

BC athletes receive academic awards *Sports*

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Recently, several Brevard College athletes have been awarded for academic achievement. Among them were eight members of the men's and women's cross country teams. Senior Kirk Bjorling, senior Danielle Deines-Raduly, junior Sara Harris, senior Emily Hulse, sophomore Kelly Hurst, junior Andrew King, sophomore Jesse McEntire, and sophomore Lindsay Sherrill all received Appalachian Athletic Conference (AAC) academic honors.

The athletic programs at Brevard College hold their athletes to high standards in their academic endeavors as well as their athletic ability, according to Cross Country coach Thomas Cason. "We set high academic standards on our team to ensure that each runner is a student first. We believe that academic

success will breed success on the cross country course, and these athletes mold this belief into fact," Cason said.

To be considered for the AAC All Academic honors, student athletes must maintain a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.25 on a scale of 4.00. Students are also required to have reached sophomore standing at his/her respective institution, and be ranked in the top seven on the team, or run a sub 23:00 in the 5k (women) or a sub 30:00 in the 8k (men). In addition to these requirements the student must have competed in at least 50 percent of the competitions for that season.

"I am proud of these athletes success in the classroom," Coach Cason said.

Five members of the Women's soccer team were recently named 2005 Daktronics-National Association of Intercollegiate Athletes (NAIA)

women's soccer Academic All-American Athletes. This honor carries much of the same requirements as ACC award; students must maintain a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.50 on a 4.00 scale and be in junior standing both academically and athletically.

Those making the list include junior April Banks, senior Ashley Curtis, junior Jessica Risher, and senior Johanna Tornquist.

There were more than 320 players listed as All-American Scholar Athletes, 15 of which came from the AAC, with Brevard College leading the way.

Junior Adam Beeson of the BC men's soccer team was also awarded AAC All-Academic and NAIA Academic All-American honors.

"It's nice to receive the recognition after putting in so much academically for three years. It can be tough to balance soccer and school," Beeson said.

Calendar

January 31
Women's Basketball
vs. King College
Home, 5:30pm
Men's Basketball
vs. King College
Home, 7:30pm

February 2
Women's Basketball
vs. North Greenville
Home, 5:30pm

February 3
Baseball
vs. Embry-Riddle, Daytona
Beach, FL Away, 4:00pm

February 4
Women's Basketball
vs. Virginia Intermont
Away, 5:30pm
Men's Basketball
vs. Virginia Intermont
Away, 7:30pm
Baseball
vs. Embry-Riddle, Daytona
Beach, FL Away, 12:00pm
Softball
vs. Southern Wesleyan (DH)
Away, 2:00pm

February 7
Women's Basketball
vs. Milligan College
Away, 5:30pm
Men's Basketball
vs. Milligan College
Away, 7:30pm

February 8
Baseball
vs. Southern Wesleyan Home,
2:00pm
Softball
vs. Newberry (DH)
Away, 2:00pm

February 10
Baseball
vs. Erskine
Away, 2:00pm
M/W Track & Field
Clemson Invitational
Away, Clemson SC

Hulse: top 100 cross country runner



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Senior Emily Hulse finished in 99th place at the 7th Region National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). This is a milestone in Hulse's cross country career; she has placed just one spot short of qualifying in earlier years.

"It was important to prove to myself that I could make it," Hulse said. She credits the support of her teammates and coach Cason. "I knew this was my last chance to ever make [cross country] nationals being it is my senior year."

Hulse worked strenuously to perform at her utmost best. "This is the reason I made it to nationals. This is why I placed where I did." Hulse wanted to thank the team saying, "they helped me in more ways than training."

Hulse has the distinction of being the first Brevard College student to both qualify and finish a NAIA race in the top 100 since 1999. She has since been the fourth woman in the last three years to go to nationals.

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