## **Policy And Procedure For Requesting The Addition Of A Varsity Sport**

The University is committed to maintaining an athletic program that meets the needs of the students in this region. We are interested in supporting regionally based sports that are compatible with our athletic program. Therefore, provisions shall be made for students to recommend consideration of additional varsity sports as interests change and grow. Decisions about the addition of a sport shall be based on funding, facilities, level of interest, commitment to equity and potential for competition.

The following procedure should be used by those who want to request an additional sport. Requests are to be submitted in writing by students or their representative to the Athletic Director and should include the following information:

- 1. Name of the sport
- 2. A brief history of the interest reflected on campus in intramurals, or in other regional venues
- 3. The estimated number of potential participants and future pipeline
- 4. Anticipated facility, equipment or other known resource needs
- 5. Known sources of financial support that could be provided to underwrite the cost of the sport
- 6. The rationale for considering this sport.

Requests will be considered in a timely manner.

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