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ATHLETICS COMPLIANCE

<u>Academic Year Requirements:</u>

- Six-hour rule.
 - SA must satisfactorily complete a minimum of 6 semester hours of degree-applicable credit each semester (of full-time enrollment).
 - Applicable to undergraduate and graduate SA's.
- 9 hour rule.
 - Only applicable to football. Student-athletes must pass 9 hours in the fall semester or sit the first 4 games of the subsequent season. If a student-athlete who fails to pass 9 hours in the fall semester earns 27 credit hours prior to the start of fall, there is a one-time exception that can be applied to eliminate their four-game suspension. If a student-athlete fails to meet the 9 hour rule after they have already used their one-time exception, they can still reduce their four-game suspension to a two-game suspension by earning 27 hours prior to the start of the fall semester.
- 18-hour rule.
 - SA must complete 18 semester hours during each academic year (2 semesters).
- 24-hour rule
 - SA must complete 24 semester hours prior to the beginning of the SA's 2nd year (third semester) of full-time enrollment (fall, spring, summer).
- Purpose is to position SA to meet 40/60/80 PTD requirements.

Progress Toward Degree Credit:

- A SA must designate a degree program by the beginning of the SA's third year of collegiate enrollment (5th semester).
- Credit acceptable toward any degree program may be used to satisfy PTD requirements during the first two years of enrollment.
- At the start of the third year of enrollment, all credits used to satisfy PTD requirements must count toward the designated degree.

Graduation Progress Benchmarks:

Percentage-of-Degree/Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirements:

By Year 2 – 24 credit hours GPA 1.8 GPA

By Year 3 – 40% degree GPA 1.9 GPA By Year 4 – 60% degree GPA 2.0 GPA By Year 5 – 80% degree GPA 2.0 GPA

- 24-hr and percentage of degree based on SA's FT terms of enrollment.
- GPA must be maintained term-by-term.
- The "trigger" for meeting percentage of degree is dependent on the number of full-time terms of enrollment.
- Midyear certification may be used.
- Applicable to transfers/SA graduating early from high school.
- Summer hours taken at another institution must be accepted by WVU and count toward the SA's designated degree.

Post Season:

• To be eligible for post season play between terms (Bowl Game, NCAA Championships), a SA must have successfully completed 6 hours during the preceding term.

