

NCAA DIVISION I SAAC

Mission Statement.

The mission of the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) is to enhance the total student-athlete experience by protecting student-athlete well-being, fostering a positive student-athlete image and inclusive environment and promoting student-athlete engagement at the national, conference and local levels.

Responsibilities.

The NCAA Division I National SAAC (National SAAC) is responsible for the following tasks:

1. Review and propose legislation.
2. Assist in communicating national initiatives to conference and campus SAACs.
3. Implement strategies to enhance involvement and understanding of the Division I governance and legislative process among student-athletes.
4. Identify issues of student-athlete well-being to be addressed by NCAA governing bodies.
5. Serve as the student-athlete voice within the NCAA governance structure.
6. Participate actively in NCAA convention sessions, external panels and in national, conference and campus meetings as requested.
7. Promote awareness of programming available for student-athletes at the national, conference and institutional level.
8. Foster relationships between student-athletes and local communities through participation in community outreach initiatives.
9. Monitor and update social media outlets to continue to enhance the presence of the student-athlete voice.

Expectations.

The National SAAC, NCAA member institutions and NCAA staff depend on members of the committee to represent and serve the student-athletes of their respective conference. Committee members may be removed from service should their performance fall below the expectations of their conference administrator, the National SAAC members or the NCAA national office staff liaisons to National SAAC.

1. Committee members must:

- a. Represent and participate in the NCAA governance structure on behalf of all Division I student-athletes.

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- b. Actively participate in NCAA committee and cabinet meetings.
- c. Prepare for all committee meetings and review committee supplements prior to the meeting.
- d. Serve as leaders and liaisons within respective conference.
- e. Become informed and educated about the various issues affecting the Division I membership, including regular communication with their conference SAAC administrators regarding identified issues.
- f. Be active in campus and conference SAACs to bring an informed opinion to Division I SAAC meetings.
- g. Act in a professional manner both inside and outside committee meetings.
- h. Adhere to deadlines when submitting and responding to all messages from NCAA staff members and other SAAC members.