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Eligibility Academic Requirements for STUDENT ATHLETE



NCAA Division I Initial-Eligibility Academic Requirements

(Implemented August 1, 2016)

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There were new requirements for collegebound student-athletes enrolling full time at an NCAA Division I college or university on or after August 1, 2016.

Summary of Changes

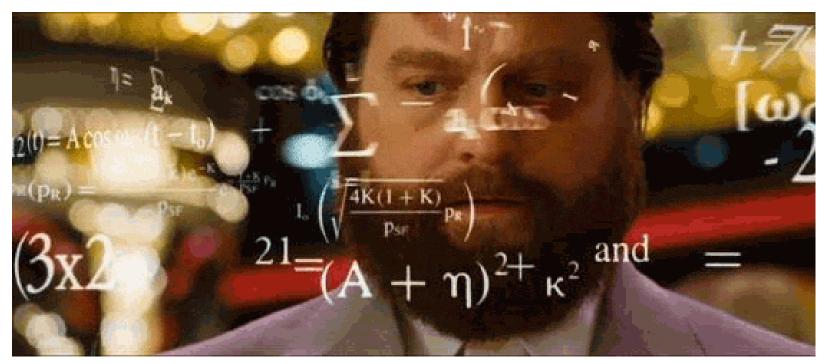
- Minimum core-course GPA of 2.300 required for competition;
- Ten core courses required before beginning of senior year for competition; and
- Slight changes in GPA/test score index (sliding scale).

Division I 16 Core-Course Requirements

English	4 Years
Math (Algebra 1 or higher)	3 Years
Natural or Physical Science (including at least one lab course if offered by the high school)	2 Years
Additional Courses in English, Math, or Science	1 Year
Social Science	2 Years
Additional Courses (in any of the above areas or foreign language, philosophy or non-doctrinal religion courses)	4 Years

Division II 16 Core-Course Requirements

English	3 Years
Math (Algebra 1 or higher)	2 Years
Natural or Physical Science (including at least one lab course if offered by the high school)	2 Years
Additional Courses in English, Math, or Science	3 Years
Social Science	2 Years
Additional Courses (in any of the above areas or foreign language, philosophy or non-doctrinal religion courses)	4 Years



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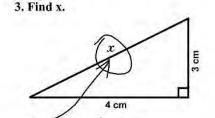
GPA & Course Requirements



- •Division I refer to sliding scale for requirements. 2.3 required for competition.
- •Division II minimum GPA requirement = 2.000
 - GPA calculations include only core courses.
- •Pass-Fail Grades Courses that are awarded pass-fail grades may be used to satisfy core-course requirements.
- •The Eligibility Center assigns the course the lowest passing grade that the high school assigns for a pass-fail course.
- •Repeat Courses A repeated course may be used only once to satisfy core-course requirements. The best grade in that course may be used to calculate the core-course GPA.

Test Score Requirements

- **Division I:** refer to sliding scale for requirements.
- Division II: refer to sliding scale for requirements.
 - Until 2018 NEW SLIDING SCALE
- •SAT scores include only the reading and math sections.
- •ACT scores are the sum of the 4 sections (English, Math, Reading, & Science).
- The highest scores from multiple national testing dates may be combined to reach a qualifying test score.
- •All test scores must be reported directly to the Eligibility Center by the testing agency. Test scores that appear on transcripts will not be used.
- •If you take the SAT or ACT test after you graduate high school, the NCAA Eligibility Center may ask you to confirm that you have not yet enrolled full-time in college, by completing and submitting a student matriculation letter.
- ** When registering for the SAT or ACT, use the Eligibility Center code "9999" to ensure the score is reported to the Eligibility Center. **



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Non-Traditional Courses

- •Courses taught via the *Internet, distance learning, independent study, individualized instruction, correspondence, and similar means* may be used to satisfy the core-course requirements if all of the following conditions are satisfied:
 - The instructor and the student have ongoing access and regular interaction with one another for purposes of teaching, evaluating and providing assistance to the student throughout the duration of the course.
 - The student's work (e.g., exams, papers, assignments) is available for evaluation and validation by the appropriate academic authorities in accordance with the high school's established academic policies.
 - The course includes a defined time period for completion.
 - The course is acceptable for any student and is placed on the high school transcript.
- •College Courses may be used to satisfy core-curriculum requirements if accepted by the high school, provided the courses are accepted for any student, meet all other requirements for core courses and are placed on the student's high school transcript.



One Core Course after Graduation

If a prospective student-athlete ("PSA") graduates with his/her high school class, he or she may complete one core course (1 credit) in the year after graduation (summer or academic year) to satisfy either the core-course or GPA requirements or both.

- -The course must be completed no later than the end of the academic year immediately following the PSA's graduation.
- -A PSA may complete the core course at a location other than the high school from which he/she graduated.
- -A PSA may initially enroll full-time at a collegiate institution at any time after completion of the core course.
- -A PSA may not use a core course completed after graduation if he/she receives institutional financial aid while enrolled in the course during the summer after graduation.

A PSA may use a core course completed after graduation, provided the prospective studentathlete either completes the core course prior to receiving athletically related financial aid to attend an institution's summer term or does not enroll in the core course until after he or she completes the institution's summer term for which he or she is receiving athletically related financial aid.

Students with Education-Impacting Disabilities

A PSA with a diagnosed education-impacting disability may:

- Use up to three core courses completed after high school graduation to satisfy the core-course or minimum GPA requirements or both, so long as he or she graduates from high school on time. (Bylaw 14.3.1.2.1.2)
- Use high school courses for students with education-impacting disabilities to fulfill the core-course requirements, even if these courses appear to be taught at a level below the high school's regular academic instructional level. (Bylaw 14.3.1.2.5)
 - The high school principal must submit a written statement to the Eligibility Center indicating that the courses are substantially comparable, quantitatively and qualitatively, to similar core course offerings and the courses appear on the high school's list of approved core courses.
 - Students with education-impacting disabilities still must complete the required core courses and achieve the minimum required core-course GPA.
- Use test scores achieved during a nonstandard administration of the SAT or ACT. (Bylaw 14.3.1.3.3)
 - Students with education-impacting disabilities must still achieve the minimum required test score;
 however, the test is not required to be administered on a national testing date.

NCAA Division I Initial-Eligibility Academic Requirements (New)

For college-bound student-athletes enrolling full time at an NCAA Division I college or university on or after August 1, 2016, there are three possible academic outcomes:

<u>Full qualifier</u>= competition, athletics aid (scholarship), and practice the first year.

<u>Academic redshirt</u> = athletics aid the first year, practice in first regular academic term (semester or quarter).

<u>Nonqualifier</u> = no athletics aid, practice or competition the first year.

NCAA Division I Full Qualifier:

Requirements for Athletics Aid, Practice and Competition

Students will need to meet the following requirements to receive **athletics aid**, **practice** and **compete** their first year:



- 16 core courses in the following areas:
 - 4 years English;
 - 3 years math at Algebra I level or higher;
 - 2 years natural or physical science (one lab if offered at any high school attended);
 - 1 year additional English, math or natural/physical science;
 - 2 years social science; and
 - 4 years additional from areas above or foreign language, philosophy or comparative religion.
- Minimum required GPA:
 - Minimum GPA of 2.300 required for competition in those 16 core courses.
- Graduate from high school.

NCAA Division I Full Qualifier:

Requirements for Athletics Aid, Practice and Competition

Core-course progression

- Must complete 10 core courses before seventh semester of high school (e.g., senior year).
- Of the 10 core courses completed, 7 must be in the area of English, Math, or Science.
- These 10 core courses become "locked in" for the purpose of core-course GPA calculation.
 - A repeat of one of the "locked in" courses will not be
 - used if taken after the seventh semester begins.

Division I Sliding Scale

(Abbreviated)

Core GPA	SAT (critical reading/ math only)	ACT Sum	Core GPA	SAT (critical reading/ math only)	ACT Sum
3.550 & above	400	37	2.700	740	61
3.500	420	39	2.600	780	64
3.400	460	42	2.500	820	68
3.300	500	44	2.400	860	71
3.200	540	47	2.300	900	75
3.100	580	49	2.299	910	7 6
3.000	620	52	2.200	940	79
2.900	660	54	2.100	980	83
2.800	700	57	2.000	1020	86

The full sliding scale can be found at www.eligibilitycenter.org

under Resources (http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/eligibility_center/Quick_Reference_Sheet.pdf).

SAT Redesign

The SAT redesigned its test, which means the scores on the redesigned (new) test are different than the scores on the old test. If you took the SAT in March 2016 or after, you took the new SAT.

To determine what core GPA you need to meet NCAA Division I or Division II requirements . you need to use this College Board Concordance Table to convert your new SAT score.

Step One: Find your new SAT score on the College Board Concordance Table below. Then. look at what your score converts to on the old SAT.

Step Two: Take that converted (old) score and look at the Division I or Division II sliding scales to determine what core GPA you need to meet NCAA initial-eligibility requirements.

SAT Redesign https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/higher-ed-brief-sat-concordance.pdf

Old SAT to New SAT Concordance Table (1600 Scale)

Table 10							
Old SAT Total Score (400-1600)	New SAT Total Score (400-1600)	Old SAT Total Score (400-1600)	New SAT Total Score (400-1600)	Old SAT Total Score (400-1600)	New SAT Total Score (400-1600)	Old SAT Total Score (400-1600)	New SAT Total Score (400-1600
400	400	710	800	1020	1100	1330	1390
410	420	720	810	1030	1110	1340	1400
420	430	730	820	1040	1120	1350	1410
430	450	740	830	1050	1130	1360	1420
440	460	750	840	1060	1130	1370	1420
450	480	760	850	1070	1140	1380	1430
460	490	770	860	1080	1150	1390	1440
470	510	780	860	1090	1160	1400	1450
480	520	790	870	1100	1170	1410	1460
490	530	800	880	1110	1180	1420	1470
500	550	810	890	1120	1190	1430	1480
510	560	820	900	1130	1200	1440	1480
520	580	830	910	1140	1210	1450	1490
530	590	840	920	1150	1220	1460	1500
540	610	850	930	1160	1230	1470	1510
550	620	860	940	1170	1240	1480	1510
560	640	870	950	1180	1250	1490	1520
570	650	880	960	1190	1260	1500	1530
580	670	890	970	1200	1270	1510	1540
590	680	900	980	1210	1280	1520	1540
600	700	910	990	1220	1290	1530	1550
610	710	920	1000	1230	1300	1540	1560
620	720	930	1010	1240	1310	1550	1560
630	730	940	1020	1250	1310	1560	1570
640	740	950	1030	1260	1320	1570	1580
650	750	960	1040	1270	1330	1580	1590
660	750	970	1050	1280	1340	1590	1590
670	760	980	1060	1290	1350	1600	1600
680	770	990	1070	1300	1360		
690	780	1000	1080	1310	1370		
700	790	1010	1090	1320	1380		

Division II Sliding Scale

Use for Division II FULL QUALIFIER After August 1, 2018		Use for Division II PARTIAL QUALIFIER after August 1, 2018				
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Core GPA	SAT	ACT	Core GPA	SAT	ACT	
3.300 & above	400	37	3.050 & above	400	37	
3.275	410	38	3.025	410	38	
3.250	420	39	3.000	420	39	
3.225	430	40	2.975	430	40	
3.200	440	41	2.950	440	41	
3.175	450	41	2.925	450	41	
3.150	460	42	2.900	460	42	
3.125	470	42	2.875	470	42	
3.100	480	43	2.850	480	43	
3.075	490	44	2.825	490	44	
3.050	500	44	2.800	500	44	
3.025	510	45	2.775	510	45	
3.000	520	46	2.750	520	46	
2.975	530	46	2.725	530	46	
2.950	540	47	2.700	540	47	
2.925	550	47	2.675	550	47	
2.900	560	48	2.650	560	48	
2.875	570	49	2.625	570	49	
2.850	580	49	2.600	580	49	
2.825	590	50	2.575	590	50	
2.800	600	50	2.550	600	50	
2.775	610	51	2.525	610	51	
2.750	620	52	2.500	620	52	
2.725	630	52	2.475	630	52	
2.700	640	53	2.450	640	53	
2.675	650	53	2.425	650	53	
2.650	660	54	2.400	660	54	
2.625	670	55	2.375	670	55	
2.600	680	56	2.350	680	56	
2.575	690	56	2.325	690	56	
2.550	700	57	2.300	700	57	
2.525	710	58	2.275	710	58	
2.500	720	59	2.250	720	59	
2.475	730	59	2.225	730	60	
2.450	740	60	2.200	740	61	
2.425	750	61	2.175	750	61	
2.400	760	62	2.150	760	62	
2.375	770	63	2.125	770	63	
2.350	780	64	2.100	780	64	
2.325	790	65	2.075	790	65	
2.300	800	66	2.050	800	66	
2.275	810	67	2.025	810	67	
2.250	820	68	2.000	820 & above	68 & above	
2.225	830	69				
2.200	840 & above	70 & above				

Academic Redshirt:

Requirements for Scholarship and Practice

- 16 core courses in the following areas:
 - 4 years English,
 - 3 years math at Algebra I level or higher,
 - 2 years natural or physical science (one lab if offered by any school attended);
 - 1 year additional English, math or natural/physical science;
 - 2 years social science; and
 - 4 years additional from areas above or foreign language, philosophy or comparative religion.
- Minimum required GPA.
 - Minimum GPA of 2.000-2.299 in 16 core courses.
- Sliding scale.
 - Minimum ACT sum or SAT score (critical reading/math only) that matches the 16 core-course GPA.

Academic Redshirt

Requirements for Scholarship and Practice



Student-athletes who fail to meet the required 10 core courses prior to the start of the seventh semester (seven of which must be in English, math, or natural or physical science), will be allowed to retake core courses in the seventh or eighth semester, which will be used in their academic certification for the purpose of meeting the academic redshirt requirements.

Academic Redshirt:

Requirements for Scholarship and Practice

If a college-bound student-athlete meets these requirements, he/she can receive an **athletics scholarship** during his/her first year at an NCAA Division I college or university.



After the first term is complete, the student-athlete must be academically successful (successfully completing nine semester hours or eight quarter hours in each applicable term) at his/her college or university to continue to practice for the remainder of the year.

What If A Student Does <u>Not</u> Meet Either Set of Requirements?

If a college-bound student-athlete does not meet either set of requirements, he/she is a **nonqualifier.**

A nonqualifier:

- Cannot receive athletics aid during the first year at an NCAA Division I college or university.
- Cannot practice or compete during the first year at a Division I college or university.

What can Non-Qualifiers do?

Go to 4-yr institution and serve an academic year in residence – (*Check conference rules*)

- Attend to Full-time Semesters
- Pass 6/18/24 Rule
- Meet Progress Towards Degree Requirements and get year of eligibility back (5 years to play 4).

Go to a Two-Year College

- Graduate with Associates degree after at least 4 Full-Time Semesters
- Meet Transfer Requirements for Non-Qualifiers (12cr/FT Semester and 40% or 60% of Degree)
- Still must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center

Eligibility & Certification Timeline

Grades 9 & 10

 Students should verify with their high school guidance counselors and online core-course listings to make sure they are on pace to meet the NCAA's initial-eligibility requirements.

Grade 11

- Students should register with the NCAA Eligibility Center (formerly the NCAA Clearinghouse).
- Students should make sure they are on pace to meet core-course and grade-point average requirements.
- After a student's junior year, high school guidance counselors should send official transcripts to the Eligibility
 Center. If students have attended more than one high school, a transcript from each high school attended must
 be sent to the Eligibility Center.
- When taking the ACT or SAT, students should request test scores to be sent to the Eligibility Center—the code is "9999." Test scores must be sent to the Eligibility Center directly from the testing agency (ACT or SAT).

Grade 12

- When taking the ACT or SAT, students should request test scores to be sent to the Eligibility Center.
- Students should make sure the Eligibility Center has received test scores and transcripts from all high schools attended.
- High school guidance counselors should send a student's final transcript with proof of graduation to the Eligibility Center as soon as the student's final grades and graduation date have been posted.



All students who wish to participate in Division I or II athletics <u>must</u> register with and be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center.

- To register, prospective student-athletes should go to www.eligibilitycenter.org.
- From the home page, prospective student-athletes should click on the "Enter Here" link for NCAA College-Bound Student-Athletes to begin the registration process.

NCAA Eligibility Center Contact Info

Web Site www.eligibilitycenter.org

Fax

317-968-5100



Address for Transcripts (Regular Mail):

NCAA Eligibility Center

Certification Processing

P.O. Box 7136

Indianapolis, IN 46207-7136

<u>Address for Transcripts (Overnight/Express Mail)</u>:

NCAA Eligibility Center

Certification Processing

1802 Alonzo Watford Sr. Drive

Indianapolis, IN 46202

Amateurism

NCAA Eligibility Center will also certify your amateurism.

Travel teams

- No payment greater than actual and necessary expenses
- No Incentives, gifts, or cash



Amateurism is sport specific.

Official Visits

- Paid for by institution (in any way/amount).
- Only one official visit per institution.
- Limit of 5 official visits.
- No earlier than September 1st of PSA's junior year in high school.
- •Women's Basketball No official visits during July evaluation periods.
 - July 6-July 15
 - July 22-31



Official Visit Requirements

- High school transcript on file with institution;
- Registered with NCAA Eligibility Center; and

•Placed on institution's institutional request list (IRL).



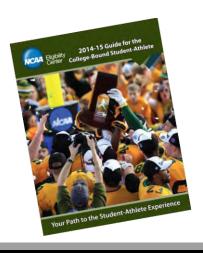


Unofficial Visits

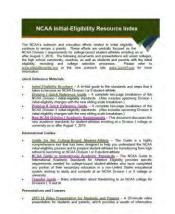
- A visit to an institution's campus at the PSA's own expense.
- May make an unlimited number of unofficial visits.
- May be made before a PSA's senior year in high school.
- Unofficial Visits are only available during certain Recruiting Periods
 - By Sport
 - Confirm with the University Athletics Office you intend to visit

Resources

- Resources tab on the NCAA Eligibility Center website (<u>www.eligibilitycenter.org</u>).
- Initial-Eligibility Resource Index.
- Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete.
- Quick Reference Guide.
- Initial Eligibility Brochure.









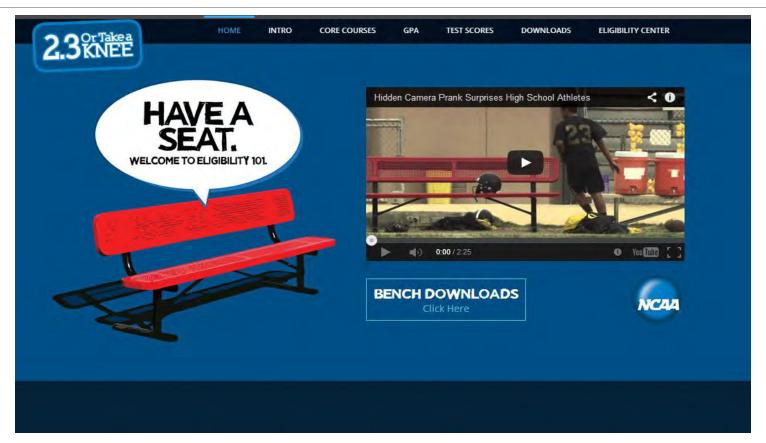
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NCAA Initial Eligibility Online Course



www.nfhslearn.com

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www.2point3.org

QUESTIONS?

