Academic Do’s and Don’ts for NCAA Coaches

NCAA coaches play a critical role in a student-athlete’s academic success. It is important, however, that coaches leave academics to the experts and not cross the line into impermissible activity. Here is a short list of do’s and don’ts to help provide guidance to NCAA coaches when involved with academics.

Do...

- Ask compliance questions about what you should and should not do concerning academics.
- Know the NCAA initial and continuing academic eligibility requirements.
- Stay involved and up to date on your student-athletes’ academic progress.
- Know your institution’s academic policies.
- Report potential academic misconduct to compliance.

Don’t...

- Call professors/teaching assistants about your student-athletes.
- Cross the line to protect a student-athlete’s academic eligibility.
- Tamper with transcripts/admissions applications for prospects.
- Complete or ask others to complete any academic work for a student-athlete or prospect.
- Put your job at risk because of your involvement in academics.