

11 Student-Athletes Named to Fall Academic All-SoCon List

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[Fall 2009 Academic All-SoCon Team](#)



SPARTANBURG, S.C. – The Southern Conference recently announced its Academic All-Conference team for the 2009 fall season. A record total of 316 student-athletes, representing all 12 Southern Conference institutions, were named to the team. Georgia Southern placed 11 student-athletes on the list.

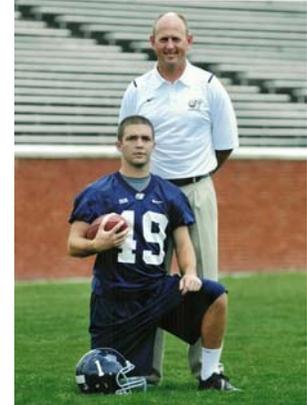
To be eligible, a student-athlete must possess at least a 3.2 cumulative grade point average entering the fall season and must have competed in at least one-half of their team's competitions during the recently-concluded fall campaign. In addition, the student-athletes must have successfully completed at least 24 credit hours in the previous two semesters.

Women's soccer led the way for Georgia Southern, naming three student-athletes to the list. [Christy Naife](#) paced the team with a 3.61 cumulative GPA. Naife, a Pre-Education Early Childhood Education major, was joined by teammates [Sara Oland](#) and [Candace Marshall](#) on the list.

In addition to the women's soccer team, football, men's soccer, volleyball and women's cross country each added two representatives apiece to the list. Representing football were [Christopher Rogers](#) and [Neil Harrell](#), while [Joe Madigan](#) and [Brennan Peacock](#) represented the men's soccer team. [Lauren Claybaugh](#) and [Cristin Haines](#) from volleyball joined [Laura Fuller](#) and [Kassi Lee](#) on the list from cross country. Rogers led all Eagle recipients, carrying a 3.77 cumulative GPA majoring in Biology. The 316 total student-athletes, which participated in football, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's soccer and volleyball recorded a 3.56 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

This is the eighth year that the Southern Conference has named an Academic All-Conference Team by season, and this season's team marked the highest overall total honorees (316) as well as the highest average per school (26.3).

The league's women's soccer teams placed 79 student-athletes on the team with football adding 71. Elon led all schools with 39 honorees, followed by Wofford (38), Samford (29) and Appalachian State (28).



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