

COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

NAIA

First-time NAIA students who wish to participate in athletics must have their eligibility determined by the NAIA Eligibility Center. To register go to www.playnaia.org

- Freshman Eligibility (must meet 2 of 3)

- 18 on ACT or 860 on the SAT (combined reading and math scores)
- 2.0 overall high school GPA
- Top 50% of high school graduating class

NAIA schools in South Dakota:

Dakota State University, Madison Mount Marty College, Yankton Dakota Wesleyan University, Mitchell Presentation College, Aberdeen

NCAA

Core Courses

- NCAA Division I requires 16 core courses---4 English, 3 Math, 2 Science, 1 additional English, Math or Science, 2 Social Studies and 4 additional core courses. NCAA Division II also requires 16 core courses---3 English, 2 Math, 2 Science, 3 additional English, Math or Science, 2 Social Studies, and 4 additional core courses.

Test Scores

- Division I uses a sliding scale to match test scores and core grade-point averages.
- Division II requires a minimum SAT score of 820 (critical reading and math) or an ACT sum score of 68 (sum of the four subtests).

Grade-Point Average

- Be sure to look at your high school's list of NCAA courses on the NCAA Eligibility Center's website www.eligibilitycenter.org
- Division I students enrolling full time before August 1, 2016 should use Sliding Scale A to determine eligibility to receive athletics aid, practice and competition during the first year.
- Division I GPA required to receive athletics aid and practice on or after August 1, 2016, is 2.000-2.299.
- Division I GPA required to be eligible for competition on or after August 1, 2016, is 2.300.
- The Division II core GPA requirement is a minimum of 2.000.
- Remember, the NCAA GPA is calculated using NCAA core courses only.

NCAA Division I schools in South Dakota:

**SDSU, Brookings
USD, Vermillion**

NCAA Division II schools in South Dakota:

Augustana College, Sioux Falls South Dakota School of Mines, Rapid City Black Hills State University, Spearfish University of Sioux Falls, Sioux Falls Northern State University, Aberdeen