

Coaches to Class/Profs to Practice Program

The life of a student-athlete is busy, with classes, homework, team practice, strength and conditioning, traveling to competitions, and community service. With an average GPA last year of 3.24, our UAA student-athletes excel in the classroom; our teams also are very successful in competition. Modeled after a successful program at a US Military Academy, the Coaches to Class/Profs to Practice Program gives student-athletes the opportunity to share their experiences with the people who are so important to them—their coaches and professors.

Coaches to Class

Student athletes who would like to have a coach visit one of their classes may ask the instructor for permission for a classroom visit from their coach. A classroom visit may occur only if an arrangement can be made that is satisfactory to all parties involved. With many athletes on each team, the coaches may not be able to attend all classes to which they have been invited, but the gesture of attending will be appreciated.

Profs to Practice

Student athletes may invite their instructors to attend a practice; as space allows, others with an interest may attend. The coaches have generously offered to host visitors as described below with some teams and dates to possibly be added later:

Sport	Dates and times	Location/Notes
Women's Basketball	3-5 pm MWF between October 16 th and 27 th	Alaska Airlines Center Auxiliary Gym
Women's Volleyball	4-6 pm Monday October 9 th , 16 th , and 23 rd	Alaska Airlines Arena
Women's Gymnastics	1-4 pm Friday, October 27 th	Gymnastics practice facility in the Alaska Airlines Center
Men's Ice Hockey	MW 3-5 and Tu 11:45-1:45 October 16th-18th and 23 rd -25 th	Wells Fargo Sports Center rink
Mens' and Women's Ski	Jan 19th-21st, Jan.26th-28th	Ski in Girdwood or Arctic Valley (contact Debbie for details)

Faculty who would like to attend a practice should please RSVP to Debbie Narang at dlnarang@alaska.edu with subject line Profs to Practice. The student-athletes are very excited to participate and hope coaches and professors will be, too.