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Academic All-Big 12 Gymnastics Team Announced

IRVING, Texas — The Big 12 Conference has named 18 student-athletes to the 2013 Academic All-Big 12 Gymnastics Team, the league office announced.

Oklahoma led all teams with seven honorees. The Sooners' Lara Albright was nominated with a 4.00 grade point average. She is one of six OU gymnasts on the first team. Iowa State also had six first team members, while West Virginia placed five.

Elizabeth Stranahan (Iowa State) and Kayla Nowak (Oklahoma) become three-time Academic All-Big 12 First Team members, while Henrietta Green and Michelle Shealy (Iowa State) earn first team recognition for the second straight year.

Seventeen of the 18 honorees make up the first team.

First team members consist of those who have maintained a 3.20 or better GPA while the second team selections hold a 3.00 to 3.19 GPA.

To qualify, student-athletes must maintain a 3.00 GPA or higher (either cumulative or the two previous semesters) and must have participated in 60 percent of their team's scheduled contests. Freshmen and transfers are not eligible in their first year of academic residence. Senior student-athletes who have participated for a minimum of two years and meet all the criteria except percent of participation are also eligible.

2013 ACADEMIC ALL-BIG 12 GYMNASTICS TEAM

FIRST TEAM (3.20-PLUS GPA; *INDICATES NOMINATED WITH A 4.00 GPA)

Name, School	Class	Major	Hometown
Caitlin Brown, Iowa State	So.	Apparel, Merchandising and design	Apple Valley, Minn.
Henrietta Green, Iowa State	Jr.	Kinesiology	San Bernardino, Calif.
Megan McDonald, Iowa State	Jr.	Journalism and Mass Communication	Woodbridge, Va.
Jessica Rizzi, Iowa State	Sr.	Child Adult and family services	Downers Grove, Ill.
Michelle Shealy, Iowa State	Jr.	Elementary Education	Snellville, Ga.
Elizabeth Stranahan, Iowa State	Sr.	English	Atlanta, Ga.
Lara Albright, Oklahoma*	Jr.	Management	Carrollton, Texas
Lauren Alexander, Oklahoma	So.	Communication	Plano, Texas
Rebecca Clark, Oklahoma	So.	Accounting	Blue Springs, Mo.
Kayla Nowak, Oklahoma	Sr.	Management	Algonquin, Ill.
Brie Olson, Oklahoma	Sr.	Communication	St. Cloud, Minn.
Taylor Spears, Oklahoma	Jr.	Communication	Plano, Texas
Chelsea Goldschrafe, West Virginia	Sr.	Marketing	Franklin Lakes, N.J.
Kaylyn Millick, West Virginia	Sr.	Exercise Physiology	Washington, Pa.
Lia Salzano, West Virginia	So.	Exercise Physiology	Centreville, Va.
Hope Sloanhoffer, West Virginia	Jr.	Exercise Physiology	Cornwall, N.Y.
Bethany Yurko, West Virginia	Jr.	Design Studies	Cumberland, Md.

SECOND TEAM (3.00 TO 3.19 GPA)

Name, School	Class	Major	Hometown
Madison Mooring, Oklahoma	Jr.	Pre-Physical Therapy	Sallisaw, Okla.

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