

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I

CONFERENCE BUSINESS

- 1.01 The agenda shall be prepared by the Commissioner and sent electronically to each member of the Executive Committee at least two weeks in advance of regular meetings. [Revised: October 18, 2010]

ARTICLE II

FINANCES

- 2.01 The amount of annual dues shall be recommended by the Finance Committee for approval by the Executive Committee at the annual meeting.
- 2.02 The annual dues of each member institution shall be payable in July of each year.
- 2.03 Revenue distribution will be reviewed by the Executive Committee at the annual meeting, subject to the provisions of Constitution 4.08. A team ineligible for postseason competition will not be eligible for revenue distributed based on post-season participation. [Adopted: March 1, 2012; Revised: June 28, 2000; March 1, 2012]
- 2.04 **Television.**
- A. Income from Conference Network games shall be the property of the Conference.
 - B. Any revenue derived from an institutional television package remains the property of the institution.
- 2.05 **NCAA Basketball Pool.**
[Revised: January 7, 1991, Revised: July 17, 2002; September 9, 2003, June 7, 2006, March 1, 2007; June 12, 2012, June 11, 2013]
- A. The conference's collective members shall "own" six NCAA men's basketball pool units equating to the conference's automatic qualifier unit in the six-year NCAA basketball pool. Incremental basketball units beyond the conference's six units shall be distributed as follows: [Note: All distributions refer to earned units in that year's basketball pool, i.e. one year after performance.]
 - 1. 50% of the total value of that year's basketball units (beyond the six AQ units) shall be allocated to create an "Excellence Pool" in which institutions earn annual shares. [See below]
 - 2. From the remaining 50%, each institution should receive an equal share calculated by dividing this 50% pool by the number of eligible institutions.
 - 3. These incremental funds are to be dedicated to budget relief, budget enhancement or new initiatives within the institution's basketball programs.

B. The "Excellence Pool" [50% of incremental new monies].

Institutions will earn shares in the Excellence Pool in the following manner on an annual basis:

1. Two shares for each NCAA tournament game *played* in the first year. In subsequent years, two shares for each NCAA tournament game *won* (up to five) for each year that those specific NCAA unit(s) remain in the basketball pool distribution.
2. One share for having a RPI of 100 or better or a non-conference record better than .500% achieved against teams that are Division I or are RPI "counters". [Note: All references to the RPI are the NCAA RPI on Selection Sunday.]
3. One share for the regular season champion(s). [In the event of a tie(s), the unit will be split amongst the tied teams.]

C. The "General Distribution Pool" [50% of incremental new monies].

Monies in the General Distribution Pool will be distributed equally amongst the member institutions.

- 2.06 NIT.** Income from a member institution's participation in the preseason NIT shall be retained by the participating institution. Revenue from the postseason NIT shall be placed in the general distribution pool and postseason participant(s) shall be awarded the equivalent of one Excellence Pool Share for one year to be funded from the General Distribution Pool. [Revised: May 13, 1991, June 7, 2006, October 16, 2007]
- 2.07 Distribution of NCAA Student-Athlete Assistance Funds (SAF).** Beginning with the 2009-10 NCAA Student Fund Distribution, the combined SAOF and SAF funds will be institutionally administered. [Adopted: March 5, 2009]
- 2.08 Association Championships.** Net receipts (after payment of the guarantee (if any) and approved championship expenses) shall be split 50%-50% between the host institution and the Association.
- A.** In certain championships, the Association will seek financial bids from member institutions to host the championship. In these instances, any financial guarantee to the Association must first be paid to the Association prior to the calculation of any net receipts.
- 2.09 Basketball Officiating Expenses.** Officiating expenses for men's and women's conference games will be averaged so that each institution pays an equal amount. [Adopted: May 16, 1995]

ARTICLE III

ELIGIBILITY

- 3.01** The eligibility rules of the National Collegiate Athletic Association are hereby incorporated in these bylaws. Member institutions are required to apply such rules in full in the determination of eligibility for any and all competition.
- 3.02** Each participant must also be eligible under the rules of the student-athlete's institution and the Colonial Athletic Association if more restrictive than NCAA eligibility rules. [see: Fundamental Principles]
- 3.03** NCAA Executive Regulations will govern the certification of eligibility for CAA championships as well as the sanctions for ineligible participation by a student-athlete or institution.

3.04 NCAA Championship Ineligibility – Conference Championship

Any institution's team that is ineligible for the NCAA championship in a sport receiving automatic qualification will not be eligible for the conference championship to determine the NCAA automatic qualifier. [Adopted: March 1, 2012]

The following policies apply:

Team Sports

- Players and coaches of all teams will be eligible for all pre-season, regular-season and post-season awards.
- All teams will play the full regular season schedule and all contests will count in the CAA standings.
- At the end of the regular season, all teams, whether eligible or ineligible for the CAA Championship, will factor into any tie-breakers per CAA protocol.
- Once tie-breakers have been completed and 'places' for all teams have been determined, actual 'seeds' for the CAA Championship will be determined by listing all eligible teams in order, 'skipping' any team(s) not eligible for the CAA Championship.
- The bracket for the CAA Championship will be established based on the seeds of all eligible teams.

Individual Sports

- Players and coaches of all teams will be eligible for all pre-season, regular-season, post-season and championship awards.
- The points won by a student-athlete competing in an individual sport that recognizes a team champion will be vacated for scoring purposes in the event said student-athlete's school is ineligible to win the CAA championship.

3.05 Ineligible Player. In the interest of promoting good sportsmanship, if an ineligible student-athlete participates in a contest (conference or non-conference) the institution shall forfeit the contest to the offended institution. The institution may appeal the forfeiture to the commissioner if it believes that the error that allowed the participation was inadvertent and the athlete's participation did not affect the outcome of the contest. [Adopted: November 2, 1988]

3.06 Intraconference Transfer Rule (applies to all CAA sports except Football)

Pre-Matriculation: The CAA Intraconference Transfer Rule applies to an incoming student-athlete that has signed a valid National Letter of Intent (NLI) with a CAA institution. A prospective student-athlete who signs a valid NLI with a CAA institution but subsequently enrolls at a different CAA institution must fulfill two academic years of residence prior to being certified eligible to compete.

Post-Matriculation: The CAA Intraconference Transfer Rule applies to a student-athlete in a conference sport that has ever been the recipient of athletically-related financial aid at a CAA institution. If the student-athlete decides to transfer within the conference he/she must fulfill two academic years of residence prior to being certified eligible to compete at the second CAA institution.

Exceptions: The CAA Intraconference Transfer Rule does not apply in these situations:

1. The rule does not apply to a student-athlete that has never received athletically-related financial aid at the first CAA institution.
2. The rule does not apply when the first CAA institution drops the sport in which the student-athlete has participated.

[Adopted: March 6, 1989; Revised: July, 1999, June 3, 2004, June 8, 2005, Revised June 6, 2012].

[NOTE: This Intraconference Transfer Rule does not apply to the sport of Football. Reference the CAA Football Handbook at www.CAASports.com for the Football Intraconference Transfer rule and other football matters

ARTICLE IV

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITION

4.01 The Executive Committee may approve a particular sport for status as an Association championship if at least six (6) Association members sponsor varsity competition in that sport. The Committee may waive this provision for those sports beyond the NCAA requirement for conference membership.
[Revised: July 1993]

4.02 Only teams (or individuals) designated as varsity sports by the institution are eligible for Association championships. [Adopted: July 1993]

4.03 Championships will be conducted in the following sports:

Men

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Golf
Lacrosse
Outdoor Track & Field
Soccer
Swimming & Diving
Tennis

Women

Basketball
Cross Country
Field Hockey
Golf
Lacrosse
Outdoor Track & Field
Rowing
Soccer
Softball
Swimming & Diving
Tennis
Volleyball

[NOTE: Football competes as a separate corporate entity and has its own CAA Football Handbook].

4.04 Championship Participation Requirements.

A. The Association's championship program is designed to showcase the talents of the top student-athletes within the Association. Therefore, each participating institution is expected to put forth their best effort to compete for the championship.

B. If an institution fields a varsity team in a sport in which there is an Association championship, then that institution's varsity team must participate (if qualified) in the Association's championship for that sport. This provision may be waived by a 3/4 vote of the membership.

4.05 Games Committee Responsibilities.

A. The games committee, in consultation with the coaches of that sport, shall make recommendations for rules of play and conduct of any applicable championship to be submitted for consideration by the Executive Committee.

B. The games committee shall be responsible for the conduct of any applicable championship including the seeding of teams under approved Association procedures.

C. The games committee shall decide any dispute within the sport. If the institution represented by one or more members of the games committee is involved in the dispute, the official conference representative, or the President, shall appoint a substitute member to participate in the consideration of the dispute.

- D. In the case of an issue, which cannot be resolved by the games committee, the matter will be forwarded to the Commissioner for final resolution subject to review by the full Executive Committee.
- E. Each games committee will forward to the Executive Committee its recommendations for dates and sites of conference championships. The Executive Committee will determine the dates and site of each championship at the annual spring meeting.

4.06 Championship Field Size.

In team sports, with the exception of men's and women's basketball, the field sizes for other CAA team championships with regular season scheduling should be no lower than 50% and no more than 66% of the institutions sponsoring the sport. [Adopted: September 2004; Revised: June 6, 2012]

4.07 Championship Seeding.

The following procedures will be utilized as a general guideline for seeding for all Association championships in which the complete regular season schedule has been played. In the event that all teams do not play a complete conference schedule, championship seeding will be based on winning percentage in conference contests. Please refer to Executive Regulation 1.01 and individual sport regulations for specific seeding criteria. [Revised: October 19, 2009]

A. Two Tied Teams:

1. Regular season conference record.
2. Head-to-head competition.
3. If two tied teams split the two games during the regular season, compare each tied team's record against the team occupying the highest position in the standings and continue down through the standings until one team gains the advantage, thereby winning the higher position. **(Ties must be broken from top to bottom.) See Example Below.**
4. If a tie still exists, a coin flip conducted by the Commissioner will be used.

B. Three or More Tied Teams:

1. Compare the combined record of each of the tied teams against the other teams involved in the tie until an advantage is gained. (Example: team A's combined record against both team B and team C as compared to B's combined record against both A and C, etc.).
2. If the multiple tie still exists, compare each of the tied teams' records against the team occupying the highest position in the standings and continue down through the standings until the tie is reduced to a two-team tie (at which time, revert to the two-team process) or until the tie is broken.
3. If a tie still exists, a coin flip conducted by the Commissioner will be used.

Example:

Assume a 2-way tie for the number 1 seed.
Assume a 2-way tie for the number 4 seed.

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Here is how the seeds will be determined:

1. The two teams tied for #1 split during the regular season. (tie not broken).
2. The two #1's had identical records versus #3. (tie not broken).
3. The two #1's will have their records compared as a "pool" of the teams tied for #4. If an advantage is gained, that team will be the #1 seed and the other will be #2.

In the case of the tie for 4th:

1. The teams split during the regular season. (tie not broken).
2. The teams' records compared against the opponents' records starting at the top of the standings – now with the #1 seed established as the first comparison. [This will not be a "pool" comparison of the two teams that finished the regular season tied because the tie is broken. Further support of the reason why this is not a "pool" comparison of the tied teams is the example of two teams tied for first, but one team swept the other and is the clear #1 seed. There would be no reason to argue a "pool" consideration in that case].

C. Consideration of Ineligible Teams:

Team Sports

- At the end of the regular season, all teams, whether eligible or ineligible for the CAA Championship, will factor into any tie-breakers per CAA protocol.
- Once tie-breakers have been completed and 'places' for all teams have been determined, actual 'seeds' for the CAA Championship will be determined by listing all eligible teams in order, 'skipping' any team(s) not eligible for the CAA Championship.
- The bracket for the CAA Championship will be established based on the seeds of all eligible teams.

4.08 Suspended, Canceled or Revised Championship.

- A. The Commissioner shall have the authority to adjust championship schedules (including possible cancellations of rounds of a championship, moving games to alternate sites and adjusting game times) when uncontrollable factors (e.g., inclement weather) force the modification. [Adopted: July 13, 1998]
- B. If for any reason (e.g., weather) a conference championship in a sport to determine the conference's automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship cannot be completed prior to the NCAA selection deadline, the highest seeded team remaining in the championship at the time of the suspension shall be designated the conference's automatic qualifier.
- C. If an automatic qualifying championship cannot be conducted for any reason (e.g., weather), the top seed from the regular season shall be designated the conference's automatic qualifier. [Adopted: July 22, 1991].
- D. If any team notifies the conference office at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled start of the championship that it cannot participate due to extraordinary circumstances, the withdrawing team will be replaced by the next highest available seed and the bracket will be adjusted accordingly to the benefit of the highest seed(s). [Adopted: October 19, 2009].
- E. If any team notifies the conference office less than 48 hours prior to the scheduled start of the championship that the team cannot compete due to extraordinary causes, the withdrawing team will not be replaced and the bracket will be adjusted in a manner that will protect the highest seeds. Brackets can be adjusted up until 8 hours prior to the first scheduled match. [Adopted: October 19, 2009].

- F. If any team notifies the conference office that it cannot compete once championship play has begun, the remaining game involving the withdrawing team will be considered a forfeit and a victory awarded its opponent. [Adopted: October 19, 2009].

4.09 General Championship Policies.

- A. **Guarantees.** The conference should establish minimum financial and attendance guarantees to host certain championships. [Adopted: March 4, 1994]
- B. **Host Enhancements.** The host is not permitted to offer additional championship enhancements (e.g. dinner speaker) so that an ever-increasing standard for future hosts of the event is not initiated. [Adopted: March 4, 1994]
- C. **Novelty Income.** Receipts from the sale of novelty items (e.g. T-Shirts) should be included as part of the championship financial report. Further, all tournament designs must be approved in advance by the conference office. [Adopted: March 4, 1994]
- D. **Courtesy Cars.** Courtesy cars may only be provided at a championship if the cost of their use is donated to the championship. The championship budget will not incur any expenses for courtesy cars other than gas. [Adopted: July 22, 1992]
- E. **Travel.** Teams that qualify for a championship are expected to participate in the championship until the end of competition. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture and possible ineligibility for future championships. [Adopted: October 25, 2005]
- F. **Championship Banquets.** Pre-Championship Banquets for participants in CAA championships may be provided on a “pay as you go” basis. A formal invitation to the CAA Championship Banquet will be extended to each member of the All-Conference Teams with expenses covered by their institution. [Adopted: May 11, 1992; revised June 5, 2013]
- G. **Gifts.** Gifts to championship participants should not be provided by the host institution or sponsors. [Adopted: May 11, 1992; Revised: July, 1998; Revised: July 2000]
- H. As a guiding principle, conference championships will be conducted utilizing NCAA championship guidelines in order to better prepare teams for the NCAA championship. Toward this end, NCAA standards regarding squad size and bench limits will apply to all CAA championships. [Revised: July 13, 1998]
- I. **Host Championship Criteria.** Please refer to the host championship criteria for determining eligibility of schools to host a CAA Championship. The CAA office shall determine early in each playing season which institutions meet these conditions and therefore are eligible to host a championship. If an institution does not meet the championship criteria, the opportunity to host shall be provided to the No. 2 seed (and so on down the line) as long as that institution is deemed eligible to host. [Adopted: October 21, 2013]
- Facility**
1. The host must secure the use of a playing facility/course for the entire length of the event. All host sites must include regulation playing and practice areas as specified by the NCAA
 2. Hosts will be responsible for any costs involved with securing the site. In addition to regulation playing and practice areas, all sites must include, a training/sports medicine area, a media area, a limited-access officials area and a team meeting area (i.e. locker room or tent).
 3. If a facility other than the institution’s regular season competition site is to be used, it must be approved by the CAA office. Alternate sites must be declared 30 days prior to the first scheduled date of championship competition.

4. The host must provide appropriate and adequate medical and sports medicine services as determined by the CAA office. An athletics trainer from the host institution/organization must be available at all championship-related practices and present for all contests. At all championship events, the following medical supplies shall be provided: first aid equipment; ice bag containers; water and drinking cups and access to the host training facility for therapeutic modalities.
5. The championship playing facility shall have lights. A game quality secondary field shall be available with regulation playing and practice areas as specified by the NCAA, with lights when possible (exceptions as noted in specific sport criteria).
6. The championship should be played on the predetermined championship dates as established in the CAA Bylaws. In the event of a facility conflict a championship may be shifted one day (not to interfere with NCAA selections), but the duration of the championship may not be altered. All changes must be approved by the CAA office. Game times will be approved by the CAA office, as well.
7. In the event an institution is hosting a predetermined championship, the CAA office may approve exceptions to the hosting criteria.
8. An Emergency Action Plan must be provided to the CAA office 30 days prior to the first date of competition.
9. For the safety of all participants and spectators, the host shall have a lightning safety policy that utilizes at a minimum the NCAA "flash to bang" method or an adequate electronic detection system.

Media Services

10. The host must provide appropriate media services as determined by the CAA office. Accommodations and equipment necessary for print, radio (as necessary) and video (as necessary) must be present at the event facility
11. The host institution shall provide high speed internet access at the championship site to accommodate general internet and e-mail access, at a minimum. When available internet access should be able to sustain web-streaming capabilities

Lodging

12. The host shall recommend hotel properties within an hour of the game site for all parties traveling to the site. Property locations need to be preapproved by the CAA office.
13. The host does not have to secure hotel rooms unless home institutions are expecting local hotel properties to be sold out (i.e., football weekend, special event, smaller market area). If a host is expecting local properties to be sold out, the host must contact the CAA office to coordinate making a room block for the visiting team(s)/officials/CAA representatives.
14. If a room block is needed, it is required that the property is located within an hour of the game site, and that no additional charges (such as a 2-night minimum) are required. Any financial guarantees that may be necessary to reserve rooms will be the responsibility of the host institution. All parties traveling to the host site will be mandated to stay in the reserved room block.

Banquet/hospitality

15. The host must provide a hospitality area/room and refreshments for event staff, sponsors, media, etc.
16. In a championship where a banquet is held in conjunction with the event, the host must secure and pay for a banquet site, including all appropriate AV needs.

[NOTE: Men's and Women's Basketball are exempted from 4.09-(F) above]

ARTICLE V

AWARDS

- 5.01** Team and/or individual champions shall be recognized in all Association sports.
- 5.02** Standardized awards shall be presented in all Association sports. The Association shall purchase such awards and the awards will become the permanent possession of the winning institution. Only those awards specifically approved by the Executive Committee may be presented at any championship. Further, the Executive Committee will not approve proposals by individual sports committees to raise additional funds to increase awards presented in a particular sport.
- 5.03** Unless otherwise noted, the conference champion will be the institution winning the Association championship.
- 5.04** **Team Awards.**
- A.** **Regular Season.** The conference will recognize the regular season champion(s) that finish in first place in conference standings with a plaque or trophy in ten (10) team Association sports (sports listed in 5.05 below). [Adopted: June 6, 2012]

Men's Teams

Baseball
Basketball
Lacrosse
Soccer

Women's Teams

Basketball
Field Hockey
Lacrosse
Soccer
Softball
Volleyball

- B.** **Post-season.** The team champion in each of the twenty- one (21) Association sport championships will receive an institutional trophy recognizing the conference champion.
- C.** Each student-athlete and coach on the championship team who participated in the championship shall receive a certificate recognizing his or her participation.

[NOTE: Additional awards will be presented in men's and women's basketball as set forth below]

- 5.05** **Individual Awards.** Medals or flags will be provided to individual place finishers in the individual sports in the following manner:
- A.** Men's and Women's Cross Country:
Medals for the top 12 finishers (1 gold, 1 silver, 10 bronze).
- B.** Men's and Women's Outdoor Track & Field:
Medals for the top three finishers in each event (gold, silver, bronze).
- C.** Men's and Women's Golf:
Golf pin flags for the top five finishers.
- D.** Men's and Women's Swimming & Diving:
Medals for the top three finishers in each event (gold, silver, bronze).
- E.** Women's Rowing:
Medals for the members of top three finishers in each race (gold, silver, bronze).

5.06 Men's and Women's Basketball.

In men's and women's basketball the following awards will be presented:

- A. Coach of the Year.
- B. Player of the Year.
- C. Defensive Player of the Year.
- D. Rookie of the Year.
- E. All-Conference Team (First, Second, and Third).
- F. All-Academic Team.
- G. All-Rookie Team (five players recognized).
- H. All-Tournament Team (five players recognized).
- I. CAA Championship Most Outstanding Performer.

5.07 Most Outstanding Performer. A Most Outstanding Performer will be selected at each championship.

Men's Teams

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Golf
Lacrosse
Soccer
Swimming
Diving
Tennis
Outdoor Track
Outdoor Field

Women's Teams

Basketball
Cross Country
Field Hockey
Golf
Lacrosse
Soccer
Softball
Swimming
Diving
Tennis
Outdoor Track
Outdoor Field
Volleyball

5.08 All-Tournament Teams. All-tournament teams will be named in the following team sports, unless otherwise noted.

Selection of recipients for this award varies according to each sport.

[Note: Reference the CAA Championship Handbook for each sport]

Men's Teams

Baseball (11)
Basketball (5)
Lacrosse (10)
Soccer (10)

Women's Teams

Basketball (5)
Field Hockey (10)
Lacrosse (10)
Soccer (10)
Softball (10)
Volleyball (6)

5.09 All-Conference Teams.

- A. An All-Conference team will be recognized in the following sport:

- 1. Women's Rowing

- Four members from the 1st place team, three from the 2nd place team, two from the 3rd place team, two from the 4th place team, one from the 5th place team, one from the 6th place team and one from the 7th place team will be selected at the conference championship (14 total awards). [Adopted: June 6, 2012] Note: For the 2013-14 season, five institutions will be participating in the Women's Rowing Championship.

B. First and Second All-Conference teams will be recognized in the following sports:

1. Field Hockey
Top ten field players regardless of position plus one goalie (11 total).
2. Men's Golf
Five members selected after the NCAA Championship.
3. Women's Golf
Five members selected after the NCAA Championship.
4. Men's Lacrosse
Twelve members selected by position.
5. Women's Lacrosse
Twelve members selected by position.
6. Softball
First base, second base, third base, shortstop, catcher, three outfielders, two pitchers, one utility/pitcher, and one designated player/non-pitcher/utility (12 total).
7. Men's Tennis
Six singles players and three doubles teams. Any singles players/doubles team ranked in the most current ITA Top 125/60 automatically are named to the first team.
8. Women's Tennis
Six singles players and three doubles teams. Any singles players/doubles team ranked in the most current ITA Top 125/60 automatically are named to the first team.

C. First, Second and Third All-Conference teams will be recognized in the following sports:

1. Volleyball
Top six players, regardless of position.
2. Men's Soccer
Three forwards, four midfielders, three defenders, one goalie (11 total).
3. Women's Soccer
Three forwards, three midfielders, three defenders, one goalie and one field player receiving the next highest vote total. (11 total). [Revised: June 2011]
4. Men's Basketball
Top five players, regardless of position.
5. Women's Basketball
Top five players, regardless of position.
6. Baseball
First base, second base, third base, shortstop, catcher, three outfielders, two starting pitchers, one relief pitcher, one designated hitter, one utility player (13 total).

D. All-Conference Performers. For the following individual sports, the conference will name “All-Conference Performers” and recognize with a press release. Certificates will not be given.

Men & Women’s

Cross Country	(Top 12 performers)
Outdoor Track & Field	(Top 3 performers in each event)
Swimming & Diving	(Top 3 performers in each event)

5.10 An Athlete/Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year, and Coach of the Year will be named in all CAA sponsored sports excluding Women’s Rowing (Coach of the Year only). Below are specific individual honors recognized in the following sports:

Men’s Sports

Baseball	Defensive Player of the Year & Pitcher of the Year
Basketball	Defensive Player of the Year
Lacrosse	Defensive Player of the Year
Soccer	Defender of the Year

Women’s Sports

Basketball	Defensive Player of the Year
Field Hockey	Defensive Player of the Year
Lacrosse	Defensive Player of the Year
Soccer	Defender of the Year
Softball	Pitcher of the Year
Volleyball	Defensive Specialist of the Year & Setter of the Year

5.11 All-CAA Rookie Team. For all team sports excluding Women’s Rowing, the conference will name an “All-CAA Rookie Team.”

5.12 Players of the Week will be selected by the Association based upon recommendations made by each institution. Honored players will be presented certificates.

Men’s Sports

Baseball (Player & Pitcher)
Basketball
Cross Country
Golf
Lacrosse
Soccer
Swimming & Diving
Tennis
Track & Field

Women’s Sports

Basketball
Cross Country
Field Hockey
Golf
Lacrosse
Soccer
Softball (Player & Pitcher)
Swimming & Diving
Tennis
Track & Field
Volleyball (Offensive & Defensive)

- 5.13** Rookie of the Week will be selected by the Association based upon recommendations made by each institution. Honored players will be recognized via press release. Certificates will not be provided for Rookie of the Week.

Men's Sports

Baseball
Basketball
Lacrosse
Soccer

Women's Sports

Basketball
Field Hockey
Lacrosse
Soccer
Softball
Volleyball

5.14 All-Academic Team.

The Association will recognize student-athletes that are members of a team in a CAA sport that have completed two full semesters or three quarters. One nominee from each institution will be submitted by the coach prior to the postseason championship for consideration of this honor. Certificates will be provided. [Adopted: June 5, 2013]

5.15 Commissioner's Academic Award.

The Association will recognize those student-athletes that are members of a team (i.e., competed and/or practiced) in a CAA sport and earned a 3.200 or higher grade point average based on semester performance or cumulative GPA. Names of Academic Award winners will be submitted by the institutions to CAA in January for fall sports (i.e., cross country, soccer, field hockey, women's volleyball), and in June for the winter and spring sports (i.e., swimming & diving, basketball, rowing, golf, tennis, outdoor track & field, lacrosse, softball, baseball). Certificates will be provided.

5.16 Dean Ehlers Leadership Award.

In men's and women's basketball, the conference will recognize a student-athlete that embodies the highest standards of leadership, integrity, and sportsmanship in conjunction with their academic and athletic achievements. A trophy will be presented in conjunction with the conference championship.

5.17 John H. Randolph Award.

An award will be presented in the memory of former College of William & Mary Director of Athletics, John H. Randolph, to recognize an individual who, through strength of character and human spirit, serves as an inspiration to all to maximize their potential and ability for success. A trophy will be presented.

5.18 Scholar-Athlete of the Year.

The Association will recognize a scholar-athlete of the year in each sport plus designate an overall men's and women's CAA scholar-athlete of the year. Scholar-athlete awards for the Fall, Winter, and Spring sports will be presented in December, March, and May respectively. [Adopted: February, 2003]

A. Criteria.

1. The student-athlete must be a starter or important reserve for his/her team.
2. The student-athlete must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.25 or better. Grade Point Averages should be rounded off to two decimal spaces, using the standard rounding procedures (ex. 3.754 = 3.75, 3.297 = 3.30).
3. The student-athlete must have been a student at his/her institution for a minimum of two terms (excluding summer) prior to being nominated. Therefore, freshmen and first-year transfers are not eligible.

4. Graduate students are eligible. However, the undergraduate G.P.A. and the graduate G.P.A. must be listed. [Note: Transfer students enrolled in graduate school are not eligible the first year.]
5. Academic achievements and athletic achievements should be considered as equally as possible.
6. Each school is limited to one nomination per sport.

B. Selection procedure.

1. Near the end of each of the three sport seasons, sports information directors should submit nominations to the CAA office for each sport in which the school participates.
2. The CAA office will compile a ballot and distribute it to the sports information directors of all ten CAA schools. (Associate members will only be allowed to nominate and vote in the sports in which their schools participate).
3. Voting will be conducted as follows:
 - a. Each SID (one vote per school) will rank his/her top three choices with 5 points being awarded for a first place vote, three points for a second place vote and one point for a third place vote. Sports Information Directors may vote for their own candidate.
 - b. The Scholar-Athletes with the most points will be named as the CAA Scholar-Athlete of the Year.
 - c. The CAA office will create and distribute a press release announcing the award winners.
 - d. An appropriate award will be given to the CAA Scholar-Athlete in each sport (i.e., certificate).

C. CAA Men's & Women's Scholar-Athlete of the Year.

1. At the end of each academic year, a CAA Scholar-Athlete of the Year will be selected from among the 22 winners throughout the year. The voting procedure will be the same as the one used for the CAA Scholar-Athletes.
2. A CAA Scholar-Athlete for men's sports and a CAA Scholar-Athlete for women's sports will be selected.
3. The CAA Scholar-Athlete of the Year will receive an appropriate award (e.g., mounted or laminated certificate, plaque).

ARTICLE VI

COMMITTEES

- 6.01** The President of the Association shall be empowered to appoint all committees essential to the operation of the Association.
- 6.02** Following are the standing committees of the Association:
- A. Audit Committee
 - B. Awards Committee
 - C. Television Committee
 - D. Competition Committee
 - E. Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

6.03 Special Committees.

- A. Constitution & Bylaws Committee (Appointed by Council of Presidents).
- B. Basketball Tournament Negotiating Committee
- C. Basketball Tournament Committee
- D. Men's Basketball Enhancement Committee
- E. Women's Basketball Enhancement Committee