



Institution: Winthrop University
Case Type: Interpretation Request

Division: I

Case ID: 1043396
Date: 07/15/2019

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General Information

Institution Information	
Institution or Conference	Winthrop University
Division of Institution	I
Conference	Big South Conference
Phone Number	803/323-2225
Academic year related to this request	2018-19

Sub Case Types	
Please check all the Interpretation Request sub-case types and conditions that apply	
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership and Sports Sponsorship - Bylaw 20	

Legislation Related to this Request			
Provide cite(s) of applicable legislation, educational column or interpretation	Type	Division ID	Text
	Interpretation	I	Abatement of out-of-state tuition and fees for student-athletes; reciprocity statute
	Education Column	I	Bylaw 15.02.3.1 -- tuition waivers
	Bylaw	I 20.9.3.2.1	Aid Counted Toward Minimum Requirements.
	Bylaw	I 20.9.3.2	Minimum Awards.
One sentence statement that describes the interpretive issue.	Does an out of state waiver provided to an athlete count towards Bylaw 20 minimum?		

Case Prioritization Information	
Do the circumstances of this request require urgent review (within the next two business days)?	No

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Describe the interpretive request

For an institution that provides out of state waivers to athletes, may these awards be counted towards hitting Bylaw 20 minimums if they are not actually paid? These are waivers placed on a students account, but no actual dollar amount is awarded to a student. Rather, the student's account just has a note for an out of state waiver and they are never charged the out of state fee.

Have you previously contacted any NCAA staff
regarding this request? No

Have the institution and conference communicated
regarding this request? No

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Recommended Documentation

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Agreement by Hank Harrawood on 01/02/2019

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1.) Are the tuition waivers in question institutional tuition waivers or are they state-mandated law? In other words, is your institution determining who should receive the waivers through a regular committee or other agency? Or is the state making that determination? 2.) Are the recipients of the

waivers counters? Hey Stephen, Please see below regarding the first piece. This is from our Director of Financial Aid- I am new to the institution so deferred to her on that. As to question 2- some who get these are counters, while others are not. We do have a small segment that get only institutional aid that can be exempted with these, if that makes sense. Winthrop, along with all other SC public institutions, are allowed by state law to award out-of-state tuition waivers to students who have at least a \$250 scholarship per semester. Each Institution gets to determine the qualifications for the waiver. At Winthrop, most tuition waivers are granted through the incoming student scholarship process as part of the scholarship application. For the past few years, minimum criteria was required to meet the scholarship (e.g. 3.0 high school GPA and at least 1200 SAT (or ACT equivalent). The Division of Access & Enrollment, with support from Winthrop Leadership, determine the academic scholarship criteria before each recruiting cycle. Winthrop has also granted the Athletic Department the authority to include out-of-state waivers as part of an athlete's scholarship package. Recipients are determined based on annual budgets under the direction of the Athletics Director (or his designee). Winthrop has also granted the Graduate School the authority to award out-of-state waivers to Graduate students who receive at least a \$250. Finally, students with financial need who do not receive a tuition waiver through any of the other methods, have the ability to write a letter of consideration to the Director of Financial Aid. The Director of Financial approves or denies the requests. The Vice President of Access & Enrollment Management is available for appeals if a student disagrees with the Director of Financial Aid's decision.



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1043396	Interpretation Request	Membership and Sports Sponsorship - Bylaw 20	No

Division	Sport(s)
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Legislative Cite(s)

- Abatement of out-of-state tuition and fees for student-athletes; reciprocity statute
- Bylaw 15.02.3.1 -- tuition waivers
20.9.3.2.1 - Aid Counted Toward Minimum Requirements.
20.9.3.2 - Minimum Awards.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	01/10/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Meeting

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Pursuant to a June 7, 1990 official interpretation and a corresponding July 5, 1990 educational column, because the tuition waiver is contingent on or triggered by the receipt of institutional aid (i.e., a minimum of \$250 scholarship per semester), the whole amount of the tuition is considered institutional aid. If the student-athlete is a counter, the entire amount of the tuition waiver can be counted towards meeting the minimum financial aid requirements set forth in Bylaw 20.9.3.2.1. If the student-athlete is exempted from the counter limitations, none of his or her aid can be used to satisfy the requirements in Bylaw 20.9.3.2.1. Please note if the student-athlete is a counter, the value of the waiver will be included in the numerator and denominator of the equivalency calculation as well as counting towards meeting the minimum financial aid requirements in Bylaw 20.9.3.2.1.

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Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



Institution: Winthrop University
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Case ID: 1046708
Date: 07/15/2019

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Conference	Big South Conference
Phone Number	803/323-2225
Academic year related to this request	2018-19

Sub Case Types	
Please check all the Interpretation Request sub-case types and conditions that apply	
Eligibility - Bylaw 14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Eligibility - Bylaw 14 Sub-Case Types	
Full-Time Enrollment-Bylaw 14.2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Legislation Related to this Request			
Provide cite(s) of applicable legislation, educational column or interpretation	Type	Division ID	Text
	Interpretation	I	Full-Time Enrollment -- Final Semester/Quarter for Postbaccalaureate Student-Athletes (I)
	Bylaw	I 14.2.2.1.3	Final Semester/Quarter.
One sentence statement that describes the interpretive issue.	May a student-athlete compete while less than full time during two different semesters?		

Case Prioritization Information	
Do the circumstances of this request require urgent review (within the next two business days)?	No

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Describe the interpretive request

A baseball student-athlete is in the courses needed to graduate this spring. He will graduate in spring of 2019 with a Sociology degree and a Spanish minor. The student is only enrolled in 1 hour to complete his degree. If he graduates, he plans to seek a second undergraduate degree next year (in Spanish). He will need an additional 16 hours to complete this degree. May he take 12 hours next fall and use the exception in Bylaw 14.2.2.1.3 to compete while less than full time in the spring of 2020 as well? The institution has certified he is carrying for credit what he needs to graduate and would do so in spring of 2020 as well. Additionally, the institution is aware of the April 2008 interpretation that allows a student to compete less than full time when seeking another degree, but does not feel that it sufficiently answers whether a student may use this exception twice.

Have you previously contacted any NCAA staff regarding this request? No

Have the institution and conference communicated regarding this request? No

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Recommended Documentation

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Agreement by Hank Harrawood on 02/06/2019

Activity After Case Submission

Responses to Requests for Additional Information



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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1046708	Interpretation Request	Eligibility - Bylaw 14 Full-Time Enrollment-Bylaw 14.2	No

Division	Sport(s)
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Legislative Cite(s)

- Full-Time Enrollment -- Final Semester/Quarter for Postbaccalaureate Student-Athletes (I)
14.2.2.1.3 - Final Semester/Quarter.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	02/08/2019	Staff	Individual

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: The academic and membership affairs staff confirmed that a student-athlete who is enrolled and seeking a second baccalaureate (or equivalent) or graduate-level degree, and has used the exception in Bylaw 14.2.2.1.3 for their first degree at the same institution previously attended as an undergraduate, or enrolled in a graduate or professional school of an institution other than the institution from which he or she previously received a baccalaureate degree, may compete while enrolled in less than a full-time program of studies, provided the student-athlete is enrolled in the final semester or quarter necessary to obtain his or her second baccalaureate (or equivalent) or graduate-level degree. The institution must certify that the student-athlete is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete degree requirements.

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Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

A baseball student-athlete is in the courses needed to graduate this spring. He will graduate in spring of 2019 with a Sociology degree and a Spanish minor. The student is only enrolled in 1 hour to complete his degree. If he graduates, he plans to seek a second undergraduate degree next year (in Spanish). He will need an additional 16 hours to complete this degree. May he take 12 hours next fall and use the exception in Bylaw 14.2.2.1.3 to compete while less than full time in the spring of 2020 as well? The institution has certified he is carrying for credit what he needs to graduate and would do so in spring of 2020 as well. Additionally, the institution is aware of the April 2008 interpretation that allows a student to compete less than full time when seeking another degree, but does not feel that it sufficiently answers whether a student may use this exception twice.

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Academic year related to this request	2018-19

Sub Case Types	
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Ethical Conduct - Bylaw 10	

Legislation Related to this Request			
Provide cite(s) of applicable legislation, educational column or interpretation	Type	Division ID	Text
	Interpretation	I	Prediction of winners by coach on TV program
	Interpretation	I	Athletics Department Staff Members Participating in a Radio or Television Show Involving Predictions of Intercollegiate Athletics Contests
	Bylaw	I 10.3	Sports Wagering Activities.
One sentence statement that describes the interpretive issue.	Is it permissible for a NCAA Division I men's basketball coach to complete a free NCAA tournament bracket as part of a local sports network promotional event?		

Case Prioritization Information	
Do the circumstances of this request require urgent review (within the next two business days)?	Yes
Provide description of reason for expedited review request.	Local Sports Network promotional event takes place this weekend.
Provide the date of the issue requiring expedited review	03/15/2019

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Describe the interpretive request

The institution's head men's basketball coach has been asked to complete an NCAA men's basketball bracket as part of a local sports network promotional event. Pursuant to Bylaw 10.3, an institutional athletics staff member is prohibited from providing information to individuals associated with sports wagering activities, however, it is common practice for NCAA Division I coaches who do not make the NCAA tournament to serve as television or radio analysts during the NCAA tournament

Have you previously contacted any NCAA staff regarding this request? No

Have the institution and conference communicated regarding this request? No

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Agreement by Valerie Dunlap on 03/13/2019

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Responses to Requests for Additional Information



Case Summary

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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1051520	Interpretation Request	Ethical Conduct - Bylaw 10	No

Division	Sport(s)
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Legislative Cite(s)

- Prediction of winners by coach on TV program
- Athletics Department Staff Members Participating in a Radio or Television Show Involving Predictions of Intercollegiate Athletics Contests
10.3 - Sports Wagering Activities.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	03/15/2019	Staff	Director and Above

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Based on the attached interpretations, it is not permissible for a coach to provide his predicted outcome of collegiate games; the distinction being a coach providing an analysis of a game or upcoming game vs predicting the actual outcome of games. Therefore, the coach may participate in a show to provide game analysis, but not to predict the outcome of the games.

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Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

The institution's head men's basketball coach has been asked to complete an NCAA men's basketball bracket as part of a local sports network promotional event. Pursuant to Bylaw 10.3, an institutional athletics staff member is prohibited from providing information to individuals associated with sports wagering activities, however, it is common practice for NCAA Division I coaches who do not make the NCAA tournament to serve as television or radio analysts during the NCAA tournament

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Institution: Winthrop University
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Division: I

Case ID: 1061794
Date: 07/15/2019

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Division of Institution I
Conference Big South Conference
Phone Number 803/323-2225
Academic year related to this request 2019-20

Sub Case Types

Please check all the Interpretation Request sub-case types and conditions that apply

Eligibility - Bylaw 14

Eligibility - Bylaw 14 Sub-Case Types

Two-Year College Transfers-Bylaw 14.5.4 (Includes
4-2-4 Transfers-Bylaw 14.5.6)

Legislation Related to this Request

Provide cite(s) of applicable legislation, educational column or interpretation

Type	Division ID	Text
Bylaw	I	14.5.4.6.3.2 Calculation of Grade-Point Average for Transferable Credit.

One sentence statement that describes the interpretive issue.

May a course be considered a "repeat" if it is the same course taken at a different institution?

Case Prioritization Information

Do the circumstances of this request require urgent review (within the next two business days)? Yes

Provide description of reason for expedited review request. Impacts current and upcoming summer enrollment.

Provide the date of the issue requiring expedited review 06/20/2019

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Describe the interpretive request The bylaw indicates that "only the last grade earned in a course that has been repeated shall be included in the GPA calculation." May a course be considered the same course for repeat purposes if it is the same course but taken at a different institution? For instance, the student needs to take "Foundation Math" which shows up as MATH 100 on the transcript on the Junior College transcript. May the student take Foundation Math which shows up as MATH 100 at a different school within the same Junior College state system? The courses are the same, have the same curriculum, appear the same on transcripts within the system, and cover the same requirements for graduation for all Junior Colleges within the state system.

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Agreement by Hank Harrawood on 06/19/2019

Activity After Case Submission

Responses to Requests for Additional Information



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1061794	Interpretation Request	Eligibility - Bylaw 14 Two-Year College Transfers-Bylaw 14.5.4 (Includes 4-2-4 Transfers- No Bylaw 14.5.6)	No
Division	Sport(s)		
I			
Legislative Cite(s)			
14.5.4.6.3.2 - Calculation of Grade-Point Average for Transferable Credit.			

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	06/21/2019	Staff	Individual
Conditions			
Rationale			
Interpretation:: Yes, your institution may count the last grade earned in the math course so long as your institution recognizes the two independent attempts of the course as the same courses. When determining if courses taken by an incoming two-year transfer student-athlete at two different institutions should both be calculated in the transfer GPA, the institution must determine if the courses are considered the same. As long as the certifying institution recognizes the two courses as the same course they may be treated as repeated. The repeating does not have to occur at the same junior college in order to replace the grade.			

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