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If you want to play NCAA sports at a Division I or II school, you need to register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at eligibilitycenter.org. If you plan to compete at a Division III school or currently are not sure in which division you want to compete, create a [Free Profile Page account](#).

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

To play sports at a Division I or II school, you must complete a total of 16 [NCAA-approved core-course credits](#), earn a corresponding test score that matches your core-course grade-point average (GPA) and submit proof of graduation to the Eligibility Center.

ALREADY A STUDENT IN UNIVERSITY?

[Click here](#) for transfer eligibility requirements.

DIVISION I

To compete at an NCAA Division I school, complete a total of 16 core-course credits in the appropriate areas:

ENGLISH/ NATIVE LANGUAGE	MATH (Algebra I or higher)	NATURAL/ PHYSICAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL (English/native language, math or natural/physical science)	SOCIAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL COURSES (Any area listed to the left, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy)
4 credits	3 credits	2 credits	1 credit	2 credits	4 credits

DIVISION II

To compete at an NCAA Division II school, complete a total of 16 core-course credits in the appropriate areas:

ENGLISH/ NATIVE LANGUAGE	MATH (Algebra I or higher)	NATURAL/ PHYSICAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL (English/native language, math or natural/physical science)	SOCIAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL COURSES (Any area listed to the left, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy)
3 credits	2 credits	2 credits	3 credits	2 credits	4 credits

GRADE-POINT AVERAGE

The NCAA Eligibility Center calculates your [core-course GPA](#) on a 4.0 scale based on the grades you earn in NCAA-approved core courses.

- » Division I requires a minimum 2.3 GPA.
- » Division II requires a minimum 2.2 GPA.

For more information on GPA conversions for your country, see the [Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility](#).

SLIDING SCALES

Divisions I and II use sliding scales to match test scores and GPAs to determine eligibility. The sliding scale balances your test score with your GPA. If you have a low test score, you need a higher GPA to be eligible. Find more information about sliding scales at ncaa.org/test-scores.

TEST SCORES

Every time you register for the [SAT](#) or [ACT](#), use code 9999 to send your scores directly to the NCAA Eligibility Center from the testing agency. We accept official scores only from the SAT or ACT. We cannot use test scores shown on your secondary school transcript (or TOEFL scores) toward NCAA initial-eligibility requirements. You may take the SAT or ACT an unlimited number of times before you enroll full time in university. If you take either test more than once, the best subscores from each test are used for the academic certification process.

**More information regarding the impact of COVID-19 and test scores can be found at on.ncaa.com/COVID19_Fall2022.*



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Register

- » *Start planning now!* Take NCAA-approved core-course credits and earn the best grades possible.
- » Review your country's academic guidelines in the [Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility](#) for course titles approved in your country.
- » Register for a free Profile Page account at eligibilitycenter.org for information on NCAA initial-eligibility requirements.

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Plan

- » If you fall behind academically, use the [Division I and II worksheets](#) to plan accordingly and monitor your progress toward meeting NCAA initial-eligibility requirements.
- » If you are being actively recruited by an NCAA school and have a Profile Page account, **transition** it to a **Certification account**.
- » Monitor the task list in your Eligibility Center account for next steps.
- » At the end of the school year, have your transcripts from years 9 and 10 **submitted** in the native language and a certified line-by-line English translation.

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Study

- » Check with your school or program to make sure you are on track to complete the required number of NCAA-approved **core-course credits** and graduate on time with your class.
- » Take the **SAT/ACT** and submit your scores to the Eligibility Center using code 9999.*
- » Ensure your sports participation information is correct in your Eligibility Center account.
- » At the end of the school year, have your transcripts from years 9 and up **submitted** in the native language and a certified line-by-line English translation.

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Graduate

- » Complete your final NCAA-approved **core-course credits** as you prepare for graduation.
- » Take the **SAT/ACT** again, if necessary, and submit your scores to the Eligibility Center using code 9999.*
- » Request your final amateurism certification beginning April 1 (fall enrollees) or Oct. 1 (winter/spring enrollees) in your Eligibility Center account at eligibilitycenter.org.
- » At the end of the school year, have your transcripts with proof of graduation from years 9 and up **submitted** in the native language and a certified line-by-line English translation.
- » **Reminder:** Only students on an NCAA Division I or II school's **institutional request list** will receive a certification.

PROOF OF GRADUATION

For more information on acceptable proof of graduation and grading scales for GPA purposes, please refer to your country's specific academic guidelines in the following resources:

[Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility](#)

[Country-Specific International Webpages](#)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

ncaa.org/playcollegesports

eligibilitycenter.org

ncaa.org/international

[Document Submission Guidelines](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

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