

Ivy

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Lawrence Momo, admissions director at Columbia, estimated his school recruits 300 football players, offers admission to roughly 80 of those and finally enrolls about 45.

Coaches are not likely to pursue a recruit who's an academic question mark. Ivy recruits must go through the full admission process. Still, an Ivy League recruit, just as

he would at other universities, has a leg up on other students in the admissions process.

"We do communicate with admissions," said Columbia football head coach Ray Tellier. "We do it to let them know who the people are who we'd like to see at Columbia."

To some that may mean that coaches try to fill quotas with athletes. One former Ivy League school admissions committee member said Ivy League schools must fill a certain number of spots with student-

athletes.

"They'll admit people on quota who are a lot worse than regular students," he said. "Princeton's a small school, but it tries to field 35 to 40 teams. It's not just the big things like baseball and football."

But Dartmouth's Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid Alfred Quirk said there are no quotas to fill athletic vacancies in the Ivy League.

"There have been target numbers," Quirk said. "But when does a number become a

quota?"

In the end it all comes down to the student's ability to do the Ivy workload.

Aside from going to practice, some Ivy athletes hold down term jobs to pay for tuition.

And all of them have to face some of the heaviest workloads in the country. As Iris Kurman, a former Columbia swim team captain, puts it, "If you come to a school like Columbia and academics aren't your top priority, you have a big problem."

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Shattering NCAA records is reason enough to spotlight Marshall Faulk as our standout athlete this month. But breaking 5 NCAA records in one afternoon isn't the whole story behind the San Diego State University running back.



At the beginning of the season head football coach Al Luginbill was considering redshirting Faulk. But after the freshman slashed and juiced his way down the field at an intrasquad scrimmage for 85 yards on nine carries, Luginbill's mind was made up. Faulk was in.

And since that time Faulk has been a shining light in the backfield for the Aztecs. After breaking some ribs in mid-October, his status is questionable for the remainder of the season and SDSU will have to monitor his condition on a weekly basis.

But in his game against Pacific, when he set 5 NCAA records, Faulk rushed for (hold your breath) 386 yards. He had seven touchdown runs covering distances of 9, 5, 61, 7, 47, and 25 yards. And he didn't even come into the game until there was 3:55 remaining in the first quarter.

Considered a windfall by the coaching staff at SDSU, Faulk was recruited as a running back when other universities wanted him as a defensive back. His 10.3 speed in the 100 meters makes him lethal in the open field.

Maybe the best attribute Faulk brings to the Aztecs is youth. As a true freshman he should be around for three more seasons unless the NFL lures him away sooner.



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