

# Athletic Policies

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## Academic Eligibility

Initial and continuing academic eligibility requirements for student-athletes relative to NCAA guidelines are stated below. Student-athletes participating in the sport of football may have additional academic requirements regarding eligibility for competition. Please direct questions regarding academic/athletic eligibility to the Athletics Certifying Officer at 215-204-2507.

1. Temple University is a member of the NCAA Division I (FBS) level of competition. This division of the NCAA requires all student-athletes first entering college to enroll and be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center.
2. Student-athletes must be registered and attending a minimum of 12 semester hours. They may not withdraw from courses that would put them below 12 semester hours without prior approval from the Resnick Center Academic Advisor or Athletics Certifying Officer.
3. Student-athletes must pass 6 credits each semester, 18 credits each academic year, accumulate 24 credit hours, and maintain a 1.8 cumulative grade point average after their first two full-time semesters of collegiate enrollment.
4. Student-athletes must officially declare a degree program prior to the beginning of their fifth semester of full-time collegiate enrollment. In addition, the student-athlete must have completed at least 40% of the declared program and maintain a 1.9 cumulative grade point average before the first date of competition.
5. Student-athletes are required to complete 60% of their declared program and maintain a 2.0 cumulative grade point average before the first date of competition of their seventh semester of collegiate enrollment. Student-athletes entering their ninth semester of collegiate enrollment will need to meet 80% of a declared program and maintain a 2.0 cumulative grade point average.
6. Student-athletes must remain in "Good Standing" each semester as determined by Temple University.
7. Transfer student-athletes from two-year institutions may need to graduate with an Associate's degree before entering Temple University for immediate consideration for practice/"try-out" opportunity.
8. Initial and Transfer student-athletes are also bound by a 5-year clock that begins at the time of first full-time enrollment at any institution of higher education.

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The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is committed to practices, procedures and policies that are designed to assure proper emphasis on educational objectives, to promote competitive equity among institutions and to prevent the exploitation of student-athletes.

Eligibility to represent Temple University in intercollegiate competition as a varsity athlete is a privilege and not a right. Additionally, Division I athletic eligibility standards are more rigorous than other divisions. Factors which constitute athletic eligibility include, but may not be limited to:

- Amateurism
- Medical Certification
- Behavior and Conduct