

# OREGON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

## Student/Athlete Awards

### OIT-11-012

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The Student/Athlete Award is intended to provide financial support to student athletes who have a high probability of academic success in the degree programs of Oregon Institute of Technology. Award recipients will be selected based upon athletic ability, grade point averages from high school or college, and college entrance examination scores. Economic need is not a factor.

#### Eligibility

Automatic eligibility for the Student/Athlete Award is established according to student classification as follows:

1. A student with less than 12 college credit hours may be awarded a Student/Athlete Award if a 3.0 or higher grade point average (GPA) has been earned from high school.
2. A college-transfer student may be awarded a Student/Athlete Award if a 2.5 or higher GPA has been earned in all previous college work.
3. A returning student may receive a Student/Athlete Award following the completion of 36 credit hours in his/her major with a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA.

Coaches are authorized to make Student/Athlete Awards to students that meet the above eligibility criteria. Approval of the Student/Athlete Award Commission is not required.

#### Student/Athlete Award Commission

A Student/Athlete Award Commission will be formed to monitor the award program, authorize exceptions to the eligibility criteria, and establish operating rules and procedures to implement this policy. Commission membership will consist of the Faculty Athletic Representative, a member of the OIT Boosters, a faculty representative appointed by the President, a faculty representative appointed by the President of the Faculty Senate and a student representative appointed by the President of ASOIT. The Faculty Athletic Representative will chair the Commission. The Athletic Director and the Vice President for Finance and Administration will serve as ex-officio, non-voting members.

Head coaches are responsible for submitting reports of awards to the Commission. Exceptions or appeals for students who do not meet the required grade point average will be submitted to the Commission for review and action.

The Commission is empowered to make eligibility exceptions in the interest of the student and the institution. However, the emphasis of this program is to reward student athletes who demonstrate exemplary performance in both scholastic and athletic endeavors.

The Commission will review the academic progress of award recipients at the beginning of each term. Failure to maintain the required 2.5 GPA may result in revocation of the award immediately or after one term of probation.

The Student/Athlete Award Commission will be convened whenever appropriate to conduct business or to serve students.

#### Financing and Award Distribution

OIT Booster contributions and/or lottery funds will be used to finance the Student/Athlete Award program.

Funds available for support of the Student/Athlete Award program will be distributed according to the coaches' recommendations, provided students meet the eligibility criteria and remain in good academic and athletic standing. Athletic standing is related to participation, athletic eligibility and team behavior standards.

Individual awards will not exceed the amount of an "NAIA full scholarship," which is generally defined as the cost of tuition, books, and room and board. Successful student athletes may receive continuing awards for up to four years at the coaches' discretion.

The Financial Aid Office will disburse awards as required by the Student/Athlete Award Commission.

Recommended by:

Faculty Senate – 1/93  
ASOIT – 1/93  
President's Council – 1/93

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