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### 2009 NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFIERS ANNOUNCED

INDIANAPOLIS---The NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee announced today the team and individual qualifiers for the 2009 NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships.

In order to be eligible to participate in the championships, teams and individuals qualified in their respective NCAA regions.

Thirty-one teams were selected to participate in each championship. The top two, seven-person teams automatically qualified from each of the nine regions, for a total of 18 teams. Thirteen additional teams were selected at-large.

Thirty-eight individuals were selected to participate in each championship through an automatic qualifier and at-large selection process. All individual qualifiers finished in the top 25 in their region.

Indiana State University will host the Championships, November 23, at the LaVern Gibson Championship Course located at the Wabash Valley Family Sports Center in Terre Haute, Indiana. The men's race will begin at approximately 12:08 p.m. Eastern time, followed by the women's race at approximately 12:58 p.m. Both championship races will be broadcast live on Versus Network and streamed online via NCAA.com.

**The following teams and individuals were selected to the championships:**

**Men's Automatic Qualifying Teams**

Alabama-South Region  
Arkansas-South Central Region  
Brigham Young-Mountain Region  
Colorado-Mountain Region  
Florida State-South Region  
Georgetown-Mid-Atlantic Region  
Iona-Northeast Region  
Michigan State-Great Lakes Region  
North Carolina State-Southeast Region  
Oklahoma-Midwest Region  
Oklahoma State-Midwest Region  
Portland-West Region  
Stanford-West Region  
Syracuse-Northeast  
Texas-South Central Region  
Villanova-Mid-Atlantic Region  
William and Mary-Southeast Region  
Wisconsin-Great Lakes Region

**Men's At-large Teams**

Arizona State  
Auburn  
Duke  
Iowa State  
Louisville  
Minnesota  
New Mexico  
Northern Arizona  
Ohio State  
Oregon  
Providence  
Virginia  
Washington

**Women's Automatic Qualifying Team**

Baylor-South Central Region  
Colorado-Mountain Region  
Duke-Southeast Region  
Florida-South Region  
Florida State-South Region  
Illinois-Midwest Region  
Minnesota-Midwest Region  
Notre Dame-Great Lakes Region  
Ohio State-Great Lakes Region  
Oregon-West Region  
Princeton-Mid-Atlantic Region  
Providence-Northeast Region  
SMU-South Central Region  
Syracuse-Northeast Region  
Texas Tech-Mountain Region  
Villanova-Mid-Atlantic Region  
Virginia-Southeast Region  
Washington-West Region

**Women's At-large Teams**

Arizona  
Arizona State  
Brigham Young  
Georgetown  
Indiana  
Iowa State  
Michigan  
Michigan State  
New Mexico  
Penn State  
Stanford  
UTEP  
West Virginia

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**Men's Individual Qualifiers**

**Great Lakes Region**

Andrew	Poore	Indiana
Eric	Schulz	Indiana State
Madison	Roeder	Butler
Andy	Baker	Butler
Jake	Walker	Notre Dame
Caden	Shields	Purdue

**Mid-Atlantic Region**

Alex	Lundy	Maryland
Mike	Stolar	Duquesne
Vince	McNally	Penn State
Rob	Speare	Princeton

**Midwest Region**

Jeff	Schirmer	Southern Illinois
Jonah	Lagat	Oral Roberts
John	Beattie	Tulsa
		University of Northern
Thibault	Vandenabeele	Iowa

**Mountain Region**

Justin	Tyner	Air Force
Nicodemus	Ng'etich	UTEP
Elkana	Rotich	UTEP
Brian	McKenna	Utah State

**Northeast Region**

Daniel	Chenoweth	Harvard
Erik	Van Ingen	Binghamton University
Nate	Edelman	Cornell
Christian	Escareno	Brown

**South Region**

Barnabas	Kirui	Mississippi
Zac	Edwards	South Alabama
Micah	Tirop	South Alabama
Festus	Chemaoui	Middle Tennessee

**South Central Region**

Francis	Kasagule	Lamar
Joshua	Sawe	McNeese State
Joe	Sauvageau	Texas A&M
David	Rooney	McNeese State

**Southeast Region**

Samuel	Chelanga	Liberty
Wesley	Rutton	Eastern Kentucky
Evans	Kigen	Liberty
Patrick	Cheptock	Western Kentucky

**West Region**

Scott	Smith	UC Santa Barbara
Mohamud	Ige	Arizona
Marco	Anzures	UCLA
Joe	Gatel	Cal Poly

**Women's Individual Qualifiers**

**Great Lakes Region**

Alison	Bishel	Ball State
Caitlin	Comfort	Wisconsin
Ari	Fisher	Toledo
Alexandra	Lizarribar	Kent State

**Mid-Atlantic Region**

Megan	Hogan	George Washington
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**Midwest Region**

Lauren	Bonds	Kansas
Beverly	Ramos	Kansas State
Mihaela	Susa	Oklahoma State
Kaitie	Vanatta	Missouri
Laura	Crawford	Nebraska

**Mountain Region**

Veronica	Pohl	Northern Arizona
Kristen	Hemphill	Colorado State
Ellie	Rastall	Colorado State
Katrina	Drennen	Montana

**Northeast Region**

Anna	Jorgensen	Iona
Kailyn	Kuzmuk	Harvard
Jillian	King	Boston College
Claire	Richardson	Harvard
Corey	Conner	Maine

**South Region**

Jackie	Areson	Tennessee
Zamzam	Sangau	Middle Tennessee
Kristie	Krueger	Georgia
Janel	Blancett	Georgia State
Katie	Van Horn	Tennessee

**South Central Region**

Betzy	Jimenez	Texas
Alyssa	Allison	Arkansas
Anne	Ronoh	Texas A&M-Corpus Christi
Miranda	Walker	Arkansas
Mia	Behm	Texas

**Southeast Region**

Janet	Jesang	Western Kentucky
Tarah	McKay	Louisville
Brittany	Tinsley	North Carolina State
Emily	Pritt	North Carolina State
Alison	Parris	James Madison

**West Region**

Stephanie	Wilson	Santa Clara
Lisa	Egami	Washington State
Crystal	Reed	UC Santa Barbara
Shannon	Murakami	UCLA