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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.

SpAd Students to Meet With Houston Reps

A dozen sport administration students will travel to Houston Nov. 6-8 to meet with area administrators and tour major facilities. The trip is being coordinated by WSU's Office of Cooperative Education and Work-Based Learning.

Students making the trip will meet with representatives from the Houston Astros, Rockets/Comets and Texans as well as the University of Houston regarding internship opportunities and career preparation. They will also tour Minute Maid Park (Astros), Reliant Stadium (Texans) and the Toyota Center (Rockets/Comets).

James Nicas is making the presentation from the University of Houston. Nicas is a 2001 WSU M.Ed.- Sport Administration graduate, the president of the WSU's Sport Administration Alumni Association and assistant AD for development at UH.



Minute Maid Park, home of the Astros, will be one of the sites sport administration students visit next month.

The group will travel to Houston by bus Nov. 6, hold meetings Nov. 7 and early Nov. 8 and return later that same day.

Past Co-op-sponsored trips have taken sport administration students to Chicago, St. Louis, and most recently, Dallas.

SASA Selling Gear, Planning Athletics Presentation

The Sport Administration Student Association (SASA) is in the midst of a busy fall semester, selling sport administration fleeces and scheduling two events for the coming weeks.

The fleeces are available in two colors—yellow or gray—and feature the WuShock Sport Administration logo. The cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members. Please see a SASA officer or sport administration faculty member to place an order. The group is requiring cash or check in advance.

SASA has also scheduled an

important educational opportunity for Wednesday, Nov. 9, when numerous members of the athletic department staff will meet with the group over pizza and pop to discuss career opportunities. The event is scheduled to be held in the Champions Club of Charles Koch Arena from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

SASA memberships are still available and cost just \$10. Members receive a number of benefits, including a weekly e-mail listing jobs and internships available in the field.

**Alumni
Directories
Available**

The 2005-06 WSU Sport Administration Alumni Directory is now available. Copies are available for \$1 each and are available in the Department of Kinesiology & Sport Studies. The directory is updated annually in the hope that it will serve as a valuable networking tool for students and alumni.

**2006 Spring
Semester
Registration**

Oct. 25: Tentative release of spring semester schedule of courses

Nov. 7: Tentative date for early registration for spring semester to begin

NOTE: Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their assigned academic advisor prior to registering for classes.

Alumni Land New Jobs, Gain Promotions

Alumni of the Sport Administration program continue to land prestigious positions within the field. The latest news: Julie Greco (G 02) has been promoted to associate director of athletic communications at Cornell University. Michael Johnson, senior undergraduate student, has been hired by the Wichita Thunder as the team’s new director of

community relations. Michael Ryan (G 02) has moved from SMU to Duke University where he now serves as facilities director. ... Pat Tetrick (UG 2005) has joined the Denver Broncos organization as the assistant security manager for INVESCO Field at Mile High.

Finalists for Faculty Position Coming to WSU

Progress continues as the sport administration program reviews candidates for a vacant faculty position. Three finalists will be visiting WSU for interviews Oct. 20 and 24 and Nov. 3.

Each finalist will make a presentation to a sport administration class during

his/her visit. They will also be conducting interviews with faculty, staff, alumni and students in the program.

If all goes as planned, a final selection will be made in November, and the new faculty member will be on the job in time for the start of the spring semester.

Good Reads: *Big Game, Small World*

Written by Alexander Wolff, lead college basketball writer for *Sports Illustrated*, the book *Big Game, Small World* is as much about culture and globalization as basketball.

Wolff writes on his Web site (www.biggamesmallworld.com), “On the road I tried never to lose sight of two

questions: What can basketball tell us about the world? And what can the world tell us about basketball?”

Although the book was written prior to 9-11, it may be every bit as relevant today as when published because it relates how sport can connect diverse cultures.

Good Leads: WSU Marketing for Women’s Hoops

Students looking to build their resumes in preparation for the internship or job market may want to consider volunteer opportunities with WSU Athletics marketing and promotions. That unit has big plans for women’s basketball games this season, and it is seeking five or six students to assist in areas such as the pregame “Shock Zone” and in-game promotions.

Interested students should contact Shannon Davis, director of marketing and promotions for WSU Athletics at 978-5497 or slawellin@goshockers.com.





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SpAd Alumni Association Begins Membership Drive


The 2005-06 membership drive for the Sport Administration Alumni Association (SAAA) will get into full swing in November and December.

Current and prospective members will be contacted by mail asking them to join. Revenue generated by SAAA supports the program in several ways. Last year, the organization awarded its first scholarship.

Alumni who have graduated from the program in the last year will receive

complimentary memberships for 2005-06. However, they do need to register with the organization to receive member benefits.

The table below summarizes membership levels and member benefits. Alumni who wish to join but do not receive letters should contact a faculty member within the program by calling (316) 978-3340 or sending an e-mail to mary.myers@wichita.edu.



Sport Administration Alumni Association Membership Tiers

	Black Club \$25.00	Gold Club \$50.00	Shocker Club \$500.00
Tax-Deductible Contribution	▲	▲	▲
Sport Administration Alumni Directory	▲	▲	▲
Electronic Newsletter Distributed Five Times Annually	▲	▲	▲
WSU Sport Administration Window Decal	▲	▲	▲
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