

FACULTY ATHLETICS COMMITTEE
Notes from the Meeting with UNC Head Coaches
Wednesday, October 25, 2022

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ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION TOPICS DISCUSSIONS:

Coaches discussed ways faculty could help their athletes:

- **Find alternative times for courses semester-to-semester or year-to-year**
(particularly in the Entrepreneurship Minor and EXSS)
- **Explore campus missed class policy**
 - 7 missed class policy has not been updated since 1990 and the landscape of athletics travel and conference alignment has changed significantly.
 - Perhaps the policy can be restated based on number of M/W/F or T/H courses missed to facilitate additional traveling schedule flexibility.
- **Additional credit options for athletes**
 - Explore leadership academy content and campus connections to facilitate additional for-credit options.
 - Some senior coaches would like to follow up and be part of the discussion as to why athletes' interest have waned (Shelton, Sagula, Levy).
- **Design Thrive Courses to Support Student-Athletes**
 - Explore potential of Thrive course incorporating other athletics-specific first-year content (as done at many other schools in 1-6 credit athletics-specific onboarding courses).

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