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***Arizona State's April Kubishta, Illinois Wesleyan's Rachel Anderson Top 2007-08
ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Women's Track/Cross Country Teams***

NOTRE DAME, Ind.— April Kubishta (Lake Havasu City, Ariz.), a graduate student from Arizona State University, and Rachel Anderson (Clinton, Ill.), a senior from Illinois Wesleyan University, earned top honors on the *ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America®* women's track & field and cross country teams, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). Kubishta and Anderson earned Academic All-America of the Year honors in the University and College Divisions, respectively, and both were named to the Academic All-America first team.

Kubishta, one of the nation's top pole vaulters, won the 2007 NCAA outdoor title in the event and finished as runner-up at the 2008 NCAA Indoor Championships. She also won the pole vault title at the 2008 MPSF Indoor Championships. She was ranked among the top three pole vaulters nationally all year. Kubishta holds the ASU school mark with a vault of 14-feet, 2-inches. A graduate student, Kubishta is a three-time Academic All-Pac-10 selection. She earned a degree in mathematics in 2007 and begins teaching high school math in the fall.

Joining Kubishta on the first team were Jenny Barringer (Colorado), Morgan Bonds (Kansas State), Brenna Burns (Davidson), Lamarra Currie (Charlotte), Marissa Daniels (Rice), Lindsay Donaldson (Yale), Jillian Drouin (Syracuse), Genni Gardner (Butler), Sherlenia Green (Virginia Tech), Jenna Griffin (Ohio State), Laci Heller (Kansas State), Lisa Koll (Iowa State), Kim Shubert (Nebraska) and April Thomas (Colorado State).

Eleven of the university division selections were honored a year ago, with eight of the 2008 first-team selections being repeat honorees. A pair of Academic All-Americans, Kansas State's Heller and Yale's Donaldson, were named to the team for a third straight year.

Anderson, one of 11 candidates for the 2007-2008 Division III Athlete of the Year sponsored by the Collegiate Women Sports Awards and American Honda Motor Co., Inc., is a two-time Academic All-America First Team honoree. A NCAA postgraduate scholarship recipient, Anderson was also named 2008 NCAA Division III Female Track Athlete of the Year as she helped the Illinois Wesleyan University women's team win the national indoor and outdoor championships as well as the school's first College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin track title. A 15-time NCAA Division III All-America in her career, she was the national indoor and outdoor champion in the 400 this year, the 200 outdoor champion, and ran on the indoor 4x400 relay team that placed first nationally.

Joining Anderson on the first team were Holly Andrews (Nebraska Wesleyan), Meagan Bauer (Doane), Natalie Calderon (Redlands), Naomi Christensen (Houghton), Liz Faller (Wisconsin-Eau Claire), Erin Fisher (Elizabethtown), Tanya Gaurmer (Adams State), Jennifer Hansen (Slippery Rock), Amber Hines (Wingate), Morgan Leonard-Fleckman (Washington), Jessica Pixler (Seattle Pacific), Marcia Taddy (Wisconsin-Platteville), Sarah Wittingen (Calvin) and Sarah Zerzan (Willamette).

Eleven of the college division selections were honored a year ago as well. Anderson, Bauer, Gaurmer and Zerzan were each first team honorees with Calderon, Faller and Wittingen each being second team choices in 2007. Two other first team selections this year were Erin Fisher (Elizabethtown) and Amber Hines (Wingate), both of whom were named to the third team a year ago. Also repeating as national selections in 2008 were Amber Hackenberg (Bloomsburg) and Erin Richard (Clarion), a pair of third team choices in 2007.

Eight of the 30 first-team selections have perfect 4.0 GPAs for their collegiate career, and 28 of the 91 total selections have been perfect in the classroom. Combined, the average GPA for the 30 first-teamers was a remarkable 3.913.

Plattsburgh State (SUNY) led all institutions, regardless of division, with three Academic All-America selections. Seven University Division schools placed two selections each on a national team, including Arizona State, Butler, Coastal

Carolina, Kansas State, Minnesota, North Dakota State and Washington State. Three College Division schools also had a pair of choices, including Adams State, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Texas Lutheran

To be eligible, a student-athlete must be a varsity starter or key reserve, maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.20 on a scale of 4.00, have reached sophomore athletic and academic standings at his/her current institution and be nominated by his/her sports information director. Since the program's inception in 1952, CoSIDA has bestowed Academic All-America honors on more than 14,000 student-athletes in Divisions I, II, III and NAIA covering all NCAA championship sports.

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FIRST TEAM

Name	School	Dist.	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major(s)
Jenny Barringer	COLORADO	VII	Jr.	Oviedo, Fla.	3.66	Political science, economics
Morgan Bonds	KANSAS STATE	VII	Sr.	Hutchinson, Kan.	3.98	Biology, chemistry
Brenna Burns	DAVIDSON	III	Sr.	Weaverville, N.C.	3.98	Psychology
Lamarra Currie	CHARLOTTE	III	Jr.	Apex, N.C.	4.00	Psychology
Marissa Daniels	RICE	VI	Sr.	Pearland, Texas	3.86	Kinesiology, pre-med
Lindsay Donaldson	YALE	I	Sr.	Lincoln, Mass.	3.69	History
Jillian Drouin	SYRACUSE	I	Sr.	Corunna, Ontario	3.81	Health & exercise science, nutrition
Genni Gardner	BUTLER	V	Sr.	Bramley, U.K.	3.94	Communication disorders
Sherlenia Green	VIRGINIA TECH	III	Sr.	Vernon Hills, Ill.	4.00	Health and physical education
Jenna Griffin	OHIO STATE	IV	Sr.	Somerset, N.J.	3.96	Marketing and strategic comm.
Laci Heller	KANSAS STATE	VII	Sr.	Meriden, Kan.	4.00	Feed science management
Lisa Koll	IOWA STATE	VII	So.	Fort Dodge, Ill.	3.98	Biology
April Kubishta	ARIZONA STATE	VIII	Gr.	Lake Havasu City, Ariz.	3.79	Non-degree graduate student
Kim Shubert	NEBRASKA	VII	Sr.	Lincoln, Neb.	3.99	Biological sciences
April Thomas	COLORADO STATE	VII	Sr.	Aurora, Colo.	4.00	Biological sciences

Academic All-America® of the Year: April Kubishta, Arizona State

SECOND TEAM

Sarah Bowman	TENNESSEE	IV	Jr.	Warrenton, Va.	3.85	Human resource management
Baily Cox	MONTANA	VII	Gr.	Wilbur, Wash.	3.87	Physical therapy
Heather Dorniden	MINNESOTA	V	Jr.	Inver Grove Heights, Minn.	3.92	Kinesiology
Laura Hermanson	NORTH DAKOTA STATE	VII	Jr.	Burnsville, Minn.	3.93	Business administration
Sara Hiller	MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY	VII	Sr.	Springfield, Mo.	4.00	Pharmacy
Claire Holme	BUTLER	V	Sr.	Stowmarket, U.K.	4.00	Education
Candice James	ARKANSAS STATE	VI	Sr.	Bryant, Ark.	4.00	Graphic communications
Temeka Kincy	TEXAS	VI	Sr.	Indianapolis, Ind.	3.64	Biology, pre-medicine
Karoline Koehler	SAN DIEGO STATE	VIII	Sr.	Erfurt, Germany	3.90	International economics
Madie McKeever	DUKE	III	Jr.	Littleton, Colo.	3.86	Biology
Felicitas Mensing	COASTAL CAROLINA	III	Jr.	Neuhausen, Germany	4.00	Applied mathematics
Liz Podominick	MINNESOTA	V	Gr.	Lakeville, Minn.	3.92	Sociology
Katrina Rundhaug	WISCONSIN	V	Sr.	Dodgeville, Ill.	3.52	Nursing
Sarah Stevens	ARIZONA STATE	VIII	Jr.	Fort Collins, Colo.	3.48	Kinesiology
Annett Wichmann	HAWAII-MANOA	VIII	Sr.	Jena, Germany	3.85	Kinesiology & leisure science
Kristen Zieminski	CENTRAL FLORIDA	III	Gr.	Sarasota, Fla.	4.00	Business administration

THIRD TEAM

Amy Backel	OKLAHOMA	VI	So.	Dillsburg, Pa.	4.00	Civil engineering
Amanda Benz	NORTH DAKOTA STATE	VII	Jr.	Mounds View, Minn.	4.00	Psychology, mgt. communication
Nicole Blood	OREGON	VIII	So.	Simi Valley, Calif.	3.59	Journalism
Kristina Bolterstein	MIAMI (OH)	IV	Sr.	Middleburg Heights, Ohio	3.64	Environmental science zoology
Lauren Bosshardt	WOFFORD	III	Sr.	Greenville, S.C.	3.98	Biology
Jesse Carlin	PENNSYLVANIA	II	Sr.	Staten Island, N.Y.	3.49	Biological basis of behavior
Elisabeth Driscoll	MONTANA STATE-BOZEMAN	VII	Jr.	Bozeman, Mont.	4.00	Mechanical engineering
Katelyn Ealer	ELON	III	Sr.	Bear, Del.	3.96	Psychology
Lauren Endersen	UTAH	VIII	Jr.	West Jordan, Utah	4.00	Biology
McKinnon Hanson	WASHINGTON STATE	VIII	Sr.	La Push, Wash.	3.99	Philosophy
Patience Knight	TEXAS TECH	VI	Jr.	San Antonio, Texas	3.94	Wildlife mgt., range mgt.
Melinda Owen	IDAHO	VIII	Sr.	Polson, Mont.	3.70	Elementary education
Sara Trané	WASHINGTON STATE	VIII	Jr.	Pixbo, Sweden	3.96	Psychology
Marcie Veitch	COASTAL CAROLINA	III	Jr.	Tecumseh, Ontario	4.00	Biology



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Rachel Anderson	ILLINOIS WESLEYAN	V	Sr.	Clinton, Ill.	3.79	Business administration
Holly Andrews	NEBRASKA WESLEYAN	VII	Sr.	Seward, Neb.	3.99	Exercise science
Meagan Bauer	DOANE	VII	Sr.	Gering, Neb.	4.00	Mathematics, secondary ed.
Natalie Calderon	REDLANDS	VIII	Sr.	Pasadena, Calif.	3.79	Communicative disorders
Naomi Christensen	HOUGHTON	I	Sr.	Houghton, N.Y.	4.0	Business, accounting
Liz Faller	WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE	V	Sr.	Marinette, Wis.	3.98	Kinesiology
Erin Fisher	ELIZABETHTOWN	II	Sr.	McEwensville, Pa.	3.98	Biology, mathematics
Tanya Gaurmer	ADAMS STATE	VII	Sr.	Westminster, Colo.	3.82	History, government
Jennifer Hansen	SLIPPERY ROCK	II	Jr.	Charleston, W. Va.	4.0	Elementary education
Amber Hines	WINGATE	III	Jr.	Little Mountain, S.C.	4.00	Biology
Morgen Leonard-Fleckman	WASHINGTON (MO)	VII	Sr.	Seattle, Wash.	3.99	Chemistry
Jessica Pixler	SEATTLE PACIFIC	VIII	So.	Sammamish, Wash.	3.90	English
Marcia Taddy	WISCONSIN-PLATTEVILLE	V	Sr.	Two Rivers, Wis.	3.62	Biology, ornamental horticulture
Sarah Wittingen	CALVIN	IV	Sr.	East Grand Rapids, Mich.	3.96	Accounting
Sarah Zerzan	WILLAMETTE	VIII	Sr.	San Carlos, Calif.	3.94	Chemistry

Academic All-America® of the Year: Rachel Anderson, Illinois Wesleyan

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Hana Adaniya	MASS. INST. TECH.	I	Gr.	Waterville, Ohio	4.0	Masters of engineering
Allison Busby	PLATTSBURGH STATE	I	Sr.	New Paltz, N.Y.	3.94	Nutrition
Keli Coleman	AUGUSTANA (IL)	V	Jr.	Grayslake, Ill.	3.80	Biology, pre-medicine
Michelle Dill	NEBRASKA-KEARNEY	VII	Sr.	Imperial, Neb.	3.99	Elementary education
Esther Erb	CASE WESTERN RESERVE	IV	Sr.	Richmond, Va.	3.86	Cognitive science, music
Stephanie Gebhart	SOUTH DAKOTA	VII	Sr.	Elkton, S.D.	3.53	Psychology
Krista Hasselquist	WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS	V	Sr.	Osceola, Wis.	3.71	Health & human performance
Amber Hackenberg	BLOOMSBURG	II	Sr.	Middleburg, Pa.	3.98	Business administration
Katrina Morgan	EMBRY-RIDDLE (FL)	III	Sr.	Burien, Wash.	4.00	Applied meteorology
Erin Richard	CLARION	II	Sr.	Erie, Pa.	3.85	Elementary education
Caitlin Schetter	WISCONSIN -LA CROSSE	V	Jr.	Kiel, Wis.	3.68	Communication studies
Casey Stepan	LINFIELD	VIII	Sr.	Vancouver, Wash.	4.00	Accounting
Katie Theisen	ST. THOMAS (MN)	V	Jr.	Elko, Minn.	4.00	Biology
Nicole Umhoefer	BETHEL (MN)	V	Sr.	Sauk Centre, Minn.	3.96	Nursing
Toni Wiszowaty	PLATTSBURGH STATE	I	Sr.	Shirley, N.Y.	3.95	Elementary education

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Hannah Baker	WARTBURG	VII	So.	Keota, Iowa	3.96	Biology
Kristen Balogh	BALDWIN-WALLACE	IV	Sr.	Loveland, Ohio	3.96	Chemistry
Deanna Bealby	MASSACHUSETTS-DARTMOUTH	I	Sr.	Peterborough, N.H.	3.99	Marketing
Jessica Bonelli	NEW JERSEY	II	Sr.	Sewell, N.J.	3.48	Marketing
Anjuli Cherukuri	ROCHESTER	I	Sr.	Salisbury Center, N.Y.	3.94	Biology
Katy Grant	HARDING	VI	Sr.	Mustang, Okla.	4.00	Social work
Kaylen Harris	NEBRASKA-OMAHA	VII	Sr.	Omaha, Neb.	4.00	Mathematics
Charlotte Heron	OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN	VI	Jr.	Southampton, England	4.00	Political science
Stephanie Herrick	NEW JERSEY	II	Jr.	Wayne, N.J.	3.50	Communications
Rachel Krasich	ROSE-HULMAN	V	Gr.	Westfield, Ind.	3.90	Chemistry, biochem. & molecular bio.
Amber Lowe	TEXAS LUTHERAN	VI	Jr.	Sugar Land, Texas	4.0	Kinesiology
Amy Magnuson	MASS. INST. TECH.	I	So.	Lawrence, Kan.	3.95	Civil engineering
Alyssa Recny	PLATTSBURGH STATE	I	Sr.	Keeseville, N.Y.	3.93	English language arts
Dana Robbins	TEXAS LUTHERAN	VI	Jr.	Seguin, Texas	4.0	Psychology, kinesiology
Rebecca Taylor	WASHINGTON & LEE	III	Jr.	Hamilton, Ohio	4.0	Economics
Heather Wood	ADAMS STATE	VII	Jr.	Los Alamos, N.M.	3.95	Mathematics, computer science

