

# Eligibility and Amateurism

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# What is the Eligibility Center

- NCAA governing body that:
  - reviews all prospective DI and DII student-athletes
  - ensures the students have met all academic benchmarks (classes, GPA, test scores)
  - evaluates the amateurism status of the student-athlete

# Why Register with the Eligibility Center

- The Eligibility Center certifies the Student-Athlete as:
  1. **Qualifier**- a student-athlete eligible to practice and compete their freshman year
  - OR
  2. **Non-Qualifier**- a student-athlete who does not meet initial requirements for eligibility

# How to Register with the Eligibility Center

- NCAA link from Athletics web-page
  - click Eligibility Center
  - Follow instructions for your appropriate academic term of future enrollment

OR

- Family Connection
  - on Home page
  - click NCAA Athletes/Form on left hand side

# After Completing Registration

- Inform your coaches and counselor that you have completed the registration process
- Request, Complete, and Return the “Transcript Release” form
  - Form can be downloaded from Mitty NCAA Information Office web-site or picked up in the counseling office

# NCAA Requirement for Eligibility

- Graduate from High School with 16 core courses:
  - 4 years of English
  - 3 years of math (Algebra I, II, geom.)
  - 2 years of physical science (ex. bio, chem.)
  - 1 extra year of either-English, math, physical science
    - Can be a full year course or 2 semester courses
  - 2 years of social science (World & US History)
  - 4 years of extra core course electives from:
    - Any above category, or Foreign language, or Non-doctrinal religion (i.e. most senior religion courses)
- **For complete list of approved courses see the “NCAA approved core courses” link**
- **A detailed breakdown is available for download under “NCAA DI Worksheet”**

# NCAA Requirement for Eligibility

- Core courses must be completed with the required GPA and comparative test scores
  - NCAA uses a sliding scale of GPA and test scores to calculate eligibility
  - To better understand the scale please view the “NCAA Sliding Scale” link
- Test scores must be officially submitted to the Eligibility Center via [collegeboard.com](http://collegeboard.com) or [ACT.org](http://ACT.org)
  - NCAA code = 9999



# Determining Amateurism

- Who
  - All perspective freshman and transfers
- When
  - Before initial entry at the DI or DII level
- Why
  - To ensure student-athletes have not received more than necessary benefits.
- How
  - The E.C. requires all student-athletes to complete a questionnaire during registration

# Factors that may Effect Amateurism

- Contacts with a professional team
- Salary or prize money for participating in athletics
- Tryouts, practice, or competition with a professional team
- Benefits or representation by an agent
- Delayed initial full-time collegiate enrollment to participate in organized sports competition

# Allowed Necessary Benefits

- Meals and lodging directly tied to a competition
- Apparel, Equipment, and Supplies
- Coaching and Instruction
- Health/Medical Insurance/ Medical Treatment
- Transportation
- Facility usage
- Entry fees