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Division I Academic Performance Program Policy Issues

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Overview

COVID-19.

NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate Adjustments.

NCAA Division I Academic Performance Program Data Reviews.

Common Issues.

APP Holistic Review.



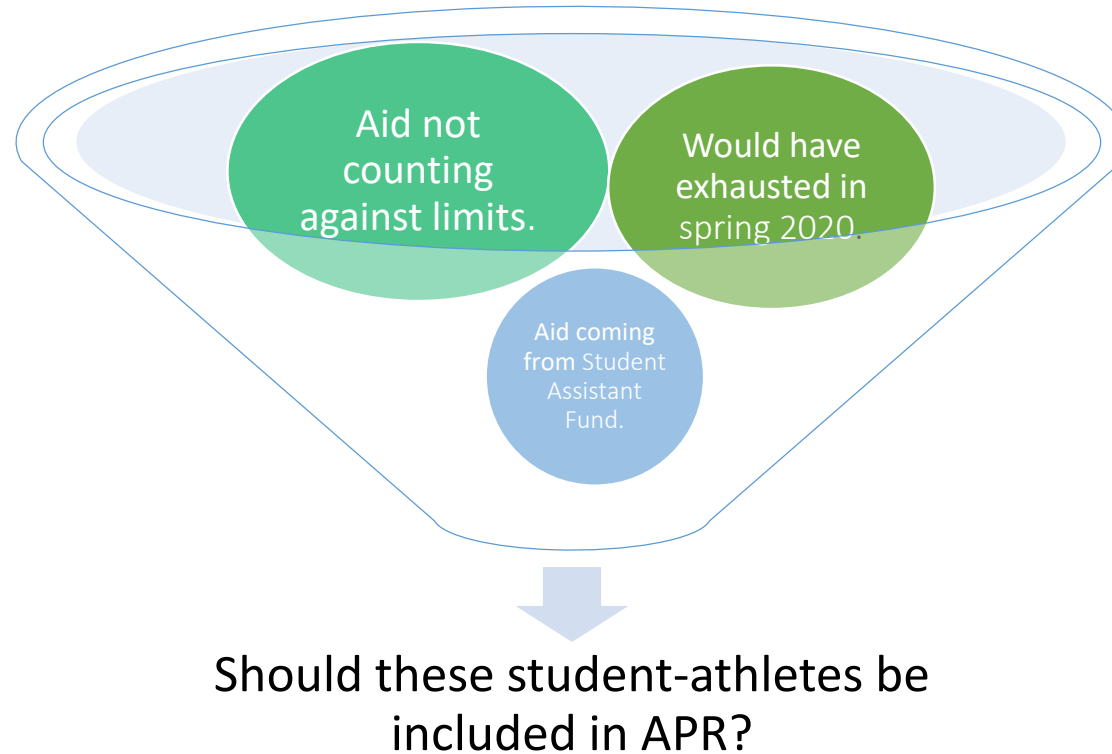
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COVID-19 & ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE PROGRAM



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Cohort Composition – Spring Sport Student-Athletes (Additional Season)



Five-Year Graduation Requirement

- Student-athletes must graduate within five years to be awarded the eligibility point in the 10th semester/15th quarter.
- If reason for not graduating within five years is related to COVID-19, that can be offered as mitigation in adjustment request.



Lost Eligibility Point Due to COVID-19

- If institution self-applies progress-toward-degree waiver (based on previously approved waiver checklist), student-athlete is awarded the "E" point.
- Points lost that cannot be addressed via waiver (no competition pending), can be addressed through the adjustment process.



Lost Points Due to COVID-19

For purposes of adjustment requests, COVID-19 meets definition of catastrophic event.

Documentation required for all adjustment requests.



APR ADJUSTMENTS



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APR Adjustments

May request adjustment for lost eligibility point, lost retention point, or both.

Discount lost APR point(s) for a term or terms from the denominator.



Adjustment Directive

Mitigating circumstances surrounding student-athlete must be beyond control of student-athlete and/or institution.

Eligibility:

Documentation must demonstrate how the mitigating circumstances impacted the student-athlete's academic performance.

Retention:

Documentation must demonstrate that the student-athlete was unable to return as a result of the mitigating circumstances.



Adjustment Reminders



Signature page must be provided for NCAA staff to begin processing adjustment request.



Transcript must be provided for ALL adjustment requests.



Requests can be submitted for any academic year included in multiyear rate.



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Adjustment Resources



APR Adjustment
Directive



APR Adjustment
Required Documentation



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APP DATA REVIEWS



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APP Data Review



WHY

Ensure uniformity and accuracy of data.
Data reviews began in 2006.



HOW

Institution submits supporting documentation.
Confirms accuracy of APP data based on documentation.



WHEN

Generally, 6-10 years between data reviews.



WHAT

Documentation based review of APP data.
Review three years of APP data (APR and Graduation Success Rate).



WHO

All Division I institutions.
Review 25-35 institutions annually.
Divisions II and III institutions that sponsor Division I sport(s).



Data Review Process— Documentation Requested

Squad lists.

Documentation to demonstrate student-athlete met criteria for exception/automatic adjustment.

Academic eligibility certification forms – must show work.

Official transcripts and transcripts from previous institutions.

Continuing eligibility policies and procedures.

Data collection and submission policies and procedures.



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DATA REVIEWS – COMMON ISSUES



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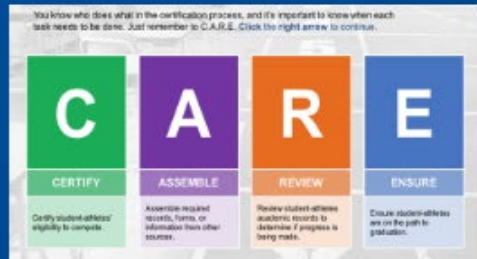
Documentation Insufficient or Lack of

- ▶ Automatic transfer adjustment.
- ▶ Automatic professional adjustment.
- ▶ Policies and procedures.
- ▶ Eligibility certification forms.



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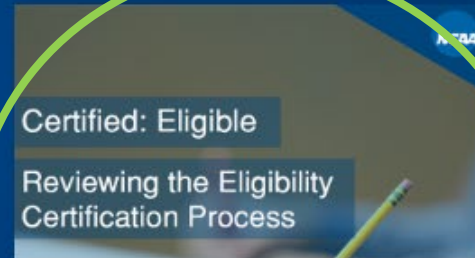
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Exception to Cohort Inclusion

Student-athletes who meet the following criteria are not included in the APR cohort, even if such student-athletes meet the cohort definition:

- ***Student-athletes who have graduated and exhausted athletics eligibility.***



Example: F.B. Standout



Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Graduated This Term	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Post BA/BS	Yes	Post BA/BS	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Post BA/BS	Yes	Post BA/BS	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Graduated This Term	Yes	Post BA/BS	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	3 / 4	Unknown/Other -	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Graduated This Term	4 / 4	-	
Yes	No			1 / 2	Unknown/Other -	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	No	No	2 / 4	Unknown/Other -	24 Hour Rule
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4 / 4	-	



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Cross Country and Track Cohort

Inclusion in the Cross Country and/or Track Cohort:


1. Student-athlete is receiving athletics aid in **either** cross country or track **and** on both rosters – student-athlete would be included in both cohorts; or
2. Student-athlete is on the roster for cross country **or** track, but **not** both, and is receiving athletics aid – student-athlete would be included in only the cohort receiving aid; or
3. No athletics aid: The APR cohort for each sport is comprised of recruited student-athletes who are on the team's roster (could be in both cohorts).



Cross Country and Track Cohort

Academic Year: 2017-18 ▼

Search:

Sport 

- WCC, WTO, WTI
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Sport	Received Aid?	Recruited	Athletics Status	Exhausted Eligibility	Delete
Women's Cross Country ▼	No ▼	▼	Competed ▼	Yes ▼	Delete
Women's Track, Outdoor ▼	No ▼	▼	Competed ▼	Yes ▼	Delete
Women's Track, Indoor ▼	Yes ▼	▼	Competed ▼	Yes ▼	Delete

Add Sport



Court and Beach Volleyball

Inclusion in the Beach Volleyball Cohort:


1. Student-athlete is receiving athletics aid specifically for beach volleyball, not court volleyball; or
2. No athletics aid for beach volleyball: Cohort would consist of student-athletes specifically recruited for beach volleyball, enrolled full time and on the team's roster as of, or after, the first date of competition.



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Court and Beach Volleyball

Search:

Sport 

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Sport	Received Aid?	Recruited	Athletics Status	Exhausted Eligibility	Delete
Women's Beach Volleyball	Yes		Competed	Yes	Delete
Women's Volleyball	Yes		Competed	Yes	Delete



Earning "E" as a Postgraduate Student-Athlete

Six-Hour Rule

Postbaccalaureate Program

- Enrolled in specific program of study:
 - Hours must be degree applicable.
- Not enrolled in specific program of study:
 - Hours must count towards any degree program.

Graduate Program

- Enrolled in specific graduate degree program:
 - Hours must be degree applicable.
- Enrolled in nondegree seeking graduate program:
 - Hours are acceptable within the nondegree seeking graduate program.





APP HOLISTIC REVIEW



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APP Holistic Review Update

- Ten topics identified with the APP program including several related to the APR.
- Review conducted October 2018 – May 2020.
- Final recommendations May 2020.



APP Topics Reviewed

- Public recognition.
- Head coaches' APR.
- APR components and calculation.
- Delayed-graduation points.
- Inclusion of noncounters in the APR.
- Filters for limited resource institutions to avoid penalties and loss of access to postseason competition.
- Postgraduates in APR.
- APR cohort composition.
- Adjustment for pro-sports departure.
- Accounting for transfer in the APR.



APP Topics to Revisit

- Adjustment for pro-sports departure.
- Accounting for transfer in the APR.



APP Topics Modified Slightly

- Filters for limited resource institutions to avoid penalties and loss of access to postseason competition.
- Postgraduates in APR.



Filters for Limited Resource Institution Teams to Avoid Penalties and Loss of Access to Postseason Competition

- Renew the filters designed for Limited Resource Institution team to avoid loss of access to postseason competition and APP penalties with the following updates:
 - Extend the current filters and allow teams at institutions identified as limited resource to use these filters twice in a rolling five-year period.
 - Maintain the existing requirement that LRIs submit an enhanced APR Improvement Plan in order to access these filters.



Renewed Filters Application

INSTITUTION	2017-18 SPORT	2018-19 SPORT	2019-20 SPORT	2020-21 SPORT	2021-22 SPORT	2022-23 SPORT	2023-24 SPORT	2024-25 SPORT	2025-26 SPORT
LRI U.	WSB								
	MTR	MTR				Eligible			
				MBA					
			MFB	MFB			Eligible		
		WBB							
		WSO	WSO			Eligible			
			MBB						
			WCC						
			WTR						



Postgraduates in the APR

- Remove the retention point as an element of the APR calculation for postgraduate student-athletes.
- Postgraduate student-athlete must still earn the eligibility point. There is no retention point:
 - Maximum points earned per term: $E = 1/1$
 - Applies to the data entered fall 2021.



APP Topics to Be Maintained

- Public Recognition Program – researching recognition beyond "Top Ten."
- Head coaches' APR – now accessed via the Institutional Performance Program.
- APR components and calculation.
- Delayed-graduation points.
- Inclusion of noncounters in the APR.
- APR cohort composition.





Staff Resources

- Leilani Hubbard – lhubbard@ncaa.org
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- APP Conference Contact Program – consult with your conference office.



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