The NCAA Division III Women’s Golf Committee is providing this information to outline key actions taken by the committee during the past year, as well as future recommendations or information that will be helpful to you. In addition, if you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Jerry Bergsma, chair of the NCAA Division III Women’s Golf Committee, and/or a member of the committee or Nancy O’Hara, NCAA championships and alliances.

1. **2017-18 Committee Members.**

   Jerry Bergsma, chair  
   Head Golf Coach  
   Calvin College  
   Term ends: Sept. 2019

   Brad Duckworth  
   Director of Athletics  
   University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point  
   Term ends: Sept. 2019

   Peter Gyscek  
   Head Men’s and Women’s Golf Coach  
   Washington and Lee University  
   Term ends: Sept. 2021

   Skip Molitor  
   Assistant Athletic Director/Head Golf Coach  
   Whitman College  
   Term ends: Sept. 2018

   Eric Sieger  
   Women’s Golf Coach  
   Carleton College  
   Term ends: Sept. 2020

2. **Sponsorship.** The 2017-18 sponsorship lists are located on the ncaa.org member site.

   Division I 268 (+4)  
   Division II 196 (+3)  
   Division III 226 (+14)  
   Total 690 (+21))

   + Indicates the number of institutions that have added women’s golf since the 2016-17 academic year.

   The Division III pool document is posted online at www.NCAA.org.

3. **2018 Championships Dates and Sites.**

   **Selection Announcement:** Monday, April 30, 2018  
   **National Championships:** May 8-11, 2018  

4. **Future Sites.**

   **2019 Selection Announcement:** Monday, May 6, 2019  
   **National Championships:** May 14-17, 2019  
   Bay Oaks Country Club, Houston, Texas – Hosted by the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor and Harris Country-Houston Sports Authority.

5. **2017 Top Finishers – Teams**

   1. Rhodes College  
   2. George Fox University  
   3. Wittenberg University  
   4. Williams College

6. **Automatic Qualification.** The Division III Championships Committee awarded the following 19* conferences automatic qualification for the 2018 championships:

   American Southwest Conference  
   Centennial Conference  
   College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin  
   Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference  
   Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference  
   Liberty League  
   Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association  
   Middle Atlantic Conference  
   Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference  
   North Coast Athletic Conference  
   Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference  
   Northwest Conference  
   Ohio Athletic Conference  
   Old Dominion Athletic Conference  
   Presidents’ Athletic Conference  
   Southern Athletic Association  
   Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference  
   Upper Midwest Athletic Conference  
   Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference  

7. **2020 Selection Announcement:** Monday, May 4, 2020  
   **National Championships:** May 12-15, 2020  
   PGA National Resort, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida – Hosted by Emory University and Palm Beach County Sports Commission (joint championships with Division III Men’s Golf).

8. **2021 Selection Announcement:** Monday, May 3, 2021  
   **National Championships:** May 11-14, 2021  
   Forest Akers Golf Courses, Lansing, Michigan – Hosted by Olivet College and Greater Lansing Sports Authority
7. **Selection Process** The committee will select 131 participants for the championships. Twenty-five teams and six individuals will be selected. This is an increase of three teams from the 2017 championships.

8. **Selection Criteria.** All contests against Division III opponents will be in primary criteria. The following criteria will be used to select the six* at-large teams and six individuals to the championships.

   **Primary:**
   - Won-lost percentage against Division III opponents;
   - Division III head-to-head competition;
   - Results versus common Division III opponents;
   - Adjusted scoring average;
   - Score versus par;
   - Strength of schedule in Division III;
   - Record versus top 25 Division III teams;
   - Place finish in contests;
   - Average drop score;
   - Late-season performance.

   **Secondary:**
   - Won-lost percentage against non-division III opponents;
   - Results versus common non-Division III opponents;
   - Strength of schedule;
   - Record versus top 25 non-Division III opponents.

   Coaches’ polls and/or any other outside polls are not used as a selection criterion by the women’s golf committee for selection purposes.

9. **2017-18 Selection Process.** Teams and individuals must play a minimum of twelve 18-hole rounds on a course at least 5,800 yards, including a minimum of three rounds in the spring and register with Golfstat by October 1, 2017, in order to be considered for selection as an at-large to the championships. Teams receiving automatic qualification berths (Pool A) must meet minimum sport sponsorship requirements but otherwise will be determined as dictated by the conference (e.g., do NOT need to meet the minimum twelve 18-hole rounds, three rounds in the spring requirement). A team or individual desiring to participate in the championships must complete all tournaments by April 29, 2018. A team may compete with four or five players. Teams or individuals that are not able to meet eligibility requirements due to weather or other extenuating circumstances may submit a written waiver to the NCAA championships manager prior to the selection call for consideration by the women’s golf committee.

10. **Regional Rankings.** The committee will publish four regional rankings. There will be one ranking in the fall and three rankings in the spring. The fourth published ranking will be at the time of selections. Regional rankings will be published Nov. 2, April 12, April 26 and at the time of selections, April 30.

11. **Championship Format.** The championships will consist of both team and individual competition conducted concurrently. The tournament is 72 holes. All participants will complete 54 holes of competition. After 54 holes of competition, the field will be cut to the top 15 teams and top six individuals not on one of those teams.


13. **Annual Meetings.** The 2018 NCAA Division III Women’s Golf Committee annual meeting will be June 25-27, 2018, in Indianapolis. Feel free to submit agenda items in writing to the NCAA championships administrator, Nancy O’Hara.

    The 2017 women’s golf committee annual meeting report can be found at [http://www.ncaa.org/championships/division-iii-womens-golf](http://www.ncaa.org/championships/division-iii-womens-golf).


15. **NCAA Websites.** [www.NCAA.org](http://www.NCAA.org) and [www.NCAA.com](http://www.NCAA.com).