



Siena Recruiting Calendars

November 2011

Men's Basketball

Evaluation: 11/1-11/6, 11/11-11/30

Dead: 11/7-11/10

Women's Basketball

Evaluation: 11/1-11-6, 11/11-11/30

Dead: 11/7-11/10

Women's Volleyball

Contact: 11/1-11/6, 11/11-11/30

Dead: 11/7-11/10

M & W Cross Country

Contact: 11/1-11/20, 11/22-11/30

Dead: 11/21

Baseball

Contact: 11/1-11/6

Dead: 11/7-11/10

Quiet: 11/11-11/30

Men's Lacrosse

Contact: 11/1-11/6, 11/11-11/22

Dead: 11/7-11/10, 11/23-11/27

Quiet: 11/28-11/30

Women's Lacrosse

Contact: 11/1-11/6, 11/11-11/22

Dead: 11/7-11/10

Quiet: 11/23-11/30

Softball

Contact: 11/1-11/6, 11/11-11/23

Dead: 11/7-11/10, 11/30

Quiet: 11/24-11/29

Field Hockey

Contact/Evaluation:

11/1-11/15, 11/22-11/30

Dead: 11/16-11/21

Women's Water Polo

Contact/Evaluation:

10/1-10/31

Women's Swimming

Contact/Evaluation:

11/1-11/6, 11/11-11/30

Dead: 11/7-11/10

Women's Soccer

Contact/Evaluation:

11/1-11/30

Men's Soccer

Contact/Evaluation:

11/1-11/30

Siena Compliance Corner

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CHANGES ON THE HORIZON

As stated earlier this year, the NCAA has proposed some major changes in Division I which include deregulation of rules, student-athlete welfare initiatives and increasing academic standards. President Emmert and the Board of Directors did not disappoint as last week it was announced that significant changes would be occurring for next year. Currently dates for implementation are tentative, but this is to give everyone a “heads up” as to what to expect.

Here are some of the changes that have been introduced that will affect all sports:

- **Communication with prospects**
 - Current legislation –Phone, e-mail, and fax only permissible communication
 - New Legislation- Restrictions are eliminated on all modes of communication beginning on or after June 15 following the completion of the sophomore year in high school
- **New APR Benchmark**
 - Current Legislation- Current APR minimum benchmark is 900.
 - New Legislation – New minimum benchmark will now be 930, which predicts to roughly a 50% graduation success rate. A new postseason eligibility structure will come into affect for the 2012-2013 year. With schools given a two year window to get their APR from a 900 to a 930. In 2014-15, teams that don't achieve the 930 benchmark for their four-year APR or at least a 940 average for the most recent two years will be ineligible for postseason competition.
- **New Eligibility Standards**
 - Current Legislation- Initial Eligibility requires freshmen to have a minimum of a 2.0 core GPA and two year transfers to have minimum 2.0 GPA.
 - New Legislation – New initial eligibility standards would be raised from a minimum core GPA from a 2.0 to a 2.3. Transfer requirements would make the minimum GPA a 2.5 from the original 2.0. Also, two-year college transfers who didn't qualify academically out of high school will be required to complete a core curriculum that includes English, math and science courses.

Again, these are just some of the new bylaws that will be enacted. There is additional sport-specific legislation as well. If you have any questions or want to set up a time with your staff to meet and go over the rules, please contact either Jason or Joyce.

Next Steps in NCAA Reform

Next steps -- Starting later this winter and spring, the Board will take action on issues focusing on the conduct of college sports and the processes used. The conduct and process of college sports includes a wide array of issues...first and foremost integrity, but also enforcement and rules. To that end, the Board will take action to:

- Change our regulatory culture so that we focus on those issues that directly impact fairness and integrity
- Looking at how to streamline and simplify the rulebook and get rid of insignificant or unenforceable rules
- Ensure any new rules align with and promote our values
- Develop an enforcement approach and penalty structure that also focuses on the most important issues impacting fairness and integrity
- The severity of penalties needs to always align with the significance of violations
- Streamline the enforcement process and penalty structure so that minor infractions are dealt with at institutional or conference levels – allowing the NCAA enforcement staff to focus on major issues



Siena Compliance Updates and Reminders

- **Coaches: One last reminder to make sure all your Initial Athletic Aid Recommendations are in to Joyce no later than the end of the week to ensure that Financial Aid Agreements and NLI's are sent out on time.**
- **There is a Dead Period from Nov. 7 -10 for all sports who are involved in the fall NLI signing period. Make sure you check your recruiting calendars to ensure you are not sending in any Off Campus Recruitment Forms for the dead periods.**
- **If you have submitted your phone logs or text message monthly agreements for the month of September please do ASAP! All October phone, text message and CARA logs will be due November 15th.**
- **Congrats to all our coaches, staff and student-athletes who contribute toward making Siena's GSR such a great accomplishment. Siena College truly defines what it is to be a student-athlete!**
- **Good Luck to Men's Soccer as they take part in the Conference Tournament in Orlando this upcoming week and to all winter sports as they gear up for the start of their seasons.**

