



Woman of the Year

## NCAA Woman of the Year Eligibility and Nomination Process FAQ

**Question:** Who from my school can submit a nomination?

**Answer:** Any administrator with a .edu email address and whose name and title are included in the NCAA directory can submit a nomination on behalf of the school through the Nominator tab in NCAA Program Hub. However, determination of the school's nominee(s) must be coordinated with the director of athletics and senior woman administrator prior to submitting the nomination. A completed signature page is required for each nomination, with signatures from the nominator, the student-athlete, and either the director of athletics or senior woman administrator. Nominations without a valid signature page will not be considered.

**Question:** Can a nominator submit more than one nomination?

**Answer:** Yes. A nominator from each school can submit up to two nominations if at least one of the nominees is a student-athlete of color or international student-athlete. (NOTE: This is a change from last year when each nomination had to be submitted by a separate Program Hub user on campus.)

**Question:** After logging into NCAA Program Hub, I don't see the Woman of the Year nomination form. Where can I find it?

**Answer:** The 2025 Woman of the Year nomination form is housed on the Nominator tab of NCAA Program Hub. If you are in the Applications tab, click the Nominator tab to navigate to the Woman of the Year nomination form. Once you've started the form on the Nominator tab, you'll complete it on the Applications tab.

**Question:** What information do I enter to start the nomination form on the Nominator tab?

**Answer:** Enter the nominee's email address and name and click save. You may enter a second nominee's email address and name to start their nomination, if at least one of the nominees is a student-athlete of color or international student-athlete.

**Question:** How does a student-athlete nominated for Woman of the Year access the 2025 nomination form to submit the personal statement or complete other sections of the form?

**Answer:** To simplify the nomination process, all nomination materials are submitted by the member school, without the nominee accessing the nomination form directly. The nominator should receive the personal statement written by the nominee and paste it into the nomination form. The nominator may also receive input from the nominee on information to complete other sections of the nomination form. The nominee will sign the signature page for the nomination form before the page is uploaded by the nominator to complete the nomination.

**Question:** Should the student-athlete still contribute to the nomination information if the administrator is responsible for submitting the information?

**Answer:** Yes, schools should coordinate with their student-athletes to ensure all nomination information is accurate. Student-athletes should write their own personal statements and share information about their leadership and service for the administrator to enter directly into the nomination form.

**Question:** If my school is switching conferences or divisions, which conference or division should I select?

**Answer:** Nominators should select the conference or division that the nominee competed in during the 2024-25 academic year. For student-athletes who compete in a sport not sponsored by the school's primary conference, the conference in which the student competes in the sport should be selected. If the nominee is a multisport student-athlete, select the conference of the nominee's primary sport.

**Question:** Can a student-athlete who meets eligibility requirements and was nominated for the 2024 Woman of the Year also be nominated for the 2025 Woman of the Year if they received an extension waiver and continue to meet eligibility requirements?

**Answer:** Yes. A student-athlete who receives an extension waiver or a season-of-competition/participation waiver and was nominated for the 2024 Woman of the Year, may be nominated again, provided they were not a Top 30 honoree and otherwise satisfy nomination criteria.

**Question:** Are graduate student-athletes eligible for nomination?

**Answer:** Yes, graduate student-athletes can be nominated. One note: Only the nominee's undergraduate cumulative GPA will be considered for academic scoring due to eligibility being determined by completion of the nominee's undergraduate degree. However, scoring for the remainder of the form will consider achievements, honors and special recognitions from throughout the nominee's complete experience as a student-athlete.

**Question:** Is a student-athlete competing in an emerging sport eligible for nomination?

**Answer:** Yes, a student-athlete competing in an emerging sport is eligible, PROVIDED it is an emerging sport in that division.

**Question:** If a student meets the criteria for both NCAA Woman of the Year and NCAA Honors Impact Award (formerly the Today's Top 10 award), can they be submitted for both nominations?

**Answer:** Yes, however, they may not win in both categories, so it's recommended to submit for the award you feel they best meet the criteria. Please note scoring for NCAA Woman of the Year has a stronger focus on academics, while the Impact Award criteria give more weight to athletic accomplishments.

**Question:** When will the NCAA Woman of the Year be announced?

**Answer:** The 2025 NCAA Woman of the Year will be announced fall 2025 through NCAA communication channels, and formally recognized in person at the 2026 NCAA Annual Convention in Washington, D.C.