

2026 NCAA Regional Rules Seminar
Association-Wide Daily Schedule

SESSION KEY

Introductory: These sessions will provide attendees with basic, introductory information about the topic(s) listed in the session description. Presenters will primarily use introductory language, concepts and examples in these sessions.

Mid-level: These sessions will provide attendees with information that is above a basic level of understanding of the topic(s) listed in the session description. Presenters will apply more advanced language in these sessions compared to introductory-level sessions but will not display an abundance of complex language, examples or concepts.

Advanced: These sessions will provide attendees with information that is more advanced in nature. Presenters will use advanced and complex language, concepts, and examples throughout these sessions.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

9 to 9:30 a.m.

Association-Wide Welcome to the Regional Rules Seminar – Introductory Atrium Ballroom A
This introductory-level session is intended to provide first-time Regional Rules Seminar attendees with information, tips and tricks to navigate the Regional Rules Seminar, what to expect by attending sessions and how to network with other first-time attendees, NCAA staff and other seminar participants. Presenting staff will provide time to answer questions and offer guidance about attending the seminar.

9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

Association-Wide Welcome to the World of Compliance: Eligibility Center Overview – Introductory Atrium Ballroom A
This foundational session, designed primarily for new Division I and II compliance staff, will provide a high-level introduction to the NCAA Eligibility Center. Attendees will navigate common registration and membership portal questions, review key resources and learn about best practices to help manage initial eligibility responsibilities.

10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Association-Wide – Level III and Secondary Violations – Introductory A706/707
This session will provide an overview of Level III and Secondary violations. Attendees will learn to identify and analyze Level III and Secondary violations; anticipate applicable corrective actions and penalties; and gain insight on key information required to complete the self-reporting application.

11 to 11:45 a.m.

Association-Wide NCAA Office of Legal Affairs Update – Mid-level Atrium Ballroom A
A legal update on issues impacting the Association.

1 to 2 p.m.

Association-Wide Uncovering the Odds: Sports Betting from an NCAA Enforcement Lens – Mid-level Atrium Ballroom A
Learn about sports betting trends and understand how to review, investigate and collaborate with the enforcement staff on potential sports betting issues on your campus.

2 to 2:45 p.m.

Association-Wide Navigating the RSRO System – Level III/Secondary Violations – Introductory A706/707
Bring your laptop for a hands-on session navigating the Level III/Secondary self-reporting application. Attendees will learn tips and tricks and hear about common questions and pain points.

2 to 3 p.m.

Association-Wide NCAA Emerging Sports Program – Expanding Participation Opportunities on Your Campus – Introductory A703/704
This session will provide an overview of the NCAA Emerging Sports Program and explore how current emerging sports can create new opportunities on your campus. Presenters will highlight key considerations related to compliance and sports sponsorship that institutions should keep in mind when evaluating the addition or support of these emerging sports.

2:15 to 3 p.m.

Association-Wide NCAA Office of Legal Affairs Update – Mid-level (REPEAT) Imperial Ballroom B
A legal update on issues impacting the Association.

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Association-Wide Athletics Certification Journeys: The Mechanics of Delayed Enrollment – Mid-level Atrium Ballroom B
Join the Eligibility Center staff for an introductory exploration of the delayed-enrollment legislation through a review of applicable rules, the athletics certification process and case examples. Participants will gain a practical framework for proactively identifying potential delayed-enrollment concerns and implementing effective strategies to protect the eligibility of future recruits.



3:30 to 4:15 p.m.

Association-Wide Building Your Compliance Toolkit: NCAA Systems Explained – Introductory A601
This introductory session will provide attendees an overview to three primary NCAA technology tools that support schools in managing their everyday compliance responsibilities: Compliance Assistant 2.0 (CA 2.0), Requests/Self-Reports Online (RSRO) and Legislative Services Database for the Internet (LSDBi). Participants will learn what each system does and practical tips for using them more efficiently.

Association-Wide Student Athlete Health, Safety and Performance – Mid-level Imperial Ballroom A
This session will explore emerging topics in collegiate athletics related to student-athlete mental and physical health, safety and performance. Presenters will highlight guidance and educational resources to help campuses protect and promote student-athlete well-being.

3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Association-Wide Academic Integrity: Risks, Red Flags and NCAA Enforcement – Mid-level
Atrium Ballroom A
Learn about recent trends in the academic misconduct space and how to review, investigate and collaborate with the enforcement staff if you discover academic issues on your campus.

4:45 to 5:45 p.m.

Association-Wide Inside Enforcement: Who We Are, How We Operate and What Is Impacting Our Work – Mid-level Atrium Ballroom A
Learn about the makeup of the enforcement staff, violation trends from 2025 and how the staff is navigating the current landscape of college sports while preparing for continued changes in the future.

THURSDAY, MAY 14

8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Association-Wide Your Grand Slam Guide to Summer Certifications – Mid-level Imperial Ballroom A
Summer is coming – are you preparing? Join the Eligibility Center staff to learn about the latest updates and walk through top recurring challenges – and recommended solutions – that you can implement immediately for your incoming recruits. This is the session that will help you turn summer stress into summer success.

8:45 to 9:30 a.m.

Association-Wide Inside the NCAA Transfer Portal – Mid-level Atrium Ballroom B
This session will be an overview of the NCAA Transfer Portal, where we've been and where we are related to the landscape of intercollegiate athletics. Panelists will share best practices on the day-to-day

management of working with student-athletes entering the Transfer Portal, lessons learned and how to effectively communicate with coaches and others on campus as it relates to the Transfer Portal.

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Association-Wide Academic Modernization in College Athletics: Balancing Integrity and Innovation – Introductory Atrium Ballroom B

As college athletics continues to evolve, NCAA academic and eligibility legislation is undergoing significant modernization to better support student-athlete mobility, opportunity and welfare. These legislative shifts paired with broader industry pressures such as name, image and likeness; roster movement; revenue considerations; and campus resource constraints are reshaping how institutions design and deliver academic support. This session will explore how academic support units are navigating the implications of modernized eligibility standards, transfer-related academic planning, evolving progress-toward-degree expectations and the alignment between athletics timelines and campus academic processes. Drawing from national director-level survey data, including both National Association of Academic and Student-Athlete Development Professionals (N4A) and independent Autonomy Four efforts, this presentation will highlight emerging practitioner trends, workload impacts and the critical role of campus partnerships in implementing new academic legislation with integrity and consistency. Additionally, the session will outline how N4A leadership is advocating for clarity, feasibility and student-centered outcomes in the modernization process, ensuring that legislative evolution aligns with the mission of higher education, protects academic standards and reinforces holistic support for student-athletes across all divisions.

Association-Wide Current Issues and Trends in Infractions Hearing Operations – Introductory Imperial Ballroom A

This session will provide a recap of the previous year's cases and highlight current issues and trends impacting the NCAA Infractions Process with emphasis on issues impacting the Committees on Infractions and Infractions Appeals Committees.



1 to 2 p.m.

Association-Wide Infractions Experience – Committee on Infractions Hearing Panel Member for a Day – Introductory A703/704

Sit in the seat of the Committee on Infractions as you take part in the NCAA infractions adjudication process first-hand as a hearing panel member for the day through a guided review of a mock case. Case information will be provided prior to the experience, and participants should be familiar with the information to ensure a full experience. Attendees are encouraged to match this session with Infractions Experience – Infractions Appeals Committee Member for a Day.

1 to 4:15 p.m.

Association-Wide Mental Health First Aid – Introductory A601

Become a Certified Mental Health First Aider. Limited Spots Available: The NCAA's Sport Science Institute is hosting the National Council on Mental Wellbeing's Mental Health First Aid for Higher Education training, designed to equip participants with the skills to recognize, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges. This nationally recognized certification helps trainees break the stigma around mental health and provide support and resources for those in need. Space is limited, only 30 seats per session! Once registered, you'll receive a follow-up email with next steps and access to the required materials. Completion of ~two hours of pre-work is required prior to attending the session. Important: Only register if you fully intend to attend the training. Your registration reserves your seat; and due to limited capacity, we want to ensure every spot is used meaningfully. The training is being offered at no cost to registrants.

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Association-Wide Bridging the Gap Between Athletics and Academics: The Role of the Faculty Athletics Representative – Introductory Atrium Ballroom B

A discussion of best practices for engaging with faculty athletics representatives (FARs) and fostering collaboration with campus partners to holistically support student-athlete success. Emphasizing strategies for bridging the gap between athletics and academics, leveraging FARs to align institutional resources with student-athlete's' unique needs.

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Association-Wide Understanding Membership Attestation Requirements – Introductory A703/704
This session will provide an overview of the attestation process, its purpose and key compliance obligations for member institutions. Attendees will gain clarity on timelines, responsibilities and best practices to ensure accurate and timely attestations in alignment with NCAA requirements.

FRIDAY, MAY 15

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