



## [An Underreported Benefit of Being a College Athlete](#)

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When discussing college athletics and academics usually the talk centers on low graduation rates and corruption. **One of the many underreported benefits for college student-athletes are the incredible amount of academic resources** available to student athletes who have the drive to use them to their full advantage.

Many colleges not only provide tutoring help but a full range of academic support service. For instance, Ole Miss has fourteen full-time staffers on campus. Athletes at Ole Miss averaged about 1,000 tutoring sessions a week this fall.

The last five years have seen an astounding jump in the time, money and resources spent on academic support for student athletes. Tougher regulations instituted by the NCAA now punish schools for poor academic performance, fueling a spending binge with private and public funds on tutorial staff and athletes-only facilities filled with study rooms and computer labs.

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