1. Dean’s Council
   a. The Athletic Department wishes to work with Departments to try to schedule as many classes for athletes as possible between 8am – 1:40pm to minimize conflicts with practices, travel, games, etc. They have suggested some possible approaches to this, that include:
      1) having some advising, particularly in the first year, done in conjunction with Athletics to look at schedule options.
      2) Using “curriculum guides” that provide semester by semester lists of courses that should be taken for a particular major. These already appear in the catalog for some programs.
      3) Providing “priority” registration for students (mainly athletes) who have strict academic progress thresholds for continuing. This last one raises the question of favoritism for athletes, which would be a violation of NCAA rules, but since it would be done for NCAA compliance, the Provost felt that it would be OK. Nothing is going to be done with this at this time, but the Athletic Director is going to report back with an assessment of how many classes have been a problem in the past, and an interpretation of NCAA guidelines to address the favoritism issue.

   b. Each Department is going to be asked to examine the pre-requisites for classes in its programs. It is hoped that these can be updated, made more efficient, and/or minimized. The goal is not to eliminate any pre-reqs that should be there, but to make sure that they are exactly what each Department wants. The new DataTel system will have the capability of automatically rejecting a class that a student is trying to register for if they do not already have a pre-requisite finished on their record.

   c. There are two fora scheduled to answer questions about the Leadership Academy. These are on Sept 20 and 21, both from 3-4:30pm and both in the Commonwealth Room in ADUC. These are both the same presentations.

   d. Apparently there was an issue this Fall concerning the number of copies of textbooks available at the Bookstore for certain classes. This problem has supposedly been fixed, but if you have had problems and not reported them, you can report them to your Dean.