

NCAA Clearinghouse Information

What is the NCAA?

The NCAA, or National Collegiate Athletic Association, was established in 1906 and serves as the athletics governing body for more than 1,280 colleges, universities, conferences and organizations. The national headquarters is located in Indianapolis, Indiana, but the member colleges and universities develop the rules and guidelines for athletics eligibility and athletic competition for each of the three NCAA divisions. The NCAA is committed to the student-athlete and to governing competition in a fair, safe, inclusive and sportsmanlike manner.

The NCAA's membership includes:

- 326 active Division I members;
- 281 active Division II members; and
- 421 active Division III members.

One of the differences among the three divisions is that colleges and universities in Divisions I and II may offer athletics scholarships, while Division III colleges and universities may not.

What is the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse?

The NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse (the Clearinghouse) is an organization that works with the NCAA to determine a student's eligibility for athletics participation in his or her first year of college enrollment. Students who want to participate in college sports during their first year of enrollment in college must register with the clearinghouse.

Located in Iowa City, Iowa, the clearinghouse staff follows NCAA bylaws and regulations in analyzing and processing a student's high school academic records, ACT or SAT scores, and key information about amateurism participation to determine the student's initial eligibility.

When to call the clearinghouse

Please contact the clearinghouse when you have questions like these:

- How do I register?
- I have forgotten my PIN. Can I get a new one?
- Some of my classes are not on my high school's list. How can I get a class added?
- My clearinghouse report shows I am missing some material. What is missing?
- Where do I send my transcripts?
- What do the codes on my clearinghouse report mean?
- I have been home schooled. What do I have to do to register?
- I am a high-school counselor and I do not know my high-school's PIN. Can I find out what it is?
- I am a high-school administrator and want to add some core courses to our high school list. How do I do that?

When to call the NCAA

Please contact the NCAA when you have questions like these:

- What are the rules and regulations related to initial eligibility?
- What are the rules and regulations related to amateurism?
- What are the regulations about transferring from one college to another?
- What are the rules about athletics scholarships and how can they be reduced or canceled?
- I have a learning disability. Are there any other requirements for me?

NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse Address and Phone Number

301 ACT Drive, P.O. Box 4043, Iowa City, Iowa 52243-4043

www.ncaaclearinghouse.net

877-262-1492 (customer service Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Central time)

319-337-1556 (fax)

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