Liberty student-athletes continue to score high marks in the classroom, as well as on the playing field, due to the efforts of the Liberty University Academic Affairs for Athletics Department.

Equipped with facilities at the Vines Center, Williams Football Operations Center and the Hancock Athletic Center, student-athletes have convenient locations to utilize the staff and resources.

Student-athletes receive everything from computer use and tutorial services to lessons on study skills, time management and organizational skills.

Academic Affairs for Athletics

(L-R): Jessica Nelson, Lara Bartolomeo, Autumn Black, Head Coach Shane Pinder, Alysson Sanders and Kirstyn Sanders at the Athletics Academic Awards Banquet.

At the banquet, the Lady Flames were honored as the winner of the inaugural Flames ALL Teams Competition. The competition between Liberty teams was based on Academic Excellence, Athletic Performance, Personal & Team Enhancement and SAAC Communication.

Liberty’s NCAA Division I CoSIDA Academic All-Americans

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2006-07 Big South Presidential Honor Roll - Volleyball Members

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In centuries gone by, “liberty” was just a concept - an idea feared by tyrants and dreamed of by the opposed. In more recent history, “liberty” became a cause and a deeply held belief worth fighting and dying for. Today, Liberty University has become a place where students call home … where people dare to dream big dreams and then work to see those dreams come to pass … where old-fashioned values and morality still survive and thrive in a world that appears to have forgotten the meaning of the words …where the undeniable Truth of the Ages still reigns supreme … where the whole person is educated - body, mind and soul … a place where you can learn, grow and achieve wholeness as you become all God created you to be.

The Mission
To produce Christ-centered men and women with the values, knowledge and skills required to impact tomorrow’s world … the mission is carried out for resident students, through both undergraduate and graduate programs, through a rigorous academic program and structured social environment … also, it is carried out externally for students who can’t make the trek to the campus in a comparable academic program but without the structure of the resident community, through the distance learning program.

A Brief History
For more than 36 years, Liberty University has produced graduates with the values, knowledge and skills required to impact the world. Founded by Dr. Jerry Falwell and Dr. Elmer Towns in 1971, Liberty University is a private, coeducational, undergraduate and graduate institution. The University offers over 60 programs of study that contribute to the University’s standing as the world’s largest distinctively Christian, academically excellent and spiritually vibrant institution. Our 5,000-acre campus serves over 25,000 resident and external students with our diverse student body made up of individuals from all 50 states, Washington, D.C. and 81 nations.

Liberty is truly a representation of what God can do with a dream and a heart that desires to honor Him.

Location
Situated in Lynchburg, Va., Liberty University is nestled in the foothills of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains and located on the south bank of the historic James River, in a region rich in history, culture and outdoor recreational opportunities.
Faculty

Liberty University’s over 350 full-time and more than 300 part-time faculty are committed to engaging with students in the challenge of exploring vital links between faith and learning. There are over 450 institutions of higher learning represented among this impressive group. Liberty’s commitment to personalized education also ensures that the student to professor ratio is nicely balanced at 25:1.

Degree Programs

In higher education, the principal means of ensuring quality is accreditation by a recognized accrediting body or agency. Liberty University is regionally accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), and nationally accredited by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS). Additionally, a number of specific programs are approved by accrediting and licensing bodies for specific disciplines (i.e., our Nursing, Sport Management and Education programs). SACS and TRACS, in turn, are both recognized accrediting bodies by the United States Department of Education.

Spiritual Life

The Spiritual Life Department prepares students to make a global impact for the glory of God—wherever He leads them.

Life-changing Campus Church and Convocation services connect students with their Creator through passionate worship and powerful Biblical messages custom designed for this collegiate generation. These services give Liberty students first-hand encounters with the most influential Christians on the planet.

Each semester the Campus Pastor’s Office personally trains over 1,000 student leaders who are the catalysts for the positive peer pressure and Biblical community that is the glue of Liberty University. Each year these student leaders minister personally to their peers and commit to love, pray for, pray with and personally disciple every student on campus. Every student’s relationship with Christ is a priority.

Light Ministries facilitates Liberty’s global vision by providing dozens of opportunities each year for the Liberty community to participate in cross-cultural missions experiences. Already over 7,000 students have boarded planes to take the Gospel of Jesus Christ to over 3 million people.

The Spiritual Life Department is radically committed to aligning the Liberty community with the Great Commandment and Great Commission of Jesus Christ. As the spiritual fires are sparked in hearts—Spiritual Life fans the flame.
Jeff Barber
Director of Athletics

Jeff Barber was named the Director of Athletics at Liberty University on Jan. 23, 2006, becoming the 10th Director of Athletics in the history of the University.

The University has charged Barber with the future leadership of the athletics department and the building of a strong financial basis for the department which will guide Liberty University athletics into the ranks of the elite NCAA Division I athletic programs in the nation.

Barber has wasted little time making an impact at Liberty, as in less than two years, he has been instrumental in guiding Liberty on a path to the next level of collegiate athletics.

He has spearheaded facility improvement projects in nearly every athletics venue, highlighted by changes to Williams Stadium. During the summer of 2006, the football program’s on-campus playing facility received the latest in playing surfaces as FieldTurf was installed, while numerous other smaller projects were initiated to aesthetically improve the appearance of the facility.

However, Barber’s chief facility accomplishment since joining the Flames in 2005 was overseeing the completion of the Williams Football Operations Center. The new 48,000 square foot state-of-the-art home base for the football program is one of the nicest FCS (formerly I-AA) football-only facilities in the nation.

In addition to Barber’s athletic facility achievements, the new Director of Athletics has spurred a dramatic increase in Flames Club memberships and season ticket sales for football and basketball.

Membership collections for the Flames Club, the Athletics Department’s booster club organization, reached an all-time new high during the 2006-07 campaign as Liberty surpassed the $200,000 mark for the first time in the organization’s history. 2006 season ticket sales for football were four times as high as the previous year, putting Liberty on track to sell over 1,000 football season tickets in 2007.

Barber brought a wealth of experience in the areas of athletic fundraising and administration to Liberty University, including 25 years in the athletic industry.

Barber came to Liberty after spending 11 years at South Carolina, including his last three years as Senior Associate Athletic Director for Development/Gamecock Club Executive Director.

Barber served on the senior management team at South Carolina for nine years, helping raise more than $14 million annually, while working closely with legendary football coaches Lou Holtz and Steve Spurrier.

Barber supervised the solicitation and receipt of over $85 million during his tenure at South Carolina, setting records each year in annual gifts to the Gamecock Club, which was at 16,500 members when he finished. He was also responsible for all major gifts to the Gamecock Club which exceeded $15,000 annually and developed that level of giving from 21 members to 137 at his time of departure.

Barber joined the athletics department at South Carolina in 1996 as an Assistant Athletic Director for Development and was promoted to Associate Athletic Director/Gamecock Club Executive Director in 1999.

Prior to his days at South Carolina, Barber served five years at Furman in Greenville, S.C., starting as Executive Director of the Paladin Club in 1994, before being promoted to Senior Associate Athletic Director for External Affairs in 1998.

While at Furman, Barber was responsible for the collection of $14 million in revenue from annual giving, capital gifts and endowed gifts, while guiding the Paladin Club to gifts totaling $3.75 million and setting records for five-consecutive years. He was also the chairman of the Furman Pro-Am Golf Endowment Tournament, which totaled receipts of $6.5 million.

Barber got his start in collegiate athletic administration at his alma mater as the Assistant Director of East Carolina’s Pirate Club in 1987. While serving four years with the Pirates, Barber participated in the receipt of annual giving of $4 million to the Pirate Club, while organizing and managing Pirate Club actions and Pirate Pro-Am fundraisers.

Before joining the staff at East Carolina, Barber served three years in major and minor league baseball as he was the National General Manager of the Columbia Mets in Columbia, S.C. (1985-86) and Director of Operations for the Montreal Expos Spring Training Camp in West Palm Beach, Fla. (1986-87).

After graduating from East Carolina, Barber served as a health and physical education teacher in Columbia, S.C. for four years (1981-85), while coaching football and basketball.

Barber graduated cum laude at East Carolina in 1981 with a bachelor of science degree in health, physical education and recreation. In 1997, he continued his education with a degree from the Sports Management Institute, graduating as class spokesman.

Barber, a native of Greenville, N.C., is married to the former Donna Dacus and the couple has three children – Katie (12), Lindsay (10) and Jay (9).
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Shane Pinder
Volleyball
Head Coach

Paul Wetmore
Softball
Head Coach

Brant Tolsma
Track and Cross Country
Head Coach

Jim Toman
Baseball
Head Coach
Sports Medicine

The student-athlete at Liberty University has the luxury of having one of the most dedicated sports medicine teams in the country. The staff is headed by Chris Casola, Head Athletic Trainer who oversees medical care for the Flames football team. Barry Finke, Madeline Bosek, Jesse Cops, Scott Lawrenson, Aaron Schreiner, Jessica Stephens and Steve Woof are Athletic Certified Trainers (ATC) serving as Assistant Athletic Trainers under Casola. In conjunction with services available through Team Physicians Dr. Gregg Albers and Dr. Richard Lane at Light Medical, the Liberty University Athletic Training staff utilizes two hospitals, Lynchburg General Hospital and Virginia Baptist, for any emergency or general medical needs. Liberty is also fortunate to have team orthopaedic services from Central Virginia Orthopaedics along with assistance and consultation from Rehab Associates of Central Virginia.

Housed in the beautiful 3,200-square foot Football Training Room located in the Football Operations Center, the main athletic training room is a modern facility complete with the latest equipment. Satellite athletic training rooms are located in the Field House at Williams Stadium, located at the south end of the football complex, the Hancock Athletic Center, the Vines Center and the Crowder-Muckel Fieldhouse neighboring Worthington Stadium.

Chris Casola
Head Athletic Trainer

Madeline Bosek
Assistant Athletic Trainer
(Volleyball, Women’s Basketball)

Top Left: Williams Football Operations Center Training Room

Bottom Left: Hydroworks underwater treadmill in operation at Williams Football Operations Center

Above: Assistant Athletic Trainer Madeline Bosek assists Lady Flame Allyson Fasnacht at a women’s basketball game.