NEW ORLEANS — Abrah Masterson and Josh Thorson proved during the 2015 cross country season that they were forces on the course.

After all, Masterson captured the individual women’s title at the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships and Thorson was no worse than third at four of the five meets in which he competed, including a second-place finish at NCAAs.

Masterson and Thorson also excelled in the classroom. For that, Masterson and Thorson were named NCAA Division III Scholar Athletes of the Year on Friday by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA).

As a sophomore from Granby, Colorado, Masterson posted a 3.605 GPA while double majoring in biochemistry/molecular biology and French. Masterson is the first athlete from Cornell College to win the award.

Thorson is a sophomore from Plymouth, Minnesota and maintained a 3.87 GPA as he majored in graphic design. This is the first time an athlete from UW-Eau Claire has been named Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Masterson and Thorson were chosen for the honor by being the top individual finishers at NCAAs with a cumulative GPA of 3.30 or higher.

In total, there were 352 women from 207 teams and 268 men from 151 teams

PAST WINNERS

WOMEN
2014: Amy Regan, Stevens
2013: Chelsea Johnson, St. Scholastica
2012: Christy Cazzola, UW-Oshkosh
2011: Chiara Del Piccolo, Williams
2010: Jennifer Gossels, Williams
2009: Marie Borner, Bethel (Minn.)
2008: Elise Tropiano, Amherst
2007: Sarah Zerzan, Willamette
2006: Sarah Zerzan, Willamette

MEN
2014: Grant Wintheiser, St. Olaf
2013: Mike LeDuc, Connecticut College
2012: Tim Nelson, UW-Stout
2011: Ben Sathre, St. Thomas (Minn.)
2010: Anders Hulleberg, Haverford
who nabbed USTFCCCA All-Academic honors. To earn that distinction, student-athletes must have a cumulative GPA of 3.30 or higher and finish in the top 25 percent at their respective regional.

Back in November, 70 student-athletes (35 from each gender) garnered All-America recognition. Of those, 27 women landed All-Academic honors, compared to 17 men.

There were 25 women that posted perfect GPAs (4.00), while 12 men did the same.

See below for the full list of individuals who were named USTFCCCA All-Academic.

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