ACADEMIC-BASED REVENUE DISTRIBUTION PRIMER

Academic Unit Criteria for Distribution

To earn an academic unit, an institution must meet ONE of the academic unit criteria:

**APR**
Division I APR for previous year is equal to or greater than 985. Average of single year rates for all teams.

**GSR**
Graduation Success Rate for most recently available year is equal to or greater than 90 percent. Average of single year rates for all teams.

**FGR**
Difference between student-athlete and student body rates for most recently published Federal Graduation Rate is equal to or greater than 13 percentage points.

Timeline for Academic Unit Revenue Distribution

- **Spring 2018**
  - First mock reports available

- **Spring 2019**
  - Second mock reports available

- **Spring 2020**
  - First official reports available

- **May / June 2020**
  - First actual financial distribution to conferences

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Q: Are recipients of an academic unit required to use the funds specifically for academic initiatives?
   A: No, the funds are “unrestricted.” Institutions/conferences may use funds from their academic distribution how they see most appropriate. Funds will be distributed to conferences who are free to distribute the funds in accordance with their distribution policies.

2. Q: Will there be a published public report of all institutions that earn an academic unit?
   A: No. There will not be any public NCAA publishing of who earned an academic unit. Each member institution and conference will receive only their own reports.

3. Q: Is there a waiver process for an institution that does not earn an academic unit?
   A: No. There is no waiver process. Institutions may submit data adjustments during the APR and GSR data collection phases. However, once the data window closes and distributions are made, the distributions are final and not subject to waivers.