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# DIII MEN'S TRACK & FIELD SCHOLAR ATHLETES OF THE YEAR, ALL-ACADEMIC INDIVIDUALS ANNOUNCED

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**NEW ORLEANS** – Chris Stadler of Haverford, Zach Ferrara of Brockport, Michael LeDuc of Connecticut College and Tom Postema of Defiance have been named the Scholar Athletes of the Year in Division III for the 2013 men's track & field season by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA), the association announced Monday.

These three men's combined academic and athletic prowess stood tallest among 232 male USTFCCCA All-Academic honorees between the indoor and outdoor seasons. The full breakdown of All-Academic selections can be found below.

Stadler, a junior sociology major with a cumulative grade point average of 3.675, earned the indoor track Scholar Athlete of the Year award with his NCAA Division III individual title at 5000 meters. This is the first time the Belmont, Mass., native has earned the award.

The indoor field Scholar Athlete of the Year award went to Ferrara, a senior kinesiology major with a cumulative 3.33 GPA who claimed the NCAA Division III indoor title in the pole vault. The Rochester, N.Y., native earns the award for the first time.

LeDuc, a junior botany major with a 3.793 cumulative GPA, adds the outdoor track Scholar Athlete of the Year award to a resume that includes perhaps the best finish of the championship season in winning the NCAA Division III steeplechase title (200 meters to go at 36:00 of <a href="this video">this video</a>). This is the first Scholar Athlete of the Year award for the Canton, Conn., native.

The outdoor field Scholar Athlete of the Year is Postema, a senior accounting major with a cumulative 3.35 GPA who won the hammer throw title and finished runner-up in the discus at the Division III Outdoor Championships. Postema, a senior competing for his

## EN'S SCHOLAR ATHLETE

#### **Indoor Track**

2013: Chris Stadler, Haverford

2012: Tim Nelson, UW-Stout

2011: Ben Scheetz, Amherst

2010: Steve Headley, Springfield

2009: Dallas Vincent, UW-La Crosse

2008: Jon Schellin, UW-Whitewater

#### **Indoor Field**

2013: Zach Ferrara, Brockport 2012: Tyler Genovese, UW-Eau Claire 2011: Kevin Coyle, Springfield (Mass.) 2010: Todd Wildman, Trinity (Texas) 2009: Sam Johnson, UW-Eau Claire 2008: Cody Stelzer, Whitworth

#### **Outdoor Track**

2013: Michael LeDuc, Connecticut College 2012: Tim Nelson, UW-Stout 2011: Alden Black, Springfield (Mass.) 2010: Connor Kamm, Williams 2009: Brian Harvey, Carnegie Mellon 2008: Andy Hodge, Wartburg

#### **Outdoor Field**

2013: Tom Postema, Defiance 2012: Tim VanLiew, Rutgers-Camden 2011: Peter Geraghty, North Central (III.) 2010: Brock Solveson, Concordia Wisconsin 2009: Brock Solveson, Concordia Wisconsin 2008: Fritz Nugent, Redlands

#### **Outdoor Track & Field**

2007: Fritz Nugent, Redlands

hometown Defiance, Ohio, program, earns Scholar Athlete of the Year distinctions for the first time in his career.

Scholar Athlete of the Year Awards are determined from among those who earned All-Academic status and placed highest in individual events at the most recent NCAA Championships. Those who earn multiple individual championship titles rank higher in the tie-breaking process, and cumulative GPA is weighed as the final

tiebreaker to establish a winner. Separate awards are given to track athletes and field athletes for the indoor and outdoor seasons, resulting in four categories.

### UW-La Crosse Tops All-Academic Individuals List with 16 Honorees; WIAC is the Top Conference

Including to the Scholar Athletes of the Year, a total of 232 men from 92 institutions earned USTFCCCA All-Academic honors for their combined efforts in competition and in the classroom. Indoor and outdoor team champion UW-La Crosse is the best-represented school with 16 men who earned All-Academic honors, followed by Tufts with 12 and MIT and North Central (III.) with 10. UW-Eau Claire recorded eight.

As the only conference with multiple teams with 10 or more honorees, the WIAC led all conferences with 46 total selections. The NESCAC was next with 24 and the CCIW rounded out the top three with 20.

To qualify for the USTFCCCA All-Academic Track and Field Team, the student-athlete must have compiled a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 and have met either of the following athletic standards: a student-athlete must have competed in an NCAA Indoor or Outdoor Championship or finished the regular season ranked in the national top 35 in an individual event or ranked in the national top 25 (collective listing) in a relay event on the official NCAA POP list provided by TFRRS.org.

The full list of All-Academic selections is provided below, arranged alphabetically by team name.

		Cumulative	
Name	School	GPA	Athlete's Major
Jacob Mehr	Adrian	3.30	Undecided
Matthew Melton	Amherst	3.69	Anthropology
David Devore	Augustana (III.)	3.56	Math and computer science
Josh Eisenberg	Augustana (III.)	3.97	Pre-medicine
Greg Patton	Augustana (III.)	3.53	Accounting and Political Science
Jonathan Smith	Augustana (III.)	3.71	Biology
David Voland	Augustana (III.)	3.81	Math
Hank Ballard	Birmingham-Southern	3.63	Biology
Aaron Sherrill	Birmingham-Southern	3.69	Math
Robert Willett	Birmingham-Southern	3.35	Psychology
Zachary Ferrara	Brockport	3.33	Kinesiology/Sport Science/Physical Education
Tristan Baer	Cal Lutheran	3.34	Business
Conor Finfrock	Cal Lutheran	3.76	History
Matthew Hamlett	Cal Lutheran	3.50	Political Science
Job Christiansen	Calvin	3.74	History
Steven Haagsma	Calvin	3.56	Education
Erik Holstege	Calvin	3.77	Biology
Sam Kerk	Calvin	3.40	Pre-Medicine
Dan Kerr	Calvin	3.72	Exercise Science
Matthew Vander Roest	Calvin	3.33	Engineering
Greg Whittle	Calvin	3.69	Engineering
Benjamin Herbert	Capital	3.30	Communications
Josh Newby	Carnegie Mellon	3.53	Industrial Design
Mark Balmes	Carthage	3.48	Accounting
Chris Kelly	Case Western Reserve	3.43	Biomedical Engineering
Isaac Dalke	Chicago	3.85	Classical Studies
Rafer Dannenhauer	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	3.34	Computational Biology
Ari Davis	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	3.68	International Relations
Matt Espy	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	3.31	Engineering
Jeff Macdonald	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	3.87	Philosophy, Politics & Economics/Spanish
Bennett Naden	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	3.58	Engineering
Brian Sutter	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	3.41	Government

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Jeff Vignos	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	3.64	Economics-Accounting
Adam Scalesse	Coast Guard	3.34	Civil Engineering
Benjamin Wolhaupter	Coast Guard	3.86	Civil Engineering
Erik Olson	Concordia Moorhead	3.40	Communications
Tristan Cole	Connecticut College	3.54	
Andrew Duarte	Connecticut College	3.64	Biology
Michael LeDuc	Connecticut College	3.79	Botany
Geoff Phaneuf	Connecticut College	3.86	
Tom Postema	Defiance	3.35	accounting
Chad Kosanovich	Denison	3.84	BioChemistry
Ryan Steinbock	Dickinson	3.50	International Business and Management, German
Payton Hanson	Dubuque	3.71	Psychology
Sam Brooks	Elizabethtown	3.75	biochemistry
Aaron Focht	Elizabethtown	3.45	Biology/Allied Health
Brian Layng	Elizabethtown	3.54	Engineering
Luke Rotenberger	Elizabethtown	3.84	Computer Science
Theresa Ford	Emory	3.76	Business
Nils Michaelis	Franklin & Marshall	3.51	Business, Organizations and Society
Jehosuah (Josh) Kuusisto	Greenville	3.41	Recreation
David Cason	Guilford	3.74	Biology / Health Sciences
Brendan Ruter	Hamline	3.49	Exercise Science & Psychology
	Haverford	3.62	Chemistry
Avi Bregman			
Gebby Keny	Haverford	3.52	Fine Arts
Peter Kissin	Haverford	3.72	Physics
lvo Milic-Strkalj	Haverford	3.70	English
Michael Riccio	Haverford	3.59	Religion
Chris Stadler	Haverford	3.68	Sociology
Gage Falcone	Heidelberg	3.39	Criminal Justice
Michael Beidleman	Hood	3.34	Undecided
Dan LaRocca	Illinois Wesleyan	3.48	Physics
Nathan Bickell	Ithaca	3.44	Documentary Studies & Prod.
David Geary	Ithaca	3.90	Music Education, Piano
Dennis Ryan	Ithaca	3.89	Business Administration
Will Rial	John Carroll	3.51	Communications
Josh Baker	Johns Hopkins	3.87	Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering
Kodie Artner	Lewis & Clark	3.69	Physics/Math
Zach Frey	Loras	3.97	Business
Jared Bloomquist	Lynchburg	3.35	English and Literature
Caleb Muller	Marietta	3.83	Information Systems
Drew Engle	Messiah	3.50	Marketing
Trevor Stutzman	Messiah	3.66	Nutrition
Kevin Chu	Middlebury	3.32	Environmental Studies-Geology
Sam Craft	Middlebury	3.30	Biochemistry
Patrick Hebble	Middlebury	3.56	Neuroscience
Wilder Schaaf	Middlebury	3.54	Physics
Shane Brogdon	Mississippi College	3.37	Kinesiology
Derek Barnes	MIT	3.84	Aerospace Engineering
Justin Bullock	MIT	3.36	Chemical and Biological Engineering
Michael DuPlessis	MIT	3.36	Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
States Lee	MIT	3.76	Mechanical Engineering
Carrington Motley	MIT	4.00	Mechanical Engineering
Samuel Parker	MIT	3.92	Mechanical Engineering
Benjamin Schreck	MIT	3.68	Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
Tyler Singer-Clark	MIT	3.76	Computer Science and Engineering
Cyrus Vafadari	MIT	3.60	Nuclear Science and Engineering  Nuclear Science and Engineering
Benji Xie	MIT	3.44	Computer Science and Engineering
David Cariello	Moravian	3.40	Computer Science and Engineering  Computer Science
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Travis King	Moravian	3.33	Business Management

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Tyler Bauer	Muhlenberg	3.92	Biology
Tommie Bardsley	Nebraska Wesleyan	3.46	Accounting
John Kersenbrock	Nebraska Wesleyan	3.53	Biology
Brock Taute	Nebraska Wesleyan	3.98	Physics
John Crain	North Central (III.)	3.31	Sociology Criminal Justice
Zach Heerspink	North Central (III.)	3.68	Exercise Science
David Janet	North Central (III.)	3.75	Biochemistry
Troy Kelleher	North Central (III.)	3.83	English Print Journalism
Daniel Kerley	North Central (III.)	3.96	Psychology
Joseph Michals	North Central (III.)	3.45	English Literature
Derek Nelson	North Central (III.)	3.39	Broadcast Communications
Adam Weidner	North Central (III.)	3.49	Accounting
Josh Winder	North Central (III.)	3.52	Physical Education
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Frank Wleklinski	North Central (III.)	3.88	Sociology
Alex Guo	Oberlin	3.66	East Asian Studies
Silas Jolliff	Ohio Wesleyan	3.53	Geography
Matt Martin	Ohio Wesleyan	3.70	Politics and Government
Conrad Bollinger	Principia	3.72	Business Administration
Joe Cerne	Puget Sound	3.42	Business and Economics
Taylor Browning	Redlands	3.33	Biology
Joseph Colucci	Redlands	3.30	Undecided
Adam Sellner	Ripon	3.64	Business and Computer Science
James Dorren	RIT	3.33	Psychology
Matthew Giannino	RIT	3.35	Mechanical Engineering Technology
Adam Irr	RIT	3.53	Computer Engineering
Benjamin Kelley	RIT	3.73	Information Security & Forensics
Collin Crowson	Rose-Hulman	3.54	Chemical Engineering
Tyler Hannan	Rose-Hulman	3.36	Computer Science
Taylor Purdue	Rowan	3.79	Engineering- Mechanical
Tim VanLiew	Rutgers-Camden	3.50	Psychology
Thomas Feichtinger	Saint John's (Minn.)	3.88	English and History
Chansler Poole	Saint Vincent	3.71	Biology
John Cord	Simpson (Iowa)	3.36	Math & Economics
Joe Farrand	Simpson (lowa)	3.80	Music
John Dayton	Springfield (Mass.)	3.49	Physican Assistant
	St. Lawrence	i	
Jacob Fredericks	St. Norbert	3.70	Philosophy and Government
Brad Boockmeier		3.75	Business
Taylor Pasterski	St. Norbert	3.63	Business
Dan Sisler	St. Norbert	3.69	Biology
Paul Escher	St. Olaf	3.93	Biology
Brian Saksa	St. Olaf	3.47	Chemistry
Eyo Ekpo	St. Thomas (Minn.)	3.54	Entrepreneurship
Brian Jarvey	St. Thomas (Minn.)	3.63	Biology
Bryan Thell	St. Thomas (Minn.)	3.49	Mechanical Engineering
Doug Thoresen	St. Thomas (Minn.)	3.46	Environmental Science
Gavin Yseth	St. Thomas (Minn.)	3.34	Neroscience
Robert Pinto	Stevens	3.75	Computer Engineering
Connor Ten Eyck	SUNY Cortland	3.33	Exercise Science
Carl Caughell	SUNY Fredonia	3.90	Education
Spencer Lefort	SUNY Fredonia	3.66	Finance/Accounting/Economics
Rob Farrell	SUNY Oneonta	3.67	Biology
Benjamin Depo	SUNY Plattsburgh	3.69	Accounting
Julio Alorro	TCNJ	3.49	Finance
Steve D'Auitolo	TCNJ	3.71	Mechanical Engineering
Andy Gallagher	TCNJ	3.71	Secondary Education/English
Dominic Tasco	TCNJ	3.36	Health & Exercise Science
Nicholas Jones	Thiel	3.86	Education Education
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Justin Campbell	Trinity (Texas)	3.80	International Business and East Asian Studies

Tyler Andrews	Tufts	3.48	Mechanical Engineering
Graham Beutler	Tufts	3.37	Biomedical Engineering
Mitchell Black	Tufts	3.71	Mechanical Engineering
Michael Blair	Tufts	3.35	Economics
Alex Kasemir	Tufts	3.79	Chemical Engineering
Vinnie Lee	Tufts	3.30	Economics
Kyle Marks	Tufts	3.58	International Relations
Jeff Marvel	Tufts	3.53	Economics
Brad Nakanishi	Tufts	3.78	Mechanical Engineering
Jamie Norton	Tufts	3.54	International Relations
Matt Rand	Tufts	3.58	History
Brian Williamson	Tufts	3.72	Chemistry
Aaron Easker	UW-Eau Claire	3.40	Kinesiolgy
Jeremy Kieser	UW-Eau Claire	3.91	Computer Science
Joe Makeever	UW-Eau Claire	3.56	Engineering
Bart Mestelle	UW-Eau Claire	3.33	Education/Chemistry
Marty Richardson	UW-Eau Claire	3.69	Accounting
Matt Scott	UW-Eau Claire	3.38	Biology
Nic Veras	UW-Eau Claire	3.33	Undeclared
Cory White	UW-Eau Claire	3.46	Public Health Public Health
John Cooper	UW-La Crosse	3.46	Biomedicine
Joshua Dedering	UW-La Crosse	3.76	Sport Management
Tyler Heinz	UW-La Crosse	3.52	Marketing
Gerald Kerska	UW-La Crosse	3.44	Philosophy and French
Bryan Klister	UW-La Crosse	3.56	Therapeutic Recreation / Pre-Physical Therapy
Alex Koenen	UW-La Crosse	3.33	Business Management
Cyrus Mason	UW-La Crosse	3.40	Computer Science
Adam Nichols	UW-La Crosse	3.53	Elementary Education
Jacob Peterson	UW-La Crosse	3.66	Middle Childhood/Early Adolescence
Robert Rohe	UW-La Crosse	3.57	Radiation Therapy
Andrew Rohlman	UW-La Crosse	3.65	Finance
David Stilin	UW-La Crosse	3.30	English / Education
Nick Tehan	UW-La Crosse	3.40	Business
Benjamin Tenpas	UW-La Crosse	3.34	Biology / Pre-Chiropractic
	UW-La Crosse	3.52	
Paul Yerhot			Physical Therapy
Tyson Young	UW-La Crosse	3.35	Middle Childhood/Early Adolescence
Jeremy Brandt	UW-Oshkosh	3.64	Cross Categorical Special Education
Jordan Carpenter	UW-Oshkosh	4.00	Finance
John Dewitt	UW-Oshkosh	4.00	Secondary Education and Math
Jacob Dickmann	UW-Oshkosh	3.45	Biology
John McCann	UW-Oshkosh	3.66	Environmental Studies
Kyle Schueller	UW-Oshkosh		Finance
Darren Hudziak	UW-Platteville	3.63	Software Engineering
Patrick Kessenich	UW-Platteville	3.35	Industrial Engineering
lan LaMere	UW-Platteville	3.83	Engineering
Michael Peterson	UW-Platteville	3.35	Mechanical Engineering
Jacob Wiederholt	UW-Platteville	3.42	Mathematics
Nicholas Geiger	UW-Stevens Point	3.59	Math
Dennis Haak	UW-Stevens Point	3.52	Biology
Justin Hemshrot	UW-Stevens Point	3.82	Forestry
Landon Luzar	UW-Stevens Point	3.71	Biology
Zach Mixdorf	UW-Stevens Point	3.37	Music
Zach Anderson	UW-Stout	3.48	Engineering Technology
Nick Bee	UW-Whitewater	3.42	History
Justin Bowers	UW-Whitewater	3.60	Health & Human Performance
Jared Denu	UW-Whitewater		
		3.79	Business
Dave Kuczynski	UW-Whitewater	3.51	Business
Dawson Miller	UW-Whitewater	3.45	Business

John Haley	Wabash	3.33	Psychology
Ronnie Posthauer	Wabash	3.52	German
Joel Whittington	Wabash	3.50	Economics
Daniel Bonthius	Wartburg	4.00	Biology
Colt Feltes	Wartburg	3.60	Accounting
Justin Meyer	Wartburg	3.43	History
Nick Alaniva	Washington (Mo.)	3.41	Chemistry
David Hamm	Washington (Mo.)	3.97	Architecture
Andrew Padgett	Washington (Mo.)	3.82	Psychology
Kevin Sparks	Washington (Mo.)	3.46	Political science
Scott Ryan	Washington and Jefferson	3.46	Business
Dillon Myers	Washington and Lee	3.68	Business Administration
Bryan Marsh	Wesleyan (Conn.)	3.65	Biology
Parker Thompson	Wheaton (III.)	3.65	Applied Health Science
James Waterman	Wheaton (III.)	3.47	Applied Health Science
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Kevin Curbelo	Whittier	3.41	Business
Tyler Coopman	Whitworth	3.36	Marketing
Peter Delap	Whitworth	3.83	Marketing
Joseph Green	Whitworth	3.38	Engineering Management
Frank Lima	Whitworth	3.32	Health Science
Casey Monahan	Whitworth	3.30	Kinesiology
Carson Kennedy	Willamette	3.43	UND
Thomas Andrew Beaudoin	Williams	3.52	Mathematics
Chris Lee	Williams	3.64	English
Wesley De Christofaro	WPI	3.54	Electrical and Computer Engineering
Timothy Hartung	York (Pa.)	3.60	Nursing