

**Intercollegiate Rowing Association  
Eligibility and Infractions Committee**

Outside Competition Waiver

**Case Number: 2021-06**

**Decision Date: July 31, 2021**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I 17.16.9

**Facts of the Case:** Student-athlete qualified to compete in the Coastal Rowing World Championships and institution was seeking a waiver to permit this competition. Institution supplied correspondence with national-governing body confirming SA's qualification on the team.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Approved.

**Rationale:** All criteria was met for the waiver to be approved.

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Progress Towards Degree Waiver

**Case Number: 2021-07**

**Decision Date: September 9, 2021**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I 14.4.3.1

**Facts of the Case:** Student-athlete withdrew from the institution after being enrolled remotely and struggling with COVID restrictions. Since he did not earn any credits in 2020-21, he did not meet PTD requirements. However, the student is on track to graduate within five years.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Processed by the Ivy League Office – on file

**Rationale:** All criteria was met for the waiver to be approved.

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Progress Towards Degree Waiver

**Case Number: 2021-08**

**Decision Date: September 9, 2021**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I 14.4.3.1

**Facts of the Case:** Student-athlete withdrew from the institution in Fall 2020 after further understanding the institution's COVID restrictions. Additionally, SA had extenuating family circumstances that occurred weeks before withdrawal. Since he did not earn any credits in 2020-21, he did not meet PTD requirements. However, the student is on track to graduate within five years.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Processed by the Ivy League Office – on file

**Rationale:** All criteria was met for the waiver to be approved.

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**Case Number: 2021-09**

**Decision Date: September 9, 2021**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I 14.4.3.1

**Facts of the Case:** Student-athlete withdrew from the institution in Fall 2020 after further understanding the institution's COVID restrictions. Since he did not earn any credits in 2020-21, he did not meet PTD requirements. However, the student is on track to graduate within five years.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Processed by the Ivy League Office – on file

**Rationale:** All criteria was met for the waiver to be approved.

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**Case Number: 2021-10**

**Decision Date: October 14, 2021**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I 14.4.3.1

**Facts of the Case:** Student-athlete transferred to current institution with enough credit hours to meet the 40% PTD requirement but selected a major where only a portion of those credits counted towards the degree. Extenuating circumstances from Spring Term also saw the SA need to withdraw and miss out on earning six additional credit hours.

The student is on track to graduate within five years and has not received a prior PTD waiver.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Approved.

**Rationale:** All criteria was met for the waiver to be approved.

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**Case Number: 2021-11**

**Decision Date: October 19, 2021**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I 14.4.3.1

**Facts of the Case:** Student-athlete struggled with transition to remote/online courses during the COVID-19 pandemic in Fall 2020. Further, SA tried to make up for this deficiency by attempting additional credits in Spring 2021 – but only passed a portion of attempted credit hours, missing the 60% requirement by four credit hours.

While SA could have attempted re-taking credit hours in the summer to improve deficiency, it had already been demonstrated that SA struggled in online leaning environments.

With return to campus SA is receiving in-person tutoring, academic support, and the opportunity to attend classes in person. Institution has demonstrated SA will cure deficiency by the end of the Fall 2021 semester. SA has not been subject to PTD waiver in the past.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Approved.

**Rationale:** All criteria was met for the waiver to be approved.

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**Case Number: 2021-12**

**Decision Date: October 22, 2021**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I 14.4.3.1

**Facts of the Case:** Student-athlete was an international transfer that earned 54 credit hours at previous institution, with only 18 of those credit hours being accepted at new institution in SA's desired major.

SA initially considered an inter-University transfer to cure deficiency but ultimately decided to pursue his original major, leaving him at a deficiency for the percentage requirement. SA has demonstrated excellent academic standards. Credit deficiency is based on SA transferring from an international university.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Approved.

**Rationale:** All criteria was met for the waiver to be approved.

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**Case Number: 2021-13**

**Decision Date: November 14, 2021**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I 14.4.3.1

**Facts of the Case:** Student-athlete transferred to current institution from a community college which he attended concurrently while serving in the military. The current institution did not accept transfer credits from prior college.

SA's academic performance and academic recovery plan indicates ability to graduate by the end of fifth year of FT college enrollment.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Processed by the Ivy League Office – on file

**Rationale:** All criteria was met for the waiver to be approved.



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Outside Competition Waiver

**Case Number: 2021-14**

**Decision Date: November 16, 2021**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I 17.16.9

**Facts of the Case:** Student-athlete qualified to compete in Junior Pan American Games and institution was seeking a waiver to permit this competition. Institution supplied correspondence with national-governing body confirming SA's qualification on the team.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Approved.

**Rationale:** All criteria was met for the waiver to be approved.

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Secondary Violation – Communication without Written Notification of Transfer

**Case Number: 2022-01**

**Decision Date: March 14, 2022**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I – 13.1.1.3

**Facts of the Case:** Institution’s coach had communication with a student-athlete from another institution without written notification of transfer. Student was not placed in the transfer portal and was seeking information about post-graduate participation or serving as an Assistant Coach. Coach was unaware that potential graduate transfers needed to be entered in the portal or receive permission to contact.

**Institutional Action:** Coach was provided rules education. A two-week ban on communication with PSA was implemented from the time the PSA was entered into portal.

**Additional Steps:** Committee accepts the institution’s self-imposed actions based on precedence. **However, committee did note that the PSA involved in this case was currently ineligible due to the violation, regardless of whether the PSA meets the one-time transfer exception requirements.** Institution will need to request reinstatement if PSA enrolls and intends to compete.

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Secondary Violation – Requirements for Official Visit

**Case Number: 2022-02**

**Decision Date: March 14, 2022**

**Applicable Bylaws: NCAA Division I – 13.6.3**

**Facts of the Case:** PSA received an official visit to institution prior to having registered with the NCAA Eligibility Center and been placed on the IRL. Institutional compliance staff were unaware that Men's Rowing PSAs needed to register with the Eligibility Center before taking an official visit.

**Institutional Action:** Staff member provided with rules education.

**Additional Steps:** Committee accepts the institution's self-imposed actions based on precedence.

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Legislative Relief Waiver – 4-2-4 College Transfers

**Case Number: 2022-03**

**Decision Date: April 4, 2022**

**Applicable Bylaws:** NCAA Division I – 14.5.6

**Facts of the Case:** PSA is a 4-2-4 transfer who also served in the military for three years between attending two institutions. Does not qualify for 14.5.5.2.5 military exception since PSA is not a 4-year transfer. Student is meeting all PTD markers but is not meeting 4-2-4 legislation as PSA did not graduate from 2-year college.

**Institutional Action:** None required.

**Decision:** Processed by the WCC Office – on file

**Rationale:** Mitigating circumstances and the student-athlete's academic documentation.