

## BUCKEYE ROAD TRIP

### What is the Buckeye Road Trip?

The Buckeye Road trip is designed to educate student-athletes on the potential career paths available to them based on their major and overall career aspirations. During the 1-3 day trip, student-athletes will travel to public and private companies, non-profits, and/or professional sport franchises to explore a variety of career options.

The Buckeye Road Trip targets student-athletes early in their athletic career in order to exposed them to a variety of jobs related to their major of choice. These trips are designed to assist student-athletes in building a network, securing internships, and learning about differences throughout industries.

### 2018 Buckeye Road Trip

In the summer of 2018, 24 Buckeyes traveled to Indianapolis. The trip started at the NCAA Headquarters, where student-athletes were educated on the different departments that operate to provide them their collegiate experience. Over lunch, they participated in a networking event with the NCAA staff. Following the NCAA, the student-athletes took a tour of the Pacers arena where they learned the ins and outs of an NBA franchise. Over dinner, the Colt's GM Chris Ballard, attended and spoke about his journey through the front office of the NFL.

Day two began with a behind the scenes tour of Eli Lilly. Ohio State alumni working at Eli Lilly participated in a round table networking event where they explained their roles at the company and how they got there. Each department that encompasses Eli spoke about what their day to day looks like and how to apply for entry level positions. Finally, the Road Trip wrapped up at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway where the student-athletes learned about the medical teams that makeup a Pit Crew and how electronics and IT are implemented within NASCAR.

