



CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY FACT SHEET

14.4.3.1 Fulfillment of Credit-Hour Requirements. Eligibility for competition for a midyear transfer student-athlete, for a student-athlete subsequent to the student-athlete's first academic year in residence, or after the student-athlete has utilized one season of eligibility in any sport at the certifying institution shall be determined by the student-athlete's academic record in existence at the beginning of the fall term or at the beginning of any other regular term of that academic year, based upon:

Average 12 hours per semester

OR

- (a) Satisfactory completion prior to each fall term of a cumulative total of academic semester hours equivalent to an average of at least 12 semester hours during each of the previous academic terms in academic years in which the student-athlete has been enrolled in a term or terms, or
- (b) Satisfactory completion of 24 semester hours of academic credit since the beginning of the previous fall term or since the beginning of the certifying institution's preceding regular two semesters.

Complete 24 hours during previous 2 semesters

14.4.3.1.3 Hours Earned During Regular Academic Year. A student-athlete shall earn at least 75 percent of the minimum number of semester hours required for satisfactory progress during the regular academic year. The student-athlete shall earn no more than 25 percent of the minimum number of semester hours required for satisfactory progress during the summer or through correspondence courses taken during the 1993-94 academic year and thereafter.

At least 18 hours during the regular academic year

14.4.3.1.4 Designation of Degree Program. A student-athlete shall designate a program of studies leading toward a specific baccalaureate degree at the certifying institution by the beginning of the third year of enrollment (fifth semester) and thereafter shall make satisfactory progress toward that specific degree. This provision shall be applicable to the eligibility not only of a continuing student, but also of a transfer student from a four-year or two-year collegiate institution who is entering his or her third year of collegiate enrollment, even if the student has not yet completed an academic year in residence or utilized a season of eligibility in a sport at the certifying institution. Designation of a specific baccalaureate degree program may be accomplished by:

Declare a major by start of 3rd year

- (a) Formal enrollment by the student-athlete in a specific baccalaureate degree program, or
- (b) Approval by an appropriate academic official (who must not be an academic advisor/counselor employed by the athletics department) of the program leading to the specific baccalaureate degree that the student-athlete is pursuing.

14.4.3.2.2 Student-Athletes Entering Collegiate Institution On or After August 1, 1992. A student-athlete who is entering his or her third year of collegiate enrollment shall have completed successfully at least 25 percent of the course requirements in the student's specific degree program. A student-athlete who is entering his or her fourth year of collegiate enrollment shall have completed successfully at least 50 percent of the course requirements in the student's specific degree program. A student-athlete who is entering his or her fifth year of collegiate enrollment shall have completed successfully at least 75 percent of the course requirements in the student's specific degree program. The course requirements must be in the student's specific degree program (as opposed to the student's major).

Start of 3rd year: 40% of a degree

Start of 4th year: 60% of a degree

Start of 5th year: 80% of a degree

14.4.3.3 Fulfillment of Minimum Grade-Point Average Requirements. A student-athlete shall meet the “satisfactory completion” provision or this requirement by maintaining a grade-point average that places the individual in good academic standing, as established by the institution for all students who are at an equivalent stage of progress toward a degree.

*Good
academic
standing at
SHU*

14.4.3.3.1 Division I. A student-athlete who is entering his or her third year of collegiate enrollment shall present a cumulative minimum grade-point average (based upon a maximum of 4.00) that equals at least 90 percent of the institution’s overall cumulative minimum grade-point average required for graduation. A student-athlete who is entering his or her fourth or subsequent year of collegiate enrollment shall present a cumulative minimum grade-point average (based upon a maximum of 4.00) that equals 95 percent of the institution’s overall cumulative minimum grade-point average required for graduation. If the institution does not have an overall grade-point average for graduation, it is permissible to utilize the lowest grade-point average required for any of the institution’s degree programs in determining the cumulative minimum grade-point average. The minimum grade-point average must be computed pursuant to institutional policies applicable to all students.

*Start of 4th
or
subsequent
year: 95%
of GPA*

CHRONOLOGY OF TYPICAL CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY

Start of year TWO of collegiate enrollment:

- Have successfully completed 24 semester hours, with 18 during the fall and spring semesters.

Start of year THREE of collegiate enrollment:

- Have successfully completed 24 semester hours during the past academic year with at least 18 during the fall and spring semesters OR 48 total semester hours with at least 36 during the fall and spring.
- 90% of minimum GPA required for graduation (2.0 for SHU).
- Officially declared a major.
- 40% of degree completed.

Start of year FOUR of collegiate enrollment:

- Have successfully completed 24 semester hours during the past academic year with at least 18 during the fall and spring semesters OR 72 total semester hours with at least 54 during the fall and spring.
- 95% of minimum GPA required for graduation (2.0 for SHU).
- 60% of a degree completed.

Start of year FIVE or collegiate enrollment:

- Have successfully completed 24 semester hours during the past academic year with at least 18 during the fall and spring semesters OR 96 total semester hours with at least 72 during the fall and spring.
- 95% of minimum GPA required for graduation (2.0 for SHU).
- 80% of a degree completed.