



## **News Release**

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### **NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEE SELECTS CHAMPIONSHIP FIELD**

INDIANAPOLIS --- The NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Committee announced the field of 59 teams for the 2009 NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Championship today.

Thirty-nine conferences were awarded automatic qualification for the 2009 championship. Three teams were selected from Pool B, which consists of independent institutions, and institutions that are members of conferences that do not meet the requirements for automatic qualification. The final 17 berths were reserved for Pool C, which are institutions from automatic-qualifying conferences that are not the conference champion and any remaining Pool B teams.

Five two-team, first-round games will be conducted November 12 with the winners advancing to play five teams which received first-round byes Saturday, November 15. Eleven sites will host four teams for first- and second-round competition Friday-Saturday or Saturday-Sunday, November 13-14 or 14-15. Second-round winners will advance to one of four sectional sites November 20-21 or 21-22. Winners of the four sectionals will advance to the finals December 4-5. All games, except the finals, will be played on the campuses of competing institutions. Blossom Sports Stadium, in San Antonio, Texas, will be the site of this year's semifinals/final.

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**Conferences and Teams Receiving Automatic Qualification (39):**

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Medaille College (17-2-2)
American Southwest Conference	Hardin-Simmons University (10-2-6)
Capital Athletic Conference	York College (Pennsylvania) (15-1-4)
Centennial Conference	Johns Hopkins University (15-3-2)
City University of New York Athletic Conference	York College (New York) (12-7-0)
College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin	Wheaton College (Illinois) (14-3-3)
Colonial States Athletic Conference	Cabrini College (16-3-2)
Commonwealth Conference	Messiah College (19-1-0)
Commonwealth Coast Conference	Western New England College (15-5-3)
Empire 8	Stevens Institute of Technology (15-3-1)
Freedom Conference	Misericordia University (12-4-3)
Great Northeast Athletic Conference	St. Joseph's College (Maine) (14-7-1)
Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Transylvania University (14-3-1)
Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Wartburg College (15-4-1)
Landmark Conference	Catholic University (16-3-1)
Liberty League	Hobart College (14-3-2)
Little East Conference	Eastern Connecticut State University (16-4-1)
Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference	Salem State College (9-8-0)
Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Calvin College (15-4-1)
Midwest Conference	Grinnell College (9-7-4)
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Macalester College (12-7-1)
New England Small College Athletic Conference	Williams College (14-2-1)
New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference	Babson College (15-5-1)
New Jersey Athletic Conference	Montclair State University (17-1-2)
North Atlantic Conference	Husson University (10-8-2)
North Coast Athletic Conference	Denison University (12-4-3)
North Eastern Athletic Conference	Cazenovia College (12-6-1)
Northern Athletics Conference	Dominican University (Illinois) (15-1-3)
Northwest Conference	Whitworth University (13-2-3)
Ohio Athletic Conference	Capital University (16-4-2)
Old Dominion Athletic Conference	Lynchburg College (16-2-2)
President's Athletic Conference	Thomas More College (17-2-1)
Skyline Conference	St. Joseph's College (Long Island) (13-8-0)
St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Webster University (10-6-1)
Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps College (11-7-2)
Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference	Trinity University (Texas) (15-1-2)
State University of New York Athletic Conference	College at Brockport, State University of New York (10-5-3)

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University Athletic Association  
USA South Athletic Conference

University of Chicago (12-3-3)  
Christopher Newport University (17-2-1)

**Pool B Berths (3):**

Chapman University (11-4-2)  
University of California, Santa Cruz (13-4-2)  
University of Wisconsin, Whitewater (11-5-3)

**Pool C Berths (17):**

Amherst College (11-3-1)  
Bowdoin College (11-4-1)  
Carnegie Mellon University (14-2-1)  
Elmhurst College (12-3-4)  
Loras College (16-2-1)  
University of Mary Hardin-Baylor (14-3-1)  
Ohio Northern University (15-3-3)  
Ohio Wesleyan University (18-1-2)  
Plattsburgh State University of New York (13-2-5)  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (13-2-2)  
University of Rochester (12-1-3)  
St. Olaf College (13-4-2)  
Salisbury University (14-3-1)  
Swarthmore College (14-2-2)  
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (15-3-0)  
Virginia Wesleyan College (14-3-3)  
Wesleyan University (Connecticut) (11-1-4)

In last year's finals, Messiah College defeated Stevens Institute of Technology 1-1 (3-0 PK).

For more information about the championship, log on [www.ncaa.com](http://www.ncaa.com). A complete bracket with dates, sites and pairings will be posted at this site Monday, November 9 by 10 a.m. Eastern time.