

Football Graduate Assistant Tip Sheet

• Requirements:

- In the last 7 years, received his 1st baccalaureate degree or exhausted athletics eligibility (whichever occurs later).
- Enrolled in at least 50 percent of the minimum regular graduate program of studies.
 - During the final semester, he may be enrolled in less than 50 percent of the institution's minimum regular program, if he is enrolled in the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements.
 - It is a violation if the individual fails to complete all degree requirements during the term in which he is enrolled in less than 50 percent of the institution's minimum regular program.
- The 7-year rule applies the next season of opportunity after the 7-year graduation anniversary.
- May serve as graduate assistant for 2 years.
- Eligible for a 3rd year if the graduate assistant successfully completes 24-semester hours during the initial 2-year period. The 3rd year must immediately follow the 2nd year.

• Graduate assistants can:

- Receive 4 complimentary tickets to ASU football and basketball games.
- Receive a meal with a prospect during an official visit.
- Accept employment benefits (e.g., life insurance, health insurance, disability insurance).
- Receive expenses to attend the NCA football convention.
- Receive cash to cover incidental expenses during travel and practice for championship events or bowl games.
- Receive actual and necessary expenses for spouse and children to attend a championship event or bowl game.
- Make telephone calls to prospects after he has successfully completed the coaches' certification examination.

• Graduate assistants cannot:

- Receive compensation greater than the value of a full grant-in-aid for a full-time student.
- Evaluate or contact prospects off-campus.

• Outside employment:

- Compensation for employment from a source outside the institution during the academic year is excluded from his limit on remuneration.
- The institution cannot arrange employment except for summer employment, which is permissible regardless of whether he is enrolled in the summer.
- Compensation must be for work actually performed.