

## **NCAA SPECIAL ASSISTANCE FUND**

The NCAA established a Special Assistance Fund in 1991 to assist student-athletes with specific unmet financial needs. There are seven categories of expenses for which student-athletes may receive funding:

1. Medical and dental expenses except those covered by institutional or personal insurance programs.
2. Purchase of a hearing aid.
3. Vision therapy
4. Off-campus psychological counseling.
5. Travel expenses for parents or student-athletes related to family emergencies.
6. Purchase of expendable academic course supplies; non-expendable supplies if required by all students who are enrolled in the course may be rented or leased.
7. Purchase of clothing and shoes (cost must not exceed \$500).

A student-athlete who receives any portion of a Pell Grant and/or any scholarship student-athlete who demonstrates financial need based on federal methodology determined by the University Financial Aid office may have access to all seven aforementioned categories. International student-athletes have to demonstrate financial need as determined by the LSU International Student office.

### **How Do I Apply?**

1. Request a Special Assistance application from the Compliance office.
2. Complete the forms in their entirety.
3. Return completed forms and all receipts to the Compliance office.
4. You will be contacted when your application has been approved.