



NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER COVID-19 RESPONSE

Due to the impact of COVID-19, NCAA Divisions I and II have approved the following flexibility for prospective student-athletes (PSAs) who delay initial full-time collegiate enrollment and participate in organized competition following their **legislated grace period**. The Eligibility Center will apply this flexibility in the amateurism certification process, and it will be visible in the PSA's Eligibility Center account.

NCAA Customer Service is available to assist with questions Monday-Friday, 9 a.m-5 p.m. Eastern time at 877-262-1492 (domestic students and Canadian students outside of Quebec) and for international students (including Quebec) at ncaa.org/contactinternational.

Division I

PSAs who have not previously enrolled full time in a collegiate institution, and their legislated grace period ends before or during the 2020-21 academic year, may only receive relief from the delayed-enrollment legislation for organized competition that occurred in 2020-21.

DIVISION I SPORT EXAMPLES	Expected High School Grad Date	Grace Period	Initial Full-Time Enrollment	Organized Competition After Grace Period?	Delayed Enrollment Condition/Year In Residence?
Soccer	May 2019	2019-20	Fall 2021	Yes in 2020-21	No
Basketball	May 2019	2019-20	Winter/Spring 2022	Yes in 2020-21 Yes in 2021-22	No for 2020-21 Yes for 2021-22
Tennis	December 2019	January 2020 to Fall 2020 (six months)	Fall 2022	Yes in 2020-21 Yes in 2021-22	No for 2020-21 Yes for 2021-22
Men's Ice Hockey	May 2018	21st birthday	Fall 2021	Yes in 2020-21	No, if PSA turns 21 during 2020-21 academic year.

Division II

PSAs who have not previously enrolled full time in a collegiate institution, and their legislated grace period ends before or during the 2021-22 academic year, may receive relief from the delayed-enrollment legislation for organized competition that occurs in **either 2020-21 or 2021-22** (whichever is more beneficial).

DIVISION II SPORT EXAMPLES	Expected High School Grad Date	Grace Period	Initial Full-Time Enrollment	Organized Competition After Grace Period?	Delayed Enrollment Condition/Year In Residence?
Baseball	May 2019	2019-20	Fall 2021	Yes in 2020-21	No
Field Hockey	May 2019	2019-20	Fall 2022	Yes in 2020-21 (20 games) Yes in 2021-22 (15 games)	May 2019(20 games) <i>*Flexibility applied to 2020-21 was most beneficial.</i>
Football	May 2019	2019-20	Fall 2022	Yes in 2020-21 (3 games) Yes in 2021-22 (11 games)	No for 2020-21 Yes for 2021-22

For questions on flexibility related to academic initial-eligibility requirements, please review our [COVID-19 FAQ](#).