

Sport Administration News

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Sport Administration Mission: To provide students with knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of the sport industry that will provide career advancement opportunities. The tools and resources provided to the students will occur in a positive learning environment combining both theory and practice.

New Faculty Members Join Program

The Wichita State University sport administration program features a new look for 2004-05 as two new instructors join the faculty.

Dr. Richard Bell and Dr. Jeff Noble join Dr. Clay Stoldt as full-time members of the sport administration faculty. Dr. Lori Miller, associate dean of the College of Education, continues as a member of the sport administration faculty, though she will not be teaching a course this fall.

Dr. Bell comes to WSU after spending the last two years in a dual sport management faculty/administrator assignment at the University of Incarnate Word in San Antonio. His doctorate in sport management is from the U.S. Sports Academy, and he also possesses a juris doctorate from the University of South Carolina. Dr. Bell has teaching experience in the U.S. and abroad. His primary areas of expertise are sport law and leadership/management in sport.

Having completed work on his doctorate in sport management over the summer, Dr. Noble arrives after spending the last four years at the University of Northern Colorado. He served as an instructor and the head women's diving and assistant swim coach while pursuing his doctorate there. Prior to his time at UNC, Dr. Noble taught and coached at the University of Northern Iowa. His primary areas of expertise include sport governance, sport management and intercollegiate athletics.

Steve Dittmore, an instructor in the sport administration program the last two years, resigned his position in June to take a faculty position and pursue his doctorate in sport management at the University of Louisville.

New Officers to Lead SASA in 2004-05

A new slate of officers take the reins of the Sport Administration Student Association (SASA) for 2004-05. They are:

President: Michael Johnson, sr.

Vice President: Katie Smith, sr.

VP, Events: Mike Tetrick, sr.

VP, Marketing: John Flanders, sr.

Treasurer: Jason Ault, sr.

Secretary: Abigail Cress, sr.

Annual membership fees are just \$10. SASA members receive a number of benefits, including:

- Regular e-mails from Teamwork Online, detailing job and internship openings in the field
- Networking opportunities through SASA-sponsored events
- · Invitations to SASA-only events
- Discounts on SASA gear

Wichita State University

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Alumni News Update

Several alumni of the sport administration program advanced their careers by taking new positions this summer. The rundown on each follows:

- Kevin Olivett (G 2001) is now the manager of corporate sales and promotions at the University of Akron.
- Travis Redeker (G 2004) is the assistant director of sport clubs at Florida State University.

Faculty News Update

Dr. Clay Stoldt co-presented a paper titled "Newspaper Sports Coverage Patterns: Implications for Media Relations Professionals" at the North American Society for Sport Management Conference June 3 in Atlanta. Copresenters were Mark Vermillion, sport administration lecturer; Mike Ross, master's student in sport administration; Amanda Schuster (G 2003) is now the program director at the Central Branch of the Wichita YMCA.

If you have an update you'd like to see included in a future newsletter or placed in a future edition of the Sport Administration Alumni Directory, please send an e-mail to <u>mary.myers@wichita.edu.</u>

and Steve Dittmore, former sport administration instructor. ... Dr. Jeff Noble successfully defended his dissertation at the University of Northern Colorado. It was titled "Faculty Attitudes Toward NCAA Division III Athletic Programs."

Discounted SportsBusiness Journal Subscriptions Available

Street & Smith's SportsBusiness Journal is one of the leading professional publications within the field of sport management. The publication is once again offering discounts to student subscribers this year.

The discounted rates range from \$40 for a 12-week subscription to \$135 for the

full year. Students taking advantage of the discount program must submit their subscriptions through a faculty member.

Students interested in subscribing this semester or this year should contact Dr. Stoldt for a subscription form. Fall semester subscriptions must be returned to Dr. Stoldt no later than Sept. 7.