# NCAA DIVISION II WOMEN'S LACROSSE BULLETIN NOVEMBER 2024

The NCAA Division II Women's Lacrosse Committee is providing this information to outline key information. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact a member of the committee or Ryan Rea, Coordinator of championships and alliances (phone: 317-440-6532; rrea@ncaa.org).

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# 2024-25 Regional Advisory Committees

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### **Championship Updates**

- 24-team bracket (6 per region).
- 12 conferences will receive automatic qualifiers for the 2025 championship.
  - CACC, CC, ECC, GLVC, G-MAC, GSC, MEC, NE10, PSAC, RMAC, SAC and SSC.
- Bench size is capped at 50 for each institution during the postseason.
- DII and DIII will have a joint championship in 2025 at Kerr Stadium on the campus of Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia.

# **Championship Selection Criteria**

Bylaw 18.4.3 – Criteria for Selection of Participants. To be considered for championship selection, a team must satisfy all scheduling requirements as outlined by championships policy in that sport (e.g., minimum number of Division II or in-region contests). The following criteria shall be employed by a governing sports committee in selecting participants for NCAA championships competition:

- Availability of student-athletes for NCAA championships;
- Nullification;

#### **Selection Criteria**

Following confirmation of the availability of studentathletes for NCAA championships and the application of any nullification, the following required selection criteria shall be applied in no particular order:

Overall Division II in-region winning percentage;

- Overall Division II winning percentage;
- Overall Division II strength of schedule (opponents' average winning percentage and opponents' opponents' average winning percentage);
- Division II head-to-head competition; and
- Results versus Division II common opponents.

In addition to Bylaw 18.4.3, the Division II Women's Lacrosse Committee has received approval from the Division II Championships Committee to consider the following criteria in the selection of at-large teams for the Division II Women's Lacrosse Championship through 2027 (not necessarily in priority order):

- Division II results versus teams with .500 record or better;
- Performance Indicator (PI).
- Rating Percentage Index. (RPI).

Teams must play a minimum of 10 games in-region and have a .500 record.

An institution desiring to participate in the championship must complete all games before the final scheduled selection call of the Women's Lacrosse Committee.

Additionally, input is provided by regional advisory committees for consideration by the women's lacrosse committee. Coaches' polls and/or any other outside polls or rankings are not used as a criterion by the women's lacrosse committee for selection purposes.

#### **Future Dates and Sites**

#### **2025** Championship Dates

Selections: Sunday, May 4.

First and Second Thursday and Saturday, May 8 and

Rounds: 10

Quarterfinal Round: Saturday, May 17.

Semifinals/Final: Thursday and Saturday, May 22

and 24.

Host: Salem Virginia/Mountain

East Conference.

**2026 Championship Dates** 

Selections: Sunday, May 3.

First and Second Thursday and Saturday, May 7 and

Rounds: 9.

Quarterfinal Rounds: Saturday, May 16.

Semifinals/Final: Thursday and Saturday, May 21

and 23. Host: TBD.

# **2025 Bracket Format**

### May 8 & 10

- First and second round sites.
- Six teams at the host sites of the top seeds; games played Thursday.
- Winners of the first-round play Saturday.
- Winners of the second-round play in the quarterfinal game the next weekend.

#### May 17

- Quarterfinal round sites.
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# May 22 & 24

 Semifinals and final at Kerr Stadium on the campus of Roanoke College.

# Four Region Model

The region breakdown is as follows:

# **Atlantic Region**

Mountain East Conference Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference South Atlantic Conference

#### **East Region**

Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference
East Coast Conference
Northeast-10 Conference

### **Midwest Region**

Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Great Lakes Valley Conference Great Midwest Athletic Conference Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

#### South Region

Conference Carolinas Gulf South Conference Sunshine State Conference

#### **Annual Meeting**

The national committee will meet in conjunction with the championship. If you have topics that you would like the committee to discuss, please forward them in writing to Ryan Rea at the NCAA by May 13, 2025.