



Student-Athlete Recruiting

How does it all work?

Welcome

- Information Program
- General Q/A
- Sport Specific Q/A

Athletic Department/Deans' Office
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Program Head/Coaches

Do I Really Want to Play in College?

- Time Commitment
- Class Schedule/ Major of Choice
- Social
- Physical - Mental - Emotional
- What do you want your college experience to be?



NCAA RECRUITING FACTS

College sports create a pathway to opportunity for student-athletes.

490,000

Student-athletes

19,500
Teams

3 Divisions

1 Association

DIVISION I

Division I schools, on average, enroll the most students, manage the largest athletics budgets, offer a wide array of academic programs and provide the most athletics scholarships.

PARTICIPATION

- 179,200 student-athletes
- 351 colleges and universities

ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIPS

59 percent of all student-athletes receive some level of athletics aid

ACADEMICS

2017 Graduation Success Rate: 87 percent*

OTHER STATS

Median Undergraduate Enrollment: 9,629
Average Number of Teams per School: 19
Average Percentage of Student Body Participating in Sports: 4 percent
Division I National Championships: 26

DIVISION II

Division II provides growth opportunities through academic achievement, high-level athletics competition and community engagement. Many participants are first-generation college students.

PARTICIPATION

- 121,900 student-athletes
- 308 colleges and universities

ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIPS

62 percent of all student-athletes receive some level of athletics aid

ACADEMICS

2017 Academic Success Rate: 72 percent*

OTHER STATS

Median Undergraduate Enrollment: 2,485
Average Number of Teams per School: 16
Average Percentage of Student Body Participating in Sports: 9 percent
Division II National Championships: 25

DIVISION III

The Division III experience provides an integrated environment that focuses on academic success while offering competitive athletics and meaningful nonathletics opportunities.

PARTICIPATION

- 190,900 student-athletes
- 443 colleges and universities

FINANCIAL AID

80 percent of all student-athletes receive some form of academic grant or need-based scholarship; institutional gift aid totals \$17,000 on average

ACADEMICS

2017 Academic Success Rate: 87 percent*

OTHER STATS

Median Undergraduate Enrollment: 1,748
Average Number of Teams per School: 18
Average Percentage of Student Body Participating in Sports: 26 percent
Division III National Championships: 28

Want to play NCAA sports? Visit ncaa.org/playcollegesports

*Graduation rate for student-athletes, including those who transfer from one school to another.

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Facts about NCAA sports

Does the NCAA award athletics scholarships?

Individual schools award athletics scholarships. Divisions I and II schools provide more than \$3 billion in athletics scholarships annually to more than 150,000 student-athletes. Division III schools, with more than 190,000 student-athletes, do not offer athletically related financial aid, but most student-athletes receive some form of academic grant or need-based scholarship.

Do many high school athletes earn athletics scholarships?

Very few, in fact. About 2 percent of high school athletes are awarded some form of athletics scholarship to compete in college.

Do NCAA student-athletes have difficulty meeting graduation requirements with the time demands of their sport? While competing in college does require strong time-management skills and some thoughtful planning with academic advisors, on average NCAA student-athletes graduate at a higher rate than the general student body.

Do many NCAA student-athletes go on to play professionally?

Fewer than 2 percent of NCAA student-athletes go on to be professional athletes. In reality, most student-athletes depend on academics to prepare them for life after college. Education is important. There are nearly half a million NCAA student-athletes, and most of them will go pro in something other than sports.

ESTIMATED PROBABILITY OF COMPETING IN NCAA ATHLETICS BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL

Student-Athletes	All Sports	Men's Basketball	Women's Basketball	Football	Baseball	Men's Ice Hockey	Men's Soccer
High School Student-Athletes	7,300,000	546,400	429,400	1,083,300	488,800	35,200	440,300
NCAA Student-Athletes	492,000	18,700	16,600	73,700	34,600	4,100	24,800
Percentage Moving from High School to NCAA	6%	3.4%	3.9%	6.8%	7.1%	11.7%	5.6%
Percentage Moving from NCAA to Major Professional*	2%	1.1%	0.9%	1.5%	9.1%	5.6%	1.4%

*Percent NCAA to Major Professional figures are based on the number of draft picks made in the NFL, NBA, WNBA, MLB, NHL and MLS drafts.



Scholarship Limits - Head Count Sports

- Men's Basketball (DI) - 13
- Football (DI FBS) - 85
- Women's Basketball (DI) - 15
- Women's Gymnastics (DI) - 12
- Women's Tennis (DI) - 8
- Women's Volleyball (D1) - 12

Scholarship Limits

	NCAA I			NCAA II			Average Roster Sizes	
	Men	Women		Men	Women		Men	Women
Baseball	11.7			9			37.2	
Basketball	13	15		10	10		17.3	15.1
Cross Country	12.6	18		12.6	12.6		14.4	14.6
Football FBS	85						109.6	
Football FCS	63							
Field Hockey		12			6.3			22.2
Equestrian		15			15		2.3	30.7
Golf	4.5	6		3.6	5.4		10.3	7.8
Gymnastics	6.3	12		5.4	6		21.4	18.6
Lacrosse	12.6	12		10.8	9.9		37.7	23.9
Rowing		20			20		40.8	50.2
Soccer	9.9	14		9	9.9		30.1	26.8
Softball		12			7.2			20.3
Swim & Dive	9.9	14		8.1	8.1		22.1	23.1
Tennis	4.5	8		4.5	6		10.5	9.5
Track & Field	12.6	18		12.6	12.6		35.1	33.1
Volleyball	4.5	12		4.5	6		16	16.3
Wrestling	9.9			9			30	
Average Athletic Scholarship per Athlete	\$14,270	\$15,162		\$5,548	\$6,814			

*Cross Country & Track & Field limits include one another.

Terms & Calendars

- Recruiting Terms - see packet
 - Contact
 - Evaluation
 - Official/Unofficial Visit
 - Verbal Commitment
 - Official Commitment
 - National Letter of Intent
- Recruiting Calendar - see packet

COMMUNICATION IS KEY!

- Students - Family - School: All need to be on the same page
- The earlier, The better: Freshman & Sophomore Year - if you know you want to play at the next level, let your Dean and coaches know ASAP
- The Role of the Parent
 - Assist, Don't Lead
 - Allow your child, the student-athlete, to advocate for him/herself

Common Mistakes Made by Students

- Target schools above your athletic ability
- Contact too few schools
- Have a false sense of security
- Waiting until it is too late for something to happen
- Thinking that someone else will get you recruited
- Not understanding the athletic scholarship and financial aid process
- Social Media

Common Mistakes Made by Parents

- Think you understand the process
- Think you can evaluate your child's talent
- Loose track of what going to college is truly all about
- Believe that if the coach really wants your child that he/she will find a way of getting he/her in
- Think a recruitment letter means your child is a top recruit and or that you will get a scholarship
- Expecting the coach to do all the work

What Do I (the Student) Need to Do?

1. Register with the [NCAA Clearinghouse](#)
2. Communicate with Program Head (potential Division I, II, III)
3. Put together College list (same criteria as regular application process)
4. Research Schools and [Programs](#)
5. Fill out Prospective Student-Athlete Forms
6. Complete profile [template](#) & attach to email communications
7. Go on campus visits & to school specific ID Camps - Meet the Staff

What Can Kinkaid Do to help?

- Film
- Supply Transcript
- Supply Test Scores
- Recommendations

Other Ways to Participate

- Club Sports
- Intramural Sports
- Lifelong Fitness

- Do your research
- Be your own self advocate
- Be realistic & honest with yourself
- Communicate

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