

# SUMMARY OF THE NEW DIVISION I ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

-Updated version-

[Note: This is intended as a summary only and does not include significant detail.]

Year of Initial Collegiate Enrollment	Initial-Eligibility Standard	Entering Second Year of Collegiate Enrollment	Entering Third Year of Collegiate Enrollment	Entering Fourth Year of Collegiate Enrollment	Entering Fifth Year of Collegiate Enrollment
<b>2003 and 2004</b>	Current or new standard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24 semester/36 quarter credits</li> <li>• 18/27 credits earned during academic year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 40% of degree requirements</li> <li>• 18/27 credits earned during academic year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60% of degree requirements</li> <li>• 18/27 credits earned during academic year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% of degree requirements</li> <li>• 18/27 credits earned during academic year</li> </ul>
<b>2005</b>	New standard  (partial-qualifier status eliminated)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 90% of GPA for graduation#</li> <li>• Six credits/term</li> <li>• A maximum of six semester/nine quarter hours of remedial courses may be used in the first year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 95% of GPA for graduation#</li> <li>• Six credits/term</li> <li>• Declaration of degree program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100% of GPA for graduation#</li> <li>• Six credits/term</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100% of GPA for graduation#</li> <li>• Six credits/term</li> </ul>
<b>2008</b>	16 core courses*				

\*[Note: The NCAA Division I Board of Directors adopted Proposal No. 03-26 which increases the number of core courses to 16 (i.e., one additional math and one additional in any core area) for student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2008.]

#[Note: The NCAA Division I Board of Directors adopted Proposal No. 03-25 which requires institutions to certify the grade-point average requirement on a term-by-term basis.]

## Initial Eligibility

- In 2003 and 2004, a prospective student-athlete may use either the new 14 core-course or the current 13 core-course initial-eligibility requirements to become a qualifier. Elements of the two standards **MAY NOT** be combined to attain qualifier status. Beginning in 2005, all prospective student-athletes must be certified under the 14 core-course standard.
- Partial-qualifier certification will be eliminated for a prospective student-athlete who enters August 2005 and thereafter.
- A nonqualifier will continue to have the opportunity to earn a fourth season of eligibility if he or she obtains his or her degree by the beginning of his or her fifth year of collegiate enrollment.

## Continuing Eligibility

### Transfers

- A midyear transfer is subject to the above requirements and is able to use any degree credits to satisfy the requirements. (Official – 4/23/03)
- A transfer student-athlete (foreign or domestic) who initially enrolls as a full-time student in any collegiate institution's regular academic term on or after August 1, 2003, will be subject to the academic requirements set forth above.

### **Part-Time Enrollment**

- A student-athlete is responsible to earn 18 semester/27 quarter credit hours in any academic year in which the student-athlete was full time during one or more terms. Part-time hours may be used to fulfill this requirement.
- Exception: A student-athlete who enrolls in his or her first full-time term of collegiate enrollment following the fall term will not be responsible for earning 18/27 credit hours until he or she has spent a full academic year at the institution.

### **Averaging Method**

- The averaging method for determining eligibility may not be used with the new academic requirements.

### **Summer Credit Hours**

- Summer credit hours may be used to satisfy the 24-credit-hour requirement when certifying a student-athlete entering his or her second year of collegiate enrollment. Summer hours may also be used to meet the 40/60/80-percent-of-degree requirements.

### **Remedial, Tutorial or Noncredit Courses**

- A student-athlete may use remedial, tutorial or noncredit courses earned during his or her first year of collegiate enrollment and when certifying a student-athlete entering his or her second year of collegiate enrollment. These courses may be used to meet the 24-semester/36-quarter credit-hour requirement, but may not exceed six semester/nine quarter total credit hours.

### **Six Credit Hours**

- All student-athletes, including those currently enrolled, must successfully complete at least six (6) semester or quarter hours in the previous regular academic term of full-time enrollment to be eligible to compete in the next regular academic term (pursuant to the adoption of Proposal Nos. 2002-66 and 2002-70).