



The Allan Hancock College Bulldogs

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

The Allan Hancock College Intercollegiate Athletic Creed

Teamwork * Pride * Resolve * Victory
SIXTEEN TEAMS—ONE GOAL

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The intercollegiate athletic program at Allan Hancock College consists of a combined 16 men's and women's varsity sport teams including baseball, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's cross country, football, men's and women's golf, men's and women's soccer, softball, men's and women's tennis, men's and women's track and field and women's volleyball.

The objective of the Allan Hancock College Intercollegiate Athletics Program is to represent the best interests of the educational mission of Allan Hancock College, as well as the many communities of greater Santa Maria and the Central Coast region in spirited athletic competition with other community colleges, providing competitive opportunities for both men and women students in a wide variety of sporting endeavors.

Goals of the intercollegiate athletic program

- Ensure all student athletes are given maximum opportunity and support for achieving their academic goals;
 - Provide the best possible environment to enable each student athlete to compete to the fullest extent of his or her capabilities;
 - Establish support systems enabling student athletes to develop into well-rounded, responsible, successful and mature individuals; and
 - Encourage student athletes to assume leadership roles both on campus and in the community.
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HEAD COACHES

(click sport to go to current competition schedule)

Baseball

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Track & Field (Men's & Women's)

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Golf (Men's & Women's)

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Women's Volleyball

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Allan Hancock College Academic Support Program

In keeping with Allan Hancock College's conviction that academics come first, the college operates a Student-Athlete Retention Program designed to enhance athlete success in the classroom. All student-athletes competing on an intercollegiate team are required to participate in the program, which offers tutors, special study table hours and enrollment in a personal development class.

Statistics show that overall student-athlete grade point averages increase significantly with this program. In addition to the personal development class, student-athletes attend study hall three hours a week. Throughout these required sessions, students are provided with a quiet study environment and tutors for all subjects.

Mentors are available to student-athletes who request one. They monitor student progress in and out of the classroom. The mentor and student-athlete spend time together and create a bond that can lead to stronger student-athlete confidence and higher academic and athletic performance.

Student Support Services:

A complete program of guidance services, staffed by professionally trained counselors, is available to all student-athletes:

- Academic Counseling
- Mental Health Counseling
- Transfer Center
- Job Placement Services
- Extended Opportunity Program & Services
- Tutorial Center
- Cooperative Education
- Learning Assistance Program
- Financial Aid

Every year, dozens of Allan Hancock College student-athletes earn Western State Conference Academic Team honors.

Allan Hancock College students who transfer to California four-year public universities consistently earn better grades than students who began their studies at a four-year institution.

Governing Authorities

Allan Hancock College is a member in good standing of the Community College League of California's Commission on Athletics (COA). As authorized by the State Legislature, the Education Code provides the COA with the authority to establish the rules and regulations to administrate the intercollegiate athletic activities of the California Community Colleges.

The California Community College system, which is composed of 71 districts and 109 campus sites, annually enrolls nearly 1.5 million students and employs more than 70,000 citizens of the state. Nearly 25,000 student athletes participate annually in intercollegiate athletics at California's community colleges and the COA oversees nearly 100 regional and state-final events that produce champions in 20 men's and women's sports each year.

Allan Hancock College is also an affiliated member of the Western State Conference, which provides league competition for the program in all sports. Along with Allan Hancock College, the WSC includes Bakersfield College, College of the Canyons (Santa Clarita), Citrus College (Glendora), Cuesta College (San Luis Obispo), Glendale College, Los Angeles Pierce College (Woodland Hills), Los Angeles Mission College (Sylmar), Los Angeles Valley College (Valley Glen), Moorpark College, Oxnard College, Santa Barbara City College, Santa Monica College, Ventura College and West Los Angeles College (Culver City). The WSC Football Conference includes associate members Compton College, East Los Angeles College (Monterey Park), Los Angeles Harbor College (Wilmington) and Los Angeles Southwest College.

It should be noted that the majority of student-athletes participating in California community college programs will transfer to four-year colleges or universities to continue their academic and athletic careers. Prior to transfer, these students are required to meet the qualifying eligibility standards of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) or National Association for Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

Seasons of Sport

The Allan Hancock College Intercollegiate Athletic Program recognizes two distinctive seasons of sport, which coincide with the semesters of the academic year:

1. Fall sports, including men's and women's basketball, men's and women's cross country, football, women's golf, men's and women's soccer and women's volleyball.
2. Spring sports, including baseball, men's golf, softball, men's and women's tennis and men's and women's track and field.
3. It should be noted the men's and women's basketball seasons are recognized to span the semesters, yet are considered fall sports due to their official starting date.

Competitive Historical Sketch

Since the beginning of intercollegiate athletic competition at Allan Hancock College in the mid-1940s, the program has annexed no less than nine state championships, including the Orange Show Bowl Football Championship in 1960, men's basketball in 1957 and 1974, baseball in 1972, men's cross country in 1978, 1983 and 1986 and men's track and field in 1966 and 1967.

At the conference level, the Allan Hancock College Intercollegiate Athletic Program is the proud owner of 74 team-sport championships. Of those, 53 belong to men's teams and 21 by women's teams. At the top of that list is men's basketball with 14, followed by baseball with 12; men's cross country with 11; men's track and field with seven; football with six; softball with five; women's basketball and women's track & field with four; men's soccer, women's tennis and women's cross country with three; and women's volleyball with two.

On the gridiron, the Bulldogs have appeared in 14 state-sponsored postseason bowl games, including 1999's WSC Bowl and the State Championship game, the 2004 Producers Dairy Bowl in Fresno, and the 2005 American Bowl in Long Beach. Over the eight-year period 1994-2001, AHC played in an unprecedented nine consecutive California community college bowl games and finished as the state runner-up in 1999.

Student Participants

Participants in the intercollegiate athletic program may include only athletically eligible students per the guidelines of the COA, who are currently enrolled as full-time students (minimum of 12 units) at Allan Hancock College.

Student-athletes shall carry an academic load comparable to other full-time students of the college. All students participating in intercollegiate athletics shall be expected to have on file with the counseling office a Student Education Plan (SEP) and are expected to maintain normal progress toward their specific academic goal, which may include a degree and/or transfer to a four-year institution. The hours of attendance for student-athletes shall be in keeping with those expected of other full-time students.

To maintain eligibility, student participants must meet the minimum academic standards as set forth by the COA.

Initial Eligibility

No candidate for an Allan Hancock College intercollegiate athletic team may participate in an official practice or competition, nor be issued equipment, shoes or apparel from the office of sports equipment management without departmental verification of the following items:

1. Current enrollment in good standing at Allan Hancock College.
2. Qualification of COA eligibility standards (completion and official evaluation of COA Form 1).
3. Physical examination by an AHC approved physician.
4. Health insurance evaluation by AHC Training Staff.

Determination of Eligibility

The Associate Dean-Athletics, Health and Physical Education is ultimately responsible for the athletic eligibility of all student-athletes representing Allan Hancock College.

1. Each coach of an intercollegiate sport shall arrange for those students who desire athletic eligibility to complete and sign COA Form 1 for submission to the Eligibility Technician through the Associate Dean-Athletics, Health and Physical Education.
 2. The Eligibility Technician will evaluate each application to determine the eligibility status of the prospective student athlete.
 3. A written report regarding all eligibility issues and completed COA Form 3 (official team eligibility list) shall be provided by the Eligibility Technician to the coach of each sport and the Associate Dean-Athletics, Health and Physical Education, prior to intercollegiate competition in each season of sport.
 4. The Associate Dean-Athletics, Health and Physical Education shall meet weekly with the Eligibility Technician to check the academic eligibility of all in-season athletes throughout the season of sport. It is the responsibility of the Associate Dean-Athletics, Health and Physical Education to provide a weekly written report regarding academic eligibility to each in-season sport coach.
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Ethics

All members of the intercollegiate athletics staff are expected to manage their programs and student-athletes in an ethical manner, based upon the guidelines of the COA and the Western State Conference.

In consideration of the understanding that intercollegiate athletics may be of high importance to students in their career preparation, it should always be maintained that the lessons learned in competition and in the preparation for such competition by far outweigh the win-loss record. Allan Hancock College coaches and student athletes are expected to put forth their best competitive effort in representation of the institution, but the college does not place an unrealistic emphasis on winning. The institutional belief is that intercollegiate athletics is primarily a program of instruction. Such instruction can and should be maintained at the highest level of quality possible, regardless of competitive outcomes.

Both the coaches and student athletes in representation of Allan Hancock College are expected to maintain conduct of a professional and sportsmanlike manner at all times. The concepts of honesty, integrity, perseverance and teamwork are of paramount importance to the Allan Hancock College Intercollegiate Athletics Program.
