The NCAA Division II Women’s Lacrosse Committee is providing this information to outline key information. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact a member of the committee or Morgan DeSpain, NCAA assistant director, championships and alliances (phone: 317-917-6505; mdespain@ncaa.org).

### 2016-17 NCAA Committee Members

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December 2 – Deadline to apply for the open South and East committee vacancies.

### 2016-17 Regional Advisory Committees

#### North

- **Jesse Balcer**, Chestnut Hill
- **Alicia Groveston**, Grand Valley State

#### South

- **Terence Beattie**, West Chester
- **Margie Sullivan**, Rollins

### Championships/Management Council Actions

- Approved the expansion to four regions effective September 1, 2017.

### Championship Selection Criteria

**Bylaw 31.3.3 – Criteria for Selection of Participants.** To be considered for championship selection, a team must satisfy all scheduling requirements as outlined by championships policy in that sport (e.g., minimum number of Division II or in-region contests). The following criteria shall be employed by a governing sports committee in selecting participants for NCAA championships competition:

- Availability of student-athletes for NCAA championships;
- Nullification;

**Selection Criteria**

Following confirmation of the availability of student-athletes for NCAA championships and the application of any nullification, the following required selection criteria shall be applied in no particular order:

- Overall Division II in-region winning percentage;
- Overall Division II winning percentage;
- Overall Division II strength of schedule (opponents’ average winning percentage and opponents’ opponents’ average winning percentage);
- Division II head-to-head competition; and
- Results versus Division II common opponents.

In addition to Bylaw 31.3.3, the Division II Women’s Lacrosse Committee has received approval from the Division II Championships Committee to consider the following criteria in the selection of at-large teams for the Division II Women’s Lacrosse Championship (not necessarily in priority order):

- Division II results versus teams with .500 record or better;
- Performance Indicator (PI).

Teams must play a minimum of 10 games in-region and have a .500 record.
An institution desiring to participate in the championship must complete all games before the final scheduled selection call of the Women’s Lacrosse Committee.

Additionally, input is provided by regional advisory committees for consideration by the women’s lacrosse committee. Coaches’ polls and/or any other outside polls or rankings are not used as a criterion by the women’s lacrosse committee for selection purposes.

### 2017 Bracket Format

May 12 & 13
- Combined first- and second-round sites.
- Three teams at the host sites of the top two seeds; games played Friday and Saturday.
- Sites of top two seeds, winner advances to play host team.

May 19 & 21
- Semifinals and Final at Steph Pettit Stadium in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania.

### Future Dates and Sites

#### 2017 Championship Dates

**Selections:** Sunday, May 7  
**First/Second Rounds:** Friday, May 12 and Saturday, May 13  
**Semifinals/Final:** Friday and Sunday, May 19 and 21  
Host: Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania; Steph Pettit Stadium, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania

#### 2018 Championship Dates

**Selections:** Sunday, May 6  
**First/Second Rounds:** Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12  
**Semifinals/Final:** Friday and Sunday, May 18 and 20  
Host: University of Tampa; UT Lacrosse Stadium, Tampa, Florida

### Four Region Model

Beginning September 1, 2017, DII Women’s Lacrosse will expand from two regions to four regions. The region breakdown is as follows:

**Atlantic Region**  
Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference  
Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference

**East Region**  
East Coast Conference  
Northeast-10 Conference

**Midwest Region**  
Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference  
Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference  
Independents

**South Region**  
Conference Carolinas  
South Atlantic Conference  
Independents

### Annual Meeting

The national committee will meet June 8-9, 2017. If you have topics that you would like the committee to discuss, please forward them in writing to Morgan DeSpain at the NCAA by June 1, 2017.