



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III WOMEN’S GOLF COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 10, 2018, ELECTRONIC MAIL CORRESPONDENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Regional alignment.**

- Recommendation. To align the five regions in an effort to more evenly distribute the institutions across the regions.
- Effective date. 2019-20 championship season.
- Rationale. Women’s golf is divided into five regions. With the growth of the sport, the regions have become unbalanced. On the high end, the East region has 84 institutions to a low of 29 institutions in the Midwest region. The Central, Great Lakes and West regions range from 32 to 43 institutions. The attachment provides the alignment the committee is proposing.

The committee has communicated and worked with the division conference commissioners and both parties are in agreement with the recommendation.

- Estimated budget impact. None.
- Student-athlete impact. None.

Committee Chair: Jerry Bergsma, Calvin College
Staff Liaison: Nancy O’Hara, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division III Women’s Golf Committee August 6, 2018, Teleconference
Attendees:
Jerry Bergsma, Calvin College.
Jodie Burton, Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges
Brad Duckworth, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.
Mary Giorgi, St. Catherine University
Peter Gyscek, Washington and Lee University.
Absentees:

None.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Nancy O'Hara, Championships and Alliances.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
None.

Division III Women's Golf - Regional Alignment Recommendation

2018-19 REGION

College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin (AQ)	Central	8
Independent/Mount Mary	Central	1
Midwest Conference (non-AQ)	Central	6
Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference (AQ)	Central	8
St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	Central	5
Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	Central	7
University Athletic Association (non-AQ - WashU)	Central	1
Total # Institutions in the Central		36

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate (non-AQ)	East	2
Capital Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	East	5
Centennial Conference (AQ)	East	8
Colonial State Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	East	1
Empire 8 (non-AQ)	East	12
Landmark Conference (non-AQ)	East	5
Liberty League (AQ)	East	8
Middle Atlantic Conference (AQ)	East	13
New England Small College Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	East	6
North Eastern Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	East	1
Old Dominion Athletic Conference (AQ)	East	9
Presidents' Athletic Conference (AQ)	East	8
University Athletic Association (non-AQ - Carnegie Mellon)	East	1
USA South Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	East	5
Total # Institutions in the East		84

Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	Great Lakes	9
Independent/Finlandia	Great Lakes	1
Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (AQ)	Great Lakes	9
North Coast Athletic Conference (AQ)	Great Lakes	7
Ohio Athletic Conference (AQ)	Great Lakes	9
Southern Athletic Association (AQ)	Great Lakes	8
Total # of Institutions in the Great Lakes		43

American Rivers Conference/Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	Midwest	9
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	Midwest	11
Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (AQ)	Midwest	9
Total # of Institutions in the Midwest		29

American Southwest Conference (AQ)	West	9
Northwest Conference (AQ)	West	9
Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	West	8
Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	West	6
Total # of Institutions in the West		32

Institutions highlighted are being recommended to move.

Regional Alignment Recommendation

2019-20 REGION

Independent/Mount Mary	Central	1
American Rivers Conference/Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	Central	9
Midwest Conference (non-AQ)	Central	6
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	Central	11
Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference (AQ)	Central	8
St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	Central	5
Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	Central	7
University Athletic Association (non-AQ - WashU)	Central	1
Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (AQ)	Central	9
Total # Institutions in the Central		57

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate (non-AQ)	Southeast	2
Capital Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	Southeast	5
Centennial Conference (AQ)	Southeast	8
Landmark Conference (non-AQ)	Southeast	5
Old Dominion Athletic Conference (AQ)	Southeast	9
Southern Athletic Association (AQ)	Southeast	8
USA South Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	Southeast	5
Total # Institutions in the Southeast		42

Colonial State Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	East	1
Empire 8 (non-AQ)	East	12
Liberty League (AQ)	East	8
Middle Atlantic Conference (AQ)	East	13
New England Small College Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	East	6
North Eastern Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	East	1
Total # Institutions in the East		41

College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin (AQ)	Great Lakes	8
Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	Great Lakes	9
Independents (Finlandia, Carnegie Mellon, Thomas More)	Great Lakes	3
Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (AQ)	Great Lakes	9
North Coast Athletic Conference (AQ)	Great Lakes	7
Ohio Athletic Conference (AQ)	Great Lakes	9
Presidents' Athletic Conference (AQ)	Great Lakes	8
Total # of Institutions in the Great Lakes		53

American Southwest Conference (AQ)	West	9
Northwest Conference (AQ)	West	9
Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (AQ)	West	8
Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (non-AQ)	West	6
Total # of Institutions in the West		32

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In summary:

Keeping five regions.

Split the East into two regions - East and Southeast.

Combining the Central and Midwest (except for CCIW) to form one region - Central.

Move the CCIW from the Central to the Great Lakes.

Move the PAC from the East to the Great Lakes.

Move the SAA from the Great Lakes to the Southeast

West region remains unchanged.