The University of Georgia head swimming and diving coach did not promote an atmosphere for compliance when he made special arrangements for a student-athlete to enroll in an independent study course to maintain eligibility, according to a decision issued by a Division I Committee on Infractions panel.

Penalties include a $5,000 fine, a nine competition suspension for the head coach and a one-year recruiting restriction for the head coach.

After told not to get involved and not to proceed with the independent study course, the head coach asked a professor in the psychology department to admit the student-athlete into a pass/fail independent study course. The professor agreed and it was determined the student-athlete would complete the work the following semester.

The student-athlete did not meet the prerequisites for the course, so the professor agreed to waive those requirements. Because the head coach created the special arrangement, the student-athlete received a benefit not available to the general student body and not allowed by NCAA rules.

The head coach failed to promote an atmosphere for compliance when he set up the special academic arrangement for the student-athlete. The head coach received clear instruction not to contact professors about student-athletes. Despite the instruction, he moved forward with contacting the professor multiple times about the independent study course.

The head coach acted contrary to university policy and to the advice and caution provided by the staff responsible for athletic academic services and athletics eligibility certification. The coach also did not consult with the compliance office.

Penalties and corrective measures include:

- Public reprimand and censure.
- A Fine of $5,000.
- A one-year show-cause order for the head coach from April 4, 2014 through April 3, 2015. The head coach is restricted from all recruiting duties during that period. Additionally, the head coach will be suspended for nine regular season competitions during the 2014-15 season.
**Compliant All-Star Lineup of the Month**

Congratulations to the following who are the January “All-Star Lineup of the Month!”

- Anna Terry
- Michael Bruno
- Bob Whalen
- Linda Muri

Happy New Year!! Right before the holiday break, these four were on top of their game when it came to ensuring they were following the rules. Congrats to you all, and keep up the great work everybody!!

**Secondary Infraction of the Month—Bylaw 17.9.6**

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<td>In February 2014, two assistant football coaches (ACs) observed student-athletes (SAs) engaging in voluntary athletically related activities. Specifically, a prospective student-athlete (PSA) was on an official visit and ACs took him to the practice field to introduce him to members of football team, who were conducting a voluntary workout at the time. ACs were not involved in any aspect of the workout and were only on the field momentarily. Violation was discovered when a reporter informed the athletic department he saw ACs on the field at the same time the team was conducting a voluntary workout.</td>
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**Institutional Action**

- Institution provided rules education to all coaching staffs regarding voluntary activities.

**Enforcement Action**

- Football program required to reduce countable athletically related activities by 30 minutes.

**Enforcement Action Cont.**

- Required a letter of admonishment to be issued to both ACs.

**Legislative References**

- 17.02.14 Voluntary Athletically Related Activities

Please note, this violation did *not* occur at Dartmouth College. This is for educational purposes only.
Reminder for Coaches

PUBLICITY - Before/After Commitment:

- **Commitment** = Submission of “Intent to Enroll” document
  - An official commitment is NOT a verbal agreement, likely letter, or acceptance letter
  - Contact Peggy to verify official commitment

- Before Commitment:
  - Coach may **only** comment publicly to the extent of confirming its recruitment of a particular recruit
  - May **not** comment about recruits abilities, likelihood of acceptance, and/or contribution to Dartmouth

- After Commitment:
  - There are no restrictions to commenting publicly or privately to or about an officially committed recruit

PRACTICE - Out-of-Season Sports:

- Max. of 2 **hours** of skill instruction/film review per week
  - No more than 6 student-athletes at a time (7 if goaltender)
- Max. of 4 **hours** of conditioning per week
- **CARA** = Countable (Mandatory) Athletically Related Activities
  - All CARA must **stop** (unless you have begun your championship season) 7 days prior to Winter Finals
  - Winter Finals begins = **March 13**
  - 7 Days Prior to Winter Finals begins = **March 6**
  - 7 days prior to Winter Finals are mandatory
  - “Rest Period Days” for out-of-season sports!

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**Recruiting Reminders for the Month of January**

**Baseball**

- **Quiet period**
  - January 1
  - January 6 (12:02am) - 31
- **Dead period**
  - January 2 – 6 (12:01am)

**Men’s Basketball**

- **Recruiting period**
  - Entire month of January

**Women’s Basketball**

- **Evaluation period**
  - Entire month of January

**Cross Country/Track & Field**

- **Quiet period**
  - January 1-2
- **Contact period**
  - January 3-31

**Football**

- **Dead period**
  - January 1-3; 12-15
- **Quiet period**
  - January 11
- **Contact period**
  - January 4-10; 16-31

**M. Lacrosse**

- **Dead period**
  - January 1-4
- **Contact period**
  - January 5-19 (No evaluations)
- **Quiet period**
  - January 20-31

**W. Lacrosse**

- **Quiet period**
  - January 1
- **Contact period**
  - January 2-31

**Softball**

- **Quiet period**
  - January 1
- **Contact period**
  - January 2-31

**Volleyball**

- **Quiet period**
  - January 1-16
- **Contact period**
  - January 17-31*

*In those states that play the high school volleyball season in the winter, contacts and evaluations shall be permissible January 1 through the Friday prior to the Presidents Weekend Tournaments.*