

# Academic Progress Rate (APR)

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## What is APR?

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# What is APR?

- Metric established by the NCAA to indicate the success of collegiate athletic teams in moving towards graduation
- Real-time rate, calculated term by term
- Includes all student-athletes on a team in a given year receiving athletically related financial aid



# What is APR?

- Points awarded for eligibility/graduation and retention
- Totaled over most recent four years (cohort)
- Used in analysis for eligibility for postseason competition, APP penalties and public recognition of top academically performing teams



# What is APR?

Data Submission Phase - APR data due six weeks after the first day of class.

Verification Phase - NCAA staff verifies data entered properly.

Data Correction/APR Adjustment Phase - 14 calendar days to request corrections/adjustments. Penalty reports available in APP system after corrections/adjustments.

Penalty Waiver Phase -14 calendar days to request a waiver.

Final Submit – All opportunities to change data or request a waiver have expired; email is sent to the chancellor/president.





## **APR Calculation**

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# APR Calculation

- Two points available in each academic term
  - Eligibility “E” point = Student-athlete meets academic eligibility standards as of the end of the academic term.
  - Retention “R” point = Student-athlete is enrolled full time as of the census date or the fifth week of classes of the next term





# APR Calculation

- Delayed-Graduation Points
  - Point awarded in the term the former SA graduates
  - Restores a lost APR “E” or “R” point from the last term SA was in the cohort
  - Delayed-graduation points awarded for any academic year cohort that comprise the multiyear APR cohort



# APR Calculation Example

JLU Golf Team Members	Fall 2014 Earned E/Earned R	Spring 2015 Earned E/Earned R	Point Totals
Bruce Wayne	E – Yes / R - Yes	E – Yes / R – Yes	4/4
Clark Kent	E – Yes / R - Yes	E – Yes / R – Yes	4/4
Barry Allen	E – Yes / R - Yes	E – Yes / <b><u>R – No</u></b>	3/4
John Stewart	E – Yes / R - Yes	E – Yes / R – Yes	4/4
Carter Hol	E – Yes / R – Yes	<b><u>E – No</u></b> / R – Yes	3/4
Billy Batson	E – Yes / R - Yes	E – Yes / R – Yes	4/4
Kyle Rayner	E – Yes / R - Yes	E – Yes / R – Yes	4/4
Totals	14/14	12/14	26/28



# APR Calculation

Number of points earned

Number of points possible x 1000 = APR

$$\frac{26}{28} = .92857 \times 1000 = 929$$

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## **APR Adjustments**

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# APR Adjustments

- APR adjustments allow an institution to discount lost APR point (s) for a term or terms from the denominator
- Adjustments can be requested for lost “E” point, “R” point or both
- Requests are based on mitigation affecting individual student-athletes



# APR Adjustments

- APR Automatic Adjustments
  - Transfer to another four-year institution
    - 2.6 grade-point average
  - Professional athletics departure
    - Earned eligibility point during last term
  - Medical-absence waiver
  - Missed-term exception

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# APR Adjustments

## Original Single Year APR

JLU Golf student-athlete Barry Allen did not earn “R” point in Spring 15 resulting in team APR of...

$$\frac{26}{28} = .92857 \times 1000 = 929$$

## Adjusted APR Calculation

An APR adjustment was allowed due to mitigating factors affecting the student-athlete during the term.

$$\frac{26}{27} = .96296 \times 1000 = 963$$





## Benchmarks & Penalties

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# Benchmarks

The NCCA Division I Board of Directors established a 930 multiyear benchmark for access to 2013-14 postseason competition:

- Postseason includes all events conducted after the last regular season contest or end of conference tournament (e.g., bowl games, NIT, WNIT, etc.).
- Conferences determine ability to compete in conference tournaments.
- Applies to individual competitors on teams not meeting standards
- Waiver process available



# Benchmarks

- For postseason competition in 2015-16 and beyond
  - Need a multiyear APR of at least 930 or, after subject to first postseason restriction, have a two-year average APR of 950 or higher in the two most recent years



# Penalties

## Level One Penalties

- Reduce four hours and one day of countable athletically related activity per week in-season.
  - Results in 16 hours per week rather than 20 hours; and
  - Five days per week rather than six days
- Time replaced by academic activities

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# Penalties

## Level Two Penalties

- Reduce four hours of CARA per week out-of-season.
  - Results in four hours per week rather than eight hours; and
  - Time replaced by academic activities
- Cancel nonchampionship season/spring football
- For sports with nonchampionship season, 10% reduction in contests and length of season
- Level-One penalty (in-season).



# Penalties

## Level Three Penalties

- Level One and Level Two penalties; and
- Menu Options May Include
  - Financial aid penalties ( any amount, any type)
  - Practice penalties (reduction of four hours/week and up)
  - Contest reductions (10% up to full season)
  - Restricted and corresponding membership
  - Coach-specific penalties, including game restrictions and/or recruiting restrictions



# Penalties

## Level Three Penalties Continued

- Restricted access to practice for incoming student-athletes that fall below predetermined academic standards
- Multiyear postseason ban
- Additional penalties imposed by the Division I Committee on Academic Performance, tailored to a school's specific situation





## Quiz Time

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# Quiz

True or False. Level One APR penalties call for a four hour reduction of CARA per week while in the playing season.

True. The four hour reduction in CARA is replaced by academic activities.





# Quiz

For access to postseason competition in 2015-16 and beyond, a multiyear APR of at least \_\_\_ is required?

- A. 950
- B. 930
- C. 960
- D. 1000

An institution subject to its first postseason restriction would be allowed a two-year APR average of 950 in the most recent years of the cohort.



# Quiz

An institution from which a student-athlete transfers with a GPA of \_\_\_\_ would receive an automatic APR adjustment.

- A. 2.0
- B. 2.3
- C. 2.5
- D. 2.6



# Questions?



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