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Wake Forest's Bersagel, Nebraska Wesleyan's Powell Top 2005-06 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America® Women's Track/Cross Country Teams

WALTHAM, Mass.-- **Anne Bersagel (Greeley, Colo.)**, a senior from Wake Forest University, and **Erin Powell (Beaver City, Neb.)**, a senior from Nebraska Wesleyan University, earned top honors on the *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-America® women's track & field and cross country teams announced Thursday.

Bersagel earned Academic All-America of the Year honors in the University Division and was named to the Academic All-America first team for a second consecutive year.

Bersagel, a three-time NCAA cross country All-American, placed 13th at the 2005 NCAA Championships and fourth at the 2005 NCAA Southeast Cross Country Regional Championships. Owner of a 3.94 grade point average as an economics and political science major, Bersagel is a recipient of one of the prestigious 2006 NCAA Walter Byers Postgraduate Scholarships.

Powell, who was also a first-team Academic All-America honoree in 2005, is a seven-time All-America in track and field. She earned the honor three times this year, two resulting from the indoor season. A 12-time Great Lakes Valley Conference champion and 30-time all-conference performer, Powell also earned an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship. She carries a 3.98 cumulative grade point average as an accounting major.

Powell and Bersagel were two of seven athletes selected for the Academic All-America first team for the second straight year, with the others being Caroline Bierbaum (Columbia), Laura Gerraughty (North Carolina), Serena Ramsey (Missouri), Shannon Wommack (Tennessee-Chattanooga) and Elaine Binkley (Denison).

The other University Division first team members include Angela Homan (Auburn), Jennifer Leatherman (Penn State), Melanie Schorr (Dartmouth), Beth Mallory (Alabama), Dara Altman (Florida), Michelle Prowse (Oklahoma State), Lacy Janson (Florida State), Emily Anderson (Rhode Island), Stacey Cowan (Notre Dame) and Ashley Selig (Nebraska).

Also named to the College Division first team were Mindy Erb (Ohio Northern), Ellie Fernandez (John Carroll), Natalie Hanson (Concordia (Minn.)), Hailey Harren (Gustavus Adolphus), Christine Hendricks (Calvin), Jenny Irwin (Ferris State), Laura Kline (Kutztown), Becca Kueny (Missouri-Rolla), Kristen Larson (Emporia State), Julie Nemergut (Edinboro), Angie Pfeiffer (Concordia (Minn.)), Kelly Richards (Edinboro), Missy Smith (Calvin) and Meghan Voiland (Augustana (Ill.)).

Seven of the 31 first-team selections have perfect 4.00 GPAs for their collegiate career, and 20 of the 94 total selections have been perfect in the classroom. Combined, the average GPA for the 31 first-teamers was a remarkable 3.869.

The Academic All-America Teams program honors 816 male and female student-athletes annually who have succeeded at the highest level on the playing field and in the classroom. Individuals are selected through voting by CoSIDA (the College Sports Information Directors of America), a 2,000 member organization consisting of sports public relations professionals for colleges and universities in the United States and Canada.

To be eligible, a student-athletes 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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For more information about the Academic All-America Teams program, please visit www.cosida.com or email rlipe@bentley.edu.

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FIRST TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	YR	HOMETOWN	GPA	MAJOR
Dara Altman	Florida	Sr.	Tampa, Fla.	3.98	Exercise & Sport Sciences—Fitness Well.
Emily Anderson	Rhode Island	Sr.	Westerly, R.I.	3.97	Political Science & Economics
Anne Bersagel	Wake Forest	Sr.	Greeley, Colo.	3.94	Economics and Political Science
Caroline Bierbaum	Columbia	Sr.	New York, N.Y.	3.74	History
Stacey Cowan	Notre Dame	Sr.	Ferndale, Wash.	3.79	Pre-Professional Studies
Laura Gerraughty	North Carolina	Gr.	Nashua, N.H.	3.65	Biology
Angela Homan	Auburn	Sr.	Spencerville, Ohio	3.90	Exercise Science
Lacy Janson	Florida State	Sr.	Sarasota, Fla.	3.68	Dietetics
Jennifer Leatherman	Penn State	Sr.	Yellville, Ark.	3.93	Recreation, Park and Tourism Mgt.
Beth Mallory	Alabama	Sr.	Ashland, Ohio	3.83	Physical Education
Michelle Prowse	Oklahoma State	Gr.	Kamo, New Zealand	4.00	Health & Human Performance
Serena Ramsey	Missouri	Sr.	Waukesha, Wis.	4.00	Human Development & Family Services
Melanie Schorr	Dartmouth	Sr.	Suffield, Conn.	3.96	Genetic, Cell and Developmental Biology
Ashley Selig	Nebraska	Sr.	Lincoln, Neb.	3.63	Exercise Science
Shannon Wommack	Tennessee-Chattanooga	Gr.	Conyers, Ga.	3.70	Physical Therapy (Doctoral Program)

SECOND TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	YR	HOMETOWN	GPA	MAJOR
Amanda Bales	Missouri	Sr.	Bettendorf, Iowa	3.91	Physical Therapy
Maggie Bruggeman-Butler	Missouri-Kansas City	Gr.	Sullivan, Mo.	3.99	Music Education/Psychology
Meghan Chance	Texas-San Antonio	Sr.	San Antonio, Texas	3.97	Psychology
Lindsay Donaldson	Yale	So.	Lincoln, Mass.	3.77	History
Katie Erdman	Michigan	Jr.	Cadillac, Mich.	3.76	English and Spanish
Jeanna Fascione	Kent State	Sr.	North Royalton, Ohio	3.94	Exercise Physiology
Cassie Ficken	Charlotte	Gr.	Conifer, Colo.	3.68	Civil Engineering
Laci Heller	Kansas State	So.	Meriden, Kan.	4.00	Feed Science & Management
Cassie Hunt	Illinois	Jr.	Roachdale, Ind.	3.62	Sport Management
Mandy Jenkins	Mount St. Mary's	Jr.	Walkill, N.Y.	3.93	Biochemistry and Chemistry
Michele Jett	Southeast Missouri State	Sr.	House Springs, Mo.	4.00	Nursing
Sharonda Johnson	Charlotte	Sr.	Raleigh, N.C.	3.87	Chemistry
Gunild Krebs	Virginia Tech	Gr.	Winterbach, Germany	4.00	Health Management/Educ.-Health Prom.
Andrea Luebbe	Lehigh	Sr.	Bozeman, Mont.	4.00	Earth and Environmental Science
Stephanie Madia	Notre Dame	Sr.	Wexford, Pa.	3.48	Finance
Becka Mansheim	South Dakota State	Jr.	Brookings, S.D.	4.00	Nursing
Sara O'Mara	Illinois-Chicago	Sr.	Hinsdale, Ill.	4.00	Pre-Elementary Education
Amarachi Ukabam	Southern Illinois	Sr.	Maryland Heights, Mo.	3.72	Health Education

THIRD TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	YR	HOMETOWN	GPA	MAJOR
Kirsten Andrews	Navy	Jr.	New Holland, Pa.	3.88	Quantitative Economics
Jennifer Barton	Clemson	Sr.	Toledo, Ohio	3.91	Biological Sciences
Brittany Brockman	Baylor	Jr.	Houston, Texas	3.86	Health Science Studies
Keira Carlstrom	American	Sr.	Oakton, Va.	3.51	Mathematics
Jamie Farley	Fresno State	Sr.	Clovis, Calif.	3.97	Mass Communication & Journalism
Naja Ferjan	Brown	Jr.	Ljubljana, Slovenia	3.94	Neuroscience
Amber Ferner	Purdue	Gr.	West Lafayette, Ind.	3.63	Veterinary Science
Jenny Green	Nebraska	So.	Grand Island, Neb.	3.83	Advertising
Katie Gwyther	Quinnipiac	Sr.	Madison, N.H.	3.65	Occupational Therapy
Alyson Kohlmeier	Michigan	So.	Sarnia, Ontario	3.97	Undeclared
Michelle Kvermo	Wyoming	Sr.	Hookstown, Pa.	4.00	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
Kate Neeper	USC	Sr.	Parker, Colo.	3.98	International Relations & Spanish
Penny Splichal	Arkansas	Sr.	Dickinson, N.D.	3.87	Recreation
Melissa Stewart	Duquesne	Sr.	Indiana, Pa.	3.97	Health Management Systems

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Elaine Binkley	Denison	Jr.	Columbus, Ohio	4.00	Biology
Mindy Erb	Ohio Northern	Sr.	Wapakoneta, Ohio	4.00	Early Childhood Education
Ellie Fernandez	John Carroll	Gr.	Mayfield Village, Ohio	3.68	Education
Natalie Hanson	Concordia (Minn.)	Sr.	Rogers, Minn.	3.78	Environmental Studies/Biology
Hailey Harren	Gustavus Adolphus	Jr.	Cold Spring, Minn.	3.77	Political Science and Management
Christine Hendricks	Calvin	Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio	3.68	Mathematics/Actuarial Science
Jenny Irwin	Ferris State	Sr.	Scottville, Mich.	3.83	Plastics Engineering Technology
Laura Kline	Kutztown	Jr.	Reading, Pa.	4.00	Special Education
Becca Kueny	Missouri-Rolla	Jr.	Boonville, Mo.	4.00	Ceramic Engineering
Kristen Larson	Emporia State	Sr.	Scandia, Kan.	4.00	History
Julie Nemergut	Edinboro	Sr.	Youngstown, Ohio	3.90	Special Educ./Elementary Educ.
Angie Pfeiffer	Concordia (Minn.)	Sr.	Colman, S.D.	3.91	English Writing/Pre-Dentistry
Erin Powell	Nebraska Wesleyan	Sr.	Beaver, City, Neb.	3.98	Accounting
Kelly Richards	Edinboro	Sr.	Edinboro, Pa.	3.97	Health & Physical Education
Missy Smith	Calvin	Sr.	Ada, Mich.	3.92	German/Asian Studies
Meghan Voiland	Augustana (Ill.)	Jr.	Yorkville, Ill.	3.83	Biology & Pre-Physical Therapy

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NAME	SCHOOL	YR	HOMETOWN	GPA	MAJOR
Angie Aguilar	Abilene Christian	Jr.	Midland, Texas	3.58	Exercise Science
Keidra Anderson	Hamline	Sr.	Minocqua, Wis.	3.75	Math
Natalie Badowski	Washington (Mo.)	Jr.	Buffalo Grove, Ill.	3.95	Biology/Philosophy-Neuroscience- Psychology
Molly Bauman	St. Thomas (Minn.)	Sr.	Coon Rapids, Minn.	3.84	Psychology
Iashia Castle	Missouri Southern State	Sr.	Kansas City, Mo.	3.93	Accounting/Business Management
Meggie Feran	Ohio Wesleyan	Sr.	Kirtland, Ohio	3.97	Psychology/Journalism
Whitney Heavner	Lenoir-Rhyne	Sr.	Morganton, N.C.	4.00	English/Biology
Adrienne (Musu) Jackson-Buckner	Oneonta State	Sr.	Buffalo, N.Y.	3.77	English
Mandy Kaempf	Alaska Anchorage	Jr.	Steinbach-Hallenberg, Germany	3.84	Sociology
Jenna Mitchler	Wisconsin-Stevens Point	Sr.	Kaukauna, Wis.	3.59	Education
Ashlee Robertson	Oneonta State	Gr.	Mechanicville, N.Y.	3.82	Secondary Education/English
Jodie Schoppmann	Potsdam	Sr.	Levittown, N.Y.	3.97	Music Education/Music Performance
Jessica Trautwein	Minnesota St. Moorhead	Jr.	Fargo, N.D.	4.00	Math Education
Katie Wieferich	The College of Wooster	Jr.	Marietta, Ohio	3.80	Chemistry

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NAME	SCHOOL	YR	HOMETOWN	GPA	MAJOR
DeeDee Arnall	Pacific	Sr.	Warrenton, Ore.	3.73	Exercise Science and Biology
Linda Blake	Seattle Pacific	Sr.	Richland, Wash.	3.94	Chemistry
Rachel Bloom	Tufts	Sr.	Sharon, Mass.	3.91	Psychology/Clinical
Whitney Calvert	Loras	Jr.	Pekin, Ill.	3.89	Bio-Chemistry/Psychology
Laurel Cook	Embry-Riddle (Fla.)	Jr.	Ventura, Calif.	4.00	Aeronautical Science
Esther Erb	Case Western Reserve	So.	Richmond, Va.	3.80	Cognitive Science/Music
Stephanie Green	Olivet	Sr.	Leroy, Mich.	4.00	Business Administration
Megan Kielar	Wisconsin-Whitewater	Sr.	McHenry, Ill.	3.91	Elementary Education
Shannon Klick	Widener	Sr.	Lansdowne, Pa.	3.98	Education & Psychology
Charise Parker	Florida Tech	Sr.	Western Springs, Ill.	4.00	Business with Environmental Study
Elisa Pedersen	Grove City	Sr.	Santa Rosa, Calif.	3.80	Accounting/Spanish
Kelli Peirano	Otterbein	Jr.	Gahanna, Ohio	3.97	Middle Childhood Education
Julia Rudd	Wisconsin-LaCrosse	Sr.	Oshkosh, Wis.	3.57	Sports Management
Jessica Selby	Missouri Southern State	So.	Galena, Mo.	4.00	Communications
Liz Terelle	Ohio Northern	Sr.	Mentor, Ohio	4.00	Exercise Physiology
Jacqueline Wells	Chadron State	Sr.	Albion, Neb.	3.83	Human Biology
Natalie Wood	Texas Lutheran	Jr.	Cibolo, Texas	3.92	Mathematics and Kinesiology

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