OUTSIDE COMPETITION AS A PART OF A TEAM
Outside of your sport’s declared playing & practice season, a student-athlete may compete in outside competition as a part of a team during any official vacation period posted by the institution. BC’s winter vacation period runs from December 21 through January 16.

However, there are limitations as to how many student-athletes from the same institution may compete on the same team; these limitations are listed below:

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Individuals competing as a part of a team may receive actual and necessary expenses for competition from an outside sponsor other than an agent, a booster or a professional sports organization.

OUTSIDE COMPETITION AS AN INDIVIDUAL
Outside of your sport’s declared playing & practice season, a student-athlete may compete in outside competition as an individual and may receive actual and necessary expenses for competition from an outside sponsor other than an agent, a booster or a professional sports organization.

Awards received by an individual for outside competition may not include cash (or a cash equivalent) that exceeds actual and necessary expenses for participation in the particular competition.

As always, an student-athlete participating in outside competition (as part of a team or as an individual) must complete the Outside Competition Form PRIOR to their participation and receive permission from the Compliance Office.

Holiday Greeting Cards to PSAs
You are permitted to send Holiday Greeting cards to prospective student-athletes with the following restrictions:

- The PSAs have reached the age where is it permissible to send them written correspondence (for most sports this is the PSA’s junior year)
- The greeting cards do not exceed 8.5” x 11” when opened in full
- The envelopes to not exceed 9” x 12”
Out-of-Season Sports: No Countable activities the week before finals

Sports who are out-of-season (i.e., in their 8-hour segment) may not have their student-athletes engage in required countable athletically related activities from the week before finals through the conclusion of their finals.

Therefore, Dec 6th is the last day for countable activities for the following sports:

- Baseball
- Men’s fencing (effective Dec 12)
- Men’s golf
- Men’s ice hockey (effective Dec 11)
- Men’s soccer
- Men’s tennis
- Men’s track and field (effective Dec 21)
- Women’s fencing (effective Dec 12)
- Women’s field hockey
- Women’s golf
- Women’s ice hockey (effective Dec 12)
- Women’s lacrosse
- Women’s rowing
- Women’s soccer
- Women’s softball
- Women’s tennis
- Women’s track and field (effective Dec 19)
- Women’s volleyball

Former Notre Dame student trainer acted unethically, committed academic misconduct

What Happened?

⇒ A student athletic trainer completed course work for two football student-athletes over a three year period.
⇒ The same student athletic trainer provided impermissible academic benefits to six football student-athletes over a two year period.
⇒ The student-athletes were certified erroneously and competed while ineligible.
⇒ An additional football student-athlete committed academic misconduct over a two year period with involvement of an institutional staff member.

Penalties:

❖ Public reprimand and censure for the university and a $5,000 fine.
❖ One year of probation from Nov. 22, 2016, through Nov. 21, 2017.
❖ A two-year show-cause order for the former student trainer.
❖ A disassociation of the former student trainer from the university’s athletics program from Nov. 22, 2016, through Nov. 21, 2018.
❖ A vacation of all records in which student-athletes participated while ineligible during the 2012-13 and 2013-14 football seasons.

Our Greatest Weakness lies in giving up. The Most Certain Way to Succeed is Always to Try Just One More Time” — Thomas A. Edison
Local Sports Clubs

Coaches in sports other than basketball may be involved in instructional or coaching activities in local sports clubs or organizations in the community. Any coach involved with a local sports club must have paperwork on file with the Compliance Office on an annual basis.

**Rules regarding Participation with Local Sports Clubs**

All participants in the club (or the team with which the coach is associated) must be a legal resident within a 50-mile radius of BC’s campus, unless the club is the closest opportunity for a prospect who lives outside the 50-mile radius to participate in the sport.

- A PSA who relocates to an area within 50-miles of campus on a temporary basis (to participate on a club team or to attend an institution) is not a legal resident of the area.

Neither BC Athletics or a BC Athletics booster group may sponsor a local sports club that includes prospects. Some specific prohibitions include the following:

- BC may not provide a reduced rental rate for a local sports club;
- BC coaches must use their own funds, independent of BC, to establish and/or operate a club;
- BC coaches recruiting on behalf of BC may not work in their capacity with a local sports club during their recruiting trips.

### 2016-2017 NLI Signing Dates

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