or other restitution for loss or damage to Residence Hall property.

Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action

Stony Brook University does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age, disability, marital status, or status as a disabled or Vietnam-era veteran in its educational programs or in employment. Also, the State of New York prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. Discrimination is unlawful.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires that individuals with disabilities be afforded equal opportunity in the areas of public services and programs, employment,



transportation, and communications. In compliance with the ADA definition of disabilities, the University makes concerted efforts to provide reasonable accommodation and access to services and programs.

For more information, contact Disability Support Services in the Educational Communication Center (ECC) or at studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/dss/.

Any questions concerning this policy or allegations of noncompliance should be directed to the Office for Diversity and Affirmative Action, 201 Administration Building, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY 11794-0251, or call 632-6280.

Academic Integrity

All Stony Brook students are expected to follow the codes established by the University. It is your responsibility to know the codes. Please familiarize yourself with them by visiting the Student Handbook online at studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/handbook.

The Academic Judiciary

If a student doesn't follow the codes they may face Academic Judiciary. The Academic Judiciary (AJC) handles two kinds of issues:

1. Accusations of academic dishonesty against students
2. Academic grievances against faculty

The AJC Office deals with accusations of dishonesty and grievances for the College of Arts and Sciences, Marine Sciences Research Center, and Physical Education. If a student has a dispute with an instructor, he or she must first try to resolve it directly with the instructor and, if that fails, with the chair of the instructor's department. If he or she is still unable to resolve the matter, a grievance may be filed through the Academic Judiciary (see page 72 for contact information). A hearing board will then consider the grievance and, if it deems appropriate, investigate the matter further and schedule a hearing.

When an instructor accuses a student of academic dishonesty, he or she normally will file a report of the incident with the Academic Judiciary hearing officer within three weeks of discovering it. The hearing officer will then notify the student (in writing) of the report and of the proposed penalties. The student will then have one month to appeal the accusation. If he or she appeals, the Academic Judiciary will schedule a hearing at which the testimony of the faculty member, the student, and any witnesses will be heard by a panel consisting of at least five members. If the panel finds the student innocent, his or her grade will be computed without penalty. If it finds the student guilty, the hearing board will determine penalties, which usually include a Q ("failure by reason of academic dishonesty") for the course. If the hearing board determines that the student provided false information in his or her appeal, it may accuse him or her of a second act of academic dishonesty, which would carry further penalties.

What is Academic Dishonesty?

The following is a list that contains some general parameters that define academic dishonesty. While these definitions include specific examples, the examples themselves cannot be listed exhaustively. Therefore, the list of examples is not all-inclusive.

Cheating—Intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized assistance, materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise; or preventing, or attempting to prevent, another from using authorized assistance, materials, etc.

- Using unauthorized notes, study aids, or information on an examination.
- Altering a graded work after it has been returned—then submitting the work for re-grading.
- Allowing another person to do your work and submitting that work under your name or having someone else take an exam for you.
- Copying answers from someone else.
- Having in one's possession without permission, any tests, notes, or property belonging to or generating from faculty, staff, or students.

Plagiarism—Intentionally or knowingly representing the words or ideas of another as one's own in any academic exercise.

- Submitting material that in part or whole is not entirely one's own work without attributing those same portions to their correct source.
- Copying from any source without quotation marks and the appropriate documentation.
- Re-wording an idea found in a source, but then omitting documentation.
- Copying a paper, or portion of a paper, that someone else has written.



Fabrication—Intentional and unauthorized falsification or invention of any information or citation in any academic exercise.

- Presenting data that were not gathered in accordance with standard guidelines defining the appropriate methods for collecting or generating data, and failing to include an accurate account of the method by which the data were gathered or collected.
- Citing nonexistent or irrelevant articles.
- Working together with others on a take-home exam.
- Providing false information in connection with any inquiry regarding academic integrity.
- Taking a test or doing an assignment for someone else.
- Willfully offering to a student answers or information related to tests and examinations.

Obtaining an Unfair Advantage—Attempting to gain unauthorized advantage over fellow students in any academic exercise.

- Gaining or providing unauthorized access to examination materials.
- Lying about the need for an extension for an exam or paper.
- Continuing to write even when time is up during an exam.
- Stealing, destroying, defacing, or keeping library materials for one's own use or with the purpose of depriving others of their use.

Falsification of Records and Official Documents—Misrepresenting, falsifying, or tampering with or attempting to tamper with any portion of an academic transcript, record, etc. for oneself or for another.

- Tampering with computer records.
- Forging a faculty/staff signature on any University document.

Unauthorized Access—Unauthorized access to computerized academic or administrative records or systems.

- Viewing/altering computer records; modifying computers.
- Releasing or dispensing information gained via unauthorized access.
- Interfering with the use/availability of computer systems or information.

For more information about academic dishonesty, consult the 2005-07 Undergraduate Bulletin, page 77, or the AJC Web site at <http://naples.cc.sunysb.edu/CAS/ajc.nsf>.

Student Health Regulations

It is a requirement of NYS Public Health Law §2165 that every student demonstrates proof of immunity against measles, mumps, and rubella to attend Stony Brook University. This law requires the University to prohibit a student's future attendance if they fail to acquire or submit the necessary immunizations. All Stony Brook students must complete and return an acknowledgement form. This form can be downloaded from <http://studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/shs/forms>. It is also a requirement of NYS Public Health Law §2167 that institutions, including colleges and universities, distribute information about meningococcal disease and vaccination to all students meeting the enrollment criteria, whether they live on or off campus.

Colleges in New York State are required to maintain a record of the following for each student: a response to receipt of meningococcal disease and vaccine information signed by the student or student's parent or guardian. This must include information on the availability and cost of meningococcal meningitis vaccine (Menomune); and either: a record of meningococcal meningitis immunization within the past 10 years; or an acknowledgement of meningococcal disease risks and refusal of meningococcal meningitis immunization signed by the student or student's parent or guardian.

Required Student Health Insurance Plans

Stony Brook has a required health insurance plan for all full-time domestic students. This plan pays for most medically necessary bills and covers our students anywhere in the world, every day, no matter whether on campus or on break. All full-time students are automatically billed for the University Health Insurance plan at the beginning of each semester. The cost of the insurance is \$910 per year. Waivers for this insurance plan are approved only if the student already has health insurance through a job, a parent or other related individual, a spouse, Medicaid, or "Healthy New York." Waivers for the 2005-2006 academic year will be accepted online through the SOLAR System until September 15, 2005, for Fall and until February 10, 2006, for Spring.

For questions about health insurance, contact the Student Health Insurance Office in the West Campus Student Health Center, 9:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Monday to Friday, by phone at (631) 632-6054, or click on the Health Insurance Link on www.stonybrook.edu/success.



Your Responsibilities as a Student-Athlete

The Intercollegiate Athletics Program will provide young men and women opportunities for learning not found in other academic environments of the University. The Program embraces the NCAA's principles of sportsmanship and ethical conduct, and in so doing provides the student-athletes who are a part of the Program with opportunities to develop positive character and leadership qualities through competitive sport participation and community service.

The Intercollegiate Athletics Program is committed to achieving academic and athletic excellence and to promoting the general welfare of its student-athletes. In achieving these goals, the Program conforms to all rules and regulations of the University and of all of the athletic bodies of which the Program is privileged to be a member.

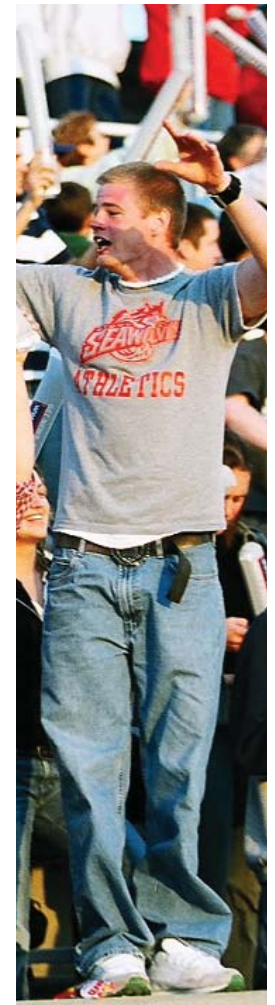
The Program is committed to making its programs an enduring source of pride for participants, alumni, the University, and for the broader communities of which the Program is a part.

The Stony Brook University Student-Athlete Handbook can be found at www.goseawolves.org.

Sportsmanship

The Department of Athletics maintains that athletic competition, when demonstrating high standards of ethics and sportsmanship, promotes the development of good character and other important life skills. The following simple principles guide the expectations for behavior of student-athletes, coaches, staff members, and fans.

- Respect: acknowledge good efforts by opponents, officials, and teammates.
- Courage: have the heart to do the right thing.



- Civility: be gracious in victory as well as defeat.
- Fairness: observe the the rules.
- Responsibility: take charge of your acts.

Student-Athlete Code of Conduct

Being a member of a Seawolves Athletic Team is a privilege, not a right, and is one that bears responsibilities. The obligations of a student-athlete extend beyond the athletics arena and classroom. Student-athletes are members of several communities. Each of these communities expects its members to exhibit respectful and lawful behavior. Student-athletes do not have special rights and privileges that exempt them from being held accountable for their actions. They will be treated in the same manner as all other students. It is not the policy of the Department of Athletics to intercede on an athlete's behalf. Student-athletes should maintain familiarity with all sanctions that might be imposed by the University for infractions of the Student Conduct Code and understand that their participation in intercollegiate athletics in no way exempts them from taking responsibility for their actions.

The athletics program is a highly visible component of the University, and student-athletes are in the public eye. Behaviors and actions may be highly scrutinized by the NCAA, the media, and the public at large. Therefore, it is critical that you, the student-athlete, remain cognizant at all times of your role in protecting the reputation of the Department and the University and behave appropriately.

Any alleged violation of the student-athlete code of conduct will be reported to the Director of Athletics who will convene a meeting as soon as possible, with the athletics director or designee, involved party(ies), coach, and sport supervisor. Based upon this meeting the Director of Athletics may impose, in a reasonable time, sanctions separate from or in addition to University-imposed sanctions for infractions of the Student Code of Conduct and/or the Academic Code of Conduct. These sanctions may include, but are not limited to, immediate and indefinite suspension from competition and practice. The Department of Athletics reserves the right to suspend an individual(s) from competition or practice in situations where the alleged violation is deemed to be serious in nature. Such actions may be taken upon notice to the Department of any alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct or the Student-Athlete Code of Conduct. This may result in the



Department imposing sanction(s) when an outside agency (University disciplinary bodies, court of law, etc.) has not taken any action, has not made a final determination, or after a final determination.

Once the student-athlete(s) receives written notification of the sanctions being imposed and wishes to appeal the decision, they will have 10 days to provide the Director of Athletics with a written request for an appeal. The statement must provide the basis for the appeal, which is limited to new or undisclosed evidence or a claim that the sanctions are excessive or inappropriate. (The appeals process is outlined in the complete online version of the Student-Athlete Handbook found at www.goseawolves.org.)

Additional Rules and Regulations

Stony Brook student-athletes are expected to be responsible members of the University and larger communities and, as such, are held to the rules and regulations governing their participation in intercollegiate athletics. As a result, all student-athletes are expected to abide by all rules issued by the University, the Department of Athletics, the NCAA, and the conference offices and are subject to the assigned sanctions for any breach of such rules. The following areas have specific sanctions and processes associated with them—criminal acts, alcohol and controlled substance infractions, tobacco use, hazing, sexual

harassment, sexual abuse or assault, and team rules. All student-athletes should familiarize themselves with the appropriate expectations and procedures as stated in the Student-Athlete Handbook found at www.goseawolves.org.

NCAA Compliance

As a student-athlete, you are responsible for your conduct both on and off of the playing field, court, track, or pool. Your responsibilities include adherence to all NCAA, America East Conference, and institutional rules and regulations. Stony Brook University's Department of Athletics is committed to strict compliance with these rules and regulations.

The NCAA rules that govern your conduct as a student-athlete may seem complicated and overwhelming. Stony Brook University is committed to educating you, the student-athlete, on what your responsibilities are according to these rules and regulations. If at any time you or your family has any question about any NCAA, America East Conference, or institutional rules or regulations, please feel free to contact the Department of Athletics to speak with an administrator. It is important that you always remember to ask before you act. Your eligibility to compete may depend on your knowledge and compliance with these rules.



The following is an excerpted list of important areas of compliance for any student-athlete. Please refer to the Student-Athlete Handbook for details related to each of these areas:

- Gambling and Ethical Conduct
- Amateurism
- Agents
- Outside Competition
- Extra Benefits for Enrolled Student-Athletes
- Recruiting
- Transfer Regulations
- Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities as a Current Student
- Reporting NCAA Violations
- Eligibility
- Financial Aid Issues

Student-Athlete Commitment to Academics

The Department of Athletics is committed to the overall academic, athletic, and social development of all of its student-athletes. In conjunction with the academic resources available to all students on Stony Brook's campus, the Department of Athletics is fortunate to be able to provide some additional services to its student-athletes. Specifically, the Goldstein Academic Center houses the office for Academic Support and is located in the Pritchard Wing of the Sports Complex. It features advisors' offices, a quiet study area, eight computer terminals, and worktables. The Department of Athletics provides a broad range of services geared toward the academic well being of the student-athletes including, but not limited to, the following areas:

- Academic Advising
- Tutorial Services Program



- Advance Registration
- Study Hall
- Study Tips
- NCAA Champs/Life Skills Program
- Learning Disabilities Assistance



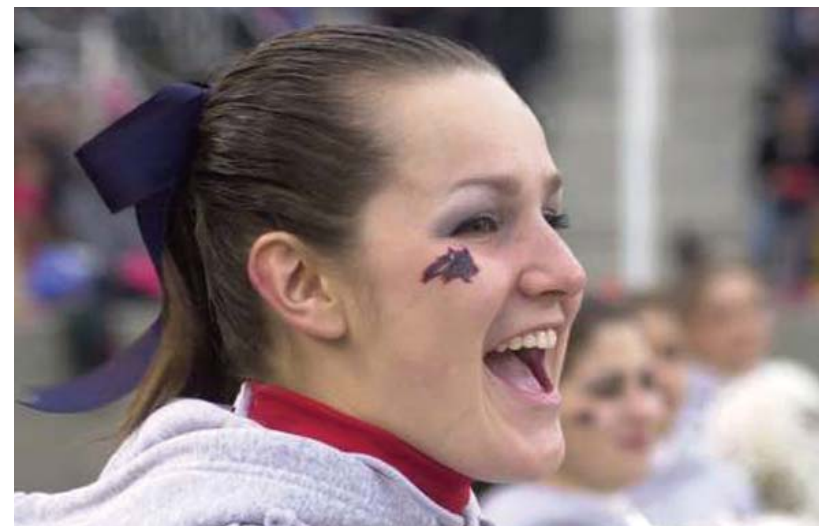
All Stony Brook student-athletes have a first priority to their academic development. To that end, student-athletes are responsible for understanding not only the academic requirements of the institution but also those of the Department of Athletics and the NCAA. In particular, all student-athletes should familiarize themselves with the academic requirements which must be met to compete at the intercollegiate level. These requirements are outlined in the Student-Athlete Handbook found at www.goseawolves.org and include specifics related to GPA, credits taken per semester and each academic year, progress toward degree, major declaration, full-time status requirements, academic probation concerns, and academic integrity issues.



Athletic Training Services

Athletic training services are made available to all SB student-athletes. The athletic training staff is committed to providing health care for student-athletes in the following areas:

- Prevention of athletic injury and illness
- Recognition and evaluations of athletic injuries
- Management, treatment, and disposition of athletic injuries
- Rehabilitation and reconditioning of athletic injuries
- Health-care administration and organization
- Education and counseling of student-athletes



Athletic Physicals

No student-athlete may participate in official team practice sessions or competitions without undergoing an athletic physical at our Student Health Service. The student-athlete must also have a fully completed athletic insurance questionnaire on file in the Athletic Training Room.

Substances Banned by the NCAA

All student-athletes are responsible for knowing the substances which are banned for participation in NCAA-sponsored sports. The information is available at: http://www1.ncaa.org/membership/ed_outreach/health-safety/drug_testing/banned_drug_classes.pdf

Department of Athletics Contacts

Athletic Director's Office	632-7205
Academic Advising Office	632-4952
Athletic Training Room	632-7217
Office of Compliance	632-7205
Media Relations	632-6312
Ticket Office.....	632-4516
Substance Abuse Counselor	632-6450
Financial Aid.....	632-6840
Equipment Room.....	632-4149