

ESPN THE MAGAZINE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® TEAM
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**Seton Hall's Megan Meyer and Washington University's Liz Swary Head
2005 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Softball Teams**

WALTHAM, Mass. – Senior pitcher Megan Meyer of Seton Hall University and senior first baseman Liz Swary of Washington University in St. Louis head the 2005 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Softball Teams, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Meyer, a native of Vermillion, Ohio, was voted as the Academic All-America of the Year in the University Division. A two-time first-team Academic All-America selection, Meyer posted a 3.98 cumulative grade point average in biochemistry at Seton Hall.

"It is an honor to receive such a prestigious award and represent Seton Hall University in such a positive manner," said Meyer, a unanimous first-team All-Big East Conference and All-Northeast Region standout who had a 27-7 record and a 0.92 earned run average on the mound. "This award represents the excellent academic and athletic tradition of my institution and I am humbled to be chosen from a group of such outstanding candidates."

Swary, who hails from Cleveland, Ohio, was chosen as the Academic All-America of the Year in the College Division. She is making her third consecutive appearance on the Academic All-America squad as a first-team selection and has a 3.96 cumulative GPA in economics at Washington in St. Louis.

"It is a great way to end my senior year and to be able to acknowledge my accomplishments both on and off the softball field," said Swary, a first-team National Fastpitch Coaches Association Division III All-American who batted .415 with seven home runs and a school-record 57 RBI. "My academics are just as important to me as softball, so this means a lot to be recognized for putting a lot of effort into both."

Joining Meyer on the University Division Academic All-America first team were pitcher Brooke Mitchell of Louisiana-Lafayette; catcher Christine Fukumoto of Creighton; infielders Charity Butler (Southern Mississippi), Stephanie Hill (Louisiana State), Jessica Rogers (Texas-San Antonio), and Kim Wilmoth (Baylor); outfielders Ashley Kalina (South Dakota State), Nicole Martin (Northwestern State) and Caitlin White (Seton Hall); and designated player Cameron Astiazaran of Illinois-Chicago.

Swary was joined on the College Division Academic All-America first team by pitchers Amy Ernst (Coe) and Emillie Collins (Louisiana College), catcher Crystal Krebs of Colorado-Colorado Springs; infielders Megan Pilarcik (Gettysburg), Heather Bortz (Moravian) and Stephanie Huber (Florida Southern); outfielders Molly Gale (Gettysburg), Jaime Dacey (Shippensburg) and Kate Brandt (Simpson); and designated player Harper Cornell of York (Pa.) College.

Gale, like Swary and Meyer, were also first-team Academic All-America honorees in 2004.

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 (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.

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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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For more information about the Academic All-America Teams program, please visit www.cosida.com or e-mail rlipe@bentley.edu.

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First Team

Pos.	Name	School	Year	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	+Megan Meyer	Seton Hall	Sr.	Vermillion, Ohio	3.98	Biochemistry
P	*Brooke Mitchell	Louisiana-Lafayette	Sr.	Houston, Texas	3.48	Business Finance
C	Christine Fukumoto	Creighton	Sr.	Flagstaff, Ariz.	3.56	Mathematics
IF	Charity Butler	Southern Mississippi	Jr.	Pensacola, Fla.	4.00	Business Administration
IF	Stephanie Hill	Louisiana State	Jr.	Harahan, La.	3.85	Finance & Political Science
IF	Jessica Rogers	Texas-San Antonio	Jr.	Grand Prairie, Texas	3.82	Kinesiology
IF	*Kim Wilmoth	Baylor	Sr.	Garland, Texas	3.91	Accounting
OF	Ashley Kalina	South Dakota State	Sr.	Elkhorn, Neb.	4.00	Psychology
OF	Nicole Martin	Northwestern State	Sr.	Keller, Texas	3.70	Business Administration
OF	Caitlin White	Seton Hall	Jr.	Lincoln University, Pa.	3.98	Biology
DP	#Cameron Astiazaran	Illinois-Chicago	Sr.	Rolling Hills Estates, Calif.	3.37	Criminal Justice

Second Team

Pos.	Name	School	Year	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	Kelly Flinn	Troy	Sr.	Fenton, Mo.	3.84	Journalism
P	#Jamie Southern	Fresno State	Sr.	Clovis, Calif.	3.52	Liberal Studies
C	Erin Myers	Cal Poly	Sr.	Redding, Calif.	3.78	Journalism
IF	Cara Deldeo	St. Joseph's	Sr.	Dagsboro, Del.	3.96	Interdisciplinary Health Services
IF	Katie Lewis	Georgia	Sr.	Marietta, Ga.	3.52	Biology
IF	Lauren Redfern	Jacksonville	Sr.	Jacksonville, Fla.	3.80	Sociology
IF	Lindsay Schutzler	Tennessee	So..	Monterey, Calif.	3.92	Psychology
IF	Lauren Wible	Bucknell	Jr.	Dover, Pa.	3.75	English
OF	Natasha Jacob	Florida State	Jr.	Coppell, Texas	3.93	Exercise Science
OF	Anna Ollgaard	Detroit Mercy	Sr.	Portage, Mich.	3.95	Math Education
OF	Tiffany Stewart	South Florida	Jr.	Odessa, Fla.	3.93	Psychology
DP	Laurie Stone	St. Bonaventure	Gr.	Jamesville, N.Y.	3.88/4.00	Management & Marketing

Third Team

Pos.	Name	School	Year	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	+Amy Harre	Southern Illinois	Sr.	Nashville, Ill.	3.65	Physiology
P	Brittani Houghton	Stetson	Sr.	Fort Myers, Fla.	3.83	Health Science
C	*Ashley Smith	South Carolina	Jr.	Portage, Mich.	4.00	Civil Engineering
IF	*Kim Dodson	St. Bonaventure	Sr.	Tonawanda, N.Y.	3.78	Management Science
IF	Paige Jones	Auburn	Sr.	Alabaster, Ala.	3.22	Secondary Ed. & General Science
IF	Kate Stake	Illinois State	Sr.	Buffalo Grove, Ill.	3.70	English
OF	Brandi Gordon	Pacific	Sr.	Redmond, Wash.	3.83	Sport Science
OF	#Rachael Riopel	Gardner-Webb	Gr.	Rhineland, Wis.	3.91/3.58	Biology
OF	Mary Elizabeth Ryan	Holy Cross	Sr.	Holden, Mass.	3.83	History
DP	Heather Gelbard	North Carolina State	So.	Miami, Fla.	3.95	Psychology

+2004 Academic All-America First Team

*2004 Academic All-America Second Team

#2004 Academic All-America Third Team

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Pos.	Name	School	Year	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	Amy Ernst	Coe	Sr.	Monona, Iowa	3.97	Accounting/Business
P	Emillie Collins	Louisiana College	Sr.	Bentley, La.	4.00	Psychology
C	Crystal Krebs	Colo.-Colorado Springs	Sr.	Loveland, Colo.	3.54	Geography
IF	*Liz Swary	Washington, Mo.	Sr.	Cleveland, Ohio	3.96	Economics
IF	Megan Pilarcik	Gettysburg	Sr.	Middletown, Md.	3.95	Mathematics
IF	Heather Bortz	Moravian	Sr.	Allentown, Pa.	3.48	Elementary Ed./Psychology
IF	^Stephanie Huber	Florida Southern	Sr.	Vancouver, B.C.	3.74	Sociology/Psychology
OF	+Molly Gale	Gettysburg	Sr.	Franklin, Mich.	4.00	History
OF	Jaime Dacey	Shippensburg	Sr.	Langhorne, Pa.	3.72	Elementary Education
OF	^Kate Brandt	Simpson	Sr.	Coquiltlam, B.C.	4.00	Biology
DP	Harper Cornell	York College	Jr.	Dagsboro, Del.	3.84	Marketing

Second Team

Pos.	Name	School	Year	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	Taylor Petersen	Aurora	Sr.	Aurora, Ill.	3.56	Biology
P	Rachel Werner	Houston Baptist	Sr.	Bryan, Texas	3.79	Business & Accounting
C	+Amy Edge	St. Mary's, Minn.	Sr.	Monfort, Wis.	3.96	Biology/Pre-Physical Therapy
IF	Maren Buck	Puget Sound	Sr.	Missoula, Mont.	3.97	Chemistry
IF	Christy Mays	Lynchburg	Sr.	Amherst, Va.	3.79	Environmental Science
IF	Stephanie Fofi	Angelo State	Sr.	Las Vegas, Nev.	3.87	Biology (Pre-Medicine)
IF	Gretchen Ruecker	Pacific Lutheran	Jr.	Hillsboro, Ore.	3.80	Social Work
OF	Abigail Cooley	Wheaton	Sr.	Madbury, N.H.	3.98	English/Secondary Education
OF	Beth Rohlena	Coe	Sr.	Sioux City, Iowa	3.88	Mathematics
OF	Jennifer Flatter	Capital	Sr.	Arcanum, Ohio	4.00	Political Science/Communication
DP	Kira Zeiter	Adams State	So.	Tucson, Ariz.	3.96	Business Administration

Third Team

Pos.	Name	School	Year	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	Melissa Stevens	Emporia State	Jr.	Lenexa, Kan.	3.58	Marketing
P	Erica Hoyt	Muskingum	Jr.	Tipp City, Ohio	3.70	Spanish
C	Stephanie Pinto	Alabama-Huntsville	So.	Huntsville, Ala.	3.55	History
IF	Anna Corr	Shippensburg	Sr.	Doylestown, Pa.	3.67	Psychology
IF	Emily Gastineau	Pittsburg State	Jr.	Clinton, Okla.	3.58	Biology (Pre-Medicine)
IF	Sarah Morse	Emory	So.	Topeka, Kan.	3.98	Economics/History
OF	Carly Muise	Bryant	Sr.	Hanson, Mass.	3.93	Actuarial Mathematics
OF	Kristin Spencer	Alabama-Huntsville	Jr.	Gallatin, Tenn.	3.92	Mechanical Engineering
OF	Elizabeth Corr	Shippensburg	Sr.	Doylestown, Pa.	3.63	Mathematics
OF	Robin Martz	Lewis	Jr.	Lanark, Ill.	3.88	Accountancy
DP	+Shannon Rasmussen	Eastern Oregon	Jr.	Everett, Wash.	3.75	Psychology

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ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® OF THE YEAR: Liz Swary, Washington Univ. in St. Louis