

Academic All-America® Team Selected by CoSIDA

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ALEXIS CARDOZA OF CAL STATE SAN BERNARDINO HEADLINES CoSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® DIVISION II VOLLEYBALL TEAMS

AUSTIN, **Texas** | California State University San Bernardino senior outside hitter **Alexis Cardoza** headlines the Academic All-America® Division II volleyball team, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

The Division II Academic All-America® program is being financially supported by the NCAA Division II national governance structure to assist CoSIDA with handling the awards fulfillment aspects for the 2020-21 Division II Academic All-America® program.

Cardoza is the recipient of the CoSIDA Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year for NCAA Division II volleyball. A second team Academic All-America® choice in 2019, the Chino Hills, California, native is one of seven student-athletes to land on this year's first team.

Cardoza and the Yotes didn't compete this past season. Based on the absence of most fall sports competition, the CoSIDA Academic All-America® Committee revised some rules and procedures for nominating student-athletes this season. Due to the low percentage of games completed this season, the nominees were selected based on career statistics and achievements.

A psychology major with a 3.58 cumulative grade-point average, Cardoza was named the AVCA and D2CCA Division II Player of the Year after leading Cal State San Bernardino to the 2019 national title. The Yotes were only the third undefeated national champion in Division II volleyball history as Cardoza was tabbed the NCAA championships' MVP.

The 2020 California Collegiate Athletic Association Female Athlete of the Year, Cardoza completed her 2019 season leading the league and ranking third in the nation in both kills (4.54) and points (5.17) per set. She did this while hitting .346 and adding 326 digs, 59 total blocks and 37 service aces. Cardoza played in all 112 sets during the 2019 NCAA championship season, notching 15 double-doubles. She compiled 20 or more kills on six occasions.

Four of the seven members of the CoSIDA Academic All-America® Division II volleyball first team have a perfect 4.00 GPA. The aggregate GPA for the 21 CoSIDA Academic All-America® team members is 3.87. Twenty of the team members are seniors; **Charlotte Richards** from the University of Missouri-St. Louis is the lone junior.

Cardoza is one of three Academic All-America® repeat selections this year. Seniors **Faith Rottinghaus** of Washburn University and **Libby Bochniak** of Georgia College also possess two Academic All-America® trophies each. Rottinghaus made the first team in 2019, while Bochniak joined Cardoza on the 2019 second team.

For more information on the Academic All-America® program, go to https://academicallamerica.com/.

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2020-21 Academic All-America ® Volleyball Team Division II

FIRST TEAM				
Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Libby Bochniak (2)	Georgia College	Sr.	4.00	Biology
Alexis Cardoza (2)	Cal State San Bernardino	Sr.	3.58	Psychology
Laura De Marchi	Michigan Technological University	Sr.	3.77	Biomedical Engineering
Krista Goerger	University of Sioux Falls	Sr.	4.00	Chemistry / Biology
Katie O'Connell	Ferris State University	Sr.	3.86	Nursing
Faith Rottinghaus (1)	Washburn University	Sr.	4.00	Kinesiology
Ali Tauchen	Missouri Western State University	Sr.	4.00	Biology Health Science & Psychology
SECOND TEAM				
Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Viktoria Farian	Seton Hill University	Sr.	3.71	Osteopathic Med / Biology
Audrey Fisher	University of Central Missouri	Sr.	3.95	Design & Drafting Technology
Sami Hover	Biola University	Sr.	3.99	Biblical & Theological Studies
Lindsey Jin	Colorado School of Mines	Sr.	3.95	Mechanical Engineering
Charlotte Richards	University of Missouri-St. Louis	Jr.	3.94	Business
Allyssa Van Wienen	Hillsdale College	Sr.	3.54	Exercise Science
Logan Witt	Queens University of Charlotte	Sr.	4.00	Health Sciences
THIRD TEAM				
Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Audrey Arand	Rockhurst University	Sr.	3.99	Biology
Ashley Beyers	Gannon University	Sr.	3.72	Pre-Veterinary / Medicine / Biology
Alex Boone	Nova Southeastern University	Sr.	3.98	Communications
Erin Fallert	Concordia-St. Paul	Sr.	3.98	Elementary Education
Megan Flom	Winona State University	Sr.	3.94	Elementary Education
Jamie Poppen	Lewis University	Sr.	3.97	Exercise & Movement Science
Chandler Vogel	West Texas A&M University	Sr.	3.55	Marketing

CoSIDA Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year: Alexis Cardoza, Cal State San Bernardino

(1) – CoSIDA Academic All-America® first team selection in 2019-20

(2) – CoSIDA Academic All-America® second team selection in 2019-20