

Registration Checklist

TAKE YOUR FIRST STEP TO BECOMING AN NCAA STUDENT-ATHLETE

If you want to play NCAA sports at a Division I or II school, you must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at eligibilitycenter.org. Plan to register during your freshman year of high school.

To get started, choose from our two account types:

1. Profile Page Account: If you plan to compete at an NCAA Division III school or are currently unsure in which division you want to compete, create a free Profile Page account. If at any time you wish to pursue a Division I or II path, you can transition your Profile Page to a Certification account.

2. Certification Account: You must be certified by the Eligibility Center to compete at an NCAA Division I or II school. Before you can make official visits or sign a National Letter of Intent, you must have a completed Certification account (including submitted payment or fee waiver).

For Certification accounts, please allow between 30 and 45 minutes to register completely. If you need to exit and come back at a later time, you can save and return later to finish your account. Accounts that are not completed (registration fee paid or fee waiver eligible) will be deleted after 30 days.



Need help while registering? Click on the Help icon (located in the top task bar) for answers to your questions.

ELIGIBILITY CENTER REGISTRATION ESSENTIALS

Below are some items you should have with you as you create an account at eligibilitycenter.org:

VALID EMAIL FOR STUDENT

To register, you need a valid email address that you check regularly and will have access to after high school. The NCAA Eligibility Center uses email to update you about your account throughout the process. Please note: If you have a sibling who has previously registered, you will need to use a different email address than the one in your sibling's account.

BASIC STUDENT PERSONAL INFORMATION

This includes information such as your date of birth, primary and secondary contact information and address.

BASIC STUDENT EDUCATION HISTORY

We will ask you to provide details about all secondary and high schools and additional programs you have attended in the United States and internationally. Be sure to include all schools, regardless of whether you received grades or credits from that school or not. If you attended ninth grade at a junior high school located in the same school system in which you later attended high school, do not list your ninth-grade school.

STUDENT SPORTS PARTICIPATION HISTORY

In this section, you'll select the sport(s) you plan to participate in at an NCAA school. For Certification accounts, we will ask you to provide details for any expenses or awards you received, any teams you have practiced or played with, or certain events in which you participated. We also ask about any individuals who have advised you or marketed your skills. This information helps the **NCAA Eligibility Center** certify your **amateur status** when requested by you or an NCAA school.

PAYMENT (CERTIFICATION ACCOUNTS ONLY)

Your Certification account registration is complete only after the registration fee is paid (or upon submission of a **fee waiver**, if you are eligible). You may pay online by debit, credit card or e-check. The registration fee for students in the United States, U.S. territories (includes American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands) and Canada is \$90. The fee for all other international students is \$150. Profile Page accounts do not have a fee.

All fees are nonrefundable once you have successfully registered. If you completed a duplicate registration and paid your registration fee twice, you may be eligible for a refund of the duplicate registration fee. To request a refund, complete and submit an [Eligibility Center refund form](#).

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DIVISION I ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

CORE-COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete 16 core courses in the following areas:

<p>ENGLISH</p>	<p>MATH (Algebra I or higher)</p>	<p>NATURAL/ PHYSICAL SCIENCE (Including one year of lab, if offered)</p>	<p>ADDITIONAL (English, math or natural/physical science)</p>	<p>SOCIAL SCIENCE</p>	<p>ADDITIONAL COURSES (Any area listed to the left, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy)</p>
<p>4 years</p>	<p>3 years</p>	<p>2 years</p>	<p>1 year</p>	<p>2 years</p>	<p>4 years</p>

FULL QUALIFIER

College-bound student-athletes enrolling at an NCAA Division I school need to meet these academic requirements to practice, compete and receive an athletics scholarship in their first year of full-time enrollment.

- Complete 16 core courses in the appropriate areas.
 - Ten of the 16 core courses must be completed before the seventh semester (senior year) of high school.
 - Seven of the 10 core courses must be in English, math or natural/physical science.
- Earn a core-course GPA of at least 2.300.
- Earn an SAT combined score or ACT sum score matching the core-course GPA on the Division I sliding scale.
- Submit proof of graduation to the Eligibility Center.

ACADEMIC REDSHIRT

All Division I academic redshirts may receive an athletics scholarship and practice during their first year of full-time enrollment at a Division I school, but may NOT compete.

- Complete 16 core courses in the appropriate areas.
- Earn a core-course GPA of at least 2.000.
- Earn an SAT combined score or ACT sum score matching the core-course GPA on the Division I sliding scale.
- Submit proof of graduation to the Eligibility Center.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Please review the [international initial-eligibility flyer](#) for information and academic requirements specific to international student-athletes.

For information on Division II, view the [Division II academic requirements flyer](#).



TEST SCORES

If a student-athlete plans to attend an NCAA Division I college or university, they should use the sliding scale to review the core-course GPA and SAT/ACT score they will need to meet Division I full qualifier standards. When registering for the SAT or ACT, students should use code **9999** to ensure their test scores are sent directly to their Eligibility Center account. More information regarding the impact of COVID-19 and test scores can be found at on.ncaa.com/COVID19_Fall2022.

An SAT combined score is calculated by adding critical reading and math subscores. An ACT sum score is calculated by adding English, math, reading and science subscores. Students may take the SAT or ACT an unlimited number of times before they enroll full time in college. If a student takes either test more than once, the best subscores from each test are used for their academic certification process.

CORE-COURSE LIST

Student-athletes should check to see if their high school has a list of [NCAA-approved core courses](#). No core-course list means courses taken from that high school will not count toward NCAA eligibility.

ONLINE COURSES/ NONTRADITIONAL

Nontraditional courses are classes taught online or through distance learning, hybrid/blended, independent study, individualized instruction, correspondence or similar means.

These types of courses may be acceptable for use in the NCAA initial-eligibility certification process; however, it is important to make sure the nontraditional program has been approved and appears on the high school's list of [NCAA-approved core courses](#).

BE AHEAD OF THE GAME

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DIVISION I FULL QUALIFIER SLIDING SCALE

Core GPA	SAT*	ACT Sum*	Core GPA	SAT*	ACT Sum*
3.550	400	37	2.750	810	59
3.525	410	38	2.725	820	60
3.500	430	39	2.700	830	61
3.475	440	40	2.675	840	61
3.450	460	41	2.650	850	62
3.425	470	41	2.625	860	63
3.400	490	42	2.600	860	64
3.375	500	42	2.575	870	65
3.350	520	43	2.550	880	66
3.325	530	44	2.525	890	67
3.300	550	44	2.500	900	68
3.275	560	45	2.475	910	69
3.250	580	46	2.450	920	70
3.225	590	46	2.425	930	70
3.200	600	47	2.400	940	71
3.175	620	47	2.375	950	72
3.150	630	48	2.350	960	73
3.125	650	49	2.325	970	74
3.100	660	49	2.300	980	75
3.075	680	50	2.299	990	76
3.050	690	50	2.275	990	76
3.025	710	51	2.250	1000	77
3.000	720	52	2.225	1010	78
2.975	730	52	2.200	1020	79
2.950	740	53	2.175	1030	80
2.925	750	53	2.150	1040	81
2.900	750	54	2.125	1050	82
2.875	760	55	2.100	1060	83
2.850	770	56	2.075	1070	84
2.825	780	56	2.050	1080	85
2.800	790	57	2.025	1090	86
2.775	800	58	2.000	1100	86

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ACADEMIC REDSHIRT



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FULL QUALIFIER

College-bound student-athletes enrolling at an NCAA Division II school need to meet these academic requirements to practice, compete and receive an athletics scholarship in their first year of full-time enrollment.

- Complete 16 core courses in the appropriate areas.
- Earn a core-course GPA of at least 2.200.
- Earn an SAT combined score or ACT sum score matching the core-course GPA on the Division II full qualifier sliding scale.
- Submit proof of graduation to the Eligibility Center.

PARTIAL QUALIFIER

College-bound student-athletes that do not meet Division II full qualifier standards will be deemed a partial qualifier. All Division II partial qualifiers may receive an athletics scholarship and practice during their first year of full-time enrollment at a Division II school, but may NOT compete.

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DIVISION II FULL QUALIFIER SLIDING SCALE

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3.300 & above	400	37
3.275	410	38
3.250	430	39
3.225	440	40
3.200	460	41
3.175	470	41
3.150	490	42
3.125	500	42
3.100	520	43
3.075	530	44
3.050	550	44
3.025	560	45
3.000	580	46
2.975	590	46
2.950	600	47
2.925	620	47
2.900	630	48
2.875	650	49
2.850	660	49
2.825	680	50
2.800	690	50
2.775	710	51
2.750	720	52

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2.700	740	53
2.675	750	53
2.650	750	54
2.625	760	55
2.600	770	56
2.575	780	56
2.550	790	57
2.525	800	58
2.500	810	59
2.475	820	60
2.450	830	61
2.425	840	61
2.400	850	62
2.375	860	63
2.350	860	64
2.325	870	65
2.300	880	66
2.275	890	67
2.250	900	68
2.225	910	69
2.200	920	70 & above

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 Division II
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NCAA Eligibility Center COVID-19 Response FAQs

For Students Initially Enrolling Full Time in the 2021-22 or 2022-23 Academic Year

Given the continuing impact of COVID-19 on the educational environment, the NCAA Eligibility Center has partnered with the NCAA membership to identify the following changes to the initial-eligibility certification process for students **who initially enroll full time in a collegiate institution during the 2021-22 or 2022-23 academic year**. The Eligibility Center will continue to monitor the environment and make necessary adjustments to prioritize health, safety and fairness for all prospective student-athletes.

FAQ Topics—Quick Links

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COVID-19 Automatic Waiver Criteria for 2021-22 or 2022-23 Enrollment

Q1: Given the unique circumstances due to COVID-19, will there be any flexibility in the initial-eligibility standard for students who initially enroll full time in a collegiate institution during the 2021-22 or 2022-23 academic year?

A1: Yes. Students who **initially enroll full time during 2021-22 or 2022-23** will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver in the academic certification process that provides the highest level of relief for which they are eligible, per the criteria below:

COVID-19 Automatic Waiver Criteria—2021-22 or 2022-23 Enrollment*		
Alternative Standard	Division I	Division II
Qualifier Athletics aid, practice and competition.	Complete Academic Record: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core-course progression (10/7) before starting 7th semester;** 16 core-course units in the required subject areas; ≥ 2.300 core-course GPA; and Proof of graduation. 	Complete Academic Record: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 16 core-course units in the required subject areas; ≥ 2.200 core-course GPA; and Proof of graduation.
Early Academic Qualifier Athletics aid, practice and competition.	Pre-7th Semester: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14 core-course units in the required subject areas; and ≥ 3.000 core-course GPA. 	Pre-7th Semester: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14 core-course units in the required subject areas; and ≥ 2.500 core-course GPA.
Academic Redshirt Athletics aid (1st year) and practice (1st term).	Complete Academic Record: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 16 core-course units in the required subject areas; ≥ 2.000 core-course GPA; and Proof of graduation. 	N/A***

*Standardized test scores are excluded from these criteria.

**Students certified based solely on international credentials are exempt from the 10/7 core-course progression requirement.

***Please see linked resources for additional information regarding [Division I](#) and [Division II](#) standards.

The following chart provides a quick reference for each division and the COVID-19 Automatic Waiver criteria for 2021-22 enrollment, as shown in the chart above.

COVID-19 Automatic Waiver—2021-22 or 2022-23 Enrollment*												
Alternative Standard	Division I							Division II***				
	10/7**	16 Core	14 Core	≥ 3.0	≥ 2.3	≥ 2.0	Grad	16 Core	14 Core	≥ 2.5	≥ 2.2	Grad
Qualifier Athletics aid, practice and competition.	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓			✓	✓
Early Academic Qualifier Athletics aid, practice and competition. <i>Applied based on pre-seventh semester academic record.</i>			✓	✓					✓	✓		
Academic Redshirt Athletics aid (1st year) and practice (1st term).		✓					✓					

*Standardized test scores are excluded from these criteria.

**Students certified based solely on international credentials are exempt from the 10/7 core-course progression requirement.

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Q2: If students meet the [COVID-19 Automatic Waiver criteria for 2021-22 or 2022-23 enrollment](#) but also present a non-qualifying standardized test score, will they still receive the automatic waiver?

A2: Yes. Standardized test scores are not included in the COVID-19 Automatic Waiver criteria for 2021-22 or 2022-23 enrollment.

Q3: How will the COVID-19 Automatic Waiver for 2021-22 or 2022-23 enrollment appear in the student’s Eligibility Center account?

A3: For students who meet the alternative [Qualifier](#) or [Early Academic Qualifier](#) standard, their Eligibility Center account will show Final Nonqualifier status with “COVID-19 Automatic Waiver Approved” in the Academic Status field (see [below](#)):

<p>DIVISION I Academic Status Final Nonqualifier</p> <p>(COVID-19 Automatic Waiver Approved)</p>	<p>Amateur Status Preliminary Reviewed</p>	<p>DIVISION II Academic Status Final Partial Qualifier</p> <p>(COVID-19 Automatic Waiver Approved)</p>	<p>Amateur Status Preliminary Reviewed</p>
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<p>DIVISION I ACADEMIC STATUS Final Nonqualifier</p> <p>COVID-19 Automatic Waiver Approved</p> <p>You are immediately eligible to receive athletics aid, practice and compete. Contact your institution’s Compliance Department for details.</p>	<p>DIVISION II ACADEMIC STATUS Final Partial Qualifier</p> <p>COVID-19 Automatic Waiver Approved</p> <p>You are immediately eligible to receive athletics aid, practice and compete. Contact your institution’s Compliance Department for details.</p>
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For students who meet the alternative [Academic Redshirt](#) standard (DI), their Eligibility Center account will show “Final Nonqualifier” status with “Partial COVID-19 Waiver – Aid: 1st yr & Practice: 1st term” for DI in the Academic Status field (*see below*):

DIVISION I Academic Status Final Nonqualifier (Partial COVID-19 Waiver - Aid: 1st yr & Practice: 1st term)	Amateur Status Preliminary Reviewed	DIVISION I ACADEMIC STATUS Final Nonqualifier Partial COVID-19 Waiver - Aid: 1st yr & Practice: 1st term You are immediately eligible to receive athletics aid in your first year and practice in your first term of full-time enrollment. Contact your institution's Compliance Department for details.
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Q4: Will homeschool students be eligible to meet the [COVID-19 Automatic Waiver criteria for 2021-22 or 2022-23 enrollment?](#)

A4: Yes.

Timing

Q6: When will the COVID-19 Automatic Waiver be applied?

A6: The COVID-19 Automatic Waiver will be applied at the time of academic evaluation.

Submission of Academic Documents

Q7: Will there be any flexibility in requiring official academic documents?

A7: Official academic records are necessary to ensure accurate initial-eligibility certifications and should be submitted via an [approved channel](#) whenever possible. Given the unique circumstances, if only unofficial records are available for students who initially enroll full time in 2021-22 or 2022-23, please submit them to ec-processing@ncaa.org directly from the email address associated with the student's Eligibility Center account for use in the academic evaluation.

Academic Evaluations

Q8: How will the Eligibility Center approach schools with NCAA-approved core courses that offer distance, e-learning or hybrid options for students in 2020-21 and/or 2021-22 due to COVID-19?

A8: Consistent with the approach to reviews in Spring/Summer 2020, the Eligibility Center will not require a separate review of distance, e-learning or hybrid programs offered by schools with NCAA-approved core courses during 2020-21 and/or 2021-22 in response to COVID-19. Students may complete their NCAA-approved core courses through the channels of instruction provided or recommended by their school, district or state department of education. For parents administering home school curriculum, please review the information included in the Eligibility Center home school [resources](#).

Note: This policy will apply to students from all grade levels (e.g., freshmen, sophomores) who complete distance, e-learning or hybrid courses in 2020-21 and/or 2021-22 at schools with NCAA-approved core courses.

Q9: How will the Eligibility Center approach high schools that issue Pass/Fail grades in 2020-21 and 2021-22?

A9: For NCAA-approved core courses completed in 2020-21 and 2021-22 that have been issued a grade of Pass, the Eligibility Center will apply the credit earned in these courses toward the core-course requirement in the student's certification. If the student's core-course GPA would increase by assigning a value of 2.300, this value will be assigned to the Passed courses. However, if the student's core-course GPA would decrease by including the 2.300 value for Passed courses, the student's core-course GPA will be calculated based only on courses with assigned letter grades from previous terms (credit from these courses will still be applied toward the student's core-course requirements).

Note: This policy will apply to students from all grade levels (e.g., freshmen, sophomores) who successfully complete NCAA-approved pass/fail core courses in 2020-21 and 2021-22.

Q10: Will there be any flexibility in the Division I core-course time limitation for students who initially enroll full time in 2021-22 or 2022-23?

A10: Yes. For students who initially enroll full time in 2021-22 or 2022-23, up to six core-course units completed after starting the seventh semester (and before full-time enrollment) will be used in the student's initial-eligibility certification, regardless of whether the student graduated on time or when the courses are completed (i.e., during the academic year or summer term).

Note: For Division I, all core courses completed before full-time enrollment may be used in the academic-redshirt certification.

Q11: How will the Eligibility Center approach canceled international leaving examinations?

A11: The Eligibility Center encourages submission of official year-by-year transcripts for evaluation of international students. For countries and/or examination boards issuing certificates/diplomas without final exams (based on other assessment methodologies), the Eligibility Center will accept the credential as acceptable proof of high school graduation, provided it is listed as an acceptable proof of graduation in the [NCAA International Guide](#). As a reminder, the [Graduation Timeline Confirmation Form](#) may also be submitted, as appropriate, to extend the graduation timeline.

Q12: What if students do not meet the [COVID-19 Automatic Waiver criteria for 2021-22 or 2022-23 enrollment](#)?

A12: Students should contact the athletics compliance office at their NCAA college/university to discuss potential next steps.

Q13: Will other classes (e.g., sophomores, juniors) receive any flexibility in the NCAA initial-eligibility standard as a result of COVID-19?

A13: The approach to Pass/Fail grades and distance/e-learning/hybrid courses will apply to all students, including subsequent classes, who complete NCAA-approved core courses in spring/summer 2020 or during the 2020-21 or 2021-22 academic years.

For information on the Eligibility Center's COVID-19 response to amateurism requirements, [click here](#).