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## MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE ANNOUNCES SOFTBALL ACADEMIC HONOREES

**COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.** – The Mountain West Conference announced the 2001 Academic All-Conference team for softball today. To be eligible for selection to the academic team, a student-athlete must have completed at least one academic term at the member institution, maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better and be a starter or significant contributor to the team.

Forty-three student-athletes earned MWC academic honors in 2001, including 16 repeat selections from the 2000 squad. Utah and UNLV each had a league-high 10 members on this year's MWC All-Academic team, followed by BYU with seven, Colorado State and New Mexico with six each and San Diego State with four.

Following is a list of the 2001 Softball Academic All-Mountain West Conference selections grouped alphabetically by school (\*notes repeat selection).

Name	School	Class	GPA	Major
*Angie Christiansen	BYU	Senior	3.40	School Health
Rebecca Erickson	BYU	Senior	3.30	Recreation Mgmt/Youth Leadership
*Mindy Hanson	BYU	Senior	3.49	Recreation Mgmt/Youth Leadership
*Lindsey Kelly	BYU	Senior	3.51	Psychology
Meghann Pricer	BYU	Senior	3.09	Sociology
Kari Pringle	BYU	Senior	3.07	Recreation Mgmt/Youth Leadership
Maryon Wallentine	BYU	Senior	3.44	School Health
Kathryn Benton	Colorado State Univ.	Sophomore	3.30	Health & Exercise Science
Arica Heisel	Colorado State Univ.	Senior	3.83	Biochemistry
*Kyla Kiester	Colorado State Univ.	Senior	3.60	Business Administration
Kathryn Koch	Colorado State Univ.	Sophomore	3.22	Pre-Technical Journalism
Amanda Kocis	Colorado State Univ.	Junior	3.01	Health & Exercise Science
Katie Stone	Colorado State Univ.	Senior	3.24	Health & Exercise Science
Michelle Carter	Univ. of New Mexico	Junior	3.03	Political Science
*Tiffani L. Chambers	Univ. of New Mexico	Junior	3.39	Criminology
*Marianna M. Fenelli	Univ. of New Mexico	Senior	3.51	Accounting
*Kristina E. Keene	Univ. of New Mexico	Senior	3.53	Exercise Technology
Hayley J. Punter	Univ. of New Mexico	Freshman	3.00	Undeclared
*Cayley Warner	Univ. of New Mexico	Junior	3.65	Nutrition & Dietetics

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**Mountain West Conference  
Softball Academic Team**

Sandra Durazo	San Diego State Univ.	Senior	3.08	Criminal Justice Administration
Janna Kovensky	San Diego State Univ.	Freshman	3.38	Criminal Justice Administration
Kelcy Murphy	San Diego State Univ.	Freshman	3.24	Undeclared
Aubrey Ray	San Diego State Univ.	Freshman	3.24	Business
Carrie Bayless	UNLV	Freshman	3.67	Hotel Administration
Bridget Byrne	UNLV	Freshman	3.88	Undeclared
Kacey Ellis	UNLV	Freshman	3.46	Psychology
*Linda Garza	UNLV	Senior	3.47	Health Education
*Racheal Goodpaster	UNLV	Senior	3.15	Criminal Justice
Deborah Hatch	UNLV	Senior	3.44	Marketing
*Melissa Inouye	UNLV	Senior	3.56	Fitness Management
Lisa Moses	UNLV	Freshman	3.65	Criminal Justice
Arica Painter	UNLV	Senior	3.23	Psychology
*Nicole Truax	UNLV	Junior	3.79	Communications
Heather Bowlin	Univ. of Utah	Freshman	3.77	Communication Skills Teaching
Rebecca Culligan	Univ. of Utah	Junior	3.70	Elementary Education
*Niki Hayhurst	Univ. of Utah	Sophomore	3.25	Elementary Education
*Amberly Jeppson	Univ. of Utah	Senior	3.59	Nursing
*Angela Kenney	Univ. of Utah	Junior	3.75	Exercise & Sport Science
Cara Kosderka	Univ. of Utah	Junior	3.15	Social Science Composite Teach.
*Molly McLean	Univ. of Utah	Junior	3.48	Behavioral Science & Health
Masako Ota	Univ. of Utah	Freshman	3.85	Undeclared
Christa Pfeninger	Univ. of Utah	Junior	3.22	Exercise & Sport Science
Melissa Stahnke	Univ. of Utah	Freshman	3.38	Undeclared

(\*notes repeat selection)