



## NCAA FRESHMAN – ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS QUICK REFERENCE SHEET

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### The NCAA initial-eligibility rules have changed.

If you plan to enroll in any Division I or Division II college or university in fall 2005 or after, please read this information carefully.

For students entering any college or university on or after August 1, 2005, your NCAA initial eligibility will be evaluated under the new rules as described on this sheet.

For students entering any Division I college or university on or after August 1, 2008, your NCAA initial eligibility will be evaluated under the 16 core-course rule as described on this sheet.

### THE NEW RULE:

- **INCREASES** the number of core courses from 13 to 14. This additional core course may be in any area: English, mathematics, natural/physical science, social science, foreign language or non-doctrinal religion/philosophy. The breakdown of core-course requirements is listed below.
- **CHANGES** the Division I initial-eligibility index, or sliding scale. *See the reverse side for the Core GPA/test score sliding-scale index.*
- The 16 core-course rule **INCREASES** the number of core courses from 14 to 16 for Division I only. Students must complete **three** years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher), and **four** years of additional core courses. The additional core course may be taken in any area: English, mathematics, natural/physical science, social science, foreign language or non-doctrinal religion/philosophy. The breakdown of the requirements is listed below.

#### DIVISION I 2005-2007

- 14 Core Courses:**
- 4 years of English.
  - 2 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher).
  - 2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school).
  - 1 year of additional English, mathematics or natural/physical science.
  - 2 years of social science.
  - 3 years of additional courses (from any area above, foreign language or non-doctrinal religion/philosophy).

#### DIVISION I 16 CORE-COURSE RULE 2008 and after

- 16 Core Courses:**
- 4 years of English.
  - 3 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher).
  - 2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school).
  - 1 year of additional English, mathematics or natural/physical science.
  - 2 years of social science.
  - 4 years of additional courses (from any area above, foreign language or non-doctrinal religion/philosophy).

#### DIVISION II 2005 and after

- 14 Core Courses:**
- 3 years of English.
  - 2 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher).
  - 2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school).
  - 2 years of additional English, mathematics or natural/physical science.
  - 2 years of social science.
  - 3 years of additional courses (from any area above, foreign language or non-doctrinal religion/philosophy).

**PLEASE NOTE:** Computer science is being **eliminated** as an acceptable core-course area for students first entering any college or university on or after August 1, 2005. Students entering college on or after August 1, 2005, may not use any computer science courses in meeting the core-course requirements, unless the course receives graduation credit in mathematics or natural/physical science, and is listed as such on the high school's list of NCAA-approved core courses.