NCAA Division I Academic Performance Program
Limited-Resource Institution Filters
What's New?

New Application for Non-Football Bowl Subdivision Limited-Resource Institution Filters.

The NCAA Division I Academic Performance Program has included filters for non-Football Bowl Subdivision limited-resource institutions since 2011. These filters were designed to assist teams at limited-resource institutions in the transition to the new APP structure for penalties and access to postseason competition. The filters were set to expire in the fall 2015, but were extended for one more year (2015-16).

In October, 2015, the NCAA Division I Committee on Academics adopted a new application for the existing APP filters for non-FBS limited-resource institutions. These filters are available to teams at limited-resource institutions that do not meet the 930 NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate benchmark required to access postseason competition and avoid APP penalties.

The filters themselves have not changed, allowing for consistency in the APP:

1. 920 multiyear APR;
2. 940 two-year APR in the two most recent years; or
3. 930 single-year APR in the most recent year and meets one of five improvement tests.

Each team can use a limited-resource institution filter twice over five years.

APR Improvement Plan Requirements to Access Limited-Resource Institution Filters.

As in the past, access to limited-resource institution filters depends on an APR Improvement Plan that meets certain requirements. The criteria for 2016-17 APR Improvement Plans will be more robust. The Committee on Academics will finalize the criteria in February, 2016.

Education Initiatives for Limited-Resource Institutions.

The Committee on Academics also agreed to establish an education initiative targeted at limited-resource institutions with at least one underperforming team. The education programming will be fully developed over the 2015-16 academic year.