But that’s not all. The FAR also:

- Interprets NCAA (or conference) legislation.
- Monitors the coordination of compliance efforts and rules education among campus entities outside the athletics department.
- Assists the director of athletics in devising and implementing NCAA rules education and compliance programs inside the athletics department.
- Monitors the academic preparation and performance of the student-athlete on each sports team, and is involved in reporting this information to the CEO, the director of athletics, and the athletics board or committee.
- Facilitates and supports the development of a student-athlete advisory committee to ensure the involvement of student-athletes in decisions that affect their lives.
- Assists the CEO and the director of athletics in determining institutional positions on proposed NCAA and conference legislation.
- Facilitates communication among various campus entities, in particular between the athletics department and the faculty governance structure.

With so many athletics and academic responsibilities, one might inquire why an individual serves in such a demanding capacity. The answer quite simply is that FARs value intercollegiate athletics and the benefits that well-balanced programs can provide student-athletes, the campus and the community of which the institution is a part.

Please do not hesitate to contact your FAR if you have questions, comments or concerns about any of the areas described in this brochure.
Very impressive. You do know your institution’s athletics program. OK, here’s a tough one.

Name your institution’s faculty athletics representative (FAR).

That’s right, your institution’s FAR.

No answer?

Why? The FAR plays an important role in your institution’s athletics success. Fact is, the FAR is vital to that success.

While most individuals on campus serve in either an academic or athletics capacity, the FAR is one of the few individuals who serves both roles. That’s right, the FAR represents both academic and athletics interests.

A member of your institution’s faculty, the FAR, in addition to maintaining most of his/her regular faculty or administrative activities, contributes a faculty perspective in athletics administration by serving in an advisory and oversight capacity.

Working closely with the school’s CEO and director of athletics, the FAR works to support a campus environment where athletics is maintained as a vital component of the educational program and student-athletes constitute an integral part of the student body.

In order to enhance academic integrity, ensure institutional control of the athletics program and promote student-athlete welfare, the FAR serves as:

• Principal adviser to the CEO on all matters related to intercollegiate athletics;

• Institutional representative to the NCAA and an athletics conference (if applicable); and

• A member of NCAA (or conference) committees or an officer in these organizations.

So you say you’re up on your institution’s athletics program.

Prove it.

Name your institution’s star basketball players.

Very good. You certainly know your teams.

Now name your institution’s athletics director.