Compliance in the News

NCAA vacates wins from 2012 & 2013 seasons for Notre Dame football team over academic misconduct violations

A recently completed NCAA investigation found a Notre Dame student athletics trainer violated NCAA rules when she committed academic misconduct for two football student-athletes and provided six others with impermissible academic extra benefits.

The NCAA has prescribed the following penalties for the violations: one year probation, a two-year show cause on the student trainer, a two-year disassociation on the student trainer from the athletics program, all wins from the 2012 & 2013 season are vacated, and a $5,000 fine.

Finals and Practice Hours

For all out of seasons teams, all practice activities must end 1 week prior to the start of finals. That means December 6th is the last day to have CARA, students may still engage in voluntary practice activities if they wish.

Spot the Violation

The UAlbany Field Hockey team would like to provide Louise Belcher, a senior prospect, with an official visit. The only time Louise can visit campus is during the Albany winter break. One of the current members of the field hockey team has volunteered to be a host, but she lives in the dorms which are closed. Since the dorms are closed the coaches would like the host to stay in the hotel room with Louise. Is this permissible?

Answer on next page.
Outside Competition Over Holiday Break

During the official vacation period, if you are out-of-season, you may compete in non-collegiate, amateur competition (e.g. club team). Please be sure to fill out the Outside Competition Form in ARMS prior to competing in any events or please contact the Office of Compliance Services.

Important Dates

- December 11th – Fall commencement ceremony
- December 12th – Last day of classes
- December 13th – Reading Day
- December 14th – Final exams begin
- December 20th – Final exams end; Deadline to return rented textbooks
- December 21st – January 22nd – Winter Break
- December 23rd – Expected date for final grades to be posted

Textbook Return Policy

If you are no longer using a rental textbook or have completed a fall course, you are able to return your rental textbooks to the bookstore on any day for the remainder of the Fall semester.

The **deadline** to return your rental textbooks to the bookstore is **Tuesday, December 20th**. All charges for textbooks that have gone unreturned will be applied to the student-athlete’s account and holds will be placed on the account until restitution is made for the unreturned rentals.

Spot the Violation Answer:

No. A student host may stay in a hotel room with a PSA during an official visit provided the visit does not occur during a vacation period.

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