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### WEST FLORIDA TOPS WOMEN'S SOCCER ALL-GSC SELECTIONS

**Birmingham, Ala.** — The University of West Florida again topped the 2013 Gulf South Conference women's soccer all-conference selections, announced on Monday.

**West Florida** saw eight players on the 31-member team, including a league-high seven on the First Team. **Valdosta State** placed five on the team, while both **West Alabama** and **Christian Brothers** turned in four honorees each. **Alabama Huntsville** and **North Alabama** both had three players each. Lastly, **Delta State** and **West Georgia** both had two selections.

UWF's Palmer and UWA's Gears selected as co-top players

Forwards **Chelsea Palmer** (**West Florida**) and **Nicki Gears** (**West Alabama**) were selected as *Co-Players of the Year*. Palmer, a native of Plano, Texas, finished the season with 10 goals and 10 assists (30 points), while the Ripon, England, native, Gears also registered 30 points, with 12 goals and six assists.

UWF's Helgadottir selected as top freshman

**West Florida** forward **Sara Helgadottir** enjoyed a spectacular inaugural season for UWF and was chosen as *Freshman of the Year*. The Grindavik, Iceland, native appeared in 15 matches, including having made 14 starts. She finished third on the team with 13 points (four goals and five assists).

UWF's Bartlinski and CBU's Heblich selected as co-top coaches

**West Florida** head coach **Joe Bartlinski** and **Christian Brothers** head coach **Kieron Heblich** were both named the GSC *Co-Coaches of the Year* after leading their respective teams to impressive records this season. Bartlinski, who led UWF to an NCAA Division II National Championship last season, again posted a first-place finish atop the GSC standings. His team finished with a 12-0-3 record, including a conference record of, 9-0-1. Heblich, in his seventh season as coach of CBU, led the Lady Bucs to a second-place finish this season (12-4-2; 6-3-1 GSC).

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## 2013 ALL-GSC WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM

### FIRST TEAM

POS	NAME	SCHOOL	YR	HOMETOWN
GK	Sarah Story	West Florida	Sr.	Hoover, Ala.
D	Daniela Cruz	West Florida	Sr.	San Jose, Costa Rica
D	Taylor Harbison	West Florida	Jr.	Neptune Beach, Fla.
D	Deysla Reyes	Valdosta State	Jr.	San Juan, Puerto Rico
M	Shelby Bush	West Florida	Sr.	Shalimar, Fla.
<b>M</b>	<b>Sara Helgadóttir</b>	<b>West Florida</b>	<b>Fr.</b>	<b>Grindavik, Iceland</b>
M	Emily Cooper	Valdosta State	Sr.	Auckland, New Zealand
M	Camilla Rodrigues	Christian Brothers	So.	Belo Horizonte, Brazil
M	Lydia Sutcliffe	West Alabama	Jr.	Brighthouse, England
<b>F</b>	<b>Chelsea Palmer</b>	<b>West Florida</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>Plano, Texas</b>
F	Sashana Campbell	West Florida	Sr.	Manchester, England
<b>F</b>	<b>Nicki Gears</b>	<b>West Alabama</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>Ripon, England</b>
F	Blakely McClellan	Valdosta State	Jr.	Tifton, Ga.

### SECOND TEAM

POS	NAME	SCHOOL	YR	HOMETOWN
GK	Mary Laza	West Georgia	Sr.	Alpharetta, Ga.
D	Kelly Andres	West Florida	Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla.
D	Jessica Beyer	West Georgia	Fr.	Tallahassee, Fla.
D	Marie Blunt	Alabama Huntsville	Jr.	Birmingham, Ala.
D	Ellis Hillman	North Alabama	Jr.	Exmouth, England
D	Caroline Moore	Valdosta State	Jr.	Greenville, S.C.
D	Brandi Neeley	West Alabama	Sr.	Helena, Ala.
D	Gabrielle Pilgrim	Christian Brothers	Fr.	Rockford, Mich.
D	Amanda Smith	Christian Brothers	Sr.	Collierville, Tenn.
M	Chelsea Cassacia	Christian Brothers	So.	Germantown, Tenn.
M	Abbi Edwards	Valdosta State	Jr.	Sugar Hill, Ga.
M	Lauren May	Delta State	Jr.	London, England
M	Klaire Phillips	Alabama Huntsville	Fr.	Athens, Ala.
M	Kirsten Reilly	West Alabama	Fr.	Musselburgh, Scotland
M	Stacey Webber	North Alabama	Fr.	Llanei, Wales
F	Sydney Fiocca	Alabama Huntsville	So.	St. Catharine's, Ontario, Canada
F	Tabitha Hayden	Delta State	Fr.	Vicksburg, Miss.
F	Jennifer Osmond	North Alabama	Jr.	Southampton, England

**GSC Co-Players of the Year:** Chelsea Palmer, West Florida and Nicki Gears, West Alabama

**GSC Freshman of the Year:** Sara Helgadóttir, West Florida

**GSC Co-Coaches of the Year:** Joe Bartlinski, West Florida and Kieron Heblich, Christian Brothers

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