



Transferring to Stanford

If you have ever attended another two- or four-year institution as a full-time student, you are considered a transfer student under NCAA rules, even if you did not participate in athletics. Before you are eligible to participate with a Stanford Varsity team, you must complete the Compliance Beginning of the Year packets via ARMS, have your NCAA transfer eligibility verified, receive a physical from Stanford Sports Medicine, and file all appropriate information with the Stanford Registrar's Office.

Transferring from Stanford to another Institution

NCAA rules prohibit a student-athlete from contacting, directly or indirectly, a coach or staff member of another NCAA institution without being placed into the NCAA Transfer Portal ("Transfer Portal"). Coaches from Division I institutions are prohibited from contacting, directly or indirectly, a student-athlete who attends another NCAA institution unless the student-athlete is in the NCAA Transfer Portal. Institutions that do not use the Portal (e.g. NAIA), are required to receive permission to contact from Stanford prior to communicating with a student-athlete regarding a potential transfer.

1. Written Notification of Transfer

Before you discuss transferring with another institution, that school must first confirm your name has been entered into the Transfer Portal. The Transfer Portal is a national transfer database that coaches from other institutions can access to verify that they are permitted to speak with you about the possibility of transferring.

To formally request that your name be added to the Transfer Portal, you must complete the Notification of Transfer Form in ARMS. When completing the Notification of Transfer Form, student-athletes will be prompted to complete the NCAA required transfer educational module and must attach proof of module completion prior to submitting the form. The Compliance Services Office will have two (2) business days after receiving the completed Notification of Transfer Form (that must include confirmation of module completion) to enter your name into the Transfer Portal. You will be notified automatically via email once your name has been entered into



In winter sports, a student must provide written notification of transfer during a 45 consecutive day period beginning seven days after championship selections are made in the sport.

In basketball, a student must provide written notification of transfer during a 45 consecutive day period beginning the after day after championship selections are made in the sport.

In spring sports, the student must provide written notification of transfer during:

- December 1-15; or
- A 30 consecutive-day period beginning seven days after championship selections are made in the sport.

Exceptions to the transfer windows

A student-athlete may initiate notification of transfer during a 30 consecutive-day period beginning the day after either:

- The head coach of the student-athlete's team departs or announces departure from the institution; or
- The student-athlete's athletics aid is reduced, canceled or not renewed (except as permitted per Bylaws 15.3.4.2 or 15.3.5.1).

Notification of transfer for students transferring after completing their undergraduate degree (“Graduate Transfers”): Graduate Transfers can enter their name into the Transfer Portal any time between October 1 (of the academic year in which their degree will be conferred) and the last day of the final undergraduate transfer window for their sport.

3. Submitting the Notification of Transfer Form is not deemed a specific “Intent to Transfer”

A student-athlete may submit the Notification of Transfer Form (being mindful of sport-specific transfer windows to qualify for the one-time transfer exception) and does not need permission to do so from their coach, staff member, or DAPER Administrator. However, once your name has been entered into the Transfer Portal you will no longer continue participating with your team in any athletically-related activities and will no longer have access to the majority of DAPER varsity athletics resources



Additionally, after submitting the Notification of Transfer form your athletic scholarship will be cancelled or reduced starting the term immediately following the term in which the Written Notification of Transfer form is received (e.g., if you submit the form in fall quarter, your athletic aid agreement may be cancelled starting that following winter quarter). If you submit the Notification of Transfer form between regular academic terms (e.g., winter break, summer break), DAPER may reduce or cancel your financial aid immediately. It is at the discretion of your sport administrator in consultation with the Senior Woman Administrator to allow you to continue receiving athletically-related aid, Alston payments, and summer school financial aid.

A Written Notification of Transfer expires at the time you:

- provide a request for withdrawal in writing to the Compliance Services Office,
- return to Stanford for the ensuing academic year or the team's report date for the next academic year (whichever is earlier), or
- begin classes at another institution in the ensuing academic year.

If, after submitting the Notification of Transfer form via ARMS, you decide you would like to have your name withdrawn from the NCAA Transfer Portal, please send an email requesting your name be removed to the Compliance Services Office.