

COLLEGE ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

In 1993, legislation was adopted establishing the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse, now known as the Eligibility Center, to certify eligibility of prospective student-athletes to practice and compete during their freshman year of enrollment at the college level. It has been initiated for all students entering Division I and II institutions.

Students should register with the Eligibility Center during their junior year in high school and complete both the academic information as well as the amateurism questionnaire. Registration has no bearing on your admission to a particular Division I or II institution.

How Do I Register?

- Register with the Eligibility Center at www.eligibilitycenter.org.
- Follow payment instructions on website. The registration fee for students is \$70.
- Order an official transcript online at www.parchment.com. Transcripts must be mailed to the Eligibility Center at the end of your junior year.

Questions?

Are standardized tests scores required? Yes, qualifying test scores are required for participation at both Division I and II institutions. When you register to take the ACT or SAT, mark code 9999 so that the Eligibility Center will receive your scores. You can also pay a fee for your scores to be sent if it is after the test date.

What information will the Eligibility Center provide to institutions that are recruiting me? The Eligibility Center will send your eligibility status to any Division I or II institution that requests it provided you have given written permission on your form.



NCAA ELIGIBILITY REFERENCE SHEET

Core Courses

- Sixteen core courses are required for NCAA Division I and II eligibility.
- All courses must be taken during the high school years.
- For the class of 2016 and beyond, ten of the sixteen required core courses must be completed before the beginning of senior year.
- See the breakdown of core-course requirements below.

Grade-Point Average and Test Scores

- Division I has a sliding scale for test score and grade-point average. The sliding scale for those requirements can be found in the NCAA Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete which is available on the Resources page at www.eligibilitycenter.org.
- Division II has a minimum core grade-point average of 2.0 and a minimum SAT score requirement of 820 (critical reading and math sections only) or an ACT sum score of 68 (combined total of English, math, reading, and science sections).

DIVISION I

16 Core Courses:

- 4 years of English.
- 3 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher).
- 2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school).
- 1 year of additional English, mathematics or natural/physical science.
- 2 years of social science.
- 4 years of additional courses (from any area above, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy).

DIVISION II

16 Core Courses:

- 3 years of English.
- 2 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher).
- 2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school).
- 3 years of additional English, mathematics or natural/physical science.
- 2 years of social science.
- 4 years of additional courses (from any area above, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy).

For more information, please go to www.ncaa.org
You may also visit the Eligibility Center web site at www.eligibilitycenter.org

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT NCAA
ELIGIBILITY, PLEASE CALL THE NCAA
ELIGIBILITY CENTER TOLL FREE AT 877/262-1492.