

# Priority Registration

## WOU Student-Athletes

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# Who am I?



# Why am I here?

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# Student-Athletes at WOU

- 3.09 GPA
  - Team GPAs range up to a 3.5 (women's basketball)
- Graduation rate 19% higher than student body rate
- Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC)



Photo taken at our 2019 National College Athlete Honor Society Recognition Ceremony



# Countable Athletically Related Activities (CARA)

- 20 hours per week
  - Not including activities such as travel to and from competition or athletic training/treatment
- NCAA study results:
  - 30+ hours of athletics/week
  - 35+ hours of academics/week

Results from the 2015 GOALS Study of the student-athlete experience. (2016). Retrieved from [https://www.ncaa.org/sites/default/files/GOALS\\_convention\\_slidebank\\_jan2016\\_public.pdf](https://www.ncaa.org/sites/default/files/GOALS_convention_slidebank_jan2016_public.pdf)

TOGETHER WE  
LEAD



# Feedback

- Student-Athletes
- Faculty
- Coaching Staff
- Compliance Officers



# Student-Athlete Challenges

“Student athletes are only able to schedule classes during certain times of the day, so that they don’t conflict with their participation in their respective sports. When the classes that fit with their sports schedules are full, they are left with no choice but to sacrifice being in class or at their practice/event.”

-Baseball player



# Benefits of Priority Registration

- Decreases registration obstacles for student-athletes
- Reduces stress on student-athletes, coaches, and faculty
- Facilitates student-athlete degree progress and graduation
- Aligns WOU with other GNAC schools



# Priority Registration

“To make sure I don't miss practice or to schedule on days where I know I won't be traveling...I will take the [lab section] on Tuesday. So priority registration is really helpful for lab classes and...classes that fill up fast”

-Track & Field athlete

(has priority registration)





Thank you for your time

