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Office of the President

Message from President Joan Ferrini-Mundy: July 24

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Dear University of Maine community,

It is with great sadness that I write to inform you that 18-year-old University of Maine student-athlete Darius Minor, a political science major from Locust Grove, Virginia, collapsed and died during a preseason football workout on campus today.

Darius was one of 17 first-year student-athletes taking part in the three-week Freshman Workout. He collapsed on the field at approximately 1:15 p.m. Campus athletics training staff and local first responders were unable to resuscitate him.

Darius joined the UMaine community earlier this month and was enrolled in Summer University.

The Athletics Department, our student-athletes and the entire campus mourn the loss of this bright and promising member of our community. We ask all to keep him, his family and his friends in your thoughts.

We also ask that everyone respect the family's privacy during this difficult time.

More information will be posted as it becomes available on the [UMaine news website](#).

Students, faculty or staff desiring support can contact the Counseling Center, 207.581.1392, the university's Employee Assistance Program, 877.622.4327, or the Dean of Students Office, 207.581.1406.