



**THE UNIVERSITY OF
NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM**

Oversight of Athletics by UNC Board of Governors (BOG)

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UNC CHARLOTTE

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Governing Policies, Regulations, and Guidelines

UNC Policy	1100.1	Intercollegiate Athletics
UNC Policy	700.6.1[R]	Academic integrity regulations
UNC Policy	700.6.1.1[G]	Course clustering analysis

Delegation to Chancellors:

Responsibility for intercollegiate athletics is delegated by the BOG.
Meets NCAA requirement for institutional control.

Chancellors oversee:

- Admissions, including exceptions or waivers.
- Assure “reasonable progress toward a baccalaureate degree.”
- Academic oversight of tutorial and remedial programs.
- Conformance with NCAA rules and regulations.
- Annual audit of athletic foundation and clubs.
- Annual report to Board of Trustees and Board of Governors.

Annual Report

- Organization and Philosophy
- Admission Policy for SAs
- Exceptions to UNC admissions criteria for SAs
- Academic characteristics of SAs compare to non-SAs
- SA's majors and programs of study
- Academic progression and graduation rates for SAs
- Conformance to Academic Integrity Regulations
- Financial Review and Approval of Athletics Budget
- Information about “booster” clubs

Academic Integrity Review—Requirements for Campuses

Grading Standards

- Clear rules on who can submit or change course grades
- Audit procedures to ensure authorized grade changes
- Electronic records of grade changes
- Course numbering systems to identify independent studies

Student Areas of Study and Course Performance

- Comparisons of majors for SAs and non-SAs
- Annual comparison of SA GPAs to non-SA GPAs
- Course clustering analysis
- Graduation rates

Academic Integrity Review—Requirements for Campuses

Non-Standard Courses

Must have standards for individualized instruction comparable to regular courses, including syllabus or learning contract specifying expected student work, grading standards, meeting times with faculty, etc.

Faculty and Administrator Oversight

- Limits on independent studies per faculty member and process for approving exceptions.
- Regular review and evaluation of Department Chairs.

Course Clustering Analysis

Course Clustering Defined: When Student-Athletes make up 25% or more of the students enrolled in a course section. Such a course is deemed to have been “flagged” for further analysis.

Frequency of Review: Conducted every fall, spring, and summer terms.

Oversight of Review: By Chief Academic Officer (CAO).

Content of Review:

- Compare grade distribution of SAs and non-SAs in flagged sections.
- Compare grade distributions of flagged and non-flagged sections of the same course.
- Review transcript of any SA in 3 or more flagged sections per year.

Course Clustering and Transcript Analysis

Remedy if Irregularities:

- Review by Chief Academic Officer (Independent of Athletics)
- Irregularities identified by CAO will be reviewed by Dean, Department Chair, and Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) to determine reason(s) for irregularities, create corrective action plan, and follow up report.
- Review of transcript of any SA enrolled in three or more flagged sections per academic year. Irregularities determined by CAO require Deans and FAR to determine reasons and review findings with Department of Athletics.

Some Examples of Academic Oversight

Student Choices of Academic Programs—UNC Charlotte (Spring 2018)

Three Most Popular Majors for Student Athletes

University College (undeclared)	=	16.4%
Pre-Business	=	12.7%
Psychology	=	7.5%

Three Most Popular Majors for All Undergraduates

University College (undeclared)	=	9.9%
Computer Science	=	8.7%
Pre-Business	=	7.2%

Some Examples of Academic Oversight

Cumulative Grade Point Averages (GPAs)

	Student-Athletes	All Students
2016	2.97	2.99
2017	2.99	3.02
2018	3.04	3.04

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Course Clustering Analysis (UNC Charlotte)

2014-15	33 of 1,793 sections	=	1.8%
	51 SAs of 372 total SAs	=	13.7%
	Irregularities	=	Zero
2015-16	34 of 1,802 sections	=	1.9%
	50 SAs of 394 total SAs	=	12.7%
	Irregularities	=	Zero
2016-17	29 of 1,844 sections	=	1.6%
	33 SAs of 429 total SAs	=	7.7%
	Irregularities	=	Zero

Graduation Rates—Definitions

Federal Graduation Rate (FGR)

- Completion of degree in six consecutive calendar years
- By all undergraduate students enrolled full-time
- By Student-Athletes who received athletic aid
- Only measures first-time, full-time freshmen
- Any student who “leaves” is counted as a failure

Graduation Rates—Definitions

Graduation Success Rate (GSR)

- Includes incoming transfers and students entering mid-year
- Excludes students who die or leave to join armed forces or go on church mission.
- Excludes students who transfer out to another school but with remaining athletic eligibility.

Graduation Rates—Definitions

Both FGR and GSR computed on six-year cohorts:

- For most recent single year and four classes combined
- For each men's and women's sport
- For each racial and ethnic group

FGR and GSR Comparison

UNC Charlotte (Students Graduating in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)

	FGR%	GSR%
Men's Baseball	80	91
Men's Basketball	40	70
Men's Golf	63	100
Women's Softball	79	93
Women's Basketball	60	92

Thank You