

Initial-Eligibility Standards

Want to compete in NCAA sports? Register with the Eligibility Center at eligibilitycenter.org before year nine of secondary school. For more registration information, visit on.ncaa.com/regchecklist.

International Academic Standards

Division I and II schools require you to meet academic standards. To be eligible to practice, compete and receive an athletics scholarship in your first year of **full-time enrollment**, you must meet the following requirements:

Division I

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

ENGLISH/ NATIVE LANGUAGE	MATH (Algebra I or higher)	SCIENCE (Including one year of lab, if offered)	EXTRA English/native language, math or science	SOCIAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL Any area listed to the left or world language, comparative religion or philosophy
4 credits	3 credits	2 credits	1 credit	2 credits	4 credits

2. Complete your 16 NCAA-approved core-course credits before your expected date of secondary school graduation. If you graduate from secondary school early, you still must meet core-course requirements.
3. Earn a minimum 2.3 **core-course grade-point average (GPA)**. For more information on GPA conversions for your country, visit ncaa.org/countries.
4. Ask your secondary school counselor or appropriate issuing body to **submit a final official transcript** from years nine and up in your native language, and include a certified line-by-line **English translation** with proof of graduation to your Eligibility Center account. For more information on proof of graduation for your country, visit on.ncaa.com/intlguide.
5. Receive academic and athletics certifications from the Eligibility Center.

Division II

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

ENGLISH/ NATIVE LANGUAGE	MATH (Algebra I or higher)	SCIENCE (Including one year of lab, if offered)	EXTRA English/native language, math or science	SOCIAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL Any area listed to the left or world language, comparative religion or philosophy
3 credits	2 credits	2 credits	3 credits	2 credits	4 credits

2. Earn a minimum 2.2 **core-course grade-point average (GPA)**. For more information on GPA conversions for your country, visit ncaa.org/countries.
3. Ask your secondary school counselor or appropriate issuing body to **submit a final official transcript** from years nine and up in your native language, and include a certified line-by-line **English translation** with proof of graduation to your Eligibility Center account. For more information on proof of graduation for your country, visit on.ncaa.com/intlguide.
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Division III

While **Division III schools** set their own academic standards on campus, the Eligibility Center certifies the amateur status of Division III **international student-athletes** (first-year enrollees and transfers). All other Division III student-athletes are certified on campus. Contact the Division III school you plan to attend for information about its academic requirements.

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 **Eligibility Center account** for next steps.
- » Research the admission requirements for NCAA schools you're interested in attending.
- » 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**.
- » Take **unofficial and official visits** to NCAA schools you're interested in attending and start **applying** early.
- » 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

- » Be accepted to the NCAA school you plan to attend.
- » Ensure your **sports participation** information is correct and **request your final athletics certification** beginning April 1 (fall enrollees) or Oct. 1 (winter/spring enrollees) in your Eligibility Center account.
- » 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**.

International Resources

- » [Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility.](#)
- » [Country-Specific International Webpages.](#)
- » ncaa.org/international.
- » [Document Submission Guidelines.](#)
- » [Course Title Usage For International Education.](#)
- » [Frequently Asked Questions.](#)

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