

Collaborating with Athletic Departments and Providing Athletes with Career Services
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Career Liaison

- Faculty member serves as liaison between Career Center and Department of Athletics

Graduate Assistantship

- ½ Career Center, ½ Department of Athletics (10 hours per week at each site)
- Career Center covers tuition waiver
- Department of Athletics covers stipend
- Provide workshops and one-on-one career services in the Department of Athletics

Summer Bridge

- Presentation on Career Center services and Cognitive Information Processing theory relating specifically to incoming freshmen athletes
- Takes place in Career Center as tour and scavenger hunt are included in presentation

Office of Athletic Academic Support Services

Mentoring Program

- Assist student-athletes in a variety of skill sets including time management, study skills, and career-related issues (Can be part of assistantship or OPS)

Study Hall Monitoring

- Not only is this an opportunity to get to know the athletes but it is also a time they can seek career services at their convenience (Part of assistantship)

Office of Athletic Student Services

PHAT Tuesdays

- Presentation on Career Center services to freshmen and transfer athletes

Senior Transition Classes

- Presentation on Career Center services and transition-related skills catering to senior athletes (i.e., SeminoleLink, Interviewing skills, Job search strategies)

FSU Freshmen Athlete Questionnaire – Fall 2008

Participants

101 Freshmen Athletes

- Baseball (12, 11.9%)
- Cheerleading (14, 13.9%)
- Dance (8, 7.9%)
- Soccer (8, 7.9%)
- Swimming/Diving (12, 11.9%)
- Volleyball (3, 3.0%)
- Basketball (10, 9.9%)
- Cross Country/Track and Field (22, 21.8%)
- Golf (4, 4.0%)
- Softball (6, 5.9%)
- Tennis (2, 2.0%)

Results

Major Choice: Business (25, 24.8%)
Exercise Science (22, 21.8%)
Biology (9, 8.9%)
Sport Management (8, 7.9%)
Undecided (6, 5.9%)

Occupations:
(Alternatives) Professional Athlete (18, 17.8%)
Athletic Trainer (18, 17.8%)
Manager (15, 14.9%)
Physical/Occupational Therapist (13, 12.9%)
Doctor (12, 11.9%)
Athletic Coach (12, 11.9%)
Teacher (11, 10.9%)

Occupations:
(Primary Choice) Yes primary choice, Yes alternatives (43, 42.6%)
No primary choice, Yes alternatives (30, 29.7%)
No primary choice, No alternatives (18, 17.8%)
Yes primary choice, No alternatives (10, 9.9%)
*Professional Athlete (12, 11.9%)

Future Career Plans: Job related to field of study (44, 43.6%)
Job that combines field of study and sports (39, 38.6%)
Go to graduate school (36, 35.6%)
Become a professional athlete (34, 33.7%)
Job in sports but not related to field of study (11, 10.9%)
Unsure (10, 9.9%)
Job not in sports and not related to field of study (6, 5.9%)

Career Service Areas: Gaining experience (60, 59.4%)
Preparing resumes or cover letters (42, 41.6%)
Networking (41, 40.6%)
Matching majors to occupations (39, 38.6%)
Identifying employers (36, 35.6%)
Preparing for interviews (36, 35.6%)
Applying to graduate school (31, 30.7%)
Choosing a major (12, 11.9%)