NAIA CHAMPIONS OF CHARACTER

As a member of the NAIA, Huntington University is committed to character-driven athletics exemplified through the display of the NAIA program’s five core values by our administrators, coaches and student-athletes. These five values include:

Respect: treating others the way you want to be treated
Integrity: positive internal traits that guide behavior
Responsibility: the social force that binds the individual to the good of the team
Servant leadership: serving the greater good
Sportsmanship: following the rules, spirit and etiquette of athletic competition

Every Huntington University student-athlete is required to read and sign the NAIA Champions of Character Student-Athlete Pledge.

ATHLETIC HONOR SOCIETIES

HU ATHLETIC HONOR ROLL

Huntington University annually inducts all student-athletes into its Athletic Honor Roll that meet the following criteria.

- Cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher
- Varsity sport participant

CHI ALPHA SIGMA

Chi Alpha Sigma is an honor society designed to give recognition to student-athletes who excel both academically and athletically. The society also serves to promote good citizenship, moral character and leadership. The criteria for induction mirror that of the HU Athletic Honor Roll, but is limited to junior and senior student-athletes.

MEDICAL PROTOCOL

The University provides NATA-certified athletic training for all University-sponsored athletics. All athletes must have a medical examination form, signed by a licensed physician and an insurance form on file prior to participation in a practice or contest.

Huntington University physical, insurance and consent to release medical information forms are located on the university’s website at http://www.huntington.edu/athletics/resources

For more information about medical protocol, call 260-359-4287 or 260-359-4026.

NOTICE: A report detailing undergraduate enrollment by ethnic group and enrollment of students receiving athletic aid is available upon request from the Registrar's Office or can be found on our web site at www.huntington.edu/registrar/athleticaid.htm For more information, you may call 260-359-4010.

FORESTER FACTS

- Member of National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA)
- Member of the Crossroads League with Bethel, Goshen, Grace, Indiana Wesleyan, Marian, Mt. Vernon Nazarene, Saint Francis, Spring Arbor, and Taylor
- Sponsor 17 varsity sports: men's baseball, basketball, bowling, cross country, golf, soccer, tennis, track; women's basketball, bowling, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, tennis, track, volleyball
- Offer JV participation opportunities in men's and women's soccer
- Mascot is “Norm the Forester”, a lumberjack-type guy

ATHLETIC MISSION STATEMENT

Serving Christ through the Development of Character, Teamwork, Discipline, Commitment and Determination
NAIA ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Entering freshmen must meet two of the following three criteria in order to be eligible to participate:

- 2.0 high school cumulative GPA
- Top half of his/her graduating class
- Minimum of 16 on ACT or a minimum of 860 on SAT (math and enhanced reading and writing portions)

To participate in a 2nd season of competition, the athlete must have 24 institutional credit hours accumulated.

To participate in a 3rd season of competition, the athlete must have 48 institutional credit hours accumulated. To compete as a junior, he/she must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0.

To participate in a 4th season of competition, the athlete must have 72 institutional credit hours accumulated. To compete as a senior, he/she must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0.

Transfer students must meet the above-mentioned requirements as well as several others. If you are a transfer student interested in Huntington University, you must immediately notify HU’s coach or Athletic Director of where you previously have been enrolled.

To participate in any given semester, the student-athlete must:

- Be enrolled in at least 12 institutional credit hours at the time of participation.
- Be making normal progress toward a recognized baccalaureate degree.
- Be in good standing academically and socially at Huntington University.

HUNTINGTON UNIVERSITY POLICIES

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

In order for student-athletes to avoid being placed on academic probation and thereby becoming ineligible, they must maintain the following cumulative GPA based on the number of credit hours they have attempted:

- 1.70 GPA Less than 26 hours attempted
- 1.80 GPA 26 but less than 42 hours
- 1.90 GPA 42 but less than 58 hours
- 2.00 GPA 58 or more hours

Students placed on academic probation are immediately ineligible to participate in intercollegiate contests and may not attend practices. Release from academic probation and recertification of eligibility are required before participation may resume.

FINANCIAL AID

Huntington University offers a variety of types of financial aid. Many of the institutionally controlled types of aid require entering freshmen to meet certain requirements in order to be an eligible recipient.

Athletic awards are performance based and amounts are recommended by coaches to the Financial Aid Director. Entering freshmen must have earned at least a 2.3 GPA to be eligible to receive an athletic award.

Renewal of athletic awards in subsequent years is dependent upon the coach’s recommendation and the student-athlete maintaining academic eligibility.

NAIA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY

Article II, Section B, Paragraph 2:

Any financial aid or assistance to prospective or enrolled students in money or in-kind, except that which comes from members of their immediate family or from those upon whom they are legally dependent, shall be administered by the institution under policies and procedures established by the institution through its regularly constituted committee on student loans and scholarships. Under no conditions may an individual or organization provide direct financial assistance to a previously enrolled or prospective student. See Exceptions listed in NAIA manual.

Council of Presidents Policies, Section XII, Items A. and E.:

The NAIA recognizes the importance of booster clubs, and similar support groups, to the institution and to the community, provided such assistance is rendered in an educationally sound manner.

The NAIA requires each institution to have complete control over all funds being used to assist the institution’s athletic programs. Non-school supporting organizations or individuals cannot give any financial assistance, in-kind or in money, to any prospective or current student-athlete nor to the student’s family or relatives.

Each year, student-athletes are required to attend a meeting in which NAIA policy and guidelines are explained. Student-athletes will receive a written policy statement explaining NAIA regulations. Students will agree to comply with such regulations as a condition of participating in intercollegiate athletics.