

Division III Amateurism Standards

Division III schools provide an integrated environment focusing on academic success while offering a competitive athletics environment. Division III rules minimize potential conflicts between athletics and academics and focus on regional in-season and conference play to maximize academic, co-curricular and extracurricular opportunities. While Division III schools do not offer athletics scholarships, 80% of Division III student-athletes receive some form of merit or need-based financial aid.



While Division III schools set their own academic standards on campus, the Eligibility Center certifies the amateur status of Division III international student-athletes (first-year enrollees and transfers). All other Division III student-athletes are certified on campus. Students should contact the Division III school they plan to attend for information about its academic requirements.