

# REPORT OF THE NCAA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT RECORDS COMMITTEE OCTOBER 10, 2024, MEETING

#### ACTION ITEMS.

None.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **1. Review committee report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from its September 26, 2024, teleconference.
- 2. Review of the Upper Secondary School Equivalency Examination credential from Japan. The committee reviewed and approved the Upper Secondary School Equivalency Examination credential from Japan as acceptable proof of high school graduation. The credential is comparable to a General Educational Development (GED) equivalency diploma in the United States; therefore, the credential must also meet the specific legislative requirements of NCAA Division I Bylaw 14.3.5.2.1 (Equivalency Test/Diploma) and NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.2.8.3.1 (Equivalency Test/Diploma) to be considered acceptable proof of high school graduation. Furthermore, this credential has no expected timeline for completion and is only acceptable as proof of graduation if earned on or after the expected date of graduation (as determined by a student's initial enrollment in year nine [also called Year 3] in Japan). While a student may have the opportunity to earn this credential earlier than Japan's expected 12-year timeline (four years or 8 semesters from initial enrollment in Year 3), it will only be recognized as acceptable proof of graduation if earned on or after the expected date of high school graduation. An explanatory note will be included at the beginning of the Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility (under "Helpful Information") detailing the legislative timeline requirements for this, and any future, international GED-style credential. The Upper Secondary School Equivalency Examination credential will be catalogued as a GED-based document, will only satisfy proof of graduation requirements (i.e., any accompanying exams, transcripts or other testing documents cannot be used in the initial eligibility academic certification to satisfy the academic requirements of NCAA Division I Bylaw 14.3.5.2.1 and NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.2.8.3.1) and will not be eligible for an old model certification. This information will be published in the next available update to the Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility.

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Committee Chair: Hanna Lantz, Texas A&M University- Kingsville, Lone Star Conference

Staff Liaison(s): Trey Jenkins, Eligibility Center

## International Student Records Committee October 10, 2024, Teleconference

## **Attendees:**

Dr. Scott Glenn, Goldey-Beacom College.

Hanna Lantz, Texas A&M University- Kingsville.

Santiago Pinzon, Troy University.

Drew Sanchez, High Point University.

#### Absentees:

Lisa Swope, Saint Francis University.

## **Guests in Attendance:**

None.

## NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:

Trey Jenkins.

## Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Aliyah Brown.