Division II
Initial Eligibility
and
International Certifications

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Presentation Overview

- Sending official documents.
- Understanding the NCAA Guide to International Standards.
- Transcript vs. Exam-based Evaluations.
- Canada.
- Graduation Dates (Actual vs. Expected).
- Split Files.
- Resources.
- Best practices.

Official Documents

- Originals.
- Official school stamped copies made by issuing school/exam board.
- Certified copies.
  - Justice of the Peace.
  - Notary Public.
- NCAA Division I or II admissions office.
  - Exceptions.
- Document Return Policy.
Translations

- Native Language.
- Translations vs. Evaluations.
- Acceptable forms of translations.
  - Campus faculty.
  - Home high school.
  - Translation service.

Understanding The Guide to International Standards

Category One - Proof of Graduation:
- Meets core.
- Calculate GPA.

Category Two - Proof of Graduation:
- Transcript Based - 16 core courses.
- Exam Based - 5 core exam passes.

Category Three - Not Proof of Graduation:
- Example: Irish Junior Certificate (year 9).

Category Four – College/University coursework.

Transcript vs. Exam-based Evaluations (Category Two)

Transcripts.
- 16 core courses from years 9 and up.
- When crediting is not noted on the transcript:
  - If more than seven courses are studied in the academic school year:
    - English, Native Language, and Math are awarded one credit each per year.
    - Natural/Physical Science, Social Science, and additional core are awarded 0.5 credits each per year.
  - Seven or less courses studied.
    - All core courses receive one credit unit each per year.
Exam-Based Category Two Documents

- Five core exams in required areas.
- Example: Jamaica (British Patterned Caribbean).
  - CSEC and CAPE exams.
  - English, Math, Natural/Physical Science, Social Science, and one additional core exam.
- Total Quality points and Divide by 5 (exams).
- Missing a core exam?
  - Transcripts for years 9 and up.

Sample Scenario No. 1

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<td>English B-Two</td>
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Total Exams 5: Total QP 15
*Divide QP by # of Exams
15/5 = 3.0 GPA

Canada

- Provinces.
- Core-Course Lists.
- School Codes.
- Documents Needed.
  - Year 9 Report Card.
  - Ministry of Education Transcripts.
- Preliminary Evaluations.
- Resources.
  - High school portal.
  - DII worksheet.
Most Recruited Province - Ontario, Canada

- Approved Core Course List.
  - Under School Code 998003.
- Course Codes.
- Graduation Timeline - Four Years.

How to Read an Ontario Transcript:

- Course title/code must be on the approved core course list.
- Use School code 998003.
- Fifth Character in Course code indicates the academic level of the course.
  - M,U,D (designations) = Approved levels. (university prep/academic level).
  - C,O,P,E (designations) = Denied levels. (Applied Level) [Exception: Civics (CHV2O)].
- Note: Core courses coded with an L (Local Program) for the fifth character will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
Quebec, Canada

- Quebec.
  - Secondary 3 (year 9).
  - Releve De Note.
  - Diplome d’Etudes Secondaires.

- CEGEP.
  - Option for additional coursework and extending expected date of graduation.
  - Required for Canadian University entrance.
Expected Date of High School Graduation

- Start of year 9.

- Type of Proof of Graduation earned.
  - Multi-Tiered Educational Systems.
    - Submit all exam certificates and diplomas.

- Exhausting an expected date of high school graduation.
  - All transcripts required if there is a repeat/delay.
  - Must verify repeated years with official transcripts.
  - For the student-athletes’ benefit.

14.2.4.2.1.1 High School Graduation

An individual’s high school graduation date (or the international equivalent as specified in the NCAA Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility) shall be considered to be the graduation date of the final high school class of which he or she was a member.

- Early high school graduation.
- Late high school graduation – required to repeat a year.
- Discontinued high school enrollment.

Impact of Graduation Date on Amateurism Certification

NCAA Bylaw 14.2.4.2 - Participation in Organized Competition Before Initial Collegiate Enrollment.

- Reviewed by Amateurism Certification Staff.
- Use of PSA’s expected date of high school graduation.
- Definition of organized competition.
Delayed Enrollment Scenario

- PSA's self-reported HSGD is June 2013.
- PSA's expected date of HSGD is December 2011.
- PSA initially enrolling at DII school in August 2014.
  - Grace year: December 2011 to December 2012.
  - First opportunity to enroll: January 2013.
  - Delay period: January 2013 to August 2014.

14.2.4.2.1.2 Organized Competition

- Competition is scheduled in advance.
- Official score is kept.
- Individual or team standings or statistics are maintained.
- Official timer or game officials are used.
- Admission is charged.
- Teams are regularly formed or rosters are predetermined.
- Team uniforms are used.
- An individual or team is privately or commercially sponsored.
- The competition is either directly or indirectly sponsored, promoted or administered by an individual, an organization or any other agency.

Summary of Conditions: 2013-14

- 258 DII reviews with conditions.
  - 12% Domestic PSAs.
  - 88% International PSAs.
  - 93% Organized competition conditions.
- Most prevalent sports.
  - Men’s soccer, Men’s basketball, and Men’s tennis.
- Most prevalent countries.
  - Canada, United Kingdom, Germany, and Australia.
Split Files

- A majority of split files are students who have attended school outside the U.S. for a portion of their schooling and graduated from a U.S. high school.
- Students who earn proof of high school graduation prior to enrolling in a U.S. high school, would not be considered split files.

Split Crediting Policy

When crediting is not noted on the transcript, the following policy is applied to core coursework:

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Resources

- Lsdbi.
- Canada - High School Portal.
- Handouts for Coaches.
- Top 5 Recruited Countries.
- Web FAQ.
Best Practices

- Get PSAs registered.
- Send official documents ASAP.
- Native language & translation.
- Matriculation letters.
- SAT/ACT testing dates internationally.
- Transcripts for transfers.
- Feedback from campus.

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