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I. INTRODUCTION

- A. **Authority:** C.R.S. § 23-54-102, et seq. (2025) authorizes the Trustees of Metropolitan State University of Denver (“MSU Denver” or “University”) to establish rules and regulations to govern and operate the University and its programs. The Trustees retain authority to approve, interpret, and administer policies pertaining to University governance. The Trustees authorize the President of MSU Denver to approve, administer, and interpret policies pertaining to University operations.
- B. **Purpose:** This policy describes rules and requirements regarding MSU Denver’s intercollegiate athletics program.
- C. **Scope:** This policy applies to MSU Denver’s intercollegiate athletics program.

II. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. **Responsible Executive:** MSU Denver President
- B. **Responsible Administrator:** Director of Athletics
- C. **Responsible Office:** Athletics Office
- D. **Policy Contact:** Director of Athletics, 303-605-7388



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III. POLICY STATEMENT

A. Philosophy

1. **Preface:** The Board of Trustees considers intercollegiate athletics an integral part of the role and mission of the University. Intercollegiate athletic programs are part of the overall educational plan of the University.
2. **Level of Competition:** NCAA-Division II status is appropriate for the University.
3. **Athletic Fees:** Athletic fees represent the primary source of revenue for the operation of intercollegiate athletic programs at the University. The Board of Trustees must approve setting of all athletic fees, any portion of which is used to support any aspect of the University's intercollegiate athletics program. Athletic fees must be determined in accordance with applicable Colorado Commission on Higher Education procedures and guidelines.

B. Control of Intercollegiate Athletics

1. The Athletic Department of MSU Denver shall be administered by an Athletic Director, who shall report to the MSU Denver President. The Trustees endorse the Athletic Advisory Council to monitor (1) academic performance of student athletes and their progress toward graduation; and (2) the commitment of the athletic program to NCAA compliance, academic integrity, fiscal integrity, and equity.

IV. RELATED INFORMATION

- A. [NCAA Intercollegiate Athletics Compliance](#)

V. POLICY HISTORY

- a) **Effective:** October 1, 2025
- A. **Revised:** 2025 reviewed with no substantive changes. April 1, 2019 revision supersedes section 6.2 of the *MSCD Trustees Manual, 2007*
- B. **Original Enactment Date:** 2007
- C. **Review:** This policy will be reviewed every five years or as deemed necessary by University leadership.



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VI. POLICY APPROVAL

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Janine Davidson, Ph.D.
President, Metropolitan State University of Denver

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kristin D. Hultquist".

Kristin Hultquist
Chair, Board of Trustees, Metropolitan State University of Denver