

Sun Devil Athletics Manual (SDA)

SDA 005: Definitions

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Terms in this manual are defined as follows:

Big 12 Conference (Big 12)

A membership association composed of sixteen schools that compete annually against each other in accordance with the conference and the NCAA rules and regulations. The conference is composed of University of Arizona, Arizona State University, Baylor University, Brigham Young University, University of Cincinnati, University of Colorado, University of Houston, Iowa State University, University of Kansas, Kansas State University, Oklahoma State University, Texas Christian University, Texas Tech University, University of Central Florida, University of Utah, West Virginia University.

Graduation Rates

The percentage of student-athletes who enter in the fall semester on athletics financial aid and graduate within six years from the date of initial full-time enrollment. Transfer and non-scholarship student-athletes are not included in this report.

Hazing

Any intentional, knowing, or reckless act committed by a student, whether individually or in concert with other persons, against another student, and in which both of the following apply:

1. the act was committed in connection with an initiation into, an affiliation with, or the maintenance of membership in any organization that is affiliated with the university
- and
2. the act contributes to a substantial risk of potential physical injury, mental harm, or degradation, or causes physical injury, mental harm, or personal degradation.

Institutional Staff Member

Any individual employed by Arizona State University, including full-time employees, part-time employees, student workers, and those who do not receive remuneration (i.e., volunteer employees).

Intercollegiate Athletics

The athletic programs of competing colleges and universities.

National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)

The governing body devoted to the sound administration of intercollegiate athletics at hundreds of member institutions that range in size and ability levels.

Post-Eligibility

A student-athlete has four years within a five-year window to compete in varsity athletics and may receive up to five years of athletics-related financial aid within a six-year window. The window of opportunity begins on the first day of full-time enrollment at a higher educational institution. If a scholarship student-athlete plays four

consecutive years, he or she is considered post-eligible to compete in that particular sport and may receive one additional year of athletics aid.

Recruited Student-Athlete

A student-athlete that is sought after by a coach and invited to become a part of the coach's program, as defined in NCAA Bylaw 13.02.10.1. A prospective student-athlete has been recruited when an institutional staff member or athletics representative:

1. provides the prospect with an official (paid) visit to campus
 2. arranges an in-person meeting with the prospect and/or the prospect's parents
- or
3. initiates or arranges telephone contact with the prospect on more than one occasion for the purpose of recruitment.

Representative of Athletics Interest

An individual, independent agency, corporate entity, or other organization, pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 13.02.11, that is known by a member of the institution's executive or athletics administration to:

1. have participated in or to be a member of an agency or organization promoting the institution's intercollegiate athletics program
2. have made financial contributions to the athletics department or to an athletics booster organization of that institution
3. be assisting or have been requested (by the athletics department staff) to assist in the recruitment of prospects

or

4. have been otherwise involved in promoting the institution's athletics program.

Once an individual, independent agency, or corporate entity is identified as a representative, that identity is retained indefinitely.

Sportsmanship

Appreciation of the game and other competitors in victory and defeat through words and actions displayed through responsibility, civility, fairness, courage, and respect.

Student-Athlete

A male or female with extraordinary physical skills that enable him or her to compete against others in team or individual sports while simultaneously working towards a degree in higher education.

Walk-On Student-Athlete

A student-athlete who is a full participant in intercollegiate athletics, but does not receive athletics financial aid.