



# How do I become a student-athlete?

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II and the Sunshine State Conference. The NCAA is the premier governing body of collegiate athletics and the Division II level prides itself on allowing a student-athlete to balance academic success, athletic contributions, and campus and community involvement. Division II student-athletes are very much a part of the regular student population.



The Sunshine State Conference has become the Division II "Conference of National Champions." Since its inception, the conference has grown steadily in sports played, membership and national prominence and has won 102 total NCAA national championships. The conference also averages the highest academic success rate of all NCAA Division II conferences and is the only conference to be contained within a single state.



## Intercollegiate Programs

Embry-Riddle University sponsors the following NCAA Division II intercollegiate programs:

### Men's

Baseball  
Basketball  
\*Cheerleading  
Cross Country  
Golf  
Lacrosse  
\*Rowing  
Soccer  
Tennis  
Track & Field

### Women's

Basketball  
\*Cheerleading  
Cross Country  
Golf  
Lacrosse  
Soccer  
Softball  
Rowing  
Tennis  
Track & Field  
Volleyball

\*Men's Rowing and Cheerleading are varsity sports.

## NCAA Eligibility Center

To participate at a NCAA Division II institution, every individual is required to register with the NCAA Eligibility Center.

The NCAA Eligibility Center may be found by going to [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org) and clicking on the link from the homepage.

Once registered, be sure to complete both the Academic and Amateurism portions under the "My Sports" tab.

You MUST also submit the following for certification review.

- Official transcripts from **all** high schools attended. Documents must be sent directly from the high school to the NCAA Eligibility Center or they are considered unofficial copies. (*Transcripts must be in the original language of your country and translated in English*).
- All test scores (*SAT or ACT*); remember to resubmit your scores each time you take the test. **The reporting code for the NCAA Eligibility Center is 9999.**
- Pay the registration fee: U.S./Canada students pay \$75 and international students pay \$130.

## Getting in Touch with a Coach

If you're interested in one of our intercollegiate sports programs, you may find the coaches' names and email addresses on the Embry-Riddle University athletic website at: [www.erauathletics.com](http://www.erauathletics.com)

Don't worry if a coach doesn't respond to you right away; it may be because they are away from campus recruiting, on a team trip, in meetings or on vacation.

If you're concerned that one of our coaches may not be able to see you in action, feel free to send a highlight CD or DVD.

## NCAA Academic Requirements

Division II uses a minimum high school GPA of 2.0 and an SAT of 820 or ACT sum score of 68 to determine NCAA eligibility. *These requirements are for NCAA eligibility purposes only and are not the academic requirements for admission to Embry-Riddle.*

16 core courses are required to be considered an academic qualifier:

- 3 years of English
- 2 years of math
- 2 years of natural/physical science
- 3 additional years of your choice of the above
- 2 years of social science
- 4 additional years of your choice of the above, foreign language, or philosophy

## Admission and Eligibility

Official transcripts from all high schools or all colleges attended must be submitted to Embry-Riddle before certification can occur. Although test scores are optional for admission to Embry-Riddle, the NCAA Eligibility Center requires it for certification.

## Scholarships

Embry-Riddle University offers academic scholarships, grants, loans, student employment, and other means of financial aid. Each coach has an allotment of funds to use as athletic scholarships at their discretion, but at the NCAA Division II level, athletic scholarships are only part of the larger financial aid package.

NCAA Division I recently passed legislation which allows for institutions to offer multi-year athletic scholarships, but athletic scholarships in Division II are currently given on a one-year renewable basis.

To see what types of financial aid may be available to you, contact the Embry-Riddle Financial Aid office or visit:

<http://daytonabeach.erau.edu/financial-aid/index.html>

## Recruiting Services

Using a recruiting service to increase your visibility to college coaches is fine, but **DO NOT** sign any representation agreements. This restriction also includes verbal agreements. **This will affect your NCAA eligibility and may cause you to lose your amateur status!**

## Tryouts

Tryouts must be arranged with the Embry-Riddle coaches and approved by the Embry-Riddle athletic training staff and athletic compliance office.

Before you try out, you must have had a physical exam by a U. S. physician within the last six months and sign both the release of liability and sickle cell trait forms.

These forms and tryout information can both be found at <http://www.erauathletics.com/recruitsandtryouts>

## General Recruiting Rules and Restrictions

A coach may have unlimited in-person face-to-face contacts and send unlimited phone calls, emails and text messages to prospects beginning June 15 prior to their junior year of high school.

Social media guidelines:

Within the rules

- Adding a coach as a friend/contact
- Sending a private message

Against the rules

- A coach posting on your wall or other publicly viewable correspondence

Each year, there are dead periods where coaches cannot have contact with prospects. These dates surround the National Letter of Intent signing dates which are viewable at [www.nationalletter.org](http://www.nationalletter.org)

## Other Helpful Resources

If you're interested in living on campus, please visit <https://daytonabeach.erau.edu/campus-life> for more information.

Just as a reminder, if you apply to the NCAA Eligibility Center you must also apply for admission to Embry-Riddle University. Apply online for undergraduate admissions at <http://daytonabeach.erau.edu/admissions/index.html> and for International admission at <https://daytonabeach.erau.edu/admissions/international-admissions>

Daytona is packed with fun things to do. Visit <http://daytonabeach.erau.edu/about/area-information/index.html> for more information on how to stay active.