

ACUI & SCTP STUDENT PROGRAMS ELIGIBILITY & CODE OF CONDUCT

ACUI and the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) place a strong emphasis on sportsmanship and safety. As part of this effort, collegiate student athletes are asked to thoroughly read all elements of this Eligibility & Code of Conduct form. Recognizing that the primary purpose of student life on campus is academic achievement, to further underscore the importance of continuing academic progress, students participating in ACUI student programs must be enrolled as a student in good standing at the institution they represent. To that end, ACUI & SCTP hereby establish the below expectations for students participating in its programs. This is a contract between ACUI, the Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation and the student athlete. The signatures on this form signify agreement to comply with the provisions of this contract.



Eligibility Requirements

- All participants must meet eligibility criteria established by their school.
- All participants are limited to six years of eligibility. Students enrolled at two-year institutions are limited to three years of eligibility; if they transfer to a four-year school, six years total.
- All participants must be between 18 and 25 years old to compete in ACUI or SCTP collegiate clay targets events. If a participant turns 26 during a season, they may finish competing in that season's event. Student veterans between the ages of 26 and 29 years old will be eligible to receive a waiver to participate in ACUI or SCTP collegiate clay targets events. If a student veteran participant turns 30 during a season, they may finish competing in that season's event.
- All participants must be enrolled for the academic term in which they are competing in an event for at least nine credits (six credit hours for graduate students). Seniors who will be graduating at the end of the academic term may be considered eligible if they are taking hours needed to complete their degree. Students who do not meet the enrollment requirements during the semester in which an event takes place will not be eligible to compete in that event.
- Students who begin a season as an eligible student athlete, but graduate prior to the end of the season, will be allowed to maintain their eligibility status through the National Championships of that same season. Following the National Championships event, their eligibility will expire. Early graduates will still be held to all other listed rules, guidelines, and policy listed in the current season's match programs, rulebook, and forms. Students who compete following their graduation date are not eligible to receive monetary scholarship awards.
- All undergraduate and graduate student participants must be enrolled as a student in good conduct standing at the institution they represent, as determined by the institution in which they are currently enrolled.
- For participation in events, certification of eligibility must be made by an advisor or authorized staff member of the school. All participants in the Nationals competitions are required to provide certification of eligibility along with the registrar's seal and signature.

Code of Conduct Expectations

- Students are expected to review all advanced material received regarding the program. Information should also be shared with their campus advisor.
- Access to cell phones, pagers, mobile devices, and electronic music devices is subject to the event coordinator's discretion during the competition or program sessions.
- Negative posts, belittling accomplishments, bullying, posting of denigrating comments, or impersonating others in public or social

- media that creates a hostile environment within our otherwise inclusive community are a violation of the ACUI & SCTP Code of Conduct. This code explicitly states that as a participant it is an obligation to abide by the conduct guidelines and that violation of them may jeopardize one's status as a participant in this program.
- Drinking and illegal drugs are not allowed during programs regardless of the students' age.
- No smoking, e-cigarettes/hookah, or chewing tobacco is allowed on the field.
- Come prepared with a positive attitude, a willingness to take risks, and a desire to have fun.
- Respect and uphold ACUI & SCTP policies and philosophies of advancing campus and shooting sports community builders through unconditional human worth, joy, learning, caring community, innovation, diversity, and integrity.
- Participants agree to abide by any additional regulations laid out by the host range.
- ACUI & SCTP supports the filming of the event, and an athlete's participation or a spectator's attendance grants ACUI & SCTP permission to use their image. That image can be used for reproduction in any media and for promotional purposes of the sport and the ACUI & SCTP collegiate tournament.
- Participants are representing their institutions, and ACUI and SCTP. All participants should adhere to the dress code for their respective events. The dress code is designed to provide for safety, support an environment conducive to all learning, respect individuality, and preserve the dignity of each student who is able to participate.
- ACUI & SCTP expect participation to be based on one's self-identified gender and that it is done in good faith and is consistent with a player's expressed gender identity. A participant's gender identity will be applied when there are gender-specific rules or player ratio requirements for co-rec divisions. Transgender individuals may compete in the division that best matches their self-identified gender identity. The campus official or advisor who approves registration for the event should verify the gender is based on the participant's self-identification and expressed gender identity, not purely on the sex indicated in official school records.

Participants are also expected to:

- Refer to the 2024-25 match program and supplementary documents regarding specific tournament information and guidelines.
- Adhere to all health and safety guidelines outlined in the program and reviewed at coach and team leader prep meetings.
- Agree to be a part of the community and uphold the responsibilities as a member.

Traveling Coach/Advisor Code of Conduct

Contact with athletes from other teams/institutions, for the purpose of coaching or recruitment, without the permission of the acting team coach/advisor of the athlete is prohibited at ACUI events in order to maintain the integrity of all involved.

Coaches/advisors are expected to indicate their understanding of the obligations associated with participating in the ACUI & SCTP Collegiate Clay Target Program and that failure to fulfill these expectations may jeopardize their status as a participant in this program. As part of registration, coaches/advisors agree that ACUI & SCTP will only publish personal information pertinent to participation in an event, which includes directory-type information (name and institution) and scores from an event. ACUI & SCTP require expressed permission to give out contact information and information regarding academic eligibility to anyone, regardless of relation. While no signature is required at the ACUI & SCTP conference championships, a signed document is required as part of the collegiate championship event in March. Either way, by registering for the event, coaches/advisors acknowledge that they meet the requirements of both the code of conduct and eligibility rules stated.

One signed document per student athlete is required for participation in the ACUI & SCTP Bowl Series events. An additional signed eligibility & code of conduct form will also be required as part of the Collegiate Championships in March. Regardless, by registering for the event, you acknowledge that you meet the requirements of both the code of conduct and eligibility rules above.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

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