

NCAA Division I Four-Year Undergraduate Transfer Basics

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY RULE

An undergraduate transfer student from a four-year school is eligible to compete immediately at a new Division I school, regardless of whether they have transferred before, if the student-athlete:

- Left the previous school **academically eligible** (excluding percentage-of-degree requirements);
- Was in **good standing** with the previous school (e.g., not subject to any disciplinary suspension or dismissal); and
- Meets all **progress-toward-degree requirements** at the new school prior to competing.

NOTIFICATION OF TRANSFER

- In order to engage in recruiting activities with a new school (e.g., talk to other coaches, take an official visit), a student-athlete must notify their current school, in writing, that they want to be entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal.
- A student-athlete may generally **ONLY** be entered into the Transfer Portal during the specified window(s) in that student-athlete's sport.
- There are limited exceptions that allow a student-athlete to be entered into the Transfer Portal outside of their sport-specific transfer windows (e.g., their head coach announces they are taking a new job, their current school discontinues the student-athlete's sport).
- Student-athletes should talk to their campus compliance officer to learn more about those limited exceptions if they think one of them may apply to their situation.



ADDITIONAL TRANSFER RESOURCES

Student-athletes are encouraged to seek assistance from their campus compliance administrator(s) to learn more about what factors would apply to their particular circumstances when considering transferring. Student-athletes may also contact NCAA customer service at 317-917-6008 for general rules education. Please visit ncaa.org/transfer to view NCAA transfer guides and additional resources.

