

## **Informational Report of the Athletics Advisory Board to the Faculty Senate**

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### **Committee Members:**

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### **Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR): Yvette Harps-Logan**

Responsibilities include:

- Ensuring institutional control of the athletics program
- Ensuring the academic integrity of the athletics program
- Ensuring a quality student-athlete experience

During the 2014-15 academic, the Athletics Advisory Board met 4 times. Its significant activities were:

- Review and approval of competition schedules in which the board gives feedback for minimizing missed class time for student-athletics, especially at critical times in a semester.
- Review of AAB mission statement and revisiting AAB goals.
- Annual reports from the compliance Office and the Academic Advising Office.
- Proposed the development of an AAB Sakai site.

Following is a list of accomplishments of student-athletics on and off the field.

- 252 student-athletes earned Dean's list status for Spring or Fall 2014 semester.
- 145 student-athletes on Spring Dean's List with 17 having a 4.0 GPA.
- 164 student-athletes on Fall 2014 Dean's List with 10 having a 4.0 GPA.
- For Fall 2014 Rowing had 24, Swimming had 19, Football had 16.
- Football Successes (under Jim Fleming): Spring 2014, team GPA was 2.63, had 15 SA on Dean's List (Most on Record, Fall 2014, team GPA was 2.59 (highest Fall GPA since 2000)
- Two Academic Excellence Award winners.  
 Sam Leyh (W Soccer) Nutrition & Dietetics major  
 Emily Thomesen (Swimming & Diving) (Pharmaceutical Science)
- Robert Rainville Leadership Award Finalist.  
 Abbey Miklitsch, (Women's Rowing) Atlantic 10 Conference Representative, Atlantic 10 Initiative Student Athlete Chair, Student Athletic Advisory Council (SAAC), President AAB Student Athlete, Homecoming Executive Chair: Student Alumni Association,

double major in Psychology and Criminology, double minor in Underwater Archaeology and Philosophy.

- Volunteer, Habitat for Humanity 5K Road Race and Rhody Reads
- Study Hall Highlights - total student-athlete usage of studying hall for 2014-2015 as of 4/10 is 37,902.65 hours.