



Student-Athletes Earn Spots On Academic All-Conference Team

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SPARTANBURG, S.C. - The Southern Conference announced its 2011 Academic All-Conference Spring Season team today (June 23rd). Georgia Southern carded 22 honorees on the team which included a spring season record of 326 student-athletes. All of the league's 12 member institutions were represented on the team which honors the best student-athletes in the league.

Georgia Southern's Alessandra Dzuba (Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.) was one of 13 league-wide student-athletes to maintain a perfect 4.0 cumulative GPA. Dzuba posted a winning record in dual match play for the Women's Tennis team, finishing at 7-5 overall.

Victor Roache (Ypsilanti, Mich.), a consensus All-American for the Eagle Baseball team, earned a slot on the team with a 3.26 GPA in Sport Management. He was joined by teammate Eric Phillips (Carrollton, Ga.), a first team All-SoCon selection at shortstop.

The Eagle Softball team produced the most honorees with six selections, which included four starting infielders: Hanna Ennis, Andrea Tarashuk, Jorie Walker and Mackenzie Williams.

To be eligible for the honor, student-athletes must carry at least a 3.2 cumulative grade point average entering the spring season and were required to compete in at least one-half of their team's competitions during the recently concluded campaign. In addition, the student-athletes must have successfully completed at least 24 credit hours in the previous two semesters.

At least 20 individuals from each of the 12 SoCon institutions were represented, participating in baseball, softball, men's and women's golf, men's and women's outdoor track and field and men's and women's tennis. The group recorded a combined 3.57 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Name	Sport	Class	Hometown	GPA	Major
Eric Phillips	Baseball	Junior	Carrollton, Ga.	3.35	General Studies
Victor Roache	Baseball	Sophomore	Ypsilanti, Mich.	3.26	Sport Management
Colin Snow	Baseball	Junior	Alpharetta, Ga.	3.26	Sport Management
Logan Blondell	Men's Golf	Senior	Lakeland, Fla.	3.56	Finance
Matthew Deal	Men's Golf	Senior	Statesboro, Ga.	3.41	Finance
Sebastien Felt	Men's Tennis	Sophomore	Vienna, Austria	3.87	Biology
Juan Puigventos Melian	Men's Tennis	Sophomore	Las Palmas, Spain	3.35	Technology Options Program
Mark Paetz	Men's Tennis	Senior	Munich, Germany	3.39	Hotel/Resturant Management
Mathijs Verdam	Men's Tennis	Sophomore	Hilversum, Netherlands	3.43	Hotel/Resturant Management

Kelly Burnett	Softball	Senior	Boynton Beach, Fla.	3.68	Early Childhood Education
Bethany Crenshaw	Softball	Senior	Warner Robins, Ga.	3.61	Nursing
Hanna Ennis	Softball	Junior	Snellville, Ga.	3.38	Sport Management
Andrea Tarashuk	Softball	Sophomore	Flemington, N.J.	3.24	History
Jorie Walker	Softball	Junior	Dublin, Ga.	3.29	Health and Physical Education
Mackenzie Williams	Softball	Junior	Baxley, Ga.	3.39	Modern Languages
Sara Curry	Track & Field	Sophomore	Lawrenceville, Ga.	3.67	Recreation
Morgan Jefferson	Track & Field	Senior	Villa Rica, Ga.	3.23	International Trade
Kassi Lee	Track & Field	Senior	Elberton, Ga.	3.48	Management
Brittani Martin	Track & Field	Junior	Alpharetta, Ga.	3.74	Early Childhood Education
Ali Beavers	Women's Tennis	Senior	Kingsport, Tenn.	3.78	Marketing
Alessandra Dzuba	Women's Tennis	Junior	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.	4.00	Art
Natalie Maffett	Women's Tennis	Sophomore	Rome, Ga.	3.22	Public Relations