

**ESPN THE MAGAZINE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® TEAM**  
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**DAYTON'S CRAMER AND CHADRON STATE'S WOODHEAD LEAD  
2007 ESPN THE MAGAZINE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® FOOTBALL TEAMS**

**NOTRE DAME, Ind.** — Dayton's Brandon Cramer, a defensive back, and Chadron State's Danny Woodhead, a running back, headline the 2007 *ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Football Teams*, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Cramer, who touts a perfect 4.00 grade point average as a pre-medicine major, was named the University Division's Academic All-America of the Year recipient. With this year's first-team Academic All-America honor, he becomes the only 2007 team member with three Academic All-America citations (second team in 2005, first team in 2006 and 2007).

Cramer is one of the defensive stars for a 10-1 Dayton Flyer team that is set to play Albany in its postseason game, the 2007 Gridiron Classic (PFL champion vs. NEC champion), this Saturday. Cramer, a 2007 National Football Foundation Draddy Trophy finalist, has 57 tackles and a pair of interceptions for the Flyers. He is a three-time Academic All-Pioneer Football League honoree and the 2006-07 recipient of the UD Presidential Scholar-Athlete Award (goes to top male and female Flyer student-athlete). Cramer hails from Toledo, Ohio.

Besides Cramer, 12 other 2007 University Division honorees are repeat Academic All-Americans, including quarterbacks Brian Brohm (Louisville) and Paul Smith (Tulsa). Brohm and Smith are actually part of a three-way tie for the first-team quarterback honor. The third first-team honoree is Tim Tebow (Florida), one of the nation's leading Heisman Trophy candidates. Tebow is the only sophomore named to the 2007 first or second teams.

This year's other repeat *ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America* honorees include wide receiver Wes Doyle (San Diego), running back Cory Koenig (South Dakota State), offensive lineman Christopher Joseph (UCLA), defensive back Patrick O'Neill (San Diego), defensive back Adam Shada (Iowa), linebacker Cody Kase (New Mexico), linebacker Mike Klinkenborg (Iowa), tight end John Carlson (Notre Dame), offensive lineman Ryne Nutt (Central Connecticut State) and linebacker Jordan Senn (Portland State).

There were 11 institutions that placed a pair of student-athletes on the first and/or second teams: Harvard, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisville, North Dakota State, Notre Dame, San Diego, South Dakota State and Texas.

Woodhead leads the list of College Division Academic All-America honorees, earning his second straight first team Academic All-America honor and garnering the Academic All-America of the Year award. The owner of a 3.72 grade point average as a math and physical education major with a coaching minor hails from North Platte, Neb.

The 2006 Harlon Hill Award winner, Woodhead is the NCAA's all-time leading rusher with 7,871 career yards, 518 yards more than any other player in the college ranks. In addition, he moved into second place Saturday in all-purpose yards with 9,359, just 153 yards behind all-time leader Brian Westbrook of Villanova. The three-year captain and two-time Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Player of the Year has helped lead Chadron State to a 12-0



record and a spot in this weekend's NCAA quarterfinal game. Woodhead has 1,506 yards on 229 carries and 21 touchdowns this season and is one of only six Division II players to rush for 1,000 yards in each of his four seasons.

Five institutions placed a pair of student-athletes on the first team, including Carnegie Mellon, North Dakota, Pittsburg State, Slippery Rock Ferris State and Thiel, while Rose-Hulman had a pair selected to the second team. Carnegie Mellon and North Dakota joined Mount Union to lead the way with a total of three athletes honored on one of the two teams.

Woodhead was one of 14 repeat selections at the College Division level. Joining him as repeat selections were first-team honorees wide receiver Weston Dressler (North Dakota), offensive lineman Mike Butterworth (Slippery Rock), defensive back William "Jake" Weller (Illinois College) and linebacker Kyle Elsasser (Nebraska Wesleyan). Also earning first-team honors that were second-team selections a year ago include wide receiver Kyle Duchman (Wartburg), offensive lineman Brian Freeman (Carnegie Mellon), defensive backs Nick Dellasega (Pittsburg State) and Andrew Rape (Rochester), linebacker Matt Alves (Texas Lutheran), defensive lineman Spencer Dickinson (Minnesota State-Mankato) and punter Kevin Soflkiancs (Baldwin-Wallace). Earning their second appearance on an Academic All-America team in as many years were second-team honorees defensive back Shawn Cunningham (Winona State) and quarterback Jeff Highfill (Bridgewater).

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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## 2007 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America® Football Team University Division

### FIRST TEAM

Pos.	Name	School	Dist.	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major(s)
QB	Brian Brohm	Louisville	IV	Sr.	Louisville, Ky.	3.50	Finance
QB	Paul Smith	Tulsa	VI	Sr.	Owasso, Okla.	3.84	Communication
QB	Tim Tebow	Florida	III	So.	Jacksonville, Fla.	3.76	Family youth and community service
WR	Wes Doyle	San Diego	VIII	Sr.	Phoenix, Ariz.	3.56	Business administration
WR	Brian Robiskie	Ohio State	IV	Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio	3.50	Marketing
TE	Jacob Tammé	Kentucky	IV	Gr.	Danville, Ky.	3.82	Master's in business administration
RB	Cory Koenig	South Dakota State	VII	Sr.	Underwood, Iowa	3.77	Biology
RB	Tyler Roehl	North Dakota State	VII	Jr.	West Fargo, N.D.	3.23	Physical education
OL	Gerald Cadogan	Penn State	II	Sr.	Portsmouth, Ohio	3.63	Rehabilitation services, psychology
OL	Louis Frazier	Wake Forest	III	Sr.	Clearwater, Fla.	3.76	Biology
OL	Dallas Griffin	Texas	VI	Gr.	Katy, Texas	3.88	Honors business, finance
OL	Christopher Joseph	UCLA	VIII	Jr.	Solvang, Calif.	3.95	Geography
OL	Ryan McDonald	Illinois	V	Jr.	Holland, Mich.	3.83	Aerospace engineering
K	Austin Starr	Indiana	V	Jr.	Logansport, Ind.	3.83	Biology
DB	Andrew Berry	Harvard	I	Jr.	Bel Air, Md.	3.81	Economics
DB	Brandon Cramer	Dayton	IV	Sr.	Toledo, Ohio	4.0	Pre-medicine
DB	Anthony Gebhart	Western Michigan	IV	Sr.	Addison, Ill.	3.83	Economics
DB	Patrick O'Neill	San Diego	VIII	Jr.	Mission Viejo, Calif.	3.79	Business
DB	Adam Shada	Iowa	VII	Sr.	Omaha, Neb.	4.00	Finance
LB	Cody Kase	New Mexico	VI	Sr.	Valencia, Calif.	3.94	Business administration
LB	Mike Klindenborg	Iowa	VII	Sr.	Rock Rapids, Iowa	3.95	Elementary education
LB	Reed Williams	West Virginia	II	Jr.	Moorefield, W.Va.	3.86	Accounting
DL	Russell Brorsen	Kansas	VII	Jr.	Stillwater, Okla.	3.96	Chemistry
DL	Derek Lokey	Texas	VI	Sr.	Denton, Texas	3.5	Sports management
DL	Nick Reed	Oregon	VIII	Jr.	Trabuco Canyon, Calif.	3.39	History
DL	Keith Shologan	Central Florida	III	Sr.	Edmonton, Alberta	3.52	Finance
P	Adam Crossett	Missouri	VII	Gr.	Liberty, Mo.	3.96	MBA

### Academic All-America® of the Year: *Brandon Cramer, Dayton*

### SECOND TEAM

WR	Kole Heckendorf	North Dakota State	VII	Jr.	Mosinee, Wis.	3.82	Physical education/health
WR	Paul Raymond	Brown	I	Sr.	Miami, Fla.	3.55	Economics
TE	John Carlson	Notre Dame	V	Gr.	Litchfield, Minn.	3.63	History
RB	Luke Siwula	Cornell (N.Y.)	I	Sr.	Cortland, N.Y.	3.51	Industrial and labor relations
RB	Noah Van Niel	Harvard	I	Sr.	Newton, Mass.	3.64	English & American literature & language
OL	Daniel Barlow	Louisville	IV	Gr.	Tallahassee, Fla.	3.9	Exercise science
OL	Damien Gresko	Rhode Island	I	Sr.	Huntington, Pa.	3.98	Accounting and finance
OL	Vince Natali	New Mexico	VI	Gr.	Park Ridge, Ill.	3.89	Business administration
OL	Ryne Nutt	Central Connecticut State	I	Sr.	Warren, Ohio	3.98	Accounting
OL	Cody Wallace	Texas A&M	VI	Sr.	Cuero, Texas	3.42	Kinesiology
K	Parker Douglass	South Dakota State	VII	Sr.	Columbus, Neb.	3.78	Biology
DB	Brant Linde	McNeese State	VI	Jr.	Mandeville, La.	3.73	Accounting
DB	Ryan Patrick	Indiana State	V	Jr.	Dayton, Ohio	4.00	Chemistry
DB	Brandon Patterson	Memphis	IV	Sr.	Germantown, Tenn.	3.70	Master's in business administ.
LB	J Leman	Illinois	V	Gr.	Champaign, Ill.	3.67	Human resource education
LB	Brandon Renkart	Rutgers	II	Sr.	Piscataway, N.J.	3.7	Civil engineering
LB	Jordan Senn	Portland State	VIII	Sr.	Beaverton, Ore.	3.86	Physical activity and exercise
DL	Nick Clark	Texas State	VI	Sr.	Fort Worth, Texas	3.77	Mathematics
DL	John Larson	Kansas	VII	Jr.	Kansas City, Mo.	3.69	Economics
DL	Trevor Laws	Notre Dame	V	Gr.	Burnsville, Minn.	3.22	Marketing, sociology
DL	Darryl Richard	Georgia Tech	III	Gr.	Selma, Ala.	3.52	Management
P	Jared Armstrong	Purdue	V	Sr.	Gilberts, Ill.	3.71	Organizational leadership & supervision
P	Tim Masthay	Kentucky	IV	Jr.	Murray, Ky.	3.72	Economics



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QB	Greg Micheli	Mount Union	IV	Jr.	Upper Sandusky, Ohio	3.82	Mathematics, physics/astronomy
WR	Weston Dressler	North Dakota	VII	Sr.	Bismarck, N.D.	3.75	Management
WR	Kyle Duchman	Wartburg	VII	Sr.	Cedar Falls, Iowa	3.98	Biology
TE	Chris Harmon	St. John Fisher	I	Sr.	Caledonia, N.Y.	3.84	Biology, pre-med
RB	Caleb Farabi	Pittsburg State	VII	Jr.	Pittsburg, Kan.	3.77	Management
RB	Danny Woodhead	Chadron State	VII	Sr.	North Platte, Neb.	3.72	Math, physical education
OL	Mitch Braegelmann	North Dakota	VII	Jr.	St. Cloud, Minn.	3.84	Chemical engineering
OL	Mike Butterworth	Slippery Rock	II	Sr.	Northern Cambria, Pa.	3.62	Health and physical education
OL	David Dillen	Rensselaer	I	Sr.	Grand Island, N.Y.	3.95	Electrical engineering
OL	Brian Freeman	Carnegie-Mellon	II	Jr.	Independence, Ohio	4.0	Chemical and biomedical engineering
OL	Ben Hochstein	Nebraska-Omaha	VII	Sr.	Hartington, Neb.	3.88	Business
OL	Nathan Young	Abilene Christian	VI	Sr.	Plainview, Texas	3.74	Bio-chemistry
K	Frank Leibfarth	South Dakota	VII	Sr.	Yankton, S.D.	3.95	Physics, chemistry
DB	Kevin Boegel	Saint John's (Minn.)	V	Sr.	Mahtomedi, Minn.	3.91	Biology, pre-medicine
DB	Nick Dellasega	Pittsburg State	VII	Sr.	Pittsburg, Kan.	3.97	Accounting
DB	Andrew Rape	Rochester	I	Sr.	Zelienople, Pa.	3.82	Biomedical engineering
DB	William "Jake" Weller	Illinois College	V	Sr.	Jacksonville, Ill.	4.00	Biology, chemistry
LB	Matt Alves	Texas Lutheran	VI	Sr.	Austin, Texas	3.93	Business administration
LB	Kyle Elsasser	Nebraska Wesleyan	VII	Sr.	Bancroft, Neb.	3.91	Physics
LB	Michael Stimac	Thiel	II	Sr.	East Brady, Pa.	4.0	English
DL	Clay Crites	Carnegie-Mellon	II	Sr.	Tuscarawas, Ohio	3.87	Mechanical engineering
DL	Spencer Dickinson	Minnesota State-Mankato	V	Sr.	New Ulm, Minn.	4.00	Pre-pharmacy
DL	Clint Forsha	Slippery Rock	II	Sr.	Blairsville, Pa.	3.69	Geology
DL	Chris Lorber	Thiel	II	Sr.	Mayfield Heights, Ohio	3.8	Business administration
DL	Erik Schumacher	Ferris State	IV	Sr.	Lake Isabella, Mich.	3.98	Accountancy
DL	Jake Visser	Ferris State	IV	Jr.	Coopersville, Mich.	3.85	History education
P	Kevin Soflkiancs	Baldwin-Wallace	IV	Sr.	Middleburg Heights, Ohio	3.72	Business administration, accounting

**Academic All-America® of the Year: Danny Woodhead, Chadron State**

**SECOND TEAM**

QB	Jeff Highfill	Bridgewater	III	Sr.	Roanoke, Va.	3.84	Mathematics
WR	Thomas Reives	Rose-Hulman	V	Sr.	Indianapolis, Ind.	3.98	Mechanical engineering
WR	P.J. Theisen	St. Thomas (Minn.)	V	Sr.	Elko, Minn.	3.93	Accounting
TE	Kyle Witucki	Edinboro	II	Sr.	Tarentum, Pa.	3.56	Health & phys. ed./sports admin.
RB	Justin Beaver	Wisconsin-Whitewater	V	Sr.	Palmyra, Wis.	3.51	Physical education
RB	Marcus Dunlop	Illinois Wesleyan	V	Sr.	Maywood, Ill.	3.96	Economics and business admin.
OL	Derek Blanchard	Mount Union	IV	Sr.	Lake Zurich, Ill.	3.67	Health, physical education
OL	Josh Hammerquist	Angelo State	VI	Sr.	Flower Mound, Texas	3.91	Mathematics
OL	Eric Safran	Mount Union	IV	Sr.	Sagamore Hills, Ohio	3.68	Business
OL	Grant Weller	Concordia (Minn.)	V	Sr.	Sauk Centre, Minn.	3.80	Mathematics, economics
K	Jordon Grube	Muhlenberg	II	Sr.	New Tripoli, Pa.	3.81	Biology
DB	Shawn Cunningham	Winona State	V	Sr.	Waukon, Iowa	3.71	Accounting
DB	Bill Guiney	Rose-Hulman	V	Sr.	Centerville, Ohio	3.78	Mechanical engineering
DB	Andrew Larkin	New Jersey	II	Sr.	Hamilton Square, N.J.	3.66	Finance
DB	Rory Manke	North Dakota	VII	Jr.	Detroit Lakes, Minn.	3.96	Biology
LB	Tom Brew	Case Western Reserve	IV	Sr.	Mentor, Ohio	3.34	Chemistry, sociology
LB	Patrick O'Neal	Union (Ky.)	IV	Sr.	Lula, Ga.	3.62	Special education
LB	Dustin Robinson	Wisconsin-Stevens Point	V	Sr.	Florence, Wis.	3.85	Chemistry, pre-pharmacy
DL	Kurt Kissner	Mesa State	VII	Sr.	Cedaredge, Colo.	3.48	Business finance
DL	Marc Miller	Olivet	IV	Sr.	Sunfield, Mich.	3.63	Biology (pre-med concentration)
P	Matthew Adams	Carnegie-Mellon	II	Sr.	Dublin, Ohio	3.87	Business

