

Understanding Athletics: Division I to III

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Athletic Sanctioning Organizations



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NCAA Athletics

“The National Collegiate Athletic Association is a member-led organization dedicated to the well-being and lifelong success of college athletes.”



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NCAA Sports Awarding Championships

- Baseball – Men's
- Basketball
- Bowling – Women's
- Cross Country
- Fencing
- Field Hockey
- Football
- Golf
- Gymnastics
- Ice Hockey
- Indoor Track and Field
- Lacrosse
- Outdoor Track and Field
- Rifle
- Rowing – Women's
- Skiing
- Soccer
- Softball – Women's
- Swimming and Diving
- Tennis
- Volleyball
- Water Polo
- Wrestling



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MEMBERS



1,098 COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES



102 ATHLETIC
CONFERENCES.



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NCAA Athletic Divisions



ATHLETIC DIVISION I



ATHLETIC DIVISION II



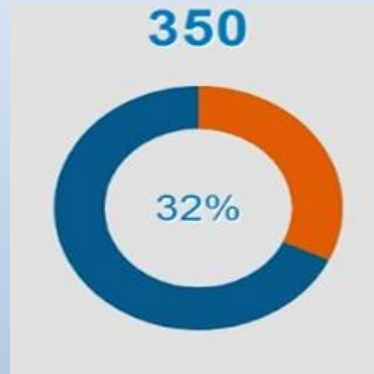
DIVISION III



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NCAA Breakdown: Division I

Divisions were created to align like-minded campuses in the areas of philosophy, competition and opportunity



Median Undergraduate
Enrollment:
8,960



Students Who Are
Athletes

Multiyear, cost of attendance athletics scholarships
available:

57% of student athletes receive athletic aid



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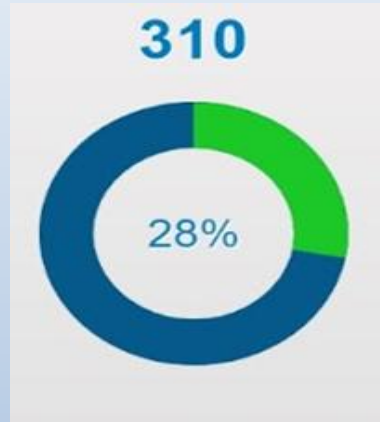
Division I

- Over 350 schools
- Over 6,000 teams
- Over 170,000 student athletes
- Largest student bodies
- Most athletic scholarships
- Can offer full athletic scholarships
- 2.3 minimum GPA



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NCAA Breakdown: Division II



Median Undergraduate
Enrollment:
2,428



Students Who Are
Athletes

Partial Athletic Scholarship Available :
63% of student athletes receive athletic aid



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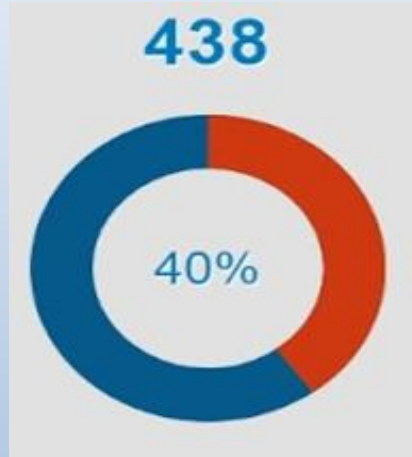
Division II

- Approx. 300 schools
- Over 100,000 student athletes
- Large to mid-size schools
- Can offer partial athletic scholarships
- 2.2 Minimum GPA



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NCAA Breakdown: Division III



Median Undergraduate
Enrollment:

1,740



Students Who Are
Athletes

No athletic scholarships:
80% of student athletes receive non-athletics
aid



Division III

- Over 400 schools
- Over 170,000 athletes
- Mid-size to small schools
- Cannot offer athletic scholarships
- Must meet regular academic requirements for the institution



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What percentage of high school athletes receive athletic scholarship?



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2%

Answer



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NCAA Academics

- SAT/ACT – No longer required
- GPA – Division I requires a 2.3 on a 4.0 U.S. scale
- GPA – Division II requires a 2.2 on a 4.0 U.S. scale



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NCAA Division I Core Course Requirements

1. Earn 16 NCAA-approved core-course credits in the following areas:

ENGLISH

4 years

MATH
(Algebra I
or higher)

3 years

SCIENCE
(Including one
year of lab,
if offered)

2 years

EXTRA
(English, math
or science)

1 year

**SOCIAL
SCIENCE**

2 years

OTHER

Any area listed to the
left or courses listed
in additional discipline
(world language,
comparative religion
or philosophy)

4 years



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Recruitment to NCAA Tips + Considerations

- Familiarize yourself with the recruitment calendar for your sport of choice
- Talk to your coach about their recommendations
- Research universities by program and sports
- Don't focus just on NCAA Division I
- Contact coaches in your desired schools as early as possible within the recruiting guidelines
- Maintain an updated highlight reel
- Maintain your academics and your amateur status
- Register with the NCAA Eligibility Center as early as possible: <https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>



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Building an Athletic Resume

- Athletic Achievements
- Highlights and film
- Speed, strength and agility
- Results/Times (*If applicable*)
- Current Coaches
- Camp Schedule (*If applicable*)
 - **Coaches Contact information on athletic section of the website*



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Eligibility

NCAA Eligibility Center

- Division I and II (Create an Account)
- Division III (Create a Profile Page)
 - [Ncaa.org/student-athletes/future](https://www.ncaa.org/student-athletes/future)
- Amateurism Certification



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Eligibility

- Competing after graduating secondary school
- Receiving payment
- Accepting prize money
- Represented by an agent
- Endorsing a product or service



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Maintaining Eligibility

Division 1

- 40% by year 2, 60% by year 3 and 80% by year 4
- Six credit hours each term
- GPA requirements set by school

Division 2

- 24-semester hours of degree credit per year
- At least 9 full-time hours per term
- 2.0 GPA minimum

Division 3

- 12 semester hours “full time”
- Good academic standing and satisfactory progress set by school



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International High School Timeline

YEAR

9

REGISTER

- » If you haven't yet, **register** for a free Profile Page account at eligibilitycenter.org for information on NCAA initial-eligibility requirements.
- » Use NCAA Research's **interactive map** to help locate NCAA schools you're interested in attending.
- » Find your country's NCAA-approved core courses at on.ncaa.com/IntlGuide to ensure you're taking the right courses, and earn the best grades possible!

YEAR

10

PLAN

- » If you're being actively recruited by an NCAA school and have a Profile Page account, **transition** it to the required **certification account**.
- » Monitor the **task list** in your NCAA Eligibility Center account for next steps.
- » At the end of the school year, **submit** an **official transcript** from years nine and 10 in your native language, and include a certified line-by-line **English translation**.
- » Use the **Division I and II Worksheets** to plan accordingly and monitor your progress toward meeting NCAA initial-eligibility requirements.

YEAR

11

STUDY

- » Ensure your **sports participation** information is correct in your Eligibility Center account.
- » Check with your school or program to make sure you're on track to complete the required number of NCAA-approved **core courses** and graduate on time with your class.
- » Share your **NCAA ID** with NCAA schools recruiting you so each school can place you on its **institutional request list**.
- » At the end of the school year, **submit** an **official transcript** from years nine and up in your native language, and include a certified line-by-line **English translation**.

YEAR

12

GRADUATE

- » **Request your final amateurism certification** beginning April 1 (fall enrollees) or Oct. 1 (winter/spring enrollees) in your Eligibility Center account at eligibilitycenter.org.
- » Apply and be accepted to the NCAA school you plan to attend.
- » Complete your final NCAA-approved **core courses** as you prepare for graduation.
- » After you graduate, **submit** an **official transcript** and proof of graduation from years nine and up in your native language, and include a certified line-by-line **English translation**.



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Membership Directory



Find your sport

<https://www.ncaa.org/sports/2021/5/3/membership-directory.aspx>

**Country Specific
Information**

<https://www.ncaa.org/sports/2021/7/21/countries.aspx>

**International
Academic Standards
Guide**

http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/eligibility_center/International_Information/International_Guide.pdf



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How many
international
student athletes
compete in the
NCAA?



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25,000

Answer



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National Junior College Athletic Association

“The NJCAA’s mission is to promote, govern and foster a competitive environment for two-year college athletics. The NJCAA recognizes the diverse nature of its membership, providing at all times a consistent and inclusive governance structure that provides opportunities for all stakeholders and emphasizes the academic, athletic, and community involvement goals of all student-athletes.”



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NJCAA Conferences and Divisions

- 525 Community Colleges
- 24 Regions
- Over 23,000 student athletes on 1,700 teams



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NJCAA Conferences and Divisions

Division I

- Colleges may grant full athletic scholarships (tuition, books, fees, room & board), up to \$250 in course required supplies, and transportation costs one time per academic year to and from the college by direct route. Each sport has limits on the number of scholarships that can be granted.

Division II

- Colleges may grant athletic scholarships, but scholarships are limited to tuition, books, fees, and up to \$250 in course required supplies. Each sport has limits on the number of scholarships that can be granted.

Division III

- Colleges are not permitted to offer any athletic scholarships

ALLOWANCES PER DIVISION:	DIVISION I	DIVISION II	DIVISION III
TUITION & COURSE FEES	✓	✓	✗
ROOM & BOARD	✓	✗	✗
COURSE-RELATED BOOKS	✓	✓	✗
UP TO \$200 IN COURSE-REQUIRED SUPPLIES	✓	✓	✗
ONE-TIME TRANSPORTATION COST	✓	✗	✗



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Recruitment to NJCAA Tips + Considerations

- Familiarize yourself with the recruitment calendar for your sport of choice
- Talk to your coach about their recommendations
- Research colleges by program and sports
- Contact coaches in your desired schools as early as possible within the recruiting guidelines
- Maintain an updated highlight reel
- Maintain your academics and amateur status
- Complete the NJCAA Eligibility Form



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Official vs. Unofficial Visit

- **Official visit** – Any visit to a college campus by a college-bound student athlete/parents paid for by the college
- **Unofficial visit** – Any visit to a college campus by a college-bound student athlete/parents paid for by the student or their parents

on an
event

Only expenses that can be provided to a student
unofficial visit is 3 free tickets to a sporting



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Understanding the Coaches Perspective

- Resources
- Roster capacity
- Decisions of other students and coaches
- Difficult to evaluate
- Connections
- Enormous amount of communication
- Recruitment is only one piece



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Early Read Process

- Admission and Athletics
- Transcripts, early read application, English language proficiency, ACT/SAT scores or test optional responses
- Predicted merit scholarship and admission
- Different at every institution



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UMHB NCAA Division III Athletics

Men's Sports

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Tennis

Women's Sports

- Acrobatics and Tumbling
- Basketball
- Beach Volleyball
- Cross Country
- Golf
- Soccer
- Softball
- Tennis
- Volleyball



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Bryant University Division I Athletics



Men's Sports

- Basketball
- Baseball
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Lacrosse
- Soccer
- Swimming and Diving
- Tennis
- Track and Field (Indoor/Outdoor)

Women's Sports

- Basketball
- Bowling
- Cross Country
- Field Hockey
- Golf
- Lacrosse
- Rowing
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming and Diving
- Tennis
- Track and Field (Indoor/Outdoor)
- Volleyball



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What percentage of collegiate student athletes go on to play professionally?



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< 2%

Answer



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