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Tennessee, Arizona State Tabbed as 2009 Division I Women's Track and Field Scholar Teams of the Year

NEW ORLEANS - The U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) announced Wednesday that the University of Tennessee and Arizona State University were selected as the 2009 Indoor Track and Field and Outdoor Track and Field Scholar Teams of the Year, respectively.

Tennessee, the 2009 Division I Women's Indoor Track and Field Scholar Team of the Year, capped a terrific indoor campaign in which the Lady Vols clinched the indoor national championship with two events remaining, to win its second NCAA Indoor title in the past five seasons (2005, and 2009) and third overall indoor national title. Prior to the NCAA Indoor Track and Field National Championships, the Lady Vols captured the SEC Indoor Track and Field title, winning the event for the third time in the last five years (2005, 2007, and 2009).

In addition to the Indoor Track and Field Scholar Team of the Year Tennessee, which maintained a 3.230 team cumulative GPA, 13 other programs with top-25 national finishes at the 2009 Division I Indoor Championships earned All-Academic Team honors for their academic and athletic achievements this season.

Arizona State, the 2009 Division I Women's Outdoor Track and Field Scholar Team of the Year, finished the 2009 track and field season with a third place showing at the Division I Outdoor Championships in June. The top-4 trophy finish marked the seventh time in the past eight NCAA track & field meets that ASU has walked away with a trophy. ASU finished third at the Pac-10 Championships and won the West Regional Championship for the second straight season.

The Sun Devils, last year's Indoor and Outdoor Scholar Team of the Year, maintained a 3.287 team cumulative GPA and are joined by 13 other schools that finished in the top-25 at the outdoor championships on the All-Academic Team list.

DIVISION I ALL-ACADEMIC TRACK AND FIELD TEAMS

In addition to the Indoor and Outdoor Scholar Teams of the Year, the USTFCCCA also announced the women's 2009 Division I All-Academic Track and Field Teams. A total of 130 Division I programs were recognized as women's 2009 All-Academic Teams.

The University of Tennessee Chattanooga led all institutions with a 3.550 team cumulative GPA, followed by Butler University with a 3.547 team GPA.

The Big East led all conferences with ten teams selected as All-Academic Teams for 2009 – DePaul, Georgetown, Marquette, Rutgers, St. John’s, Cincinnati, Louisville, South Florida, Villanova, and West Virginia. The Big 12 Conference was a close second with eight teams selected to the list. The Atlantic Coast Conference and the Mid-American Conference each had seven teams selected as All-Academic Track and Field Teams.

The selection of the All-Academic Indoor and Outdoor Scholar Teams of the Year award is based on a combination of academic and athletic achievements, with the top honor going to the team that had the combination of best overall finish at the respective Division I Indoor or Outdoor National Championships and cumulative GPA.

To be nominated, the team must carry a minimum 3.000 cumulative grade-point average.

2009 USTFCCCA Division I Women’s All-Academic Track and Field Teams:

School	Conference	GPA
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga	Southern Conference	3.550
Butler University	Horizon League	3.547
Lipscomb University	Atlantic Sun Conference	3.500
Utah State University	Western Athletic Conference	3.471
Yale University	Ivy Group	3.470
University of Tulsa	Conference USA	3.467
Brown University	Ivy Group	3.460
Oregon State University	Pacific-10 Conference	3.460
University of Portland	West Coast Conference	3.458
North Dakota State University	The Summit League	3.450
Bradley University	Missouri Valley Conference	3.445
University of North Dakota	Great West Conference	3.440
Indiana State University	Missouri Valley Conference	3.436
Villanova University	Big East Conference	3.433
University of New Mexico	Mountain West Conference	3.420
Harvard University	Ivy Group	3.417
Towson University	Colonial Athletic Association	3.416
South Dakota State University	The Summit League	3.411
DePaul University	Big East Conference	3.408
Ohio University	Mid-American Conference	3.402
Stanford University	Pacific-10 Conference	3.400
Weber State University	Big Sky Conference	3.390
Drake University	Missouri Valley Conference	3.390
University of Nebraska, Lincoln	Big 12 Conference	3.386
Georgetown University	Big East Conference	3.386
West Virginia University	Big East Conference	3.380

Iona College	Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	3.380
Wofford College	Southern Conference	3.380
High Point University	Big South Conference	3.361
Stony Brook University	America East Conference	3.360
University of Dayton	Atlantic 10 Conference	3.353
Montana State University - Bozeman	Big Sky Conference	3.350
Miami University (Ohio)	Mid-American Conference	3.350
Loyola University Chicago	Horizon League	3.349
Saint Louis University	Atlantic 10 Conference	3.332
University of Vermont	America East Conference	3.331
Bowling Green State University	Mid-American Conference	3.330
Kansas State University	Big 12 Conference	3.328
University of South Dakota	Great West Conference	3.326
Gardner-Webb University	Big South Conference	3.325
Idaho State University	Big Sky Conference	3.319
Elon University	Southern Conference	3.318
Southern Methodist University	Conference USA	3.312
University of Delaware	Colonial Athletic Association	3.311
Bucknell University	Patriot League	3.310
Indiana University-Purdue University, Fort Wayne	The Summit League	3.309
Virginia Tech	Atlantic Coast Conference	3.300
University of Montana	Big Sky Conference	3.300
Duke University	Atlantic Coast Conference	3.296
Central Michigan University	Mid-American Conference	3.294
Dartmouth College	Ivy Group	3.290
University of South Carolina, Columbia	Southeastern Conference	3.290
Arizona State University	Pacific-10 Conference	3.287
University of Idaho	Western Athletic Conference	3.280
La Salle University	Atlantic 10 Conference	3.270
Iowa State University	Big 12 Conference	3.270
Lafayette College	Patriot League	3.270
Southeast Missouri State University	Ohio Valley Conference	3.267
Washington State University	Pacific-10 Conference	3.260
Loyola Marymount University	West Coast Conference	3.260
East Tennessee State University	Atlantic Sun Conference	3.255
St. John's University (New York)	Big East Conference	3.250
University of Wisconsin, Madison	Big Ten Conference	3.250
University of Detroit Mercy	Horizon League	3.250
Brigham Young University	Mountain West Conference	3.250
Lehigh University	Patriot League	3.250
Northeastern University	Colonial Athletic Association	3.249

University of Maine, Orono	America East Conference	3.240
Rice University	Conference USA	3.237
University of Iowa	Big Ten Conference	3.235
Colorado State University	Mountain West Conference	3.233
University of Missouri, Columbia	Big 12 Conference	3.230
Marquette University	Big East Conference	3.230
University of Tennessee, Knoxville	Southeastern Conference	3.230
University of Louisville	Big East Conference	3.226
University of Akron	Mid-American Conference	3.224
Baylor University	Big 12 Conference	3.220
Rutgers University, New Brunswick	Big East Conference	3.220
University of South Florida	Big East Conference	3.210
Pennsylvania State University	Big Ten Conference	3.210
Cornell University	Ivy Group	3.210
University of Utah	Mountain West Conference	3.209
University of Illinois, Champaign	Big Ten Conference	3.205
College of William and Mary	Colonial Athletic Association	3.200
Eastern Washington University	Big Sky Conference	3.190
Purdue University	Big Ten Conference	3.190
Columbia University	Ivy Group	3.189
Texas Tech University	Big 12 Conference	3.185
Oral Roberts University	The Summit League	3.180
Jacksonville University	Atlantic Sun Conference	3.177
University of Cincinnati	Big East Conference	3.173
Sacred Heart University	Northeast Conference	3.171
Troy University	Sun Belt Conference	3.164
Georgia Institute of Technology	Atlantic Coast Conference	3.160
Monmouth University	Northeast Conference	3.160
Coastal Carolina University	Big South Conference	3.158
University of Nevada	Western Athletic Conference	3.157
University of Michigan	Big Ten Conference	3.150
University of Colorado, Boulder	Big 12 Conference	3.144
University of Wyoming	Mountain West Conference	3.143
Wake Forest University	Atlantic Coast Conference	3.139
Georgia State University	Colonial Athletic Association	3.130
University of Washington	Pacific-10 Conference	3.130
University of Rhode Island	Atlantic 10 Conference	3.120
University of Richmond	Atlantic 10 Conference	3.120
Illinois State University	Missouri Valley Conference	3.120
Tulane University	Conference USA	3.109
Stephen F. Austin State University	Southland Conference	3.109

University of Maryland, College Park	Atlantic Coast Conference	3.100
Western Michigan University	Mid-American Conference	3.100
Missouri State University	Missouri Valley Conference	3.100
Quinnipiac University	Northeast Conference	3.100
Morehead State University	Ohio Valley Conference	3.100
University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa	Southeastern Conference	3.095
University of Texas, Pan American	Great West Conference	3.087
Oklahoma State University	Big 12 Conference	3.082
Long Beach State University	Big West Conference	3.080
Samford University	Southern Conference	3.080
Rider University	Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	3.075
Texas Christian University	Mountain West Conference	3.072
College of Charleston (South Carolina)	Southern Conference	3.070
University of Hawaii, Manoa	Western Athletic Conference	3.060
University of Miami (Florida)	Atlantic Coast Conference	3.058
University of San Francisco	West Coast Conference	3.050
University of Virginia	Atlantic Coast Conference	3.045
University at Buffalo	Mid-American Conference	3.044
University of North Carolina, Wilmington	Colonial Athletic Association	3.040
Austin Peay State University	Ohio Valley Conference	3.037
University of North Texas	Sun Belt Conference	3.012
University of Central Arkansas	Southland Conference	3.010