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## **NCAA Awards Diversity Grant to Lindenwood University**

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Lindenwood University has been awarded a grant from the NCAA that supports diversity, equity and inclusion in both its athletics administration and graduate academic programming. Led by the Lindenwood Athletics Department and Plaster School of Business & Entrepreneurship, the grant will support the addition of an [NCAA Experiential Internship for Diverse Populations at Lindenwood](#).

This new internship role directly facilitates Lindenwood's commitment to *Real Experience. Real Success*. A qualified graduate student will have the opportunity to develop a thorough understanding of core leadership and business competencies through classroom learning that will be concurrently be applied to work with the Intercollegiate Athletics Leadership Team. The selected candidate will be exposed to all aspects of athletics administration and complete their graduate degree with direct experience in the fast-paced industry of college athletics.

Academically, this position will support completion of an MBA from Lindenwood's Plaster School of Business & Entrepreneurship, with opportunities for emphasis in sport management, marketing, leadership, finance, or one of many other areas.

The accompanying internship involves many aspects of Lindenwood athletics operations, including but not limited to, student-athlete academics, NCAA compliance, marketing and communications, sport supervision, strategic planning, game-day and event planning, and fundraising.

Assistant Vice President and Senior Women's Administrator for Intercollegiate Athletics Betsy Feutz shared Lindenwood's excitement in being named a recipient institution. "We are thrilled to receive this grant which will enrich our department and provide an outstanding opportunity for a young professional with a passion for intercollegiate athletics," she said. "This internship reinforces Lindenwood's commitment to diversity and provides impactful resources to our department."

Lindenwood University is a proud home to one of the largest athletics departments in NCAA Division II. The program has 27 sports competing at NCAA level in addition to nearly 20 Student Life Sports.

Priority consideration will be given to completed applications submitted by June 1.