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## **MEN'S CLUB TEAM WINS BACK-TO-BACK NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS** **Claims USA Rugby Division 1 Title Over New Orleans RFC 41-7**

**Marietta, Georgia, June 3, 2014** – Saturday night in Madison, WI, Life University's Men's Club rugby team, defeated New Orleans Rugby Football Club (RFC) 41-7 to capture its second straight USA Rugby Division 1 national championship.

Life U's Men's Rugby team is comprised of graduate and chiropractic students – student-athletes who continue to play rugby after their undergraduate eligibility has run out. The Men's team is the original rugby team at Life U which began in 1980.

The Division 1 competition consists of other rugby clubs from major markets such as New York, Denver, Chicago, Minneapolis, Dallas and New Orleans. Many of these clubs are considered semi-professional as the players are paid. Life U only offers academic scholarship for its players.

The USA Rugby Division 1 is the highest level of rugby in the United States. Many of the players in the competition are in the pool for the U.S. National Rugby Team that competes in international competitions like the Rugby World Cup. Currently, Life U has four players from the Men's team in this player pool and has had more than 20 play for the U.S. National Team in its history.

In winning its second straight Division 1 National Championship, coupled with the success of the undergraduate team's national championship in 2013 and runner-up finish in 2014, it's no surprise that RugbyMag named Life University its "Rugby Club of the Year."

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## About Life University

Founded in Marietta, Georgia in 1974, Life University is a health sciences institution most known for its chiropractic program, the largest in the world. Life University is regionally accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) to award four-year undergraduate and graduate degrees in a variety of health care, science, business and general studies fields, and also has programmatic accreditation through the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE) and the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). The mission of Life University is to empower students with the education, skills and values necessary for career success and life fulfillment, based on a vitalistic philosophy.