

Appalachian Athletics Excels in the Classroom

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Appalachian State University athletics continued to show its commitment to academic excellence as over half of its athletic teams posted a cumulative and

fall semester grade-point average of 3.0 or better.

As a whole, Appalachian State student-athletes posted a semester GPA of 2.91 to help bring the cumulative GPA of student-athletes to an impressive 3.0, matching the department goal for academic success.

"We're extremely proud of all the hard work our student-athletes put in day in and day out," said director of athletics Charlie Cobb. "Our coaches, administrators and academic advisors place a great emphasis on hard work in the classroom and that shows in the latest numbers, which put us very favorably within the Appalachian State student body as a whole. We're very happy with the hard work our student-athletes put in both in the classroom and the arena of competition." Overall, 11 of 18 teams finished with a semester GPA of 3.0 or better while 12 of 18 posted a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or more. A total of 12 squads increased their grade-point average from the spring semester.

On the women's side, the cross country squad led the way with a semester GPA of 3.52 while Mountaineer men's soccer led the way among men's sports with a 3.21 semester GPA.

Team Cumulative GPA

Women's Soccer	3.45
Women's Cross Country	3.38
Volleyball	3.37
Women's Basketball	3.36
Field Hockey	3.31
Men's Soccer	3.28
Men's Tennis	3.27
Softball	3.18
Women's Track & Field	3.09
Men's Cross Country	3.07
Women's Golf	3.06
Women's Tennis	3.03
Wrestling	3.00
Men's Golf	2.96
Baseball	2.94
Men's Basketball	2.94
Men's Track & Field	2.80

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Football 2.72