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Patriot League Announces Volleyball Academic Honor Roll

Forty-six student-athletes earn a spot on the Academic Honor Roll.

Center Valley, Pa. – A total of 46 student-athletes make up the 2007 Patriot League Volleyball Academic Honor Roll, announced Executive Director Carolyn Schlie Femovich Wednesday. Six members of this year's academic honor roll recorded 4.0 grade-point averages during the fall semester, including Bucknell's Tessa Mendez and Rachel Rodriguez, Colgate's Sheila Giovannini, Holy Cross' Katie Fitzpatrick and Christine Strawson and Navy's Rachel Dougherty.

Dougherty was also named the 2007 Patriot League Volleyball Scholar-Athlete of the Year in November. Dougherty was tabbed a second-team academic All-American this year. The physics major has posted a 4.0 GPA during five of her seven semesters and during her one year of summer school. The four-time Patriot League Academic Honor Roll member was selected as one of 15 Bowman Scholars by the USNA for this academic year. With this award she will receive one year of schooling at the Naval Postgraduate School, receives early admission into the Navy's nuclear surface warfare community and has to complete an independent study project.

On the court, Dougherty ranked second in kills in both overall (4.50) and League only matches (4.96). The senior outside hitter was second in aces per game (0.54) in the Patriot League. The First-Team All-Patriot League selection became the fifth player during Navy's 17-year Division I era to record 1,000 career kills. She ended her career with 1,137 kills.

To be eligible for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must earn a 3.20 grade-point average in the fall semester and be awarded a varsity letter in one of the Patriot League's seven fall championship sports.

"Today's Scholar-Athletes, Tomorrow's Leaders" – The Patriot League continually demonstrates that student-athletes can excel at both academics and athletics without sacrificing its high standards. The Patriot League's athletic success is achieved while its member institutions remain committed to its founding principle of admitting and graduating student-athletes that are academically representative of their class. Participation in athletics at Patriot League institutions is viewed as an important component of a well-rounded education.

2007 Patriot League Volleyball Academic Honor Roll

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Hometown/High School</u>
AMERICAN (10)				
Chelsa Brooks	Sr.	Psychology	3.74	Hilliard, Ohio/Hilliard Darby
Katerina Cinkova	Fr.	International Studies	3.63	Morgan Hill, Calif./Live Oak
Deborah Frantz	Fr.	Environmental Studies	3.78	Beverly Hills, Calif./Beverly Hills
Sarah Jankowitz	So.	International Studies	3.68	Sparta, N.J. / Sparta
Christina Nash	Jr.	Business Administration	3.94	Princeton, Fla. / Coral Reef
Ann Recht	So.	Business Administration	3.80	Canby, Ore./La Salle
Claire Recht	So.	Business Administration	3.80	Canby, Ore./La Salle
Cassandra Ricketts	Fr.	Chemistry	3.79	Sandy, Utah/Brighton
Logan Striebel	Sr.	Public Communications	3.88	Raleigh, N.C./Cardinal Gibbons
Rubena Sukaj	Jr.	Business Administration	3.20	Tirana, Albania/Asim Vokshi
ARMY (5)				
Rachael Breinling	Jr.	Art, Philosophy & Literature	3.60	Fremont, Mich./Fremont
Jamie Clark	Jr.	Environmental Science	3.40	Pueblo, Colo./Pueblo South
Elizabeth Lazzari	Jr.	Art, Philosophy & Literature	3.20	Seal Beach, Calif./Cornelia Connelly
Briana Stremick	Jr.	Mechanical Engineering	3.90	Langdon, N.D./Langdon
Lauren Teal	Sr.	Environmental Geography	3.80	Salem, Ohio/Salem

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Sheena Czipri	Jr.	Neuroscience	3.66	Aurora, Ill./West Aurora
Liz Hazuka	Jr.	International Relations	3.75	Colorado Springs, Colo./Cheyenne Mountain
Heidi Kamp	Fr.	Undeclared	3.50	Springfield, Ore./Henry D. Sheldon
<i>Tessa Mendez</i>	<i>Sr.</i>	<i>International Relations</i>	<i>4.00</i>	<i>Denver, Colo./Colorado Academy</i>
Shannon Pitsch	Jr.	English	3.91	Oak Brook, Ill./Fenwick
<i>Rachel Rodriguez</i>	<i>Fr.</i>	<i>Management</i>	<i>4.00</i>	<i>Sagamore Hills, Ohio/Walsh Jesuit</i>
Lindsay Smith	So.	Neuroscience	3.91	Lafayette, Colo./Monarch

COLGATE (6)

Amanda Brockman	So.	Undeclared	3.25	Tracy, Calif./Merrill F West
Meghan Fanta	So.	Undeclared	3.43	Hillsboro, Wis./Hillsboro
<i>Sheila Giovannini</i>	<i>Sr.</i>	<i>Political Science</i>	<i>4.00</i>	<i>Waltham, Mass./Arlington Catholic</i>
Erin Kanetzke	Sr.	Sociology & Anthropology	3.30	Loveland, Ohio/Ursuline Academy
Rachelle Roberts	Fr.	Undeclared	3.59	Yorba Linda, Calif./Esperanza
Katrina Zawojski	Jr.	Psychology	3.22	Palo Alto, Calif./Palo Alto

HOLY CROSS (7)

Molly Anderson	Jr.	Sociology	3.33	Weston, Conn./Weston
Liz Campbell	So.	Psychology	3.32	Mineola, N.Y./Mineola
Rebecca DeSanti	Fr.	Biology	3.39	Hampden, Mass./Minnechaug Regional
<i>Katie Fitzpatrick</i>	<i>Sr.</i>	<i>Math</i>	<i>4.00</i>	<i>Queensbury, N.Y./Queensbury</i>
Meagan Merinder	Sr.	Sociology	3.28	Andover, Mass./Andover
Anastasia Quinn	So.	English	3.62	Wilmington, Del./Archmere Academy
<i>Christine Strawson</i>	<i>Sr.</i>	<i>Biology</i>	<i>4.00</i>	<i>Torrington, Conn./Torrington</i>

LAFAYETTE (4)

Karla Barbiche	Sr.	Civil Engineering	3.85	Bozeman, Mont./Bozeman
Megan Carter	Jr.	Biology	3.33	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser
Maura Kelly	Sr.	Psychology	3.23	Caldwell, N.J./James Caldwell
Cara Mulholland	So.	Economics and Business	3.50	Jenkintown, Pa./Mount St. Joseph Academy

LEHIGH (4)

Brittany Dickinson	Fr.	Business	3.57	Stratford, Conn./Frank S. Bunnell
Maxie McCoy	So.	Arts and Sciences	3.93	Plano, Texas/Plano East
Dannielle Pimental	Fr.	Arts and Sciences	3.77	Corvallis, Ore./Corvallis
Shannon Spafford	Sr.	Psychology	3.79	Northvale, N.J./Northern Valley Regional

NAVY (3)

<i>Rachel Dougherty</i>	<i>Sr.</i>	<i>Physics</i>	<i>4.00</i>	<i>Derwood, Md./Magruder</i>
Nikki England	Sr.	Oceanography	3.24	Colorado Springs, Colo./Doherty
Aubrey Manes	So.	Political Science	3.59	Pratt, Kan./Pratt

Italics indicate student-athletes with a 4.00 or better grade-point average for the 2007 fall semester.