

Overview: College athletes are under unique stress. They have the everyday rigor of college. Additionally, they add more to their plate by participating in a sport. With the added stress and time commitment college athletes face, are colleges and universities required to offer student-athletes more support?

Prompt: Consider the following statement: College and universities are obligated to offer more support (mental, social, academic, physiological, financial, ect) to college athletes. In an essay, you will do one of the following:

- Defend the above statement (argue colleges and universities need to offer more supports)
- Challenge the above statement (argue colleges and universities do not need to offer more supports)
- Qualify the above statement (argue the circumstances under which the above statement should happen-modify, limit, restrict the statement)

Format: You will compose a minimum six paragraph essay. Each body paragraph will be no less than nine sentences.

- **Introduction:**
 - Attention Getter
 - Background and context
 - Thesis (Colleges and universities should/should not offer student-athletes more supports)
- **Body Paragraphs (paragraphs 2,3,4):**
 - Claim- make sure you have a because statement
 - Background, context, importance of the issue, your personal thoughts on the issue
 - Evidence (specific passage from the texts we read)
 - Reasoning
- **Counterclaim Paragraph (paragraph 5)**
 - Counterclaim (you might want to restate your main argument then lead into your counterclaim)
 - Main points of the counterclaim and the rebuttal
 - Main point 1, main point 2, rebuttal 1, rebuttal 2
 - Main point 1, rebuttal 1, main point 2, rebuttal 2
 - Why the counterclaim is not the best option
 - Why your original main argument is the best option
- **Conclusion Paragraph 6**
 - Restate your thesis
 - Summarize your main points and the importance of them
 - Offer a suggestion or thought about the issue moving forward

Compose Essay Here: