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Initial Eligibility and Recruiting

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NCAA AND NAIA INSTITUTIONS

NCAA and NAIA Institutions

Colleges and Universities in Nebraska

National Collegiate Athletic Association – NCAA

- **Division I (scholarships)** – UNL, UNO and Creighton
- **Division II (scholarships)** – UNK, Wayne State, Chadron State
- **Division III (no scholarships)** – Nebraska Wesleyan

National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics – NAIA

Hastings College, Midland University, Concordia University, Doane College, Nebraska Wesleyan (select sports) and Peru State.

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

NCAA Eligibility Center

What is the NCAA Eligibility Center?

- The NCAA Eligibility Center is the office of the NCAA that certifies **academic** and **amateurism** credentials of all college-bound student-athletes who wish to compete at the NCAA Division I or Division II level.
- Registration Fee is \$80 – You may receive a fee waiver if you qualify for a fee waiver for the ACT/SAT. Speak with your guidance counselor.

NAIA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

NAIA Eligibility Center

What is the NAIA Eligibility Center?

Explore the world of NAIA college sports.

Build your customized personal profile.

Connect with NAIA college coaches and admissions officers.

Register so you are ready to play college sports.

Registration Fee is \$80 (fee waivers available)

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Academic Requirements

Terms used in NCAA initial eligibility:

Core course – A high school course that meets the following criteria:

1. Is an academic course in English, math, natural/physical science, social science, foreign language, comparative religion or philosophy;
2. Is a four-year college prep course; and
3. Is taught at or above your high school's regular academic level (no remedial).

See your counselor for the list of approved courses

Academic Requirements

Sliding Scale – Scale in Division I of core course grade point average and ACT/SAT scores. (Division II will begin using a sliding scale in August 2018).

Sum Score – The sum of the best score from each section in the ACT and/or SAT.

- The NCAA does not use the composite score for the ACT or SAT.
- Test score does not have to be achieved on the same test.

Academic Requirements

October 2017 ACT

English	18
Math	<u>19</u>
Reading	<u>21</u>
Science	<u>20</u>

SUM Score: 80

April 2018 ACT

English	<u>20</u>
Math	17
Reading	19
Science	18

Academic Requirements

To compete at the **NCAA Division I level**

- Graduate from high school;
- Complete 16 core courses:
 - 4 years of English
 - 3 years of math (Algebra I or higher)
 - 2 years of natural or physical science (including one year of lab science if offered);
 - 1 extra year of English, math or natural or physical science
 - 2 years of social science
 - 4 years of additional core courses (from category above or foreign language, or philosophy)

Academic Requirements

NCAA Division I Continued....

- Earn a minimum of a 2.3 gpa in your core courses;
and
- Meet the Division test score/gpa index (sliding scale)

Sliding scale included in packet

Academic Requirements

To compete at the **NCAA Division II level**

- Graduate from high school;
- Complete 16 core courses:
 - 3 years of English
 - 2 years of math (Algebra I or higher)
 - 2 years of natural or physical science (including one year of lab science if offered);
 - 3 additional years of English, math or natural or physical science
 - 2 years of social science
 - 4 years of additional core courses (from category above or foreign language, comparative religion or philosophy)

Academic Requirements

NCAA Division II Continued....

- Earn a minimum grade point average of 2.0 in your core courses; and
- Meet the Division II test score/gpa index (sliding scale).

Academic Requirements

To compete at an **NAIA school** must graduate from high school and:

- **Must meet two of the following:**

- Minimum of 16 on ACT or 860 on SAT;
- Overall high school gpa of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale; or
- Graduate in the top 50% of your high school class.

QUALIFICATION STATUS

Qualification Status

Division I

Qualifier – Have met all criteria. During first year:

- May practice
- May compete
- May receive athletically related financial aid

Academic Redshirt– Have not met criteria for a Qualifier. During first year:

- May practice
- May NOT compete
- May receive athletically related financial aid

Non-Qualifier – Have not met any criteria. During first year:

- May NOT practice
- May NOT compete
- May NOT receive athletically related financial aid

Qualification Status

Division II

Qualifier – Have met all criteria. During first year:

- May practice
- May compete
- May receive athletically related financial aid

Partial Qualifier – Have not met criteria for a Qualifier. During first year:

- May practice
- May NOT compete
- May receive athletically related financial aid

Non-Qualifier – Have not met any criteria. During first year:

- May NOT practice
- May NOT compete
- May NOT receive athletically related financial aid

Qualification Status

QUALIFIER REQUIREMENTS – Division I

Practice, Competition & Athletics Aid

- Minimum core-course gpa of 2.300;
- Earn 10 core courses before senior year;
- Seven (7) of those 10 core courses must be in English, Math or Science;
- Earn 16 core courses in the required distribution; and
- *Meet the sliding scale.*

Notes

- *A grade for a course used in 10/7 cannot be replaced in your senior year;*
- *If you are planning to take the SAT, please check with your counselor for the score you will need. SAT scoring has changed which impacts the sliding scale.*

Qualification Status

ACADEMIC REDSHIRT REQUIREMENTS

Practice & Athletics Aid

- 16 core courses;
- Minimum core-course gpa of 2.0;
- Meet gpa/test score index on the sliding scale; and
- In your first semester in college you must pass nine (9) hours to be eligible for practice in the second semester.

Note: The 10/7 core course progression is not required for Academic Redshirts.

Qualification Status

Other Notes on Qualification Status:

- NCAA qualification status is just for the first year at a four-year school. After the first year, other NCAA rules will determine eligibility.
- If a student-athlete attends a two-year college after high school and then transfers to an NCAA institution, the qualification status will determine what transfer rules the student-athlete will need to meet.

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

GRADE SCALE

GRADE	GPA	WEIGHTED GPA	GRADE	GPA	WEIGHTED GPA	
A	4.0000	5.0000	C	2.0000	3.0000	S SATISFACTORY
B+	3.5000	4.5000	D+	1.5000	1.5000	U UNSATISFACTORY
B	3.0000	4.0000	D	1.0000	1.0000	W WITHDREW
C+	2.5000	3.5000	F	0.0000	0.0000	INC INCOMPLETE



Lincoln Public Schools
5905 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68510
Tel: 402-436-1000

Date: 6/6/2017

Student Name:

Grade: GR

Gender:

Student ID:

DOB:

Address:

Graduation

Date: 05/24/2017

Class Of: 2017

Proj Graduation Yr: 2017

Tel:

Fax:

Counselor:

Crs ID	Course Title	Mark	Credit	Crs ID	Course Title	Mark	Credit	Comments		
Grd 09 2013/2014 FALL				Grd 12 2016/2017 FALL				ETHNIC: WHITE SERVICE LEARNING HOURS: GOVT & POLITICS - 20.00		
5191	ALGEBRA BLK S1	C+	10.000	46701	ADV CB/FN CONST	A	5.000			
7130	CIVICS	D+	5.000	6460	ADV WEIGHT TRNG	A	5.000			
21001	ENGLISH 9	D	5.000	0174	POTTERY 1	A	5.000			
6486	FITNES FOR LIFE	B	5.000	88201	SPANISH 2 S1	C+	5.000			
6825	PHYSICAL SCI	C+	5.000	Crd Att: 35.000 Comp: 35.000						
6450H	WEIGHT TRAINING	A	2.500	Grd 12 2016/2017 SPRING						
6450H	WEIGHT TRAINING	A	2.500	53112	ADV ALG SUPP S2	B	5.000			
Crd Att: 35.000 Comp: 35.000				53002	ADV ALGEBRA S2	B	5.000			
Grd 09 2013/2014 SPRING				6755	ANIMAL BEHAVIOR	A	5.000			
5193	ALGEBRA BLK S2	C+	10.000	7300	GOV & POLITICS	C+	5.000			
21002	ENGLISH 9	B	5.000	4310	PSYCHOLOGY S1	B	5.000			
7140	GEOGRAPHY	D+	5.000	88202	SPANISH 2 S2	C	5.000			
6875	GEOSCIENCE	D+	5.000	2527	SPORTS LIT	B+	5.000			
4650	INTR WOOD/CONST	B+	5.000	Crd Att: 35.000 Comp: 35.000						
20682	RDG INVSTIGATION	A	5.000	Credit Summary - High School						
Crd Att: 35.000 Comp: 35.000				GPA Credit Attempt Earned						
Grd 10 2014/2015 FALL				Grd 09 2013/2014 FALL		35.00	35.00			
67101	BIOLOGY S1	C	5.000	Grd 09 2013/2014 SPRING		35.00	35.00			
4660	CUSTOM WOOD MFG	B+	5.000	Grd 10 2014/2015 FALL		30.00	30.00			
22501	ENGLISH 10	C	5.000	Grd 10 2014/2015 SPRING		35.00	35.00			
5255	GEOMTY PLUS1 S1	C	5.000	Grd 11 2015/2016 FALL		35.00	35.00			
6110H	HEALTH	B	2.500	Grd 11 2015/2016 SPRING		35.00	35.00			
4100	HUMAN BEHAVIOR	A	5.000	Grd 12 2016/2017 FALL		35.00	35.00			
6450H	WEIGHT TRAINING	A	2.500	Grd 12 2016/2017 SPRING		35.00	35.00			
Crd Att: 30.000 Comp: 30.000				CUMULATIVE CREDIT 275.00 275.00						
Grd 10 2014/2015 SPRING				GPA Summary						
0300	BEG DIGITAL ART	B	5.000	CUMULATIVE GPA 2.900						
67102	BIOLOGY S2	C+	5.000	WEIGHTED CUMULATIVE GPA 2.900						
46602	CUSTOM WOOD MFG	A	5.000	CLASS RANK						
22502	ENGLISH 10 S2	B	5.000	Grade	Sem	Rank	Size	School		
5256	GEOMTY PLUS1 S2	C	5.000	09TH	S1					
2850	ORAL COMMUNICAT	B	5.000	09TH	S2					
7201	WLD HISTORY S2	C	5.000	10TH	S1					
Crd Att: 35.000 Comp: 35.000				10TH	S2					
Grd 11 2015/2016 FALL				10TH	SU					
6460	ADV WEIGHT TRNG	A	5.000	11TH	S1					
27001	AMER LIT/COMP S	B+	5.000	11TH	S2					
68351	CHEMISTRY S1	D	5.000	11TH	SU					
46601	CUSTOM WOOD MFG	B+	5.000	12TH	S1					
5257	GEOMTY PLUS2 S1	B+	5.000	12TH	S2					
88101	SPANISH 1 S1	B+	5.000	ACT Scores						
7270	US HISTORY S1	A	5.000	Date	Comp	Eng	Math	Sci		
Crd Att: 35.000 Comp: 35.000				04/19/16	17	15	16	21		
Grd 11 2015/2016 SPRING								14		
68352	CHEMISTRY S2	C+	5.000	SAT Scores				Write	Vrfd	
1710	ECONOMICS	D+	5.000	Date	Comp	Read/Write	Math	Vrfd		
52992	ELEMENT ADV ALG	B	5.000	03/11/17		910	420	490		
2440	LIT/HOLOCAUST	A	5.000	HONOR ROLL and TOP 3 %				Y		
88102	SPANISH 1 S2	C	5.000	Grade	HR	S1	S2	TOP 3 %	S1	S2
11501	TAKE CHARGE	B+	5.000	09TH						
7272	US HISTORY S2	A	5.000	10TH						
Crd Att: 35.000 Comp: 35.000				11TH						
Grd 12 2016/2017 FALL				12TH						
53111	ADV ALG SUPP S1	C+	5.000	Comments						
53001	ADV ALGEBRA S1	C	5.000	ETHNIC: WHITE						
46701	ADV CB/FN CONST	A	5.000							

* Weighted courses were first offered in the 1997/1998 school year; & Special Education courses with modified content and objectives; D Differentiated classes are designed for gifted and able learners. Contents, processes, and products are adjusted to higher levels to ensure appropriate challenge and motivation for students who meet criteria for participation; # Courses taken at a non-approved or non-accredited school; ~ Courses not taken in the Lincoln Public Schools

Unofficial Worksheet for Monitoring NCAA Initial-Eligibility Progress

						Name		ACT/SUM:	
						Sport		SAT/SUM:	
						HS/City/State		ACT/GPA	
						Birthdate		SAT/GPA	
						Review Date:		core units	16.02
								Core GPA	2.458
A. English (4 core units)									
Course	Grade	Units	Points	A. Core	4.00	Comments	A. Core English complete?		
English 9	D	0.50	0.5	A. Pts	11				
English 9	B	0.50	1.5						
English 19	C	0.50	1						
English 10	B	0.50	1.5						
Sports Lit	B	0.50	1.5						
Holocaust Lit	A	0.50	2						
Oral Comm.	B	0.50	1.5						
Amer. Lit	B	0.50	1.5						
B. Math (3 core units)									
Course	Grade	Units	Points	B. Core	3.02	Comments	B. Core Math complete?		
Algebra I	C	0.50	1	B. Pts	6.88				
Algebra I	C	0.50	1						
Geom. Plus	C	0.34	0.68						
Geom. Plus	C	0.34	0.68						
Geom. Plus	B	0.34	1.02						
Adv. Alg.	C	0.50	1						
Adv. Alg.	B	0.50	1.5						
C. Natural & Physical Sciences (2 core units) *includes lab									
Course	Grade	Units	Points	C. Core	2.00	Comments	C. Core Science complete?		
Biology	C	0.50	1	C. Pts	3.5				
Biology	C	0.50	1						
Physical Sci.	C	0.50	1						
Geoscience	D	0.50	0.5						
D. Additional English/Math/Nat-Phys. Science (1 core unit)									
Course	Grade	Units	Points	D. Core	1.00	Comments	D. Core Add'l E/M/S complete?		
Animal Behavior	A	0.50	2	D. Pts	3				
Chemistry	C	0.50	1						
E. Social Sciences (2 core units)									
Course	Grade	Units	Points	E. Core	2.00	Comments	E. Core Soc.Science complete?		
US History	A	0.50	2	E. Pts	5				
US History	A	0.50	2						
Civics	D	0.50	0.5						
Geography	D	0.50	0.5						
F. Additional (4 core units)									
Course	Grade	Units	Points	F. Core	4.00	Comments	F. Core Add'l Area complete?		
Human Behav.	A	0.50	2	F. Pts	10				
World History	C	0.50	1						
Gov. & Pol.	C	0.50	1						
Psychology	B	0.50	1.5						
Spanish 1	B	0.50	1.5						
Spanish 1	C	0.50	1						
Spanish 2	C	0.50	1						
Spanish 2	C	0.50	1						

PROCESS FOR CERTIFICATION

Process for Certification

- Register with NCAA Eligibility Center during 11th grade.
www.ncaaeligibilitycenter.org
- Request ACT or SAT scores be sent to the NCAA and/or NAIA Eligibility Center.
www.actstudent.org or www.sat.collegeboard.org.
 - Code for NCAA Eligibility Center is 9999
 - Code for NAIA Eligibility Center is 9876
 - When you register for the ACT or SAT, include the appropriate Eligibility Center

Process for Certification

- At the end of your junior year, request your guidance counselor to send your six-semester transcript to the Eligibility Center;
- At the end of your senior year, request your final transcript, with proof of graduation, be sent to the Eligibility Center; and
- When Eligibility Center receives final transcript, a final certification will be performed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional Information

- Division I – You may take up to one additional unit after high school graduation but before full-time enrollment in college. If you have a documented learning disability, you may take up to three additional units.
- Non-Traditional Courses – Any course not taught in a traditional manner must meet criteria to be used as a core course. Note: The LPS E-Learning Courses do not meet the criteria.
- LPS Career Academy courses *cannot* be used for initial eligibility.
- A non-standard ACT/SAT test may be used for your eligibility if you have a documented learning disability. See your guidance counselor.
- You must still be admitted to the college or university. Check admission requirements for all schools in which you have interest.

AMATEURISM CERTIFICATION

Amateurism Certification

- The NCAA will also certify your amateurism status;
- You will answer questions about your competitions and teams at the time of registration;
- In April of your senior year, you will request your amateurism be finalized. The NCAA will then determine if you are an amateur.

Amateurism Certification

Areas to be reviewed

1. Contracts with a professional team.
2. Salary for participating in athletics.
3. Prize money.
4. Play with professionals.
5. Tryouts, practice or competition with professional teams.
6. Benefits from an agent or prospective agent.
7. Agreement to be represented by an agent.
8. Delayed initial full-time enrollment to participate in organized competition.
9. Any financial assistance based on athletics skill or participation.

RECRUITING

Recruiting

Official Visit – Expenses paid by institution (travel, lodging, food, game admissions, permissible entertainment)

- May start visits:
 - All Division II Sports – June 15 prior to junior year
 - Division I Women's Basketball – Thursday after Division I championship of your junior year
 - Division I Men's Basketball – January 1 of junior year
 - Division I Football – April 1 of junior year
- Each prospect may have five official visits (only one per institution); (*Note: DII visits don't count toward five DI visits*)
- Institution must notify you in writing that you will use one of your five visits;
- May be on the visit for a maximum of 48 hours;
- Must register with the Eligibility Center and be placed on the institution's list; and
- Institution must have a copy of the transcript.

Recruiting

Unofficial Visit – Expenses cannot be paid

- You may take at any time during high school, except during a dead period (which is a time that coaches/staff may not have in-person contact with you);
- There are no limitations on number of visits or number of visits to one school.
- Division I – May only receive complimentary tickets to a home event.
- Division II – May receive complimentary tickets and one meal on campus or in the community.

Recruiting

National Letter of Intent (NLI)

What is the NLI?

An agreement between the institution and the prospective student-athlete that he/she will attend the university or college for one academic year in exchange for an athletics scholarship.

Note: The NAIA and NCAA do not recognize each other's NLI program.

Recruiting

Who is eligible to sign an NLI?

- High school seniors;
- Two-year college transfers (including those previously at a four-year school)

Can a walk-on sign an NLI?

- No, an athletic scholarship agreement must accompany the NLI.

When can the NLI be signed?

- There are designated times throughout the year in which NLI's can be signed.

Recruiting

Tryouts

Division I – Tryouts for prospects are not permitted;

Exception: Men's and Women's Basketball (specific conditions)

Division II – Tryouts for prospects are permitted in all sports under specific conditions.

Recruiting

Tips from Division I Coaches

1. Keep your grades up.
2. Be a good citizen.... Stay out of trouble at school and in the community.
3. Research the schools that would be a good 'fit' for you – size, location and academic programs offered.
4. Visit campuses.
5. Go to college games to see the level of play.
6. Spend more time practicing and training than trying to get recruited (i.e., emailing coaches, social media, highlight videos)
7. Play at the highest competitive level you can.
8. Understand the recruiting timeline in your sport.
9. Make yourself known to all levels you would be interested in (not just the highest level). If you are not offered an opportunity at the highest level you want to still have other opportunities.
10. Be cautious of coaches who make promises about playing time.

Questions?

ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Athletic Scholarships

The NCAA limits the number of scholarships that a sport may award. There are two classifications of scholarships for sports:

1. Head Count – Full scholarships only.
 - Division I Only – Football, Men's Basketball, Women's Basketball, Volleyball, Women's Gymnastics and Women's Tennis
2. Equivalency – Partial Scholarships (may still receive full scholarship)
 - Division I sports not listed above and all of Division II sports.

Athletic Scholarships

Notes on Scholarships

- Division I – multi-year scholarships may be awarded (but not required).
- Division II – scholarships can only be offered for one academic year and are renewable.
- Division I - Scholarships include only tuition, fees, room, board required textbooks and other expenses related to attendance.
- Division II – Scholarships include tuition, fees, room, board and required textbooks.
- Other scholarships may be countable toward the team maximum so check with the institution.

Questions?

Resources

NCAA Website www.ncaa.org

NCAA Eligibility Center www.ncaaeligibilitycenter.org

NCAA Guide for College Bound Student-Athletes
www.ncaapublications.com/productdownloads/CBSA15.pdf

NAIA Guide for the College Bound Student-Athlete
https://www.playnaia.org/d/NAIA_GuidefortheCollegeBoundStudent.pdf

National Letter of Intent www.national-letter.org

NAIA Website www.naia.org

NAIA Eligibility www.playnaia.org