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).

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### Championships/Management Council Actions

- Approved the expansion of the bracket to 16 teams with an added rest day between the first-and-second-round effective September 1, 2018.
- Approved the addition of regional Rating Percentage Index to the selection criteria effective September 1, 2018.

### 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.

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**Future Dates and Sites**

**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

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**2019 Championship Dates**

Selections: Sunday, May 5
First/Second Rounds: Friday and Sunday, May 10 and 12
Semifinals/Final: Friday and Sunday, May 17 and 19
Host: Grand Valley State University and West Michigan Sports Commission; GVSU Lacrosse Stadium, Allendale, Michigan

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**2018 Bracket Format**

May 10 & 12
- Combined first- and second-round sites.
- Three teams at the host sites of the top seeds; games played Friday and Saturday.
- Winners advances to play host team.

May 18 & 20
- Semifinals and Final at UT Lacrosse Stadium in Tampa, Florida.

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**2019 Bracket Format**

May 10 & 12
- Combined first- and second-round sites.
- Four teams at the host sites of the top seeds; games played Friday and Sunday.
- Winners of first round play Sunday.

May 17 & 19
- Semifinals and Final at GVSU Lacrosse Stadium in Allendale, Michigan.

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**Four Region Model**

Beginning September 1, 2017, DII Women’s Lacrosse expanded 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
Great Midwest Athletic Conference
Mountain East Conference
Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

**South Region**
Conference Carolinas
Gulf South Conference
South Atlantic Conference
Sunshine State Conference

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**Annual Meeting**

The national committee will meet June 6-7, 2018. 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, 2018.