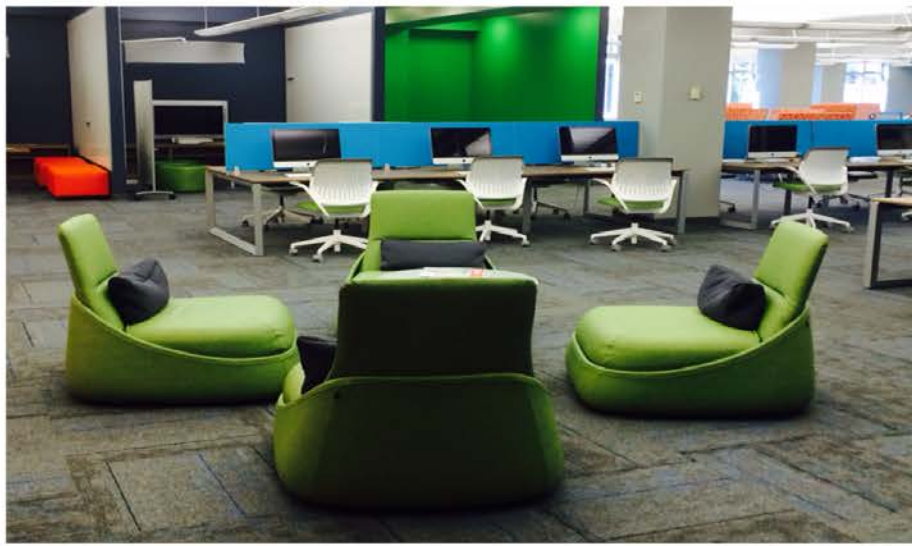


# Integrating Academic and Athletic Success

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# The Importance of the Link

- *Marginalization of student-athletes based on campus stakeholder perspectives*
- *Can we enhance the student-athlete in class experience by identifying a positive link between in-class vs on-field participation*
- *Highlight an institution that is making strides in enhancing the academic and athletic experience*



## JSU Initiatives

- Academic Software Initiative
- Degree Completion Internship Program
- Pro Path Initiative
- Staffing/New Hires
- SMART Classroom Initiative
  - Facility Upgrades & Renovations

# Shift in Academic Culture

Men's Baseball (MBA)	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Academic Progress Rate	845	951	938	978	1000	981
Grade Point Average	2.44	2.71	2.81	2.96	3.07	2.89
Credit Hours Earned	25.9	27.4	27.1	30.4	28.1	29.1

Southwestern Athletic  
Conference Championship  
Winners!



***“ ...self-worth [and motivation] is determined by an individual’s own and others’ perceptions of one’s ability, perceptions that are mainly tied to achievement ”***

(Covington, pp.74, 1992)

On and Off the Field Benefit

Self-worth is a variable of achievement motivation that is increased by positive perceptions about one's various identities from others and self.



When you positively reinforce multiple identities that one has, their overall self-worth is increased and achievement motivation increases

Student-athletes come to college with athletic and academic identities with a capacity for high athletic and academic achievement motivation



Both of their identities need to be reinforced.



As status in both parts of their identity was positively perceived by stakeholders, student-athletes' overall self-worth increased.

This increase resulted in a higher level of achievement motivation for both identities.

The more motivated the student-athlete, the better they will perform on and off the field.

# Student-Athlete

An understanding and reinforcement of both elements of this word from campus stakeholders and within the athletics department will resonate throughout the student-athlete population and provide results like those at Jackson State University.