



Virginia Wesleyan University Athletic Hall of Fame Bylaws

The Virginia Wesleyan University Athletic Hall of Fame was established by the Board of Trustees in 2007 to honor those who have made lasting contributions to the University's intercollegiate athletic program through outstanding achievement in athletics, service to athletics, or other significant contributions to athletics. In 2015, eligibility was expanded to include four categories: individual achievement, teams of distinction, benefactors, and coaches/staff.

Criteria

The criteria for selection in each category is as follows:

Individual

- Any individual of good character who has demonstrated outstanding performance in athletic competition at Virginia Wesleyan shall be eligible for nomination five years after the graduation of his or her class.
- Persons who have not qualified for a degree from Virginia Wesleyan but left the University in good standing may be nominated. (Good standing is defined as a 2.0 GPA and not separated for disciplinary reasons).
- Nominees may also include alumni with postgraduate athletic achievements and other individuals such as coaches and staff who have made outstanding contributions to Virginia Wesleyan University intercollegiate athletics.
- Posthumous nominations are invited.

Team of Distinction

- A team that has earned national recognition. Eligible for nomination five years after the competition season.

Benefactor

- Philanthropists who have left their mark on Virginia Wesleyan University.
- Posthumous nominations are invited.

Coaches/Staff

- Individuals, coaches, and administrators who have enhanced intercollegiate athletics at Virginia Wesleyan University. Coaches must have served VWU for a minimum of 10 years.
- Posthumous nominations are invited.

Any exception to the criteria must be approved by the President of the University on recommendation of the Athletic Hall of Fame Committee.

Nomination Process

- Nominations shall be submitted to the Office of Alumni Relations via the attached link posted on the University's website or in hard copy form upon request.
- Only nominations received before August 31 each year will be eligible for consideration. Nominations may be carried over for an additional year.

Individual induction shall be limited to no more than five per year. No voting member of the Athletic Hall of Fame Committee shall be eligible for consideration during his or her term on the Committee.

Induction Process

- Induction of members is held annually, typically in mid-January or February, with a ceremony and recognition that takes place in conjunction with a home men's and/or women's basketball game.

Inductee Recognition

- Names of inductees, along with information about their contributions to intercollegiate athletics at Virginia Wesleyan, shall be permanently displayed in the Athletic Hall of Fame installation in the Jane P. Batten Student Center.
- Inductees will also be profiled on the Virginia Wesleyan University website.

Selection Committee

- President of the University, ex-officio
- Executive Director of Alumni Relations, ex-officio
- Executive Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, ex-officio
- Director of Sports Information, ex-officio
- Representative, Board of Trustees
- Representative, Full-time Athletics Coaching Staff
- Representative, Member of the VWU Athletic Hall of Fame (excludes team category member)
- At-large Representative, VWU Alumnus/nae
- Faculty Athletics Representative

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