

Division II and III Academic Eligibility Requirements

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Qualifier Standards

If you're first entering a Division II college on or after August 1, 1996, in order to be classified a "qualifier," you're required to:

- Graduate from high school;
- Have a GPA of 2.000 (based on a maximum of 4.000) in a successfully completed core curriculum of at least 13 academic course units as follows:
 - 3 years of English
 - 2 years of mathematics
 - 2 years of natural or physical science (including at least one laboratory course, if offered by the high school)
 - 2 years of additional courses in English, mathematics, or natural or physical science
 - 2 years of Social science
 - 2 years of additional academic courses [in any of the above areas or foreign language, computer science, philosophy or nondoctrinal religion (e.g., comparative religion) courses]
- Have a combined score on the SAT verbal and math sections of 820 (if taken on or after April 1, 1995) or a 68 sum score on the ACT.

Partial Qualifier Standards

A "partial qualifier" is eligible to practice with a team at its home facility and receive an athletics scholarship during his or her first year at a Division II school and then has four seasons of competition remaining.

In order to be classified a "partial qualifier," you have not met the requirements for a qualifier but you're required to graduate from high school and meet one of the following requirements:

- Specified minimum SAT or ACT score; or
- Successful completion of a required core curriculum consisting of 13 core courses and a 2.000 grade-point average in the core curriculum.

Nonqualifier Standards

A "nonqualifier" is a student who has not graduated from high school or who has presented neither the core-curriculum grade-point average and SAT/ACT scores required for a qualifier.

A nonqualifier is not eligible for regular-season competition or practice during the first academic year in residence and then has four seasons of competition. A nonqualifier during the first academic year in residence is eligible for nonathletics institutional financial aid that is not from an athletics source and is based on financial need only.

Division III Academic Eligibility Requirements

These requirements currently do not apply to Division II colleges, where eligibility for financial aid, practice and competition is governed by institutional, conference and other NCAA regulations.