

Ben Brownlee – Short Bio

Ben Brownlee was named Associate Director of Officiating at the NCAA in November 2023, overseeing the day-to-day operations of national office recruitment, retention, education and training initiatives for officiating across all NCAA sports and managing external relationships within the officiating ecosystem. Brownlee joined the NCAA Championships, Playing Rules and Officiating staff as an Assistant Director in April 2015. For over eight years, he served as the primary rules liaison to NCAA rules and sport committees for the sports of baseball, field hockey, men's and women's gymnastics, skiing, swimming and diving, and water polo. Brownlee has remained the primary contact regarding BBCOR baseball bat certification, working closely with the Washington State University Sports Science Laboratory for the last 10 years. He also oversaw the NCAA National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship in 2019.

Prior to joining the NCAA staff, Brownlee worked in the NCAA membership as Associate Commissioner for Internal Affairs at the Mountain East Conference (Division II) from 2013-15 and Associate Commissioner of the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (Division II) 2007-13. A former Division III swimmer, Ben earned his B.A. in Communication from Bethany College (WV) and earned his M.Ed. in Higher Education Student Services from Abilene Christian University.