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Ted White will oversee Academic Services and Student-Athlete Welfare

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 16, 2025 – University of Memphis Senior Vice President and Director of Athletics Ed Scott, Ph.D., has named Ted White to the department's executive leadership team as the new Executive Associate Athletic Director for Academic Services and Student-Athlete Welfare.

“We are pleased to welcome an experienced administrator like Ted to the Tiger Family as the Executive Associate Athletic Director for Academic Services and Student-Athlete Welfare,” University of Memphis Senior Vice President and Director of Athletics, Ed. Scott, Ph.D. said. “Ted is a proven leader in our industry and will bring a dynamic perspective to the department and executive team. Ted possesses a natural ability to connect with student-athletes and will immediately enhance the overall student-athlete experience at Memphis.”

In his role, White will be responsible for managing all aspects of student-athlete academics and well-being. He will oversee the planning and execution of operations within both units while also developing and implementing strategies to promote holistic student development and success within athletics. White will collaborate with academic departments, coaches and support staff to address academic and personal needs of student-athletes, prioritizing their educational achievements and overall well-being. Additionally, White will work with the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee to support student-athlete engagement and leadership initiatives.

“I’m incredibly excited to join Ed Scott, Kathy Sulentic and the talented team at the University of Memphis,” White said. “The shared vision between the athletics department, the University and the Memphis community is powerful and inspiring. Together, we have the potential to create life-changing experiences for our student-athletes and elevate success across the board. There’s never been a better time to be a Tiger.”

White has most recently served as the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of the Fair Ball Foundation. He founded the group in 2021 with the mission of promoting access to higher education and stronger, more diverse sports at the collegiate level and beyond. The organization helps prospective student-athletes thrive through professional development, mentoring and support.

White also served as the Vice President of Collegiate Partnerships for Game Plan. The organization has the goal of using its software platform to integrate eLearning and virtual mentorship and career services across collegiate athletic departments. Game Plan currently works with over 750 athletic departments and organizations with over 240,000 courses completed yearly.

“We are thrilled to welcome Ted to the University of Memphis,” said UofM Deputy Athletics Director for Regulatory Affairs Kathy Sulentic. “Throughout his career, Ted has been a passionate and unwavering advocate for student-athletes and we’re excited that he will continue championing their success and well-being as part of our team.”

White served in an executive staff role at the University of Virginia as the Deputy Athletic Director of Strategic Advancement after also serving in the same role within the Student Development and Sport Performance department at Virginia. In addition to his role overseeing the strategic advancement of the Virginia Athletic Department, White served as the sport administrator for the men’s basketball, field hockey and baseball programs. He

created the UVA Pathways Program, which allows student-athletes to clearly identify their goals and purpose, develop networks and measure progress through engagement in community relations, academics, career preparation, leadership and personal development activities. He was also responsible for the Ethical Leadership Academy, Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and an organization known as BOSS (Black Student-Athletes Offering Service and Support).

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Ph.D., who served in the role until his hiring at Memphis in July 2024.

White spent 12 years within the athletic department at the University of Georgia. He began as a Director of the Rankin Smith Sr. Academic Center for Student-Athletes in 2006, where he helped create an academic support program for first-year student-athletes while also creating a web-based academic scheduling, monitoring and reporting system to enhance student-athlete academic achievements and ensure accountability. He then moved to a role as an Associate Athletic Director, gaining responsibilities of oversight of the academic support program, along with serving as the sport administrator for the Georgia equestrian and women’s soccer programs. He moved into a senior staff role in 2011, becoming the Senior Associate Athletic Director overseeing academic and career readiness.

White continued to serve as a member of the University of Georgia Athletics Task Force while also developing career development programming that served both current and former student-athletes. He became a member of the executive staff in 2018, providing oversight of all student development programs, including but not limited to, sports medicine, nutrition and student wellness. After becoming a Deputy Athletic Director in 2018 at Georgia, White helped create The Georgia Way and participated in campus-wide initiatives including UGA LEAD, OneSource and Career CORE. He also served as the liaison to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and was also a member of the President’s Athletics Oversight Team and the University’s Sexual Assault Response Team.

From 2002-2006, White worked within the Cox Communications Academic Center for Student-Athletes at Louisiana State University. In his initial role as an associate director, White was the academic coordinator for the men’s and women’s track and field programs, along with the freshman football student-athletes. After moving into a director’s role, White became responsible for daily operations of the academic support unit, including budgetary issues and management of professional staff.

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Top collegiate and junior shooters win big at USA Shooting National Championships hosted by Civilian Marksmanship Program

From The Outdoor Wire

Champions have been crowned in Rapid Fire Pistol and 50m Rifle 3 Positions at the 2025 USA Shooting National Championships in Talladega, Alabama, June 11, hosted by the Civilian Marksmanship Program.

NCAA athletes **Griffin Lake** and **Gabriela Zych** shot strong finals where they earned titles in both the open and junior categories of the 50m Rifle 3 Positions event. **William Regala** secured the title in Men’s Rapid Fire Pistol and **Terry Hur** topped the podium in Junior Men’s Rapid Fire. Lake claimed the men’s rifle title, finishing ahead of Levi Clark, who took silver, and Samuel Adkins, who earned bronze. He went on to secure the junior rifle title by besting Teagan Perkowski, who claimed silver, and Samuel Adkins, who earned bronze.

Lake, a West Virginia University rifle athlete, has had an outstanding 2025 season, earning two USA Shooting Junior Olympic Champion titles and helped lead his university team to an NCAA

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Zych, a University of Memphis rifle athlete, became the first national champion in Memphis rifle program history. The Anchorage, Alaska, native is a 2024 NCAA Rifle Championships Elite 90 award recipient and a 2023 First Team CRCA All-American.

At just 17 years old, Regala

claimed the Men’s Rapid Fire Pistol champion title after a thrilling final performance. The Burke, Virginia, native, topped the podium and was joined by Austin Stone, who took silver, and Terry Hur, who earned bronze. This victory adds to an already impressive track record, as Regala competed at the 2023 and 2024 Junior World Championships.

Hur doubled his medal count with a gold in Junior Men’s Rapid Fire Pistol. The La Crescenta, California, native has steadily risen through the ranks, winning gold in the U15 category last year and now capturing the overall junior crown. He currently shoots for the Rise Junior Shooting Club in California. National champions were also crowned in the following events:

- **Landon Ruggera:** R6 50m Rifle Prone Mixed SH1
- **Jadon Nafziger:** R9 50m Rifle Prone Mixed SH2
- **Molly McGhin:** Women’s 50m Rifle Prone
- **Levi Clark:** Men’s 50m Rifle Prone
- **Lake Yoke:** 50m Free Pistol

Medals were also awarded in

U18, U15, senior, and international categories. See all results from the 2025 competition by visiting <https://usashooting.org>.

USA Shooting extends a special thanks to the sponsors and partners including **The NRA Foundation, Hillsdale College, The International Order of T. Roosevelt, The Hal & Jean Glassen Foundation, Safari Club International, Midway-USA Foundation, ELEY, and Axil.**

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nationwide.

“We’re proud to partner with the ICRG to advance research that can drive meaningful solutions and address a critical gap in the understanding of gambling behaviors among college athletes and students,” said Anna Isaacson, NFL senior vice president of social responsibility. “This initiative reflects our ongoing commitment to promoting responsible gambling and fostering a safe and supportive environment for athletes, fans, and communities.” “The NFL has once again demonstrated its commitment to player and fan protection by supporting this critical research targeting young adults,” said Arthur Paikowsky, President of ICRG.

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Strengthening the NFL’s Commitment to Responsible Gambling

The ICRG partnership builds on the NFL’s ongoing efforts to promote responsible gambling, complementing existing initiatives with organizations like the National Council on Problem Gambling (NCPG) and the Responsible Gambling Council (RGC).

Through these partnerships, the NFL continues to demonstrate its commitment to addressing emerging challenges in the ever-evolving sports betting landscape and to providing fans, athletes and communities with the tools

and resources they need to engage responsibly.

About the International Center for Responsible Gaming

The ICRG, for nearly 30 years, has been the leader in funding peer reviewed evidence-based scientific research to better understand gambling disorder and gambling problems. Our goal is to provide tools to the gambling industry to mitigate harm to players and to support responsible gambling practices. Funded research has been published over 500 times in some of the most prestigious journals in the world and research is being conducted in many countries across the globe. For more information, visit www.icrg.org.

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