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West Coast Conference Announces 2011 Cross Country All-Academic Teams *Six All-Academic Selections Are Also All-WCC Selections*

SAN BRUNO, Calif. – The West Coast Conference has announced its 2011 Cross Country All-Academic team. A total of six runners from last year’s All-Academic team are making a repeat appearance on this year’s selection list. There are also six all-academic selections that earned All-WCC status at the 2011 Cross Country Championships on Saturday, October 29 at the Crystal Springs Course in Belmont, Calif.

“As a conference, we are very proud to celebrate the academic achievements of these student-athletes,” said WCC Commissioner Jamie Zaninovich. “After a highly competitive championship event last weekend at Crystal Springs, seeing some of those top finishers on the all-academic list truly exemplifies the dedication of these runners both on the course and in the classroom.”

BYU senior Miles Batty was selected to the Cross Country All-Academic Team. Batty won the 2011 WCC Cross Country Championships individual title on Saturday, October 29, shattering the course record with a time of 23:47 in the 8K. Batty’s teammate, sophomore Alden Bahr, also earned All-Academic status to go along with his seventh-place finish at the WCC Championships. Portland junior Lars Erik Malde, a 2010 WCC All-Academic selection, finished ninth at the WCC Championships with a time of 24:32 in the 8K.

Loyola Marymount redshirt-senior Tara Erdmann, the WCC’s first three-time individual champion at the Cross Country Championships, was named to the All-Academic team for the second year in a row. BYU senior Katy Andrews finished fourth at the 2011 Championships and earned All-WCC recognition in addition to an All-Academic team selection. Portland junior Merit Tegelaar paced Portland with an 8th-place finish at 2011 WCC Championships (21:12 in the 6K) and earned an All-WCC selection to go along with her All-Academic status.

The complete 2011 West Coast Conference Cross Country All-Academic team follows.

2011 WEST COAST CONFERENCE MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Major</u>
Jesse Aston	PEP	Sophomore	3.81	English
Alden Bahr	BYU	Senior	3.76	Spanish/Neurosciences
Miles Batty	BYU	Senior	3.95	Science/Neurosciences
John Cutter	USD	Junior	3.65	International Relations
Ben Demaree	SCU	Sophomore	3.94	Bio-Engineering
Jeremy Grace	USF	Senior	3.96	English
Lars Erik Malde	POR	Junior	3.70	Engineering Management
Will Marquardt	USF	Senior	3.92	History
Kevin Oliver	SCU	Junior	3.96	Biology
Weston Strum	LMU	Sophomore	3.72	Accounting

Honorable Mention: A.J. Agrawal, USD; Oran Arms, LMU; Jared Bassett, POR; Jacob Bruce, USD; Curtis Carr, Drew Dalton, LMU; Trevor Dunbar, POR; BYU; Steve Flint, BYU; Marcos Hinojosa, SCU; Greg Innes, LMU; Matt Frerker, POR; Austin Jones, SCU; Nhunguyen Le, SCU; John Maheu, USD; Gustavo Mena, USF; Willie Milam, GON; Matt Mosier, SCU; Rajpaul Pannu, SMC; Conner Peloquin, BYU; Jonathan Rahaeuser, PEP; Robbie Reid, SCU; Matt Savage, SCU; Rex Shields, BYU; Kenny Smith, PEP; Peter Stephens, SCU; Jason Waldram, USF; Andrew Walker, Gonzaga; Jordan Wozniak, PEP; Richard Zhu, SCU

2011 WEST COAST CONFERENCE WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Major</u>
Katy Andrews	BYU	Senior	3.77	Exercise and Wellness
Sahar Bala	USF	Junior	3.95	International Studies
Hannah DeWalt	PEP	Senior	3.84	Sports Medicine
Lindsey Drake	GON	Junior	3.78	Biology
Sarah Edwards	BYU	Junior	3.88	Elementary Education
Tara Erdmann	LMU	RS-Senior	4.00	MA-Education
Lauren Lodge	PEP	Senior	3.59	Accounting
Emerald Raney	USD	Junior	3.91	Psychology
Mary Reynolds	SCU	Junior	3.75	Bioengineering
Marit Tegelaar	POR	RS-Junior	3.94	Communication

Honorable Mention: Kirsten Allan, USD; Jamie Anderson, SCU; Sarah Attar, PEP; Alice Baker, USF; Alyssia Bellia, LMU; Erin Burke, SMC; Kendy Christensen, BYU; Alex Choy, SMC; Sophie Curl, USF; Jacqueline Danens, SMC; Sarah Darby, BYU; Adrianna Davies, PEP; Brieanna Delaney, LMU; Candace Eddy, BYU; Kayla Germany, SCU; Lauren Germany, SCU; Sarah Goodman, PEP; Gillian Gorelik, USD; Erin Hartwig, SCU; Michelle Hickerson, LMU; Kellie Houser, POR; Kristy Koenes, USD; Michaelanne Laurent, BYU; Maureen May, SMC; Erin McCarthy, SCU; Meghan McNamara, SCU; Molly Mitchell, POR; Paige Mobley, PEP; LeeAndrea Morton, PEP; Nicole Nielsen, BYU; Hayley Niles, USF; Sarah Pearson, USF; Courtney Rolando, PEP; Mari Sandri, USF; Emily Thomas, GON; Maor Tiyouri, USF; Natasha Verma, POR