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## GVSU, JOHNSON C. SMITH NAMED WOMEN'S SCHOLAR TEAMS OF THE YEAR FOR DIVISION II AMONG ALL-ACADEMIC TEAMS

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**NEW ORLEANS** – The Grand Valley State and Johnson C. Smith women's track & field programs have earned Scholar Team of the Year honors for the 2013 Division II indoor and outdoor seasons, respectively, the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) announced Wednesday.

Both programs squads stood out among 92 women's teams that combined academic and athletic achievement to earn All-Academic Team honors this season. The squads earned the distinction as a result of being the highest-placing teams with at least a 3.00-cumulative GPA at the most recent NCAA indoor and outdoor championship. The full list of All-Academic Team honorees can be found below.

Though the Lakers of Grand Valley State — who have maintained a 3.19 cumulative team grade point average — were unable to capture a third-straight NCAA Division II Indoor Track & Field Championships team title, they were successful in defending their indoor Scholar Team of the Year award for a third consecutive season. Their current three-year streak gives them the most indoor Scholar Team of the Year honors since the award was first given out in 2007. Lincoln (Mo.) has earned the title twice.

GVSU finished fourth at the indoor championships with 41 team points, including two wins in the shot put — in meet-record fashion — and the weight throw from Sam Lockhart.

Johnson C. Smith is the outdoor Scholar Team of the Year after the Golden Bulls earned an impressive 3.569 cumulative team GPA — the fifth-highest of any Division II women's program in the country — en route to finishing runner-up at the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track & Field Championships. With 54 team points, just six fewer than national champion Academy of Art, JCS posted its highest-ever finish at the outdoor championships behind four event championships — including two from outdoor track Scholar Athlete of the Year Danielle Williams at 100 and 200 meters.

This marks the first time the Golden Bull women have earned Scholar Team of the Year honors in program history.

### Missouri S&T Posts Top Team GPA Among 92 All-Academic Teams

The USTFCCCA also announced Tuesday the 2013 Division II All-Academic Track & Field teams. A total of 92 institutions earned the distinction as a result of earning a cumulative team GPA of 3.00 or higher.

#### WOMEN'S SCHOLAR TEAM AWARD HISTORY

##### Indoor Track & Field

2013: Grand Valley State  
2012: Grand Valley State  
2011: Grand Valley State  
2010: Ashland  
2009: Lincoln (Mo.)  
2008: Adams State  
2007: Lincoln (Mo.)

##### Outdoor Track & Field

2013: Johnson C. Smith  
2012: Grand Valley State  
2011: Grand Valley State  
2010: Grand Valley State  
2009: Lincoln (Mo.)  
2008: Abilene Christian  
2007: Lincoln (Mo.)

#### TOP 10 TEAMS (CUMULATIVE GPA)

Missouri University of Science and Technology	3.66
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	3.612
Maryville University of Saint Louis	3.581
Seton Hill University	3.57
Johnson C. Smith University	3.569
Southwest Baptist University	3.542
Concordia University, St. Paul	3.531
University of Southern Indiana	3.513
Winona State University	3.5
West Virginia Wesleyan College	3.497

Missouri S&T took the top spot among Division II women's programs with a cumulative team GPA of 3.66. Edinboro was second at 3.612 and Maryville (Mo.) third at 3.581.

Three conferences were represented by double-digit teams with All-Academic Team honors: the GLIAC with 12, the PSAC with 11 and the NSIC with 10.

School	Cumulative Team GPA	Conference
Adams State University	3.36	RMAC
Adelphi University	3.25	Northeast-10
Alderson Broaddus University	3.20	WVIAC
Anderson University (South Carolina)	3.01	SAC
Angelo State University	3.15	Lone Star
Ashland University	3.38	GLIAC
Augustana College (South Dakota)	3.19	NSIC
Bellarmine University	3.48	GLVC
Bentley University	3.33	Northeast-10
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania	3.29	PSAC
California University of Pennsylvania	3.15	PSAC
Cedarville University	3.09	G-MAC
Chadron State College	3.21	RMAC
Clarion University of Pennsylvania	3.30	PSAC
Colorado School of Mines	3.17	RMAC
Concordia University, St. Paul	3.53	NSIC
Drury University	3.48	GLVC
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	3.61	PSAC
Emporia State University	3.43	MIAA
Ferris State University	3.02	GLIAC
Franklin Pierce University	3.40	Northeast-10
Georgian Court University	3.28	CACC
Grand Valley State University	3.19	GLIAC
Harding University	3.31	Great American
Hillsdale College	3.27	GLIAC
Humboldt State University	3.22	CCAA
Indiana University of Pennsylvania	3.44	PSAC
Johnson C. Smith University	3.57	CIAA
King College	3.33	Conf. Carolinas
Kutztown University of Pennsylvania	3.18	PSAC
Lake Erie College	3.04	GLIAC
Lees-McRae College	3.49	Conf. Carolinas
Lewis University	3.26	GLVC
Lindenwood University	3.34	MIAA
Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania	3.25	PSAC
Mars Hill College	3.05	SAC
Maryville University of Saint Louis	3.58	GLVC
Merrimack College	3.26	Northeast-10
Michigan Technological University	3.40	GLIAC
Millersville University of Pennsylvania	3.35	PSAC
Minot State University	3.29	NSIC
Missouri Southern State University	3.40	MIAA
Missouri University of Science and Technology	3.66	GLVC

Montana State University Billings	3.37	GNAC
MSU-Moorhead	3.28	NSIC
New Mexico Highlands University	3.15	RMAC
Northern Michigan University	3.18	GLIAC
Northern State University	3.35	NSIC
Northwest Nazarene University	3.38	GNAC
Northwood University (Michigan)	3.48	GLIAC
Nova Southeastern University	3.20	Sunshine
Queens University of Charlotte	3.03	Conf. Carolinas
Saginaw Valley State University	3.14	GLIAC
San Francisco State University	3.08	CCAA
Seattle Pacific University	3.19	GNAC
Seton Hill University	3.57	WVIAC
Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	3.03	PSAC
Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania	3.31	PSAC
South Dakota School of Mines & Technology	3.25	Independent (D-II)
Southwest Baptist University	3.54	MIAA
St. Thomas Aquinas College	3.35	East Coast
Stonehill College	3.15	Northeast-10
The College of Saint Rose	3.39	Northeast-10
The University of Findlay	3.42	GLIAC
Tiffin University	3.00	GLIAC
Truman State University	3.42	MIAA
University of Alaska Anchorage	3.33	GNAC
University of California, San Diego	3.19	CCAA
University of Charleston (West Virginia)	3.37	WVIAC
University of Colorado, Colorado Springs	3.06	RMAC
University of Mary	3.29	NSIC
University of Minnesota Duluth	3.19	NSIC
University of Montevallo	3.25	Peach Belt
University of Nebraska at Kearney	3.32	MIAA
University of New Haven	3.15	Northeast-10
University of North Alabama	3.35	Gulf South
University of Sioux Falls	3.48	NSIC
University of Southern Indiana	3.51	GLVC
University of Tampa	3.07	Sunshine
University of the District of Columbia	3.02	East Coast
University of the Incarnate Word	3.36	Lone Star
Wayne State College (Nebraska)	3.17	NSIC
Wayne State University (Michigan)	3.42	GLIAC
West Chester University of Pennsylvania	3.23	PSAC
West Liberty University	3.34	WVIAC
West Texas A&M University	3.26	Lone Star
West Virginia Wesleyan College	3.50	WVIAC
Western Oregon University	3.09	GNAC
Western State Colorado University	3.47	RMAC
Wheeling Jesuit University	3.15	WVIAC
William Jewell College	3.19	GLVC
Winona State University	3.50	NSIC

