



International Student Frequently Asked Questions

What are the eligibility requirements for international students?

If you have never previously enrolled as a full-time student in a university (the use of the word university is important because college/collegiate often implies secondary school), you must meet minimum academic standards in order to be eligible for practice, competition and athletics financial aid your first year. The minimum required standards will vary depending on the country. These standards are outlined in the NCAA's [Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility](#).

Also, you will need a minimum score on the SAT or the ACT. Foreign students MUST take the SAT or the ACT. Other tests, such as the TOEFL or the TWSE, are not acceptable. For more information on the SAT, please contact College Board Online at www.collegeboard.com. For information on the ACT, please contact www.act.org.

If you are currently enrolled (or have previously been enrolled) as a full-time student at a university in a foreign country, you will be considered a transfer student-athlete after enrolling at an NCAA university. Please see the [NCAA Transfer Guide](#) for more information on your eligibility.

Can you forward information on NCAA universities that offer my sport?

You will need to contact each university on your own. Since telephone calls from foreign countries can be expensive, we suggest using the Internet for your research. Most universities have Web pages with information about their athletics programs. A list of links to college Web pages can be found in our [College Sports Links Section](#).