



## Yale University Student-Athlete Professional & Career Development Services

### Testimonials

*As you know Nick received an offer from XXXX. The preparation you provided Nick proved invaluable to his success during this most competitive process. I think the program you have built for these players is outstanding! Thanks, John, for always being there for the players! You're a one-of-a-kind!*

*- Jeff Okano (Parent of Nick Okano, Yale '14)*

*Coach, Thanks for all you have done for me. Reaching out to you was one of the single best decisions I made at Yale.*

*- John Powers, Football, Yale '13*

*Coach, I think the Program was an unbelievable opportunity for a guy like me with no experience in finance (both parents in medicine) to get a grip on the industry.... by far the most important thing for me was the interview prep. Your guidance in that department was huge for landing my job this year. I think what guys in your position expect from us, may not be to know all the (finance) answers but it is for us to be polished in an interview. I would argue athletes are the most personable people on campus, but we have to know how to avoid, as you call it...the "athlete trap", how to drive a conversation with a professional, and how to get our talents recognized in a short period of time. You running us through the seminars, the mock interviews and all of those prep meetings were great for both confidence and preparation. The Program helped me immensely; I can honestly say I wouldn't have a job without the Program's help. Yale has amazing resources that are waiting to get tapped, and the Career Development Program has made great strides in making dream jobs a reality for athletes.*

*- Jake Stoller, Football, Yale '12*

*Coach, I fully believe that what you have done for the football program has changed guys' lives for the better. You have put us on a path to be successful men for years to come, and I can't tell you how much I appreciate that. Let me know whatever it is that I can do to help going forward.*

*- Jordan Haynes, Football (Captain) '12*

*John, After several rounds of interviews at Morgan Stanley, I received an offer as an analyst on the Securitized Products sales desk. I am very excited about this opportunity ahead of me. I will be starting within the next 2-3 weeks. I am very appreciative of all the advice and help you've given me over the past several months. You guided me on the right path during this process, and I could not have gotten to this point without you. I cannot thank you enough.*

*- Tom McCarthy, Football (Captain), Yale '11*

*Coach, As my career here at Yale comes to an end I just wanted to say thank you again for all the help you have given both to me and the other guys on the team over the past few years. Your program has made a profound impact on many of our lives. Thank you.*

*- Chris Dooley, Football, Yale '13*

*Dear Coach Coughlin, I am messaging you in hopes of humbly articulating my profound sense of gratitude to you for all you have done during my job search. I would like you to know that none of this would have been possible without your sound counsel and guidance along the way. Again, I appreciate all you have done and the investment you have made in my future. I am hopeful that we will keep in touch following my graduation from Yale this May and that I may again reach out to you for guidance in the future.*

*- Chuck Holmes, Football, Yale '13*

*Two months with Coach Coughlin and I had over 5 job offers for summer internships which was 5 more than what two years of Yale had to offer. Coach Coughlin tapped into so many resources....the meetings, the explanations of the intricacies of the markets, the raw tips on interviewing, and the push on how to effectively utilize UCS and read books on topics that separated me from others who interviewed for those same positions and those are the things that Coach Coughlin's program highlighted in a very positive and enriching way.*

*- Bryan Farris, Football, Yale '12*