



**Board of Trustees
Committee Meeting
Rudolph Jones Student Center
Room 242**

**COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS
WEDNESDAY, June 8, 2022
8:30 a.m.**

AGENDA

Call to Order	Gregory Pinnix, Committee Chair
Welcome and Opening Remarks	Gregory Pinnix
Roll Call	
Approval of Minutes:	March 23, 2022

Information/Action Item:

A. Athletics Update	Mr. Anthony Bennett <i>Director of Athletics</i>
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Academic Performance of Team

- Number of Student Athletes Graduating
- Current Graduation Rate
- Current GPA of All Teams
- Current Retention Rate of All Teams

Action Items:

N/A

Committee members: Mr. Gregory Pinnix, John McFayden, Maya Martin, Brandon Phillips, Glenn Adams
Staff Liaison: Todd Bennett
Board Professional: Lisa Wallace

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Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes DRAFT

COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022 8:15 A.M.

The Committee on Athletics of the Fayetteville State University Board of Trustees convened on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, in the Rudolph Jones Student Center, Multi-Purpose Room and Via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 8:38 a.m.

ROLL CALL

The following trustees were in attendance: Mr. John McFayden, Ms. Sydney Harris, Mr. Brandon Phillips, and Mr. Glenn Adams, Ex-Officio. Staff persons in attendance were Mr. Anthony Bennett and Ms. Inez Turner and Atty. Wanda Jenkins.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee John McFayden and properly seconded by Trustee Sydney Harris that the minutes of the Athletic Committee Meeting held on December 8, 2021, be accepted as printed and distributed. The motion carried.

ATHLETICS UPDATE

Mr. Anthony Bennett, director of Athletics began with recent achievements with the Department of Athletics.

Mr. Bennett gave accolades to our very own Mr. Joshua Williams, a senior defensive back on the FSU football team. Mr. Williams has made recent history by being the only Division II player and the first ever from FSU to be chosen for college footballs most prestigious postseason All-Star game, the Senior Bowl. He also is 1 of 324 college football players in the country who received an invitation to the NFL Combine in Indianapolis, IN. Mr. Bennett stated that prayerfully, he will be the next football student athlete to be drafted into the NFL. Mr. Bennett stated the last student athlete to be drafted from FSU was James Godwin in 1976.

Mr. Bennett stated that the CIAA recognizes the top senior student athletes through an accolade call Lowes CIAA Senior Class Award. The award is provided to students who are high level achievers in the classroom, community, and through competition and character. The award is provided to two student athletes during the CIAA conference basketball tournament each year. This year, Mr. Greg Brooks, a senior student athlete in the sport of football received the award.

He stated that the Department of Athletics have been very busy since our last meeting in December 2021. During that December meeting we honored two athletic programs for winning the CIAA Conference Championship in women's volleyball and women's cross country. Coach Inez Turner

led the women's indoor track championship. This is the third year of the program's existence, and we are back-to-back indoor champions. Coach Turner was honored as being the indoor track and field coach of the year. Mr. Bennett stated that Coach Turner has a dynamic team and is striving to provide our student athletes with the best experience possible. He stated because of the hard work of the track team and coaches, one of our student athletes qualified for a national competition in the women's triple jump. Ms. Jade Jordan, a graduate of Pine Forest High School and a current junior here at FSU. Jade's perseverance and redemption has marked her as one the top triple jumpers in the country. Mr. Bennett stated that he would like to increase the FSU Brand across the nation with our track and field.

Mr. Bennett continued with 2022 CIAA Basketball Tournament, which was held in Baltimore, MD this year. He stated for the first time in 49 years, the men's basketball team won the CIAA basketball tournament. After coming off a lost in 2020, Coach Luke D'Lessio and his team pulled off an emotional win on February 26, 2022, against a very tough competitor, Virginia Union. Mr. Bennett also stated that they had an opportunity to participate in regional competition at the NCAA Atlantic Region Championship in Indiana, PA. He stated that this was a great experience for our student athletes and the first time that our men's basketball team has competed in regional competition in over 29 years.

Mr. Bennett ended with his last accolade to Jaylen Seagars, a senior basketball player. Jaylen was selected to participate in the HBCU All-Star game during the Final Four in New Orleans. He was one of twenty-two top basketball players in the nation to participate in this event. Mr. Bennett thanked all the coaches for their hard work.

Mr. Bennett concluded by introducing senior leadership with the CIAA, Mr. Marcus Clarke, CIAA Senior Associate Commissioner and Mr. Eddie Weatherton, Senior Associate Compliance Officer. Mr. Clarke discussed the mission and strategic priorities of the CIAA. He provided a demographic snapshot of the CIAA schools and revenues and expenses associated with the CIAA conference. Mr. Clark also shared a historical glimpse of the corporate sponsors provided by the CIAA.

Trustee McFayden requested that Director Bennett have GPAs of all athletes at the full board meeting. Trustee McFayden stated that this would be beneficial because it shows how well our athletes are doing in school. The Chancellor indicated that an update would be given on all athlete's GPAs at every quarterly meeting from Athletics.

Trustee McFayden moved for adjournment at 9:48 a.m. The motion carried.

Mr. John McFayden, Chair
Lisa Wallace, Recorder

AGENDA



- Annual Goals
- Spring Accolades
- 2021-22 Academic Profile



STRATEGIC PRIORITY 2
**STUDENT CAMPUS
ENGAGEMENT**

Through a variety of engaging activities, students will develop a broad range of leadership and professional skills, beyond the classroom, that will prepare them for successful careers and to be visionary leaders

Strategic Goal

Create experiences that meet the needs and expectations of 21st century learners.

2021-22 DIVISION GOALS

Department of Athletics



Academics		
2020-21 Team GPA	2021-22 Team GPA Goal	2021-22 Team GPA
3.09	3.25	3.13
2020-21 Graduation Rate	2021-22 Graduation Rate Goal	2021-22 Graduation Rate
68%	72%	71%

Athletics		
2019-20 Championships	2021-22 Championship Goals	2021-22 Championships
4 of 7	8 of 11	5 of 11

Facilities			
2020-21 Academic Year		2021-22	
Football Field	(\$600k)	Practice Track	(\$325k)
Sound System	(\$250k)	Nutrition Station	(\$50k)

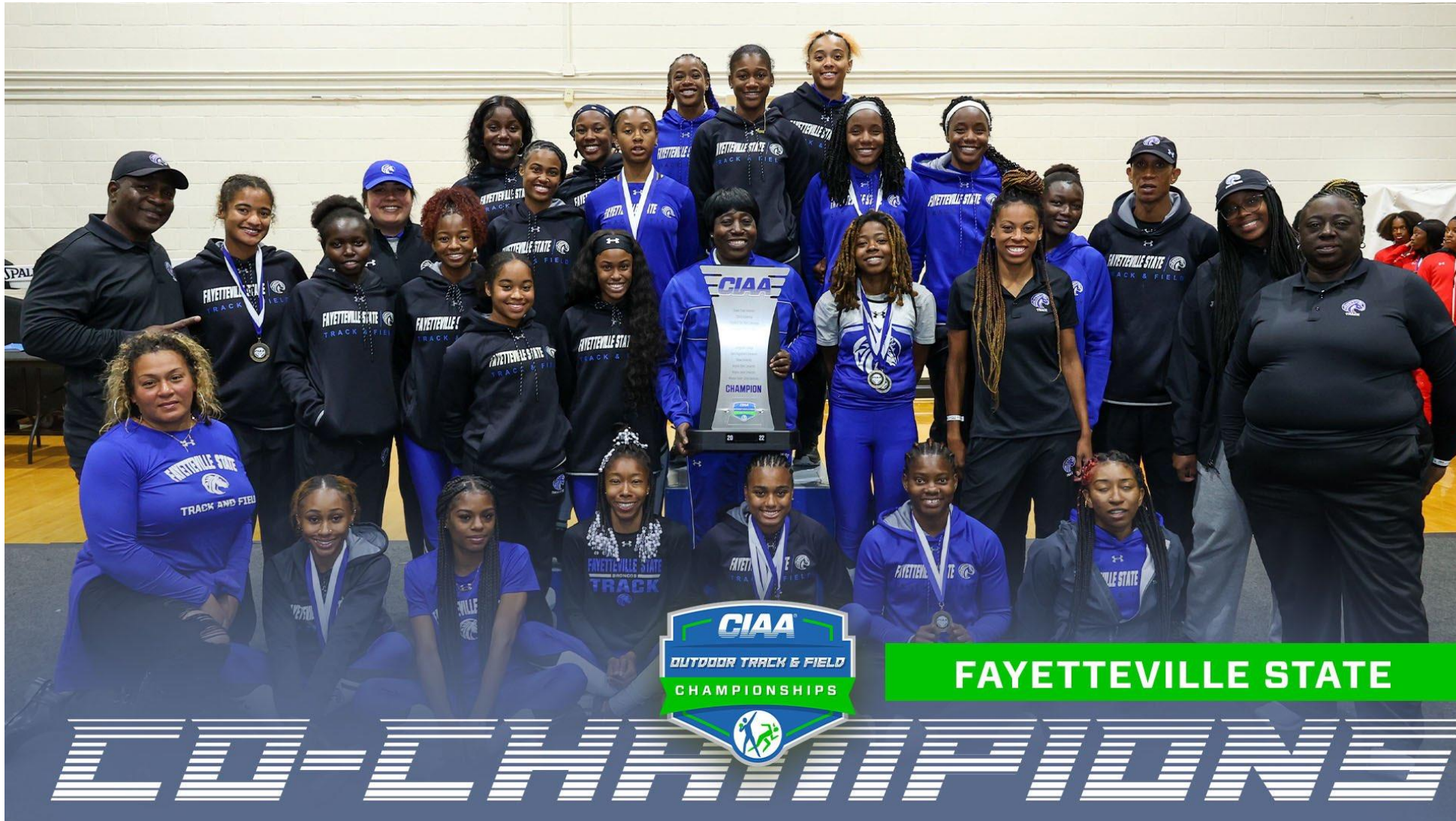
Spring Accolades

2022 CIAA CHAMPIONS

WOMEN'S OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD



FAYETTEVILLE
STATE UNIVERSITY



FAYETTEVILLE STATE

CHAMPIONS



**LORETTA TAYLOR WOMEN'S
ALL-SPORT AWARD**

Fayetteville State



CIAA ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR

Anthony Bennett

FAYETTEVILLE STATE

2021-22 ACADEMIC PROFILE

Graduation Rate Data

		National Average
Cohort 2015-2016 Scholarship Student-Athletes (48)	71%	75%
Cohort 2014-2015 Scholarship Student-Athletes (28)	68%	72%

Major Reasons For Leaving Institution

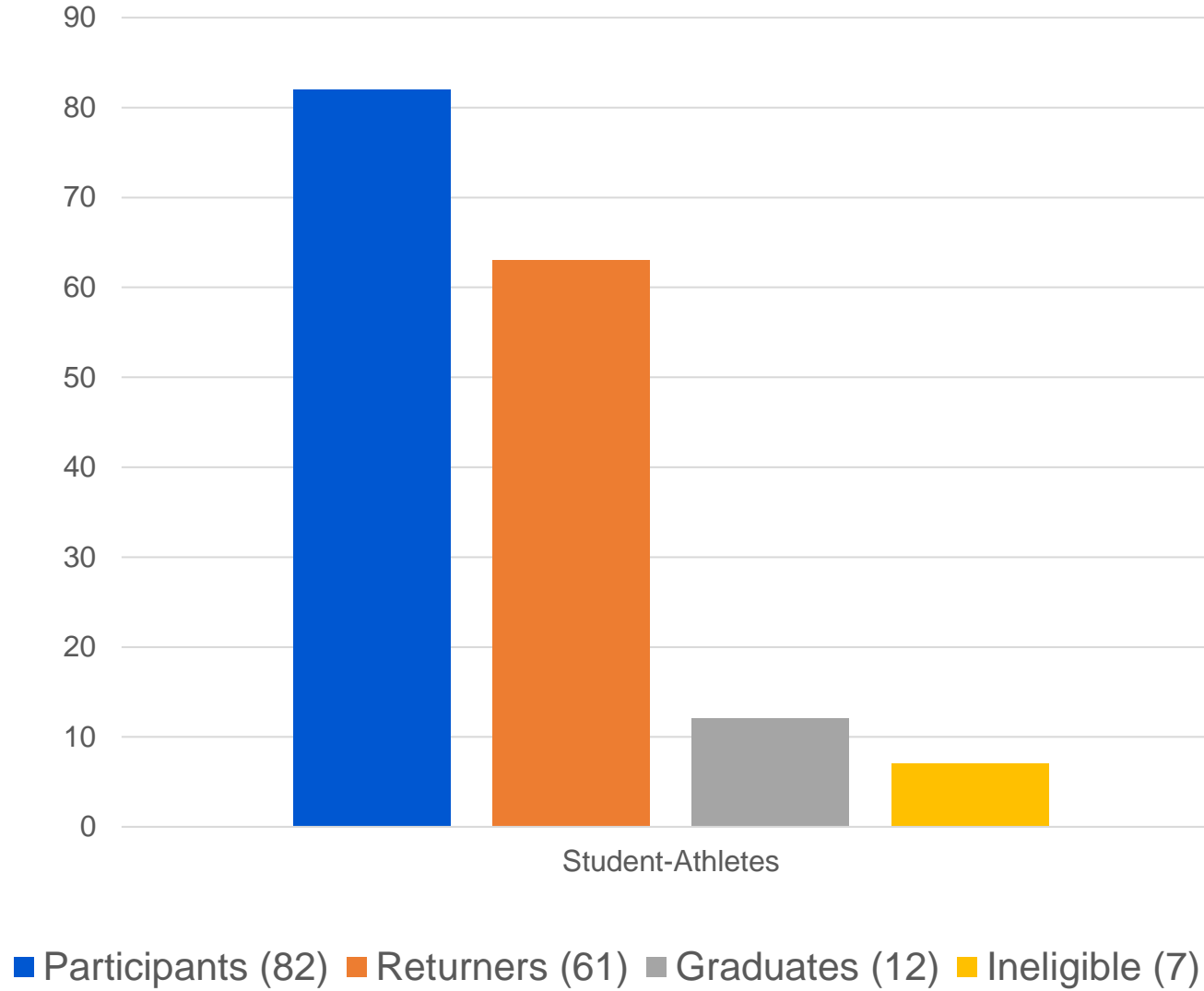
- Financial Resources
- Academic Ineligibility
 - Exhausted NCAA Eligibility
 - Not Meeting Credit Requirements



Richard Hayes

Program GPA - 2.83

FOOTBALL PROGRAM

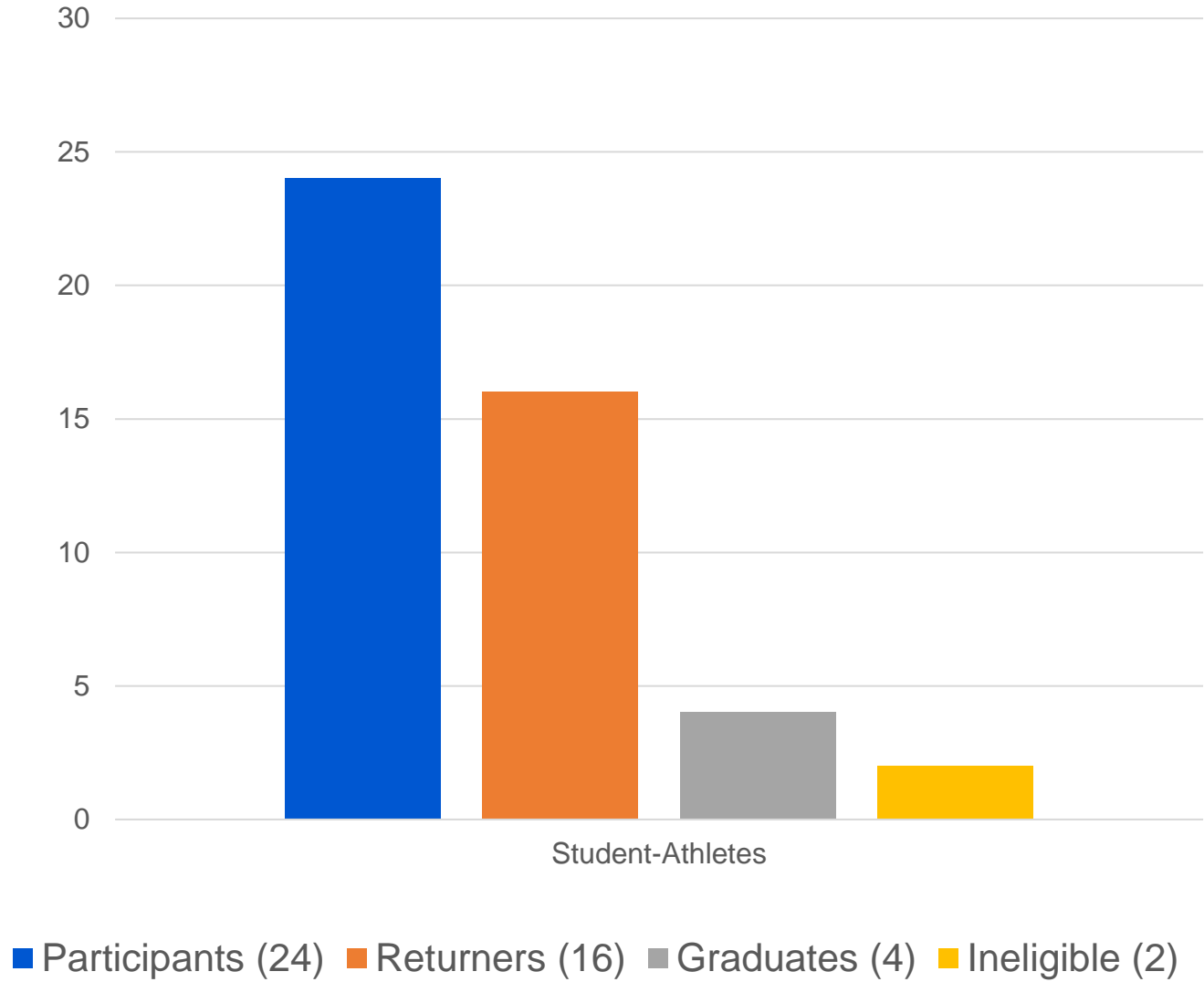




Inez Turner

Program GPA – 3.02

WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD PROGRAM

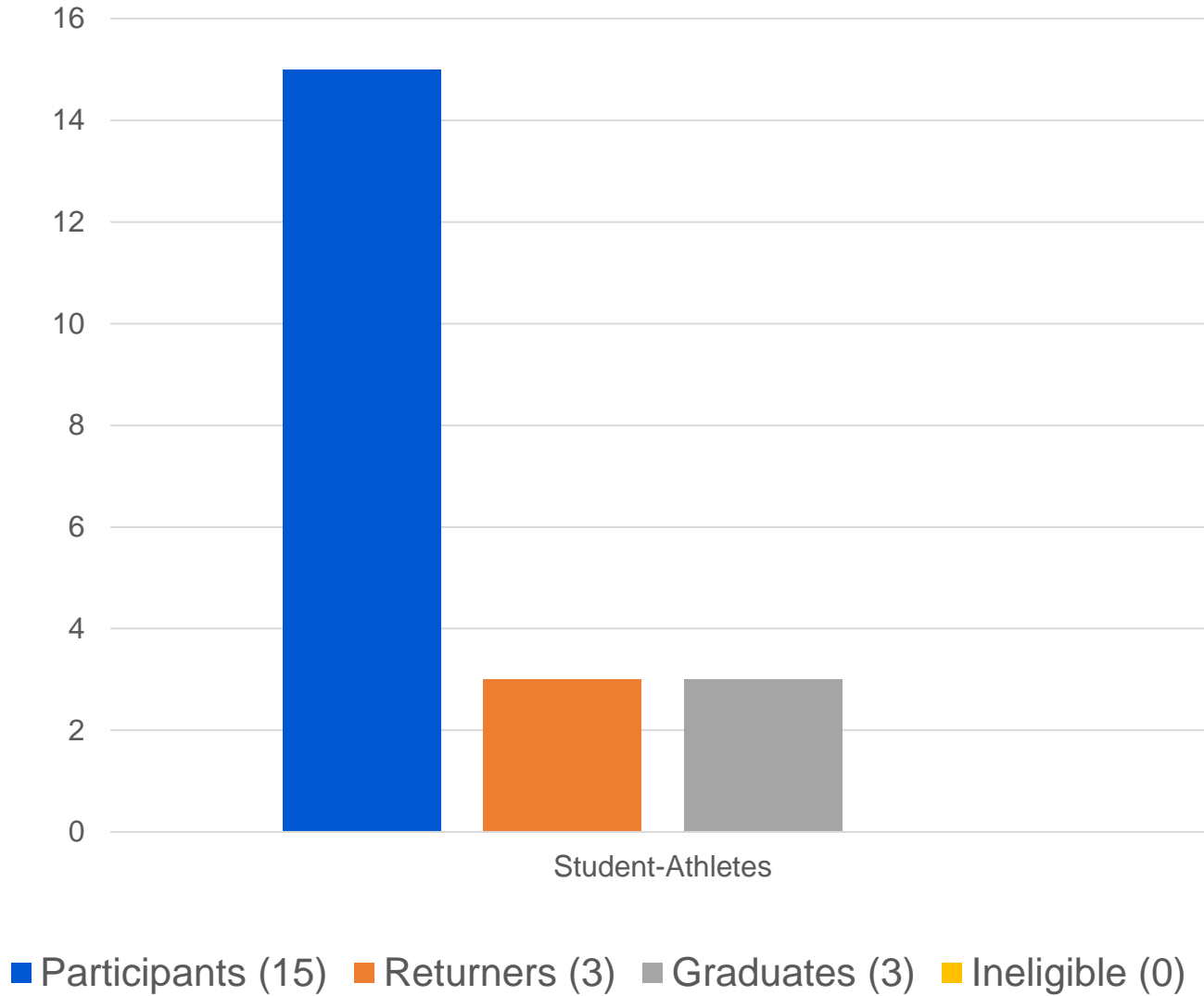




Dr. Reeshemah Johnson

Program GPA – 3.08

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM

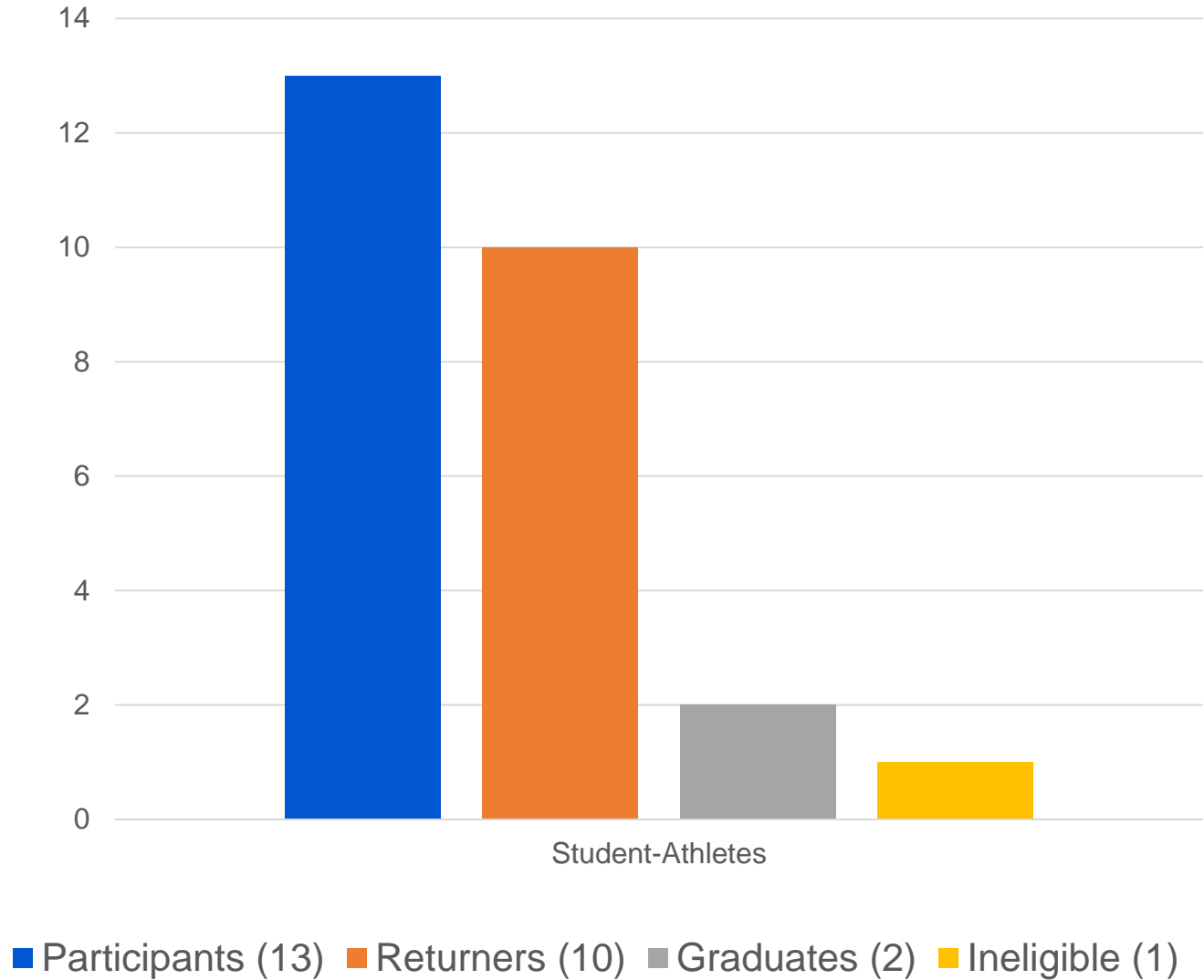




Serena King C

Program GPA – 3.01

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PROGRAM

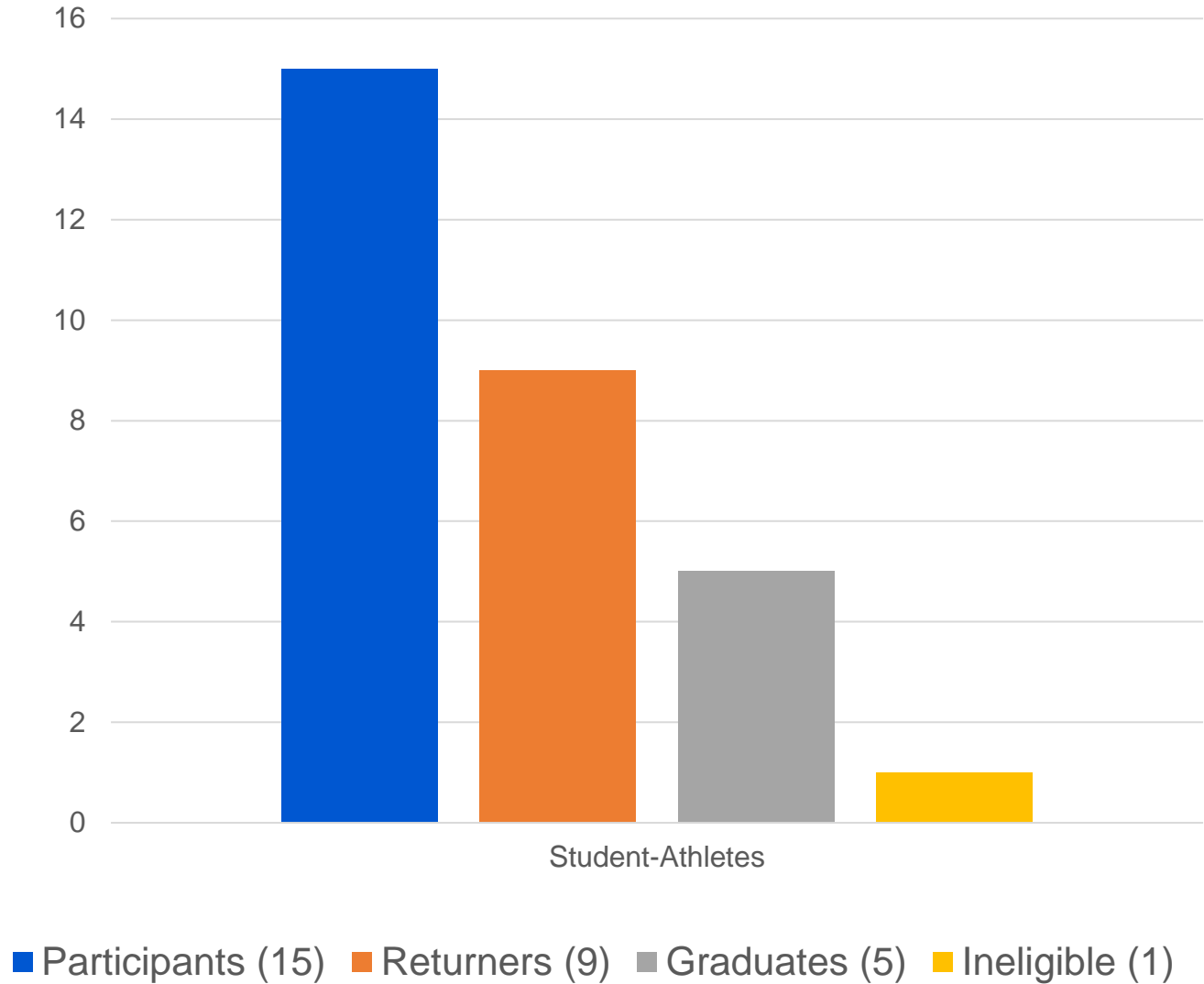




Luke D'Lessio

Program GPA – 2.81

MEN'S BASKETBALL PROGRAM

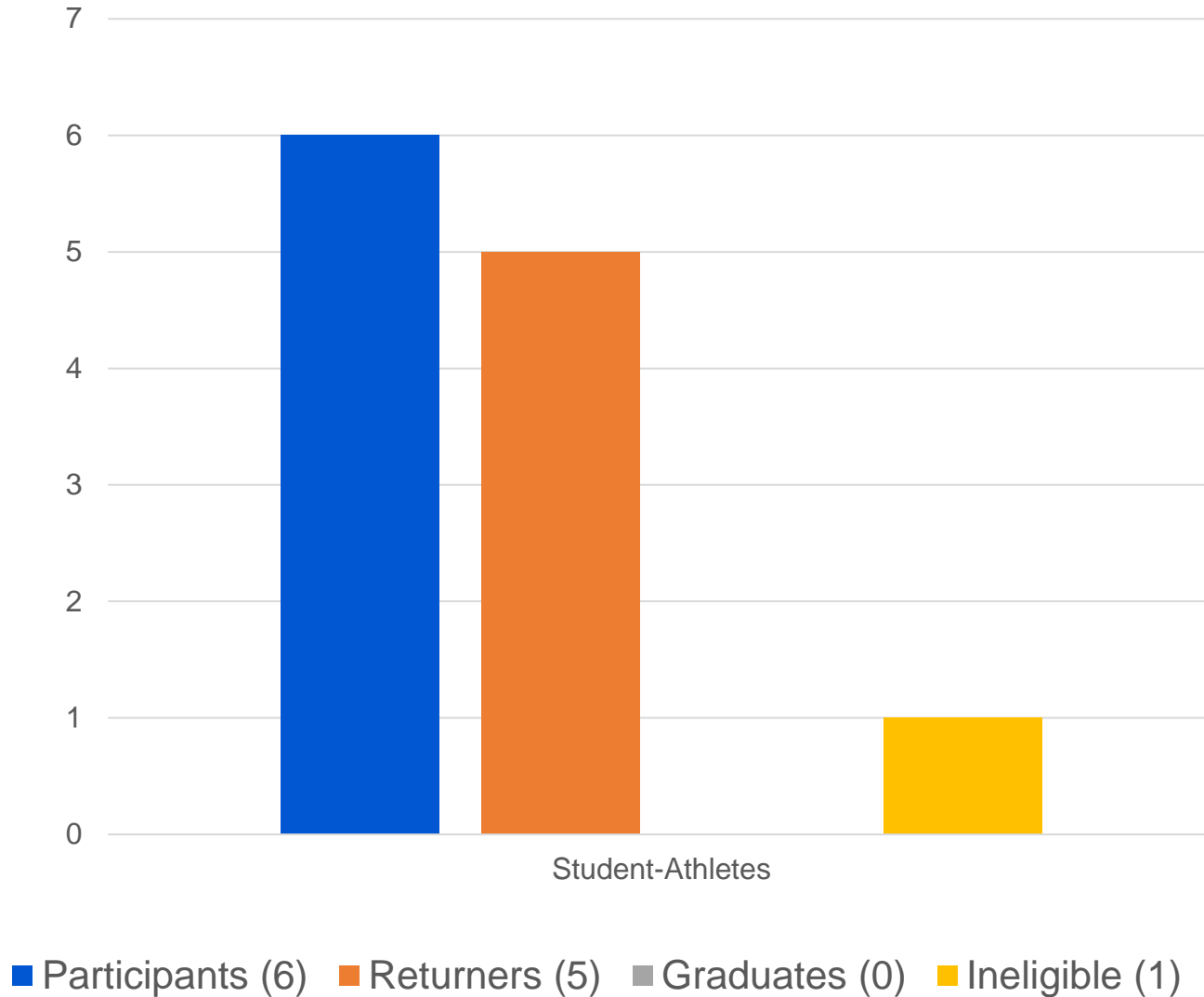




Robert Henderson

Program GPA – 3.25

WOMEN'S BOWLING PROGRAM

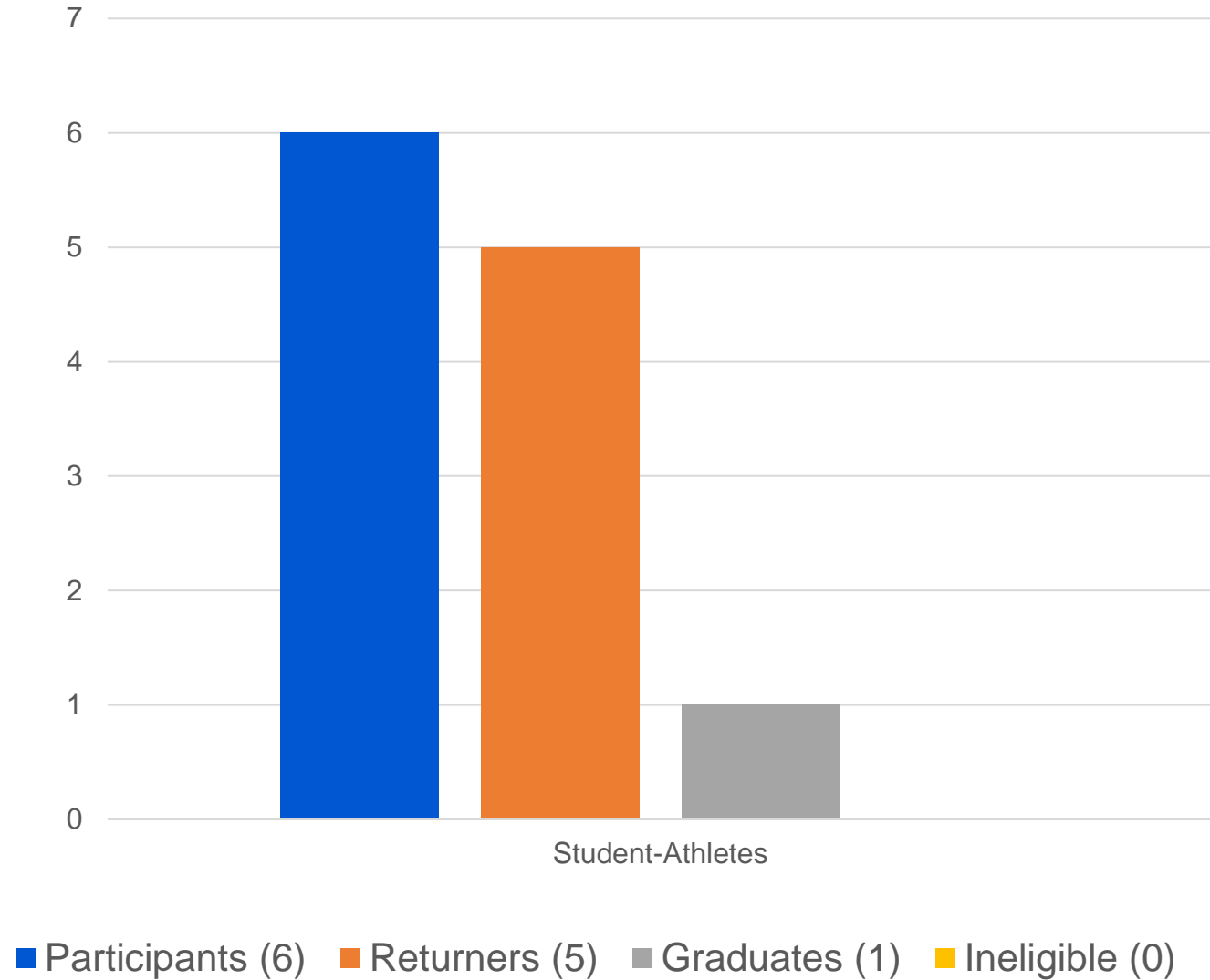




John Cole

Program GPA – 3.30

MEN'S GOLF PROGRAM

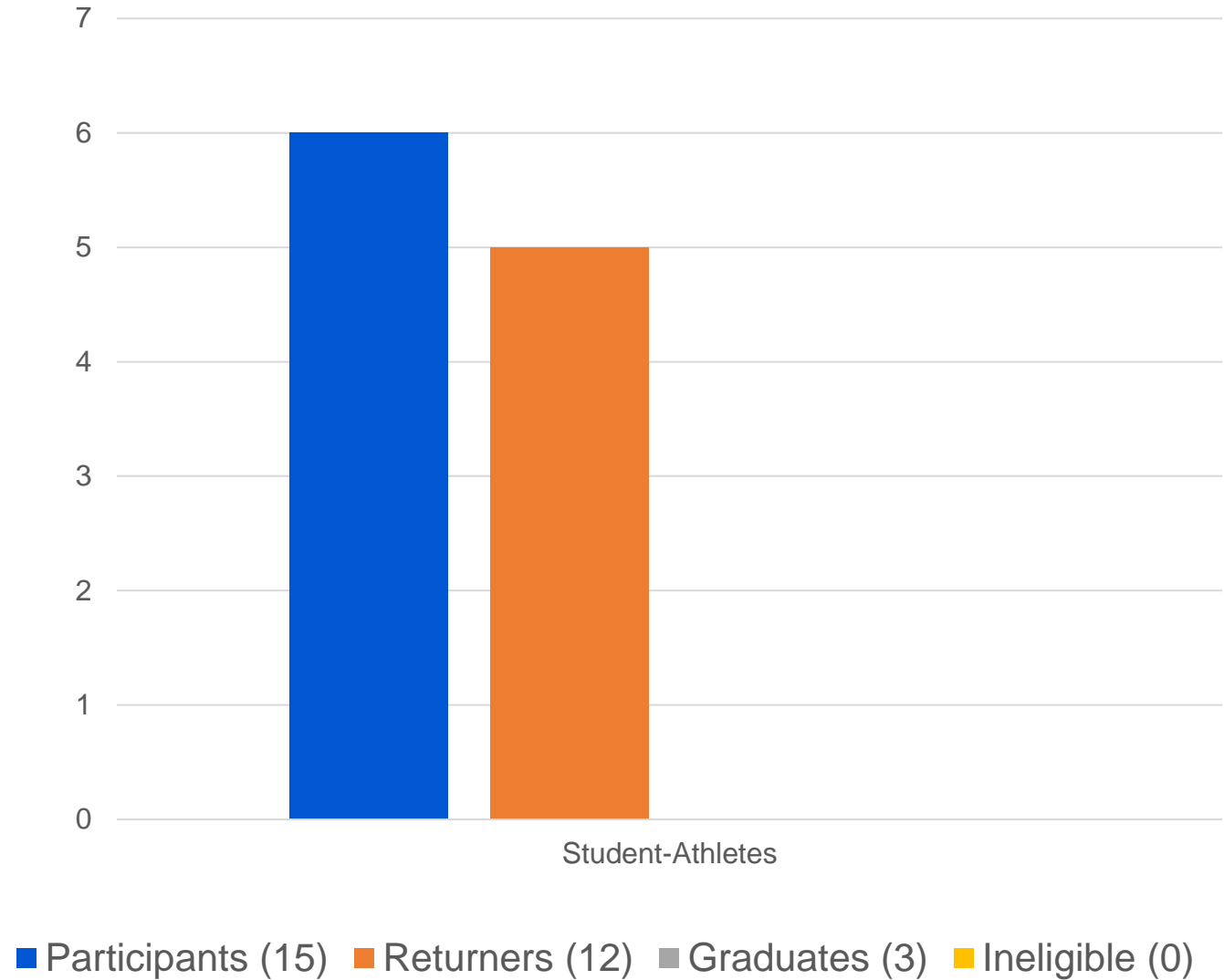




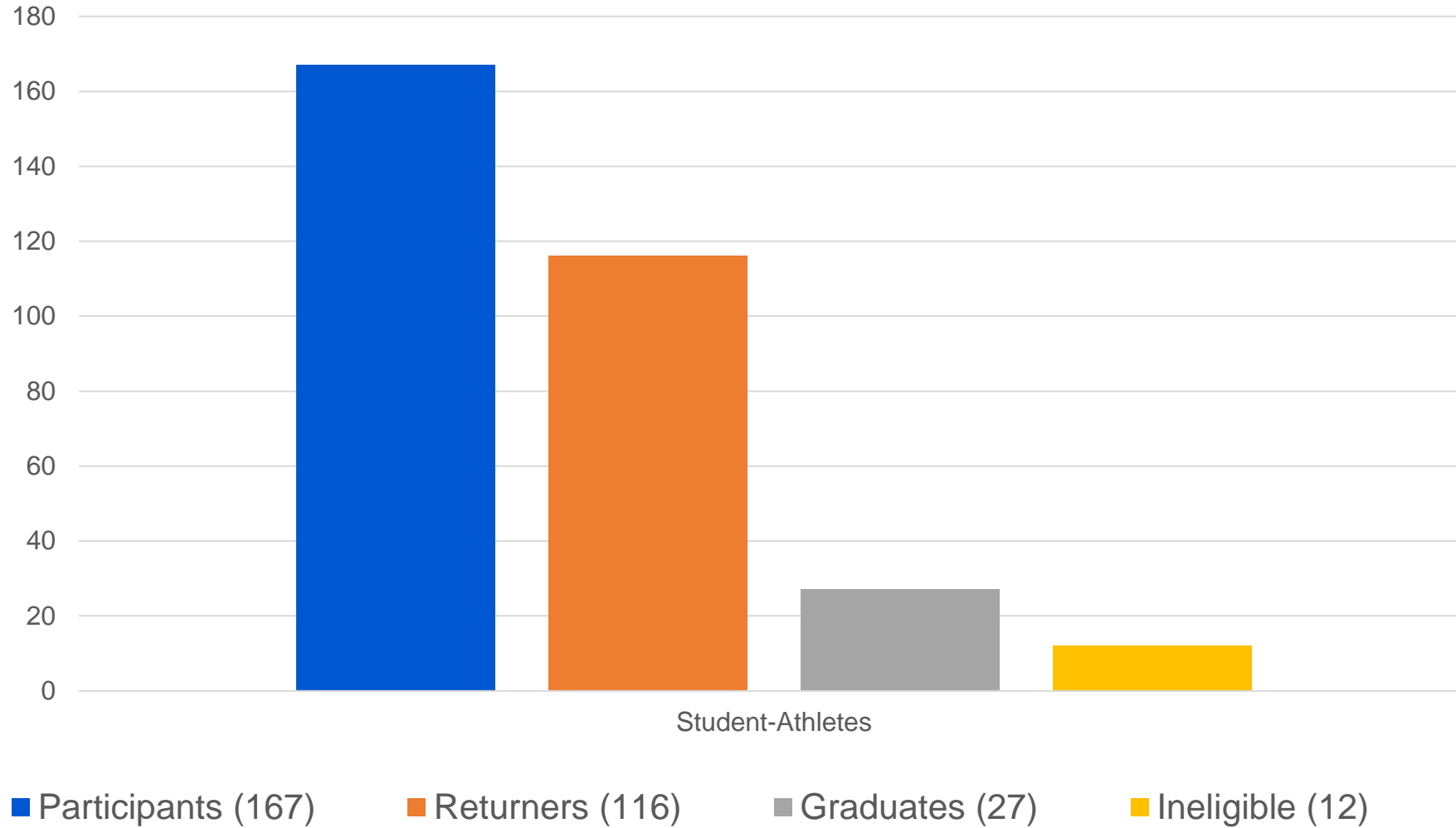
Kyrin Walker

Program GPA – 3.26

SOFTBALL PROGRAM



2022-23 Academic Profile



Program GPA – 3.06

HOW DO WE FIX IT

- Selective Recruitment Modeling
- Financial Aid Optimization (NC Promise Scholarship)
- Enhance Retention Efforts (EAB)
- Enhance On-Time Graduation Efforts (30-60-90 Campaign)
- Enhance Student Health Services

Any Questions?