



NCAA FRESHMAN-ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS QUICK REFERENCE SHEET

KNOW THE RULES:

Core Courses

- **NCAA Division I requires 16 core courses as of August 1, 2008.** This rule applies to any student first entering any Division I college or university on or after August 1, 2008. See the chart below for the breakdown of this 16 core-course requirement.
- **NCAA Division II requires 14 core courses.** See the breakdown of core-course requirements below. Please note, Division II will require 16 core courses beginning August 1, 2013.

Test Scores

- **Division I** has a sliding scale for test score and grade-point average. The sliding scale for those requirements is shown on page two of this sheet.
- **Division II** has a minimum SAT score requirement of 820 or an ACT sum score of 68.
- The SAT score used for NCAA purposes includes **only** the critical reading and math sections. The writing section of the SAT is not used.
- The ACT score used for NCAA purposes is a **sum** of the four sections on the ACT: English, mathematics, reading and science.
- **All SAT and ACT scores must be reported directly to the NCAA Eligibility Center by the testing agency. Test scores that appear on transcripts will not be used. When registering for the SAT or ACT, use the Eligibility Center code of 9999 to make sure the score is reported to the Eligibility Center.**

Grade-Point Average

- Only core courses are used in the calculation of the grade-point average.
- **Be sure** to look at your high school's list of NCAA-approved core courses on the Eligibility Center's Web site to make certain that courses being taken have been approved as core courses. The Web site is www.eligibilitycenter.org.
- **Division I** grade-point-average requirements are listed on page two of this sheet.
- **The Division II** grade-point-average requirement is a minimum of 2.000.

DIVISION I 16 Core-Course Rule

16 Core Courses:

- 4 years of English.
- 3 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher).
- 2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school).
- 1 year of additional English, mathematics or natural/physical science.
- 2 years of social science.
- 4 years of additional courses (from any area above, foreign language or nondoctrinal religion/philosophy).

DIVISION II 14 Core-Course Rule

14 Core Courses:

- 3 years of English.
- 2 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher).
- 2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school).
- 2 years of additional English, mathematics or natural/physical science.
- 2 years of social science.
- 3 years of additional courses (from any area above, foreign language or nondoctrinal religion/philosophy).

PLEASE NOTE: Beginning August 1, 2013, students planning to attend an NCAA Division II institution will be required to complete 16 core courses.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Division II has no sliding scale. The minimum core grade-point average is 2.000. The minimum SAT score is 820 (verbal and math sections only) and the minimum ACT sum score is 68.
- 14 core courses are currently required for Division II. However, beginning 2013, students will be required to complete 16 core courses.
- 16 core courses are required for Division I.
- The SAT combined score is based on the verbal and math sections only. The writing section will not be used.
- SAT and ACT scores must be reported directly to the Eligibility Center from the testing agency. Scores on transcripts will not be used.
- Students enrolling at an NCAA Division I or II institution for the first time need to also complete the amateurism questionnaire through the Eligibility Center Web site. Students need to request final amateurism certification prior to enrollment.

For more information regarding the rules, please go to www.NCAA.org. Click on "Academics and Athletes" then "Eligibility and Recruiting." Or visit the Eligibility Center Web site at www.eligibilitycenter.org.

Please call the NCAA Eligibility Center if you have questions:

Toll-free number: 877/262-1492.

NCAA DIVISION I SLIDING SCALE CORE GRADE-POINT AVERAGE/ TEST-SCORE New Core GPA / Test Score Index		
Core GPA	SAT Verbal and Math ONLY	ACT
3.550 & above	400	37
3.525	410	38
3.500	420	39
3.475	430	40
3.450	440	41
3.425	450	41
3.400	460	42
3.375	470	42
3.350	480	43
3.325	490	44
3.300	500	44
3.275	510	45
3.250	520	46
3.225	530	46
3.200	540	47
3.175	550	47
3.150	560	48
3.125	570	49
3.100	580	49
3.075	590	50
3.050	600	50
3.025	610	51
3.000	620	52
2.975	630	52
2.950	640	53
2.925	650	53
2.900	660	54
2.875	670	55
2.850	680	56
2.825	690	56
2.800	700	57
2.775	710	58
2.750	720	59
2.725	730	59
2.700	730	60
2.675	740-750	61
2.650	760	62
2.625	770	63
2.600	780	64
2.575	790	65
2.550	800	66
2.525	810	67
2.500	820	68
2.475	830	69
2.450	840-850	70
2.425	860	70
2.400	860	71
2.375	870	72
2.350	880	73
2.325	890	74
2.300	900	75
2.275	910	76
2.250	920	77
2.225	930	78
2.200	940	79
2.175	950	80
2.150	960	80
2.125	960	81
2.100	970	82
2.075	980	83
2.050	990	84
2.025	1000	85
2.000	1010	86

ACHS Courses That Would Fulfill NCAA Core Requirements

ENGLISH

= Senior Composition C/T
AP English Literature and Composition
Contemporary Literature and Comp
Creative Writing
Creative Writing/ADV
English 1
English 1/H
English 2
English 2/H
English 3
English 3/H
Modern Literature and Composition
Speech/Adv
Women & Literature
World Literature and Composition

SOCIAL SCIENCE

= American Government C/T
= Geography C/T
= United States History C/T
AP European History
AP Psychology
AP United States Government and Politics
AP United States History
Economics
Geography
Global Studies
Government
International Relations/H
Political Theory/H
Psychology of Living
Social Problems
United States History
World Affairs
World Civilization 1
World Civilization 2
World History

ACHS Courses That Would Fulfill NCAA Core Requirements (cont'd)

MATHEMATICS

= Algebra 1 A C/T (.5 units max)

= Algebra 1 B C/T (.5 units max)

Algebra 1

Algebra 1 A (.5 units max)

Algebra 1 B (.5 units max)

Algebra 1/H

Algebra 2

Algebra 2/H

AP Calculus AB

AP Calculus BC

AP Statistics

Computer Science

Finite Mathematics

Geometry

Geometry/H

Pre-Calculus

Pre-Calculus/H

Probability and Statistics

Statistics

NATURAL/PHYSICAL SCIENCE

= Biology C/T

Physical Science C/T

Anatomy/Physiology

AP Biology

AP Chemistry

AP Physics B

Biology

Biology/H

Chemistry

Chemistry/H

Earth Science

Ecology 1

Ecology 2

Environmental Science

Exploratory Science

Life Science

Physical Science CPP

Physics

Physics First

Physics First Honors

Physics/H

ACHS Courses That Would Fulfill NCAA Core Requirements (cont'd)

ADDITIONAL CORE COURSES

AP Spanish Language

German 1

German 2

German 3 Honors

German 4 Honors

Spanish 1

Spanish 2

Spanish 3/H

Spanish 4/H

Spanish II Honors

Spanish 1B (.5 max beginning 08/09)

= Denotes classes that would satisfy NCAA core requirements if a student has an IEP.



NCAA

Freshman-eligibility Standards for Division I or II

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Steps to clearing NCAA

Freshman & Sophomore Years

- Start planning now
- Earn the best grades possible
- Take classes that match our high school's NCAA list of approved core courses.
- Available at www.ncaaeligibilitycenter.org
“resources”

Steps to clearing NCAA

Junior Year

- Continue grades of B's or better
- Continue to match your course selection to NCAA approved courses
- Register with NCAA \$50
- ACT and/or SAT scores sent to 9999
- End of junior year, request transcript be sent to NCAA.



Steps to clearing NCAA

Senior Year

- Have taken ACT; NCAA uses the cumulative score
- Continue to take core courses
- Review your amateurism questionnaire
- Maintain a core course GPA of 2.0 or above



Test Scores

SAT minimum Score of 1000 (math and critical reading)

ACT minimum Score of 86 (all scores, but writing)

English 21

Math 25

Reading 27

Science 28

Total is

101



Core Courses--Division I

Minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher in 16 core courses

4 English

3 Math

2 science

2 social studies

1 addt'l Eng., math, or
Science

4 addt'l from above
or Foreign Lang.



Core Courses—Division II

Minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher in 14 core courses

3 English

2 Math

2 science

2 social studies

2 addt'l Eng., math, or
Science

3 addt'l from above
or Foreign Lang.



Amateurism Red Flags

- Signing a contract with a professional team
- Receiving money for participating in athletics
- Receiving prize money above actual and necessary expenses

- Playing with professional athletes
- Trying out, practicing or competing with a professional team
- Receiving benefits from an agent or prospective agent
- Agreeing to be represented by an agent
- Participating in organized competition after your first opportunity to enroll in college.



Suggestions

Course Selection and grades!!!

“broken leg test” Would you be happy at this school, if athletics were not a factor?

If you are that good of an athlete, you will be found!

Your skill will market you!



Recruiting

Before a Division I college or university may invite you on an official visit, you must provide them with a copy of your high school transcript and SAT or ACT score(s). You must also register with the Eligibility Center.