

# NCAA Division II Requirements

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# What is NCAA Division II?

- ▶ One of 3 divisions (I, II and III)
- ▶ Emphasize a life balance in which academically and athletically gifted students can compete at a high level, while maintaining a traditional collegiate experience (Guide for the College Bound Student-Athlete).
- ▶ An institution will have 10 sports minimum (minimum of 4 men's sports and 5 women's sports)
- ▶ An institution must provide minimum of \$250,000 in athletics aid (at least half for women)

# Recruiting

- ▶ Recruitment activities can't begin until June 15<sup>th</sup> before a prospective student-athlete's junior year.
  - ▶ Printed recruiting material
  - ▶ Phone calls, emails or texts from coaches
  - ▶ Off-campus contact with coach and the prospective student-athlete or parent/legal guardian
  - ▶ Official visit (expense paid)
  - ▶ Tryouts

# Division II Initial Eligibility

- ▶ Academic and amateurism certification process
- ▶ Academic (Before August 2018):
  - ▶ Graduate from high school
  - ▶ 16 core courses from different subject areas
  - ▶ 2.0 cumulative GPA in core courses
  - ▶ Combined SAT score of 820 (critical reading and math) OR combined ACT sum score of 68 (English, Reading, Math and Science)

# Division II Initial Eligibility

- ▶ QUALIFIER= Meeting all outlined requirements
  - ▶ You can do the following during the first year of enrollment:
    - ▶ Practice
    - ▶ Compete
    - ▶ Receive athletics aid
- ▶ PARTIAL QUALIFIER= graduated HS and meet one of the following:
  - 1) 820 SAT/68 ACT or 2) 16 core courses with a 2.0 GPA
  - ▶ You can do the following during the first year of enrollment:
    - ▶ Practice
    - ▶ Receive Athletics Aid
    - ▶ May not compete in your first year of enrollment

# Division II Initial Eligibility

- ▶ NON-QUALIFIER= didn't meet qualifier or partial qualifier requirements
  - ▶ You are not permitted the following during the first year of enrollment:
    - ▶ Practice
    - ▶ Compete
    - ▶ Receive athletics aid
    - ▶ Observe practice

# 16 Core-Courses

- ▶ 3 years of English
- ▶ 2 years of Math (Algebra 1 or higher)
- ▶ 2 years of Natural or Physical Science (one year of lab science)
- ▶ 3 additional years of English, Math, or Natural/Physical Science
- ▶ 2 years of Social Science
- ▶ 4 years of additional core
  - ▶ Any category above
  - ▶ Foreign language
  - ▶ Comparative religion or philosophy

# 16 Core-Courses

- ▶ Courses taken to graduate doesn't mean it automatically meets an approved core-course
- ▶ Courses needed/taken to be admissible to a University doesn't automatically mean it meets an approved core-course
- ▶ Must be four-year college prep and above the high school's regular academic level (no remedial or slower paced classes)
- ▶ The high school has an ability to update approve core-courses with the Eligibility Center
  - ▶ Your high school's core-course list can be viewed on the Resource page of the NCAA Eligibility Center website



# Nontraditional Courses

- ▶ Defined as those: taught via internet, distance learning, independent study, individualized instruction, correspondence, computer software programs or other similar means
- ▶ To meet a core-course requirement the following are examined:
  - ▶ Ongoing access between instructor and student including interaction of teaching, evaluating, and providing assistance
  - ▶ A defined period of time for completion
  - ▶ Identified as a nontraditional class on the transcript
  - ▶ Comparable in length, content, and rigor to the traditional setting course
- ▶ Credit recovery is also examined as above including the credit recovery policy
- ▶ Be sure to have the high school work with the Eligibility Center prior to taking these courses!

# Core-Course GPA

- ▶ Quality points= grade points multiplied by amount of credit
- ▶ A=4 points B= 3 points C= 2 points D= 1 point
  - ▶ B grade in 1<sup>st</sup> semester English: 3 points x .50 units = 1.5 quality points
  - ▶ Plus and minuses aren't used
- ▶ If a course is repeated the higher grade is used
- ▶ Please note some colleges don't accept Ds for admissions

# Students with Documented Education-Impacting Disabilities

- ▶ Same requirements need to be met, but the student may be provided accommodations to meet those requirements
- ▶ Division II: core-courses can be used if completed at start of ninth-grade and until full time college enrollment
- ▶ Courses for students with disabilities can be used if on the approved core-course list
- ▶ Take ACT or SAT with accommodations

# Division II Initial Eligibility- 2018

- ▶ After August 2018:
  - ▶ Qualifier:
    - ▶ 16 core courses
    - ▶ Meet sliding scale of core-course GPA (minimum 2.2) and SAT/ACT sum score
    - ▶ Graduate high school
  - ▶ Partial Qualifier:
    - ▶ 16 core-courses
    - ▶ Meet sliding scale of core-course GPA (minimum 2.0) and SAT/ACT sum score
    - ▶ Graduate high school
  - ▶ Non-qualifier:
    - ▶ Doesn't meet qualifier or partial qualifier requirements

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

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

# Amateurism Certification

- ▶ Required for Division I and II through the Eligibility Center
- ▶ Topics examined:
  - ▶ Contracts with professional teams
  - ▶ Salary for participating in athletics
  - ▶ Prize money
  - ▶ Play with professionals
  - ▶ Tryouts, practice or competition with a professional team
  - ▶ Benefits from an agent or prospective agent
  - ▶ Agreement to be represented by an agent (now or in future)
  - ▶ Participation in organized competition
  - ▶ Financial assistance based on athletic skill or participation

# Organized Competition

- ▶ Delaying of full time college enrollment out of high school makes you subject to organized competition rule
  - ▶ Division II has 1 year grace period
  - ▶ Triggers after 1 year grace period (charged with a season in your sport for every calendar year of delayed enrollment):
    - ▶ Competition scheduled in advance
    - ▶ Official score kept
    - ▶ Individual/team standings or stats are maintained
    - ▶ Official timer or game officials are used
    - ▶ Admission is charged
    - ▶ Teams regularly formed or rosters are predetermined
    - ▶ Team uniforms are used

# Transfer Eligibility- 2 Year Transfer

- ▶ Graduate from the 2 year college provided you've attended for a minimum of 2 full time semesters
  - ▶ 25% of credit used for degree must have been earned at the college that awards the degree
  - ▶ 9 transferable units to the institution in last full time term
- ▶ Attend minimum of 2 full time semesters at the 2 year and:
  - ▶ Have average of 12 transferable units per full time term
  - ▶ 6 units of transferable English
  - ▶ 3 units of transferable Math
  - ▶ 3 units of transferable natural or physical science
  - ▶ Limit of 2 PE activity courses (for unit and GPA requirement)
  - ▶ 2.2 GPA
  - ▶ 9 transferable units in last full time term



# 2 Year Transfer Eligibility

- ▶ Qualifier with no 4 year college attendance and one term at 2 year college
  - ▶ One full time semester of attendance
  - ▶ Average of 12 units per full time semester
  - ▶ 2.2 GPA
  - ▶ Limit of 2 PE activity units
- ▶ Exception: graduation after one semester (if previously attended a 4 year prior to the 2 year college)
- ▶ What if I don't meet these requirements?
  - ▶ Qualifier- can practice and receive aid but not compete
  - ▶ Partial Qualifier- can practice and receive aid but not compete
  - ▶ Non-qualifier- must have unit/subject requirements met and 2.0 to practice

# Resources

- ▶ NCAA Eligibility Center
  - ▶ [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)
- ▶ Guide for the College Bound Student-Athlete