How is the Core GPA Calculated?

The Eligibility Center calculates the grade-point average of a student's core courses on a 4.000 scale. The best grades from a student's NCAA core courses will be used to satisfy the corecourse requirements. Grades from additional core courses will be used only if the grades improve a student's core GPA.

To determine points earned for each course, multiply the points for the grade by the amount of credit earned. A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1

Remember, the Eligibility Center does not use plus or minus grades when calculating corecourse GPA. For example, grades of B+, B and B- will all be worth 3 quality points each.

If your high school uses a numeric scale, you need to provide a conversion to a letter grade and communicate that to the Eligibility Center if you have not already done so.

Examples of total quality point calculation:

- An A grade (4 points) for a trimester course (0.34 units): 4 points x 0.34 units = 1.36 total quality points
- An A grade (4 points) for a semester course (0.50 units): 4 points x 0.50 units = 2.00 total quality points
- An A grade (4 points) for a full-year course (1.00 units): 4 points x 1.00 units = 4.00 quality points

Calculate the Overall Grade-Point Average

To calculate the estimated core-course grade-point average, divide the total number of points for all core courses by the total number of core-course units completed.