

Senior Athlete Survey Results 2020

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Background

In accordance with NCAA regulations and in an effort to continually improve the quality of both the educational and athletic experiences of students at Alderson Broaddus University, the University released an anonymous survey during the final few weeks of the 2016 Spring Semester. The survey was open to all graduating senior athletes and covered a wide range of topics concerning their experiences at ABU.

Please indicate your status eligibility for completing this survey from the choices provided.

Response	Average	Total
Graduating Senior	100%	22
Transfer	4%	1
None of the Above	8%	2
Total	100%	25/25

If you wish, please provide us with this optional demographic information in the box below:

Name: Sport: Ethnicity:

Response

Acrobatics and Tumbling

Aj Arnold, Football, White

Softball

Dylan Foster: Baseball: Caucasian

Dominic Pegley Football White

Cheerleading

Men's Soccer: Hispanic

Andrew Daugherty, Track And Field, White

Halie McKinley

Softball

White

Soccer, white

Rebecca Natoli

Women's Soccer

White

Softball Caucasian

Alex Shaffer: W. Lacrosse & Cheer: White

Soccer, White

lacrosse

Alexa Brehm

Cheerleading and Track

White

soccer

Softball: White

Womens Basketball

Katelyn, Swimming, White

Gender

Response	Average	Total
Male	25%	7
Female	64%	18
Total	100%	25/25

Did you receive an athletic scholarship?

Response	Average	Total
Full	29%	8
Partial	50%	14
None	11%	3
Total Responses		25/25

The ABU **administration** has a positive opinion of student athletes.

Response	Average	Total
Strongly Agree	18%	5
Agree	68%	19
Disagree	4%	1
Total	100%	25/25

The ABU **administration** has a positive opinion of student athlete **programs**.

Response	Average	Total
Strongly Agree	18%	5
Agree	64%	18
Disagree	7%	2
Total	100%	25/25

The ABU **faculty** has a positive opinion of student athlete programs.

Response	Average	Total
Strongly Agree	11%	3
Agree	68%	19
Disagree	11%	3
Total	100%	25/25

To what extent did Athletic Department or University-wide programming help you academically?

Response	Average	Total
Extremely helpful	14%	4
Very helpful	18%	5
Slightly helpful	36%	10
Not at all helpful	21%	6
Total	100%	25/25

How helpful did you find Coach Supported Study Table Sessions to be?

Response	Average	Total
Extremely helpful	14%	4
Very helpful	11%	3
Slightly helpful	25%	7
Not at all helpful	39%	11
Total		25/25

How helpful did you find Professor lead study sessions to be?

Response	Average	Total
Extremely helpful	14%	4
Very helpful	29%	8
Slightly helpful	25%	7
Not at all helpful	21%	6
Total	100%	25/25

Please list any other programs you found academically helpful.

Response

Aces

None

Aces

ACES

N/A

My three seasons there only once were people held accountable to study tables. There were never mandatory.

ACES

none

Aces helped me my freshman year to get up and running with all my school work and manage my time better.

Aces

N/A

ACES

none

N/A

n/a

ACES

ACES

I personally studied alone

None

ACES

None

Amy in ACES was beyond the most helpful to myself academically. I feel a majority of coaches I had, I believe I had 4 over my years, didn't understand how different each students learning experiences were. Study tables that were mandated by coaches were not helpful environments due to being forced to sit in silence when some majors require you to talk things out with others, or ask your teammates for help.

None.

Of the items listed below, which had the greatest impact on your academic performance? Please rank from 1-5, with 1 being the least helpful and 5 being the most helpful.

	Average rank
Travel Time commitment	2.8
Class attendance	3.3
Flexibility of Professor with regard to attendance and exams	3.7
Competition Schedule	3.0
Practice/Conditioning	3.1

In your opinion, what changes would make the most significant improvement in the academic success of student-athletes, keeping in mind the questions listed above?

Response

Nothing

Professors being more flexible when it comes to attendance. Some professors still count traveling with a sport as unexcused

None.

Coaches need to be mindful to have less hours of practice for students who are struggling in classes.

Nothing; grow up, be an adult, and manage your time

If it was my program, I would hand write an apology letter to every single football player that committed here, stayed and graduated, transferred, quit, got kicked off team anything. I would write them a letter apologizing for the football program the past 3 years. The whole coaching staff that was brought in had 1 MAYBE 2 coaches on the whole staff that could've qualified for HIGH SCHOOL JOBS the rest of the coaches on that staff had no business being in a college locker room. Those guys ruined many kids on that team last year they will never get to play football. The sad part is everybody at AB knew what was going on and didn't do anything.

Just keeping in mind that we are students first, then athletes. I think the athletic department as a whole does a pretty good job of this but occasionally we all might lose sight of that, including us as players, and need reminding.

In my opinion my coach was not the best at working practice schedules around class time. This led to missing partial practices because of class.

Keeping up to date with GPA more frequently to notify athletes of their increase and decrease

None, most professors are flexible when an athlete is in season or traveling away.

Helping the student athlete out if he/she has a game on the day of a test or exam.

If the school is majority for athletes, there needs to be better gym equipment, strength and conditioning coaches, and better nutrition.

I can't think of any changes.

Have a set schedule and be able to plan. Not knowing if you are staying somewhere or playing in a game would help.

Stop giving so much leeway to failing students.

n/a

attendance record for coaches

Having a set schedule for athletes to plan around and having practices at reasonable times rather than way too early or way too late.

Throughout my four years we really have not had much opportunity to travel and get accommodations to stay so we did get back extremely late a lot of the time causing me to attend class exhausted the next day. I would rather stay the night and ask my professors for my work ahead of time or come back at an earlier time.

Don't know

N/A

If the staff/professors at AB supported the students and not just accepted them.

I believe that there should be some form of grace given to each student athlete in regards of practicing or conditioning. Some form of "off day" that you could take without punishment if you had an extremely hard test or project presentation that day. I feel its not beneficial to the student-athlete to fear punishment of not being able to perform at full capability while they are stressing about a test they have taken that day or have to take in a few hours. I also feel students should have to report to an academic advisor that works for the athletic department often. These advisors could help with stress management or how to properly schedule a functional workload during your primary season. Many of the professors on campus are unsure how to advise us about scheduling from an athletic standpoint, and I think it needs desperately addressed.

playing schools closer to AB

Increased communication between professors and coaches

Indicate your level of satisfaction with the contribution made by the following tools in relation to the impact that they had in helping you to succeed competitively?

1= Very dissatisfied 2=Dissatisfied 3=Satisfied 4= Very satisfied

Average rank	
	<div><div>1</div><div>2</div><div>3</div><div>4</div></div>
Coaching:	2.7
Practice Facilities:	2.7
Competition Facilities:	3.0
Strength and Conditioning:	2.6
Promotion and Marketing of your Sport:	2.0
Supplies/Gear for Practice and Competition:	2.5
Team Travel (Including meals/snacks, transportation, and accommodations):	2.4

Optional Comments

Me and Matty jack made all conference and the school didn't do one thing about it

n/a

Instead of traveling back and forth all the time let the students stay in hotels more often. We stayed in a hotel one time. Had to drive to the game drive back to school and then drive back to the same place the next day. Focus on more sports just than football. Video stream is trash, could not even get film of myself because the recorder was not paying attention and screens are fuzzy. Sometimes my assistant coach gave some false information and it gave false hope when trying to play after college. We should be offered a lot more gear and not have to pay out of pocket.

██████████ has been a problem since day 1 and you chose to ignore us. You can now enjoy watching the volleyball program have another god awful season. ██████████

There was one particular occasion that really bothered me this season, 2019. We had games at Walsh on thursday, October 10th at 5pm and then Malone on saturday, October 12th at 1pm. These schools are very close and instead of staying over in a hotel we had to make the drive all the way back to school to go back saturday very early. I 100% believe this effected my team's play along with performance in the classroom for some of them. A lot of girls had to get back very late and wake up early to get to class, or had to take tests on friday because we were back on campus. I think this decision was completely ridiculous and bullshit, excuse my language

I know football, who always had saturday games would leave friday afternoon. There coach would get them out of classes on friday when they very much could've made it to there classes as it did not interfere with there time of practice or the time they were leaving for the trip. I know this for a fact because I have many close friends on the team and knew the times they were practicing/leaving.

I think it is ridiculous the different way we were treated compared to the football team.

We 100% should have been able to stay over in between those 2 games, and I know for a FACT that it was in our budget to be able to stay over night. It honestly put a very bad taste in a lot of my teammates mouth about the decision was made, because it completely showed the lack of support women's soccer had from the university and university officials.

Coaching is very inconsistent with my lacrosse coach as her athletic knowledge lacks and she is a lazy individual.

Coach Kristi has had an extremely positive impact on my life and I value her motivation to make our program the best it can be. Reflecting back from my freshman year to now, the cheer team has flourished while many other programs have done the opposite, including my lacrosse team.

The following questions are answered about my lacrosse coach.

I think it would be very beneficial if we had a member of our athletic department that worked in our weight room. I often feel our coaches are equipped to know what to lift. But, I don't necessarily believe they know how to properly lift to our body types and builds. A strength coach would be amazing that could understand how to properly lift for OUR sport and gender. Many females lift heavier than they should for their sport because this is what is put upon us as freshmen by our respected programs.

Please rate the following statements regarding your coach.

1= Very false 2=False 3=True 4= Very True

Average rank	
My coach was fair in dealing with me and my teammates.	2.5
My coach encouraged my academic success.	3.4
My coach exercised flexibility in respect to my academic commitments.	3.0
My coach was sensitive to the time demands placed on me as a student-athlete.	2.7
My coach emphasized and demanded principles of fair play.	2.9
My coach demonstrated a high level of integrity.	2.8

In regards to media and publicity.


The athletic department website is accurate, up-to-date, and informative.

Response	Average	Total
Strongly Agree	7%	2
Agree	59%	16
Disagree	22%	6
Strongly Disagree	4%	1
Total	100%	25/25

The athletic department provides media attention to my sport including post game releases and news regarding my sport.

Response	Average	Total
Strongly Agree	15%	4
Agree	63%	17
Disagree	11%	3
Strongly Disagree	4%	1
Total	100%	25/25

The athletic department provides streaming of the games, live in game statistics, and social media updates so my family and friends can enjoy the games.

Response	Average	Total
Strongly Agree	11%	3
Agree	48%	13
Disagree	30%	8
Strongly Disagree	4%	1
Total	 100%	25/25

Were you well informed with regard to NCAA rules and regulations?

Response	Average	Total
Yes	88%	22
No	12%	3
Total	100%	25/25

Would additional NCAA rules meetings/compliance newsletters/email NCAA rules alerts be helpful?

Response	Average	Total
Yes	36%	9
No	64%	16
Total	100%	25/25

Who would you contact if you had questions regarding NCAA Eligibility or other NCAA rules?

Response
Carrie bodkins
My coach
Athletic director Carrie Bodkins
The NCAA Compliance Center
Sarah Weaver, Carrie Bodkins, or my coach
I don't know
The new eligibility guy (I do not know his name off the top of my head)

I'm not NCAA.

Bodkins

I would email my coach if any questions and if not successful there I am sure he would've directed me or asked the higher up that would know.

Carrie Bodkins

The Universities AD and/or coach

NCAA Compliance, Coach, AD

Athletic Director

Anyone but Carrie

My coach.

Did all eligibility searching and answered questions on my own.

I am not sure because I am trying to return for a fifth year and just learned I was provided false information by my coach and because of that I may not be eligible to return. This is extremely frustrating considering I have already deferred grad schools trusting that I was set to return to AB next year.

My coach first and then my athletic director.

My sport management professor to be honest. I don't trust my coach.

Carrie Bodkins

Carrie Bodkins but she's rude and always has an attitude.

I would contact my coach first, but if they were unable to answer my questions I would contact our AD.

Coach or athletic director.

NCAA Compliance officer.

Do you feel the Alderson Broaddus Athletic Department provided you with the opportunity to voice your concerns regarding matters relating to your well-being as a student-athlete?

Response	Average	Total
Always	<div><div></div>7%</div>	2
Most of the time	48%	13
Rarely	15%	4
Never	22%	6
Total		25/25

As a student-athlete were you treated fairly and without gender bias within the Alderson Broaddus Athletic Program?

Response	Average	Total
Always	44%	12
Most of the time	33%	9
Rarely	15%	4
Total	100%	25/25

What was your experience with the athletic trainers?

Response	Average	Total
Excellent	37%	10
Very Good	26%	7
Fair	26%	7
Poor	4%	1
Total	100%	25/25

The athletic training staff was available at times compatible with my academic schedule.

Response	Average	Total
Always	30%	8
Most of the time	48%	13
Rarely	15%	4
Total	100%	25/25

The athletic training staff was sensitive to the need to refer complicated problems to a physician.

Response	Average	Total
Always	41%	11
Most of the time	44%	12
Rarely	7%	2

As a student athlete I feel I have been treated fairly and equally by my professors and academic advisor.

Response	Average	Total
Always	56%	15
Most of the time	33%	9
Rarely	4%	1
Total	100%	25/25

As a student-athlete I feel I have been treated fairly and equally by the business office staff.

Response	Average	Total
Always	59%	16
Most of the time	30%	8
Rarely	4%	1
Total	100%	25/25

As a student-athlete I feel I have been treated fairly and equally by the financial aid department.

Response	Average	Total
Always	67%	18
Most of the time	19%	5
Rarely	7%	2
Total	100%	25/25

As a student-athlete I feel I have been treated fairly and equally by the coaches and athletic department.

Response	Average	Total
Always	41%	11
Most of the time	15%	4
Sometimes	17%	3
Rarely	7%	2
Total	100%	25/25

As a student-athlete I feel I have been treated fairly and equally by the Office of Student Affairs.

Response	Average	Total
Always	56%	15
Most of the time	30%	8
Sometimes	4%	1
Rarely	4%	1
Total	100%	25/25

Do you feel like your specific team was represented on SAAC Committee and were you aware of the program and services sponsored by SAAC?

Response	Average	Total
Yes	100%	25
No	0%	0
Total	100%	25/25

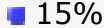
1. If you answered NO to the above question, please make suggestions that can improve awareness for future ABU student athletes.

Response

Joining the organization if you interested changing the athletes policies.

Attempted to voice concerns about a coach to the athletic director, but was denied the ability. Coach was later fired for these concerns and still was never given clarity.

Check all SAAC programs and/or services that you participated in as a student-athlete.

Response	Average	Total
SAAC as a vehicle of communication with the Athletic Administration	 15%	4
Fundraising by SAAC for the "Make a Wish" Foundation	37%	10
SAAC Meetings	56%	15
Community Engagement	59%	16
Total	100%	25/25

How frequently did you take advantage of the programs for career and personal development offered by Alderson Broaddus University?

Response	Average	Total
Always	11%	3
Most of the time	19%	5
Rarely	44%	12
Never	19%	5
Total	100%	25/25

As a student-athlete did you participate in Alderson Broaddus University activities outside of athletics?

Response	Average	Total
Always	26%	7
Most of the time	44%	12
Rarely	22%	6
Never	0%	0
Total	100%	25/25

As a student-athlete/general student did you feel safe on campus?

Response	Average	Total
Always	30%	8
Most of the time	56%	15
Rarely	7%	2
Total	100%	25/25

As a student-athlete/ general student why did you or why do students leave campus for social activities?

Response

Something different to do.

Because AB can be boring and its always the same people.

More fun

Class trips

There is not a lot to do around campus and the city of Philippi.

there isnt much to do on/around campus

To go home.

Just to do something different than what was offered on campus. Like go out to eat or see a movie.

For a change in scenery and atmosphere

the campus doesnt offer a lot of socail activities that interest students. ESPECIALLY HOMECOMING WITH NOT INVITING PEOPLE FOR CONCERTS THAT WE ACTUALLY KNOW OF!!!!

most students are not local so that means no vehicle to be moving around and do stuff unless your friends have one. Also some people lack the money resources.

Not enough to do in Philippi, the school did do some activities but more would be helpful.

Because there isn't much to do there and its too expensive.

I wanted to leave campus to get a mental break from being there especially the last two years with everything going on with my family.

Campus is not that fun, but there is not much around to do. They need to get more students involved with setting activities up instead of a lot of just non athletes.

I didn't

People go to Morgantown to the clubs because RA's complain about noises on saturday night when people are listening to music.

People go to Arden to get outside and have fun.

Outside of CAB there is not many activities or things to do on campus.

More to do off campus

I do not really leave campus for social activities other than to eat because the cafe is not good.

Just a get away from Philippi, it was usually to Clarksburg because there's nothing to do here

To meet and hangout with other friends

AB doesn't support their students. They don't do events that will appeal to all types of students. and a lot of the events besides bingo and the food trucks are boring.

There is nothing around the town of Philippi, and honestly, some locals of the town are not receptive of the students. We often have to go elsewhere to have access to events other than campus events because of the town's small population style.

Students often leave because of the small campus and want to experience something bigger at times.

Name 3 people that you could seek out for assistance regarding drug use, alcohol use, psychological assistance, or personal safety issues?

Response

Carrie
Bodkins,
Matt Sisk,
Chad

My mom. My dad. My older brother

Security

RA, Chad, Coach Luke

My coach, Sarah Weaver, a counselor

Chris Mike Nick

Coaches, Athletic Trainers, Matt Sisk.

Chad
Coach Kristi
Phil Bowers

Dunbar, my friends, myself

dont know by names however I know AB provided a counseling service. and campus safety is always available.

Chad hostetler, the athletic trainer, your coach

Chad H. He's a good guy

Dunbar, my coach, Kari Sisk

Coaches, counselor, certain teachers(not all)

No one that I know on campus

Chad Hostler, my coach, campus security

Counselor, Coach, Professors

Trainer, Counselor. Chaplin

Chad, Carl, Campus Safety, & Jaron

Friends, my assistant coach, security if it was a safety issue

Chad Hostetler, Matt Sisk, Coach Kristi

James Dunbar, James Dunbar, Matt Sisk

My Coach, Matt Sisk, Carrie Bodkins

coach, athletic director, professor

Coach Keane, Chad Hostleter, Matt Sisk

Were your experiences here at Alderson Broaddus University what you thought they would be?

Response

No

Not really

No

Yes

For the most part

No

Yes

Yes

it was as expected which doesnt mean much. AB is made up of good people as in students

No, however I did get a lot of more out of it than people would think.

Yes, I feel like AB was a good school for me.

no

Yes

No, If I was able to transfer after my first two years I would have. Unfortunately I would not have graduated on time. The school went down hill my last two years and was not as enjoyable. The athletics are not good, all are pretty much losing.

No

Yes, but I thought as a D2 athlete money would not be as big as an issue for our athletics as it is made out to be.

It was great, I wish soccer went a better at times but the people at AB are what really make the place.

No

Yeah

No. I feel like i didn't get the college experience many of my friends from home did. AB doesn't celebrate or host events often that are fun. Our food options suck, and there's not much to do except sit in your room.

For the most part, yes. I enjoyed my undergraduate experience at AB. I am returning to play and additional redshirt season as I get my masters degree, which I am incredibly grateful for. The university greatly progressed in social equality during my time, but they still have ways to go in this category. My only complaint is that I really feel some professors have vendettas against student athletes. I personally have been told very negative outlooks on students athletes by professors and even department heads. These included student athletes are generally uneducated and they should have chosen a non-student-athlete approach to college in order to be successful.

for the most part, yes

Not at all.

How can we make the athletic program and experience better for student-athletes who are to follow in your footsteps?

Response

Involve more media

Fix the gym and be more consistent with the promises you make.

Get rid of Sal dewalt but you already did

Have a stricter tolerance on the athletes that fail the drug test.

Better equipment and nicer facilities... should probably fix the coliseum and weight room situation

Cut the unnecessary sports, and fund the main ones

Personally, I don't agree with the idea of hiring students who have recently graduated to be coaches. It just makes things messy having a coach who you were friends with or played with in previous years or who has friends who are still members of the team. I think it just promotes an idea of being a friend instead of a coach to the players on the team and makes it hard to keep things fair and honest.

I felt like my sport got pushed to the side in some aspects. We always got the latest practices and trainers did not see us as important. When I went to see them they were helpful but they were not at practices or didn't want to see us at games. I understand this is probably a coach factor as well

Treat student athletes like they are worth their time. Our surroundings should depict the way we are treated on a mountain top or not it would be nice to be appreciated since all athletic programs are keeping the school alive, just not football who especially have the most transfers leaving AB again says a lot....

I really don't know.

I thought the program was good I can't think of anything to change.

Same as answer #13

Continue to prioritize athletics, academics, as well as mental health

Have more enjoyable activities, bring in good players who want to win, not half-ass players who barely try.

Bring the new football coach down to earth, he doesn't run the campus.

Make all sports as important as you make football. Football is not the only team on campus. All sports should be treated fairly and with the same amount of support behind them.

Allow student athletes to feel that their voices are being heard outside of SAAC.

I would say that I think it is very unprofessional to tell athletes at our level that the school is struggling financially because that is not something that we should have to worry about and is very distracting from our academics and athletic play.

I also would recommend getting coaches that are more qualified and older with experience that would fit well within our campus community.

A bit more media action and really incorporate the whole team so everyone is really involved and proud to be apart of AB athletics. Find ways to get a lot more students out to all AB home games, not just the football games.

Stop hiring alumni as coaches

If a coach files an incident report, get both sides of the story. your coaches aren't always honest

Don't hire coaches with a history with the current athletes????? this is a no brainer

pay attention to the loyal athletes. if a 4 year senior wants to suddenly quit the team, something is going on

don't allow coaches to go over allotted practice time. don't allow trainers to leave a practice early

Get track facilities on campus

All sports programs treated equally.

I would love to see future student athletes have support from an academic advisor from within the athletic department. I know we have someone in this position to help with students struggling and on probation, but high achieving student athletes could use help and guidance too. I would also really enjoy if the university had a proper strength/conditioning coach that was not affiliated with a specific sport team. One that understands how to properly lift/condition without burning athletes out.

fix/update the gym

Increased communication among all sports

If you were being recruited again, would you choose Alderson Broaddus University? Why or why not?

Response

No, because my experience as a student athlete was not a good one. We had 3 head coaches in 4 years...

there was never a connection with athlete to coach once Jac left.

No

No I would want to go to a school that has a better academic program and a coach that would stay all my four years.

Because of the friends I made and the coaches

No, I wouldn't have enough trust for them after the 3 years of a situation getting worse and not one person did anything.

Yes because I have made lifelong friendships at AB that I wouldn't trade.

Yes. I really felt at home

If i was still financially unstable yes but with better circumstances and benefits at other schools then no

Only if the same people would be coming back as well. No other way around it.

Yes, I have made a lot of friends here and the coaches and teachers were all helpful in helping me out as a student and an athlete with what ever I needed.

No. The level of care for your bodies is nothing there. Facilities could be way better for athletes to help them reach full potential. A real strength and conditioning coach needs hired and nutrition needs to be better. If the school is majority athletes, then its focus should be that.

Yes, I wouldn't have grown into who I am without the people and experiences I have from AB.

No I would not, it is not in a good location. The people are what makes the experience, not necessarily the school. I would have liked to go to a school that travels in busses, gives a lot of gear to athletes without paying, stays in hotels. Has a good roster size, the list goes on.

No, because my program is the Hindenburg of volleyball

Yes

No, lack of facilities and unacceptable behavior by coaching staff and athletic administration.

I would chose AB again because I did have a good experience and many opportunities.

If it was 2016 when I was initially recruited totally. Now, I would definitely be debating it. This past year, after adding new sports and the upcoming generation, I did not feel as safe around campus. There was a lot of theft and inappropriate actions from a lot of athletes. As an RA I was definitely dealt with a lot of those situations.

no. the coach is not what I want in a coach. the programs are all on a losing streak and the coliseum is currently closed and the school in general is not appealing at the moment.

Yes because it gives a very welcoming atmosphere

No, I didn't get the college experience I wanted.

Yes I would. Despite some issues with the school, I wouldn't trade my athletic and academic decision. The school became my home, and the athletic department became my support and family. I am grateful for my time and commitment at AB.

with the current staff, no. Lack of respect towards players

If I would have known I would have had so many different coaches when it came to my sport, no, but I would not trade some of the friendships and memories I have made at AB.

How many varsity letters did you earn?

Response	Average	Total
1	19%	5
2	19%	5
3	11%	3
4	37%	10
More than 4	7%	2
Total	100%	25/25

Were you a starter during your senior year?

Response	Average	Total
Yes	80%	20
No	20%	5
Total	100%	25/25

Please rate your overall athletic experience at Alderson Broaddus University?

Response	Average	Total
Excellent	19%	5
Very Good	22%	6
Good	26%	7
Average	15%	4
Below Average	11%	3
Total	100%	25/25

To what extent did participation in athletics assist you in being able to acquire, assess, and apply information in order to solve problems and make informed decisions?

Response	Average	Total
Rarely	19%	5
Occasionally	15%	4
Frequently	46%	12
Almost Always	15%	4
Total		25/25

To what extent did participation in athletics assist you in learning to express ideas through forms appropriate to your chosen audience?

Response	Average	Total
Rarely	12%	3
Occasionally	35%	9
Frequently	35%	9
Almost Always	15%	4
Total		25/25

To what extent did participation in athletics assist you in learning to recognize and apply ethical principles?

Response	Average	Total
Never	4%	1
Rarely	8%	2
Occasionally	38%	10
Frequently	27%	7
Almost Always	19%	5
Total	100%	25/25

To what extent did participation in athletics expose you to different ideas, perspectives, backgrounds, perspectives, and cultures?

Response	Average	Total
Never	8%	2
Occasionally	38%	10
Frequently	27%	7
Almost Always	23%	6
Total	100%	25/25

To what extent did participation in athletics allow you to engage in service to varied communities?

Response	Average	Total
Never	8%	2
Rarely	15%	4
Occasionally	27%	7
Frequently	31%	8
Almost Always	15%	4
Total	100%	25/25



Briefly state any final thoughts that you would like to share regarding your overall experience, including factors that may not have been asked throughout this survey. Again, this is optional, but yet highly encouraged!

Response

I did not know you received letters in collegiate sports. My experience with my team and coaches was overall a great time. They taught me life lessons that I use everyday. Minus a few teams on campus, the majority of them think it is okay to be mediocre and, in fact, think it was a successful season if there record is just .500.

I think the staff in the athletic department is moving in the right step from my freshman year. I do think that some of the education faculty does not respect athletics and that made it hard to be an education major and hearing the talk from both the athletic side (from coaches) and the education side (from faculty) put me in a awkward situation. I also believe that I was not informed on the coliseum closure like other sports were and I am not sure if that was a fault in the athletic department or a coach fault. As much as I love my coach and respect her and her decisions. She did not address a lot of things with us. When our season was cut short we did not get notified from her. She was not there for uniform returns and she was not there for a lot of the fall semester.

AB has the opportunity to grow to become better but they have no initiative in the department. Media was a one step of making student athletes feel connected to AB but clearly it's not keeping students there. AB is not a DI and students know that. But treating us like a community college does not help either. Treating like it's a "last chance U" does not help the rate of students staying. SAAC can only do so much. I feel like the department as a whole could really use a revamp or even an IO psychologist to improve their surroundings and to increase student athletes' ability to stay.

I just want to thank everyone part of the athletics department for the years I have been at AB. I had an OK but weird experience that wasn't the best but I honestly do not think I would change it.

It was hard to practice for track and field because we don't have a track at the school. We had to find ways to practice during the winter months inside the gym and find times we could get in without interrupting another sport.

Just want to go on record and say, I am not trying to badmouth the university. I just wish it was overall a better experience because I've met some of the best people ever there.

Overall, my experience was good but had its moments. I greatly appreciate the support I received from my team, coaches, and professors when I needed it the most.

n/a

Coaches and athletic department personnel are not as qualified as I would prefer. I do not feel like I have improved as an athlete since coming to AB and I credit that to my lacrosse coach's lack of knowledge. I also do not like the athletic department looking to add new sports rather than to refine and better the ones we already have. I do not feel that our social media accounts are up to date and offer the best perspective for potential students. I think in general the athletic department needs to bring in coaches and faculty that have a passion to better our institution because as a student-athlete I do not see that spark from many other than Carrie Bodkins and Kristi DeWalt.

My four years as a student athlete has brought me many friendships that I know I will have forever. I would not trade any of these memories for anything. Jaron definitely made our senior night one to remember, as we were his first class, and I will forever appreciate that. I hope all incoming athletes get to have the experience I did but I do believe that all athletes on campus need to be held to a higher standard on both an academic and personal level. I believe that comes from getting an understanding of the athlete that is being recruited and seeing how they fit into our AB family. Holding everyone to the same equal standard so people aren't getting by scrapping the bottom.

The women's lacrosse coach needs a serious reconsideration. She is unfit for this job. She lets her personal opinions come out onto the field, which wouldn't be a problem, except some of these opinions formed when she was a senior and the current seniors were students. She treats students differently based on her relationship with her and pushes students around based on her need for them (ex: she let one girl keep piercings in through many practices when she was playing full contact, but got mad when anyone else did

the same thing. She wouldn't stick up to this one athlete in fears she would quit the team). She had multiple issues in the fall including getting drunk and passing out at homecoming and making athletes do ridiculous things on the Battler stairs until they were bleeding and ended up sending one girl to the hospital. She left practice early multiple times because she was angry at us and told the trainer to leave once after a punishment run, even after seeing one of her athletes crying due to injury. She then went drinking immediately after this particular practice and posted it on social media. Lastly she suspended a player after telling her she didn't need her during a game to which the player reacted. The same game, another athlete also had an outburst and screamed in the coaches face and was treated extremely differently. She treats other players who have outbursts differently and lets her own personal opinion overrule what should be an unbiased coaching standpoint. She does not have good people skills and makes bad coaching decisions and should not have gotten this job. She does not consider the health of her athletes from both an injury and an illness standpoint, and she has horrible communication skills if you aren't one of her favorite players. I sincerely hope for the future lacrosse players that she is removed from her position and that a better coach is found for the sake of having a team here at AB.

AB focuses too much on getting students to come to AB rather than keeping the ones that they already have. Look at how the social media is controlled. "oh hey let me post this spanish lookin girl fake posing for the camera to show we're diverse and caption it come to AB". You rarely ever see events posted, especially of different organizations, which I believe would appeal more to incoming students than trying to prove we're diverse. Our retention rates suck because you guys get the students to come here and when they come here AB has nothing to offer their students but an education and athletics. Where's the part that makes college enjoyable or worth attending

I would just like to thank Alderson Broaddus athletics. Carrie Bodkins has turned the athletic department into an incredible program that I am proud to be apart of. Due to crazy circumstances, I have the opportunity to comeback for another year, after the loss of my season during my senior campaign. Without the NCAA and AB's support I would not have this opportunity. I am grateful for this opportunity, and every opportunity granted to me by my sport. My sport has seen some drastic changes over my 4 years, from coaches coming and leaving. The athletic department always had my back through these changes, and always tried to do what was best and healthiest for us. I will always speak highly of this department and support it as an alumni.

I think AB is moving in the right direction when it comes to providing a good atmosphere for athletics, but I think there are often times favoritisms shown for certain sports. I think this could be one thing that everyone could work on: treating each sport team equally and fair.