

# **ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® TEAM**

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## ***Rice's Davis, Sewanee's Copeland Head 2003-04 CoSIDA Academic All-America® Men's Track Team***

WALTHAM, Mass. – Seniors Adam Davis (Spring, Texas) of Rice University and Adam Copeland (Ooltewah, Tenn.) of Sewanee: The University of the South head the 2003-04 Academic All-America® Men's Track team, which was announced today by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Copeland, Sewanee's Valedictorian, had a remarkable 4.16 grade point average, on a 4.0 scale, while majoring in Economics. A three-time Academic All-America (first time in 2003 and 2004, and third team in 2002), he earned a Distinguished University Fellowship to the Ohio State grad school to study economics. He was the captain of Sewanee's track team and a member of the school record 1,600-meter relay team.

Davis, who earned All-America honors for the third time after finishing eighth in the 1500 meters at the recent NCAA Track Championships, was named the Academic All-America of the Year for the University Division. An NCAA postgraduate scholarship recipient and a two-time recipient of the Hubert E. Bray Scholar Athlete Award (presented to the Rice male student athlete with the highest GPA), Davis has amassed a 3.96 grade point average as an economics major.

Copeland and Davis were two of eight repeat first-team selections. The others on the 15-member first team were a trio of seniors: Andrew Rock (Stratford, Wisc.) of the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse, Brent Showalter (Wellman, Iowa) of Wartburg College and Mark Steckler (Fargo, N.D.) of North Dakota State University.

On the University Division side, junior Ryan Andrus (Orem, Utah) of the University of Oregon, senior Goran Nava (Castello Di Brianza, Italy) of Radford University and senior Brad Washington (Spokane, Wash.) of the University of Washington also earned first-team Academic All-America honors for the second straight year.

Of the 31 first-team selections, seven had career GPAs of 4.00 or better, including Copeland and Steckler. The others with perfect GPAs are Sharath Alampur (Ossining, N.Y.) of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Ryan Koch (Madison, Wisc.) of St. Cloud State, Benjamin Brewster (Findlay, Ohio) of the University of Kentucky, Kwesi Frimpong-Boateng (Accra, Ghana) of the University of Massachusetts, and Mark Johnson (Fontana, Wisc.) of the University of New Mexico.

The College Division first team includes two members of Calvin University's 2003 NCAA Division III Cross Country national championship team, Tim Avery (Rochester, N.Y.) and Hendrik Kok (Lynden, Wash.). Also honored were NCAA Division III individual champions Uzoma Oril (Matawan, N.J.) of MIT (indoor shot put) and Andrew Rock (Stratford, Wisc.) of Wisconsin-Lacrosse (400 meters).

The University Division team includes senior Brian Chaput (East Haven, Conn.) of the University of Pennsylvania, the NCAA runner-up in the javelin, and senior Adam Tenforde (Richland, Wash.) of NCAA cross country champion Stanford University.



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The complete list of student-athletes named to the Academic All-America Men's Track Team is attached.

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, the College Sports Information Directors of America; a 2,000-member organization consisted of sports public relations professionals for colleges and universities in the United States and Canada.

To be eligible, a student-athlete must be a varsity starter or key reserve, maintain a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.20 on a scale of 4.00, have reached sophomore athletic and academic standing 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 Division I, II, III and NAIA covering all NCAA championship sports.

For more information about the Academic All-America Teams program, please visit [www.cosida.com](http://www.cosida.com) or email [rlipe@bentley.edu](mailto:rlipe@bentley.edu).

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## 2003-04 CoSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® MEN'S TRACK TEAM (UNIVERSITY DIVISION)

### FIRST TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	DIST	YR HOMETOWN	GPA/MAJOR
John Albert	Minnesota	V	Sr. Eden Prairie, Minn.	3.90, Finance
Ryan Andrus	Oregon	VIII	Jr. Orem, Utah	3.94, Business Administration
Benjamin Brewster	Kentucky	IV	Sr. Findlay, Ohio	4.00, Biology
Brian Chaput	Penn	II	Sr. East Haven, Conn.	3.60, Communications
Adam Davis	Rice	VI	Sr. Spring, Texas	3.96, Economics
Kwesi Frimpong-Boateng	Massachusetts	I	Gr. Accra, Ghana	4.00, Microbiology
Mikael Jakobsson	Minnesota	V	Sr. Orebro, Sweden	3.84, Entrepreneurial Mgt.
Mark Johnson	New Mexico	VI	Sr. Fontana, Wisc.	4.00, MBA
Andrew Maloney	Saint Francis, PA	II	Jr. Toronto, Ont.	3.98, Management
Todd Mobley	Notre Dame	V	Sr. West Bloomfield, Mich.	3.83, Math
Thomas Morgan	Kentucky	IV	Sr. Lexington, Ky.	3.667, MBA/Finance
Goran Nava	Radford	III	Sr. Castello Di Brianza, Italy	3.885, Media Relations/Finance
Erik Petersson	Texas-Arlington	VI	Sr. Goteborg, Sweden	3.93, International Business
Adam Tenforde	Stanford	VIII	Sr. Richland, Wash.	3.88, Human Biology
Brad Walker	Washington	VIII	Sr. Spokane, Wash.	3.50, Marketing
Steve Zieminski	Florida	III	Gr. Sarasota, Fla.	3.85, Accounting

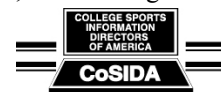
### SECOND TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	DIST	YR HOMETOWN	GPA/MAJOR
Magnus Ahlen	Manhattan	I	Sr. Karlstad, Sweden	3.801, Engineering
Ryan Bender	Duquesne	II	Jr. Indiana, Pa.	3.93, Pharmacy
Dana Carne	Nebraska	VII	Sr. Omaha, Neb.	3.966, Biological Sciences
Ty Denby	VMI	III	Jr. Scottsville, Va.	4.00, Chemistry
Keith Garramone	Coastal Carolina	III	Sr. Nolensville, Tenn.	4.00, Accounting
Steve Holland	Long Beach State	VIII	So. Whittier, Cal.	4.00, Accounting
Dirk Homewood	Northern Iowa	VII	Jr. Cedar Falls, Iowa	3.75, Math Education
Terah Kipchiris	Coastal Carolina	III	Jr. Kitale, Kenya	3.744, Psychology
Christian Lemke	Robert Morris	II	Sr. Berlin, Germany	4.00, Sport Management
Brendon Mahoney	Georgia Tech	III	Sr. Cumming, Ga.	3.20, Management
Cody Moat	Southern Utah	VIII	Sr. Duchesne, Utah	3.772, Technical Education
Brian Rohrer	Alabama	IV	Sr. Vancouver, Wash.	4.00, Biology
Chris Steddum	South Carolina	III	Sr. Houston, Texas	3.56, Finance
Adam Steele	Minnesota	V	Sr. Eden Prairie, Minn.	3.26, Sociology
Chris Tobiason	Montana	VII	Sr. Livingston, Mich.	4.00, Pharmacy
Brent Warner	Duke	III	Sr. Wadsworth, Ohio	3.878, Biomedical Engineering

### THIRD TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	DIST	YR HOMETOWN	GPA/MAJOR
Eric Eckstrand	Navy	II	Sr. Wilmington, Del.	3.83, Science
Sean Furey	Dartmouth	I	Sr. Methuen, Mass.	3.41, Engineering Sciences
Tim Gehring	Washington State	VIII	Sr. Kettle Falls, Wash.	3.63, Accounting
Brandon Gulley	Morehead State	IV	Sr. Flemingsburg, Ky.	3.93, Radiologic Science
Aaron Hill	Northeastern	I	So. Ben Wheeler, Texas	3.958, Electrical Engineering
Danny Hill	Nebraska	VII	Sr. Omaha, Neb.	3.797, Finance
Don Lassus	St. Louis	VII	Sr. Houston, Texas	4.00, History
Michael Nicks	Colorado State	VII	Jr. Colorado Springs, Colo.	3.786, Business Administration
Paul Panning	Ball State	V	Sr. Angola, Ind.	3.423, Management Info. Systems
Kristofer Ruhland	Iowa State	VII	Jr. Iowa City, Iowa	4.00, Computer Engineering
Jon Severy	Colorado	VII	Sr. Aspen, Colo.	3.762, Philosophy
Paul Strozier	U.S. Military Acad.	I	Jr. Irvine, Calif.	3.901, System Engineering
Rajne Svensson	Manhattan College	I	Sr. Karlstad, Sweden	3.611, Business
Chris Tieke	Xavier	IV	Jr. Batavia, Ohio	4.00, History
Ben Wiggins	Rice	VI	Sr. College Station, Texas	3.52, Economics/Kinesiology
Brent Wilberts	Drake	VII	Sr. Shoreview, Minn.	3.64, Accounting/Management

Academic All-America Team Member of the Year: Adam Davis, Rice University



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## 2003-2004 VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® MEN'S TRACK TEAM (COLLEGE DIVISION)

### FIRST TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	DIST	YR	HOMETOWN	GPA/MAJOR(S)
Sharath Alampur	Rensselaer Polytechnic	I	Sr	Ossining, N.Y.	4.0/Mathematics
Tim Avery	Calvin College	IV	Sr	Rochester, N.Y.	3.81/English/Secondary Education
Will Copeland	Sewanee: The Univ. of The South	IV	Sr	Ooltewah, Tenn.	4.16 (4.0)/Economics
Stephen Handler	Gustavus Adolphus	V	Sr	Shellsburg, Iowa	3.99/Biology
Phil Hagedorn	Emory University	III	Sr	Atlanta, Ga.	3.61/English
Skip Ivery	Wittenberg University	IV	Sr	Columbus, Ohio	3.80/Management
Curt Johnson	Wisconsin-Stevens Point	V	Sr	DeForest, Wisc.	3.92/Chemistry/Biology
Ryan Koch	St. Cloud State	V	So	Madison, Wisc.	4.00/Computer Science
Hendrik Kok	Calvin College	IV	Sr	Lynden, Wash.	3.65/Biology
Chris Nehls	Emory University	III	Sr	Boulder, Colo.	3.58/Economics
Uzoma Orii	M.I.T.	I	So	Matawan, N.J.	3.92/Electrical Engineering
Andrew Rock	Wisconsin-La Crosse	V	Sr	Stratford, Wisc.	3.61/Finance
Kevin Semanick	The College of New Jersey	II	Sr	Lansdale, Pa.	3.753/Finance/Statistics
Brent Showalter	Wartburg College	VII	Sr	Wellman, Iowa	3.973/Business Administration
Marc Steckler	North Dakota State	VII	Sr	Fargo, N.D.	4.00/Mechanical Engineering

### SECOND TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	DIST	YR	HOMETOWN	GPA/MAJOR
Nathan Beerling	Minnesota-Duluth	V	Sr	St. Peter, Minn.	3.93/Exercise Science/Biology
John Paul Blankenship	Concord College	II	Jr	Athens, W.V.	3.81/Travel Management
Adam Booth	Grinnell College	VII	Sr	Homer, Mich.	3.82/Physics
Cody Brotherton	McMurry University	VI	Jr	Stratford, Texas	3.39/Communication
Richard Chmielecki	U.S. Coast Guard Academy	I	Sr	Colchester, Conn.	3.95/Operations Research
Kevin Doe	South Dakota State	VII	Sr	Stillwater, Minn.	4.00/Electrical Engineering
Nick Johnson	Augustana College (IL)	V	Jr	New Lenox, Ill.	3.99/Mathematics
Jared Markowitz	Carnegie Mellon University	II	Sr	Macungie, Pa.	3.81/Physics
Dan McLean	University of Puget Sound	VIII	Sr	Seattle, Wash.	3.59/History & Economics
Matt Molski	The College of New Jersey	II	Jr	Sparta, N.J.	3.834/Chemistry
Marcus Murphy	Loras College	VII	Sr	Ankeny, Iowa	3.912/Accounting & Economics
Joseph Otto	Rensselaer Polytechnic	I	Jr	West Seneca, N.Y.	3.80/Electrical Engineering
Ben Salisbury	George Fox University	VIII	Sr	Bellingham, Wash.	3.766/Biology
Scott Sargrad	Haverford College	II	Sr	Glenside, Pa.	3.80/Mathematics
Keith Veldhuis	Lock Haven University	II	Sr	Thamesford, Ont.	3.968/Health/Physical Education

### THIRD TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	DIST	YR	HOMETOWN	GPA/MAJOR
Andrew Aakre	North Dakota State	VII	Sr	Stephen, Minn.	3.8/Civil Engineering
Adam Brunfeldt	Emory University	III	Sr	Lawrence, Kans.	3.81/Chemistry
Matt Edwards	Calvin College	IV	Sr	Grand Blanc, Mich.	3.40/Engineering
Jesse Fugitt	North Central College	V	Sr	Mapleton, Ill.	4.00/Computer Science
Tyler Kemmerer	Harding University	VI	Sr	Lancaster, Ohio	3.83/Management
Brad Lowery	South Dakota State	VII	Jr	Pierre, S.D.	3.836/Physics
Paul Mach	Seattle Pacific University	VIII	Sr	Seattle, Wash.	3.72/Computer Science
Phil McCollum	Bemidji State	V	Sr	Idaho Falls, Idaho	4.00/Design Technology/Biology
Matt Meurer	Carnegie Mellon University	II	Sr	Cincinnati, Ohio	3.84/Industrial Design
Jason Parks	Anderson University	V	Sr	Wabash, Ind.	3.94/English/History
Ryder Peacock	McMurry University	VI	So	Woodson, Texas	3.48/Multidisciplinary Studies
Jeremy Rea	Lebanon Valley College	II	Sr	Yardley, Pa.	3.972/Music Education/Music
Brian Strandberg	University of Rochester	I	Gr	Reading, Mass.	3.90 (3.75)/Applied Math & Optics (Mechanical Engineering)
Michael Styczynski	Ithaca College	I	Sr	Clarksville, Md.	3.79/Journalism
Darius Viet	Washington Univ. (Mo.)	VII	Sr	Decorah, Iowa	3.94/Civil Engineering

Academic All-America of the Year: Will Copeland, Sewanee: The University of the South

