

COLLEGE RECRUITING



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HOW TO GET STARTED

- Visit colleges in sophomore and junior years. Watch games.
- Make good contacts for references.
- Club teams and Camps.
- Talk to college players who you know.
- Establish a list of colleges.
- Familiarize yourself with SAT, ACT & PSAT and NCAA Clearinghouse
- Get appropriate work experience.
- Start saving

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NCAA RULES AND REGULATIONS

- SAT and core GPA sliding scale
- High school requirements (Core classes)
- NCAA Clearinghouse
- Amateur Clause
- Contacts and Evaluations
- Emails
- Phone Calls
- Official Visit versus Unofficial Visit
- National Letter of Intent

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GPA / SAT SLIDING SCALE

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NCAA ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Graduate from High School
- Complete these 16 Core Classes
 - 4 years of English
 - 3 years of Math (algebra 1 or higher)
 - 2 years of Natural or Physical Science (incl. 1 year of lab.)
 - 1 extra year of English, Math or Science.
 - 4 years of extra core classes from above or foreign language, nondoctrinal religion or philosophy
- Earn a minimum required GPA in core classes
- Earn a combined SAT or ACT score that matches GPA sliding scale. See table

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KEY CONSIDERATIONS

Academics	Your Major, Team grades, Support, Graduate schools
Soccer	Div. I (331), II (291), III (429), Junior College, Conference, Competitive Schedule
Finances	Tuition, Scholarships (Athletic & Academic), Financial Aid
Location	In state vs. out of state, Northeast or beyond, Parents watching games, Can you get home?
Support Services	Athletic Trainers, Tutors, Student athlete academic center, Strength and conditioning
Coaches	Qualifications, Reputation, Gender, Time at school, Assistant coaches, Specialty coaches
Players	Do you know any? Team spirit, Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors, Your Position
Facilities	Weight Room, Gym, Training Room, Grass vs Turf, Track, Shared Facilities
Policies	Alcohol, Drugs, Visitation, Religion, Academic fraud, Hazing
Career Services	Co-op, Internships, Job placement

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DO YOUR HOMEWORK THE COST OF COLLEGE

Average cost of 4 year Private College: \$42,381

Average cost of 4 year Public College: \$17,045

Princeton, Mellon Foundation Study:

Salaries of graduates who attended top tier colleges and student who were accepted to top tier colleges but chose to attend less selective institutions were similar. Bright students excel in the workplace no matter where they attend school.

Students who graduate with more than \$15,000 debt have a default rate of nearly 20%

Save your money. You will need it for grad school. CNN-Money

SOCCKER SCHOLARSHIPS

- Maximum for men is 9.9 total per academic year
- Maximum for women is 14 total per academic year
- 1 out of 51 HS boys receive a partial scholarship
- 1 out of 38 HS Girls receive a partial scholarship
- Every program is not fully funded
- Must sign a National Letter of Intent (February, senior year)
- Scholarships are renewable every year
- Percentage vs Dollar figure

MEN'S SOCCER RPI 2008 END OF REGULAR SEASON

27	Uconn *
53	Quinnipiac
62	Yale
80	Fairfield *
83	CCSU
85	Hartford
97	Sacred Heart

203 NCAA Division I teams

WOMEN'S SOCCER RPI 2008 END OF REGULAR SEASON

318 NCAA Division I Teams

63	UCONN
73	Fairfield *
79	Yale
133	CCSU *
199	Hartford
226	Quinnipiac
294	Sacred Heart

Do's and Don'ts

Do	Don't
Start Early	Don't wait to be recruited
Be courteous and polite "Coach"	Don't send generic emails
Be assertive, carry the conversation	Don't tell lies
Be optimistic, and realistic.	Don't listen to rumors. Get the facts!
Be humble when selling yourself	Don't assume anything
Be prompt with correspondence	Don't be bullied or pressured
Spell check	Don't rely on guidance counselors

RESOURCES

- www.ncaa.org
- www.ncaaclearinghouse.net
- www.thesportsource.com
- www.nscac.com