

ACADEMIC ENHANCEMENT FUND GUIDELINES

Guidelines

The Division I Board of Directors has allocated \$25,095,000 to be sent to Division I institutions through the Academic Enhancement Fund. Based upon an even distribution, each Division I institution will receive approximately \$72,000 in June 2014.

The Academic Enhancement Fund is intended for the enrichment of academic-support programs for student-athletes at Division I institutions. Receipt of Academic Enhancement Fund monies shall not be included in determining the permissible amount of financial aid that a member institution may award to a student-athlete. Further, inasmuch as the fund is designed to provide direct benefits to student-athletes, the fund is not intended to be used to replace existing budget items.

All student-athletes, including international, are eligible to receive Academic Enhancement benefits, regardless of whether they are grant-in-aid recipients, have demonstrated need or have either exhausted eligibility or no longer participate due to medical reasons.

Except for prospective student-athletes receiving summer financial aid prior to full-time enrollment pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 15.2.8.1.3, no prospective student-athlete shall be eligible to receive Academic Enhancement funds.

Pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 15.01.6.1, member institutions and conferences shall not use monies received from the fund for the following:

- Grants-in-aid (other than summer school) for student-athletes with remaining eligibility.
- Stipends.
- Athletic development opportunities.
 - Fees and other expenses associated with a student-athlete's participation in a sports camp or clinic;
 - Fees and other expenses associated with private sports-related instruction provided to a student-athlete;
 - Fees for other athletic development experiences (e.g., greens fees, batting cage rental); and
 - Expenses associated with a student-athlete's participation in a foreign tour.

Institutions will be required to report annually to the NCAA the fund recipients by sport and gender, as well as the purposes for which the moneys were used and the amounts for each purpose.

Instructions

The Association is interested in knowing how each institution used the monies distributed in June 2013, which were earmarked for the 2013-14 academic year. A detailed reporting form that aligns with the spending categories available to the fund is available on-line for institutions to complete. Please indicate via the on-line form the actual expenditures approved by your institution by sport and

usage category. When you log in you will see the letters listed across the top of the columns within the spreadsheet, please click on one of these to see the full listing of reporting categories.

Once you have completed the report of uses form, please save your information by clicking the save icon at the bottom of the form. When you are ready to send the information to the NCAA, please click the submit icon at the bottom of the form. The form should be submitted no later than July 11, 2014. Once the report has been submitted, your corresponding conference will have read-only access to the information for their records and review.

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