THE OFFICE of ACADEMIC SUPPORT for ATHLETICS
A Division of the Office of the Provost
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MISSION
Our mission in the Office of Academic Support for Athletics is to provide supplemental academic support for all varsity student-athletes at Villanova University in a manner that addresses their unique academic needs. Primary academic advising and support services are received from the faculty or academic advisor assigned to each student-athlete from his or her home college, school or department. 

Academic progress will be monitored constantly to ensure that NCAA and University rules and regulations are met and progress is being made towards graduation. The Office of Academic Support for Athletics reports to the Office of the Provost and acts as the liaison between the campus community and the Department of Athletics.

FAST FACTS
The Office of Academic Support for Athletics supports nearly 600 varsity student-athletes across 24 varsity athletic teams. For the past 18 straight years, Villanova student-athletes have achieved a semester GPA of at least 3.0, and over the last 13 straight semesters have maintained a GPA of 3.2 or higher. 

Villanova student-athletes are enrolled in each of the 4 undergraduate colleges, pursuing 50+ unique majors and minors. Student-athletes are also enrolled in both full-time graduate programs and graduate certificate programs. Top undergraduate majors, listed alphabetically, include:

- Accounting
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Civil Engineering
- Communication
- Economics
- Environmental Studies
- Finance
- Marketing
- Mechanical Engineering
- Nursing
- Political Science
- Psychology

Most recently, Villanova student-athletes achieved a 97% NCAA Graduation Success Rate, the highest GSR in program history.

45% of the Class of 2021 graduating student-athletes earned graduation honors for achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher.

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OUR SERVICES

ATHLETIC ADVISING
1-on-1 meetings with assigned OAS Athletic Academic Advisor. Meetings focus on academic progress, time management, transition to college, and more.

STUDY HALL
Quiet, individual studying Sundays-Thursdays from 4-10 PM. Student-athletes can meet with a tutor, work individually, or meet with the writing tutor on staff.

ATHLETICS TRAVEL & MISSED CLASS
The University policy for class attendance states that excused absences include approved varsity athletic participation. When missing class due to athletic-related travel or varsity competition, student-athletes will notify their professors and the Office of Academic Support will send official notice via travel letters.

PROFESSIONAL & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
Throughout the semester, OAS partners with departments and resources on campus to host workshops for student-athletes pertaining to professional and personal development.

TUTORING
Qualified undergraduate and graduate peer tutors are hired, trained, and employed to tutor student-athletes in any course in which they are enrolled. Student-athletes can also request an online tutoring option for available courses.

SCHEDULE ASSISTANCE
Varsity student-athletes are provided an early registration time to remain in compliance with NCAA academic eligibility and progress towards degree rules. OAS assists with scheduling to avoid practice and class conflicts.

NCAA & INSTITUTIONAL ELIGIBILITY
OAS works in conjunction with Athletics Compliance and the University Registrar’s Office to monitor academic eligibility of all student-athletes.

VILLANOVA ATHLETICS MENTOR PROGRAM
OAS works with Student-Athlete Development, the Villanova Athletic Fund, and University Advancement to sponsor the Villanova Athletics Mentor Program, a program designed to pair student-athletes with professional mentors in their fields of interest.