

2019-2020: Intramurals

Definition of Unit

Providing Department:

Intramurals

Department/Unit Contact:

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Mission/Vision Statement:

The office of Intramural Sports, a division of Campus Recreation, offers students at Tennessee Technological University the opportunity to participate and compete against each other in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. Intramural Sports plans and hosts competitive team sports as well as individual and dual sports competitions during fall and spring semesters. The purpose of our programs and services is to encourage students to become socially engaged, and cultivate relationships with other students from across the state and around the globe. As part of the first focus area of flight plan, Intramural Sports is committed to complementing and enhancing the student's university experience, by creating 'distinctive programs' and events that appeal to students of all walks of life.

The office of Intramural Sports reports to the Vice President of Student Affairs.

Goal 1: Increase Female Student Participation

Define Goal:

After analyzing our Intramural Sports participation data from the previous fiscal year, we recognized a large gender gap within our demographic. All students who participate in our programs are registered through an online database. For this fiscal year, our goal is to engage our female students through new leagues. The majority of our current sports are organized into single gendered sports with men and women competing in separate leagues. For the fall and spring semesters, we are going to add new co-recreational leagues. In these leagues men and women will participate together against other mixed gendered teams. Co-recreational leagues are offered in soccer, ultimate, indoor volleyball, innertube water polo, kickball, and softball.

Intended Outcomes / Objectives:

Success will be defined as a 10% increase in female participants.

The supporting data from 2017-2018 showed 587 total female participants within our programs. Our goal is to engage 60 more females students.

New Assessment Tools Item

Goal/ Outcome/ Objective:

Increase Female Student Participation

Type of Tool:

Tracking Spreadsheet

Frequency of Assessment:

Each Semester

Rationale:

Our assessment tool is a collection of data accumulated through our web based sport management software. It is designed to track all of our participant data and categorize if by gender and academic level (freshman, sophomore, etc). By using this raw data, we can get a true picture of our participant population. Upon reflection of last year's data, we determined that we needed to implement more gender diverse programs to increase our female participation numbers. Our goal for this year was to engage 10 percent more female students than last year. We will define success if our data shows an additional 60 female participants.

Results 1

Results:

The attached charts represents the participation data from the last two academic years. The first set of data shows our male/female student participant totals and ratios for the 2017-2018 fall and spring semester. During that time frame we had a female participation total of 587 females.

The second chart reflects the same data but for the more recent fall and spring semesters of 2018-2019. As the data shows, the number of female participants increased from 587 to 663. The goal for this year as outlined in this plan was to have a 10% increase in the number of female participants. The data shows that we exceeded our goal for this year.

The program modification for this year was to add a co-recreational league to soccer, ultimate, and softball.

	2017-2018	2018-2019
Softball	155	237
Soccer	150	191
Ultimate Frisbee	130	139

The above table shows the increase in Female participants based on the additional of a co-recreational league being added to each of those major sports. All of our data has supported the concept of increased female participation when males and females compete together cooperatively.

Attachments:

Female Participation 18-19.jpg; females 17-18.JPG

**New Modifications and Continuing Improvement to
Goals/Objectives/Outcomes Item**

Goal/Objective/Outcome Number:

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Program Changes and Actions due to Results:

Based on this years data, our department will be creating additional co-recreational opportunities to engage more female students.

Link to 'Tech Tomorrow' Strategic Plan:

Alumni/Friend Engagement,Diversity