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GSC ANNOUNCES 2012-13 WINTER ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM

Birmingham, AL—The Gulf South Conference proudly announces its 2012-13 GSC Winter Sports All-Academic Teams. A total of 13 student-athletes were selected including six Men's Basketball standouts and seven Women's Basketball honorees.

The Winter All-Academic Team is selected by the Gulf South Conference Sports Information Directors (SIDs) and Faculty Athletic Representatives (FARs) in a joint vote. Nominees must meet all three of the following qualifications to appear on the ballot: 1) an overall grade point average (G.P.A.) of 3.20 or better on a 4.00 scale for their entire academic career, 2) a starter or significant contributor to the squad, and 3) leadership, academic curriculum and community service. SIDs and FARs are not allowed to vote for their own student-athletes. Freshman are not eligible, nor is any student who has not spent a full year in residence at the sponsoring GSC member and passed 24 semester hours or 36 quarter-hours towards an identifiable degree program during the year at that GSC member. The number of student-athletes selected in each sport is determined by the number of positions normally involved in the playing of that sport. Ties are not broken.

MEN'S BASKETBALL:

The 2012-13 Men's Basketball All-Academic Team is headlined by **Alabama-Huntsville senior guard Xavier Baldwin** who returns to the squad for the *third consecutive season*. **Christian Brothers** earned three total honorees led by **junior guard Trey Casey** who secured a unanimous selection. Casey was also named the 2013 GSC Tournament Most Outstanding Player after leading the Bucs to their second league crown. Completing CBU's trio was **senior forward Pat Graham** and **junior guard Cory McCarthy**. Rounding out the Men's Basketball Team was **North Alabama point guard Keynan Jackson** and **West Georgia senior forward Brett Seljak**. Seljak and Casey were also the lone 4.00 grade-point-average members.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:

Seven first-time winners comprised this year's Women's Basketball All-Academic Team. **Alabama-Huntsville** and **West Florida** added two members each. **Senior guard Morgan Duncan** and **senior forward Natalie Kelley** helped guide UAH to its first-ever GSC Tournament Title earlier this month. **Senior forward Emily Erland** and **junior forward Jaymie Druding** represented UWF on the squad.

Valdosta State senior guard/forward Brittney Nelson was the only member to also earn All-Conference laurels after advancing to the 2013 Second Team. Completing the Academic list were a pair of sophomore guards: **Christian Brothers' Breanna Ridgell** and **North Alabama's Lauren Faris**.

HONOR ROLL:

Alabama-Huntsville led the way on the Winter Academic Honor Roll, placing 20 student-athletes, while **Christian Brothers** added 15 and future member **Union** provided 14. Three other schools also hit double figures: **West Georgia** (12), **North Alabama** (10) and future member **Shorter** (10). Qualification for the Honor Roll is automatic (there is no vote) and is based on a minimum 3.00 overall grade-point average.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

NAME	SCHOOL	YEAR	POS	MAJOR	GPA
#\$Xavier Baldwin	Alabama-Huntsville	SR	G	Biological Sciences	3.51
*Trey Casey	Christian Brothers	JR	G	General Studies	4.00
Pat Graham	Christian Brothers	SR	F	Biology	3.36
Cory McCarthy	Christian Brothers	JR	G	Business Administration	3.47
Keynan Jackson	North Alabama	SR	G	HPER	3.53
Brett Seljak	West Georgia	SR	F	Sport Management	4.00

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

NAME	SCHOOL	YEAR	POS	MAJOR	GPA
Morgan Duncan	Alabama-Huntsville	SR	G	Biological Sciences	3.86
Natalie Kelley	Alabama-Huntsville	SR	F	Biological Sciences	3.76
Breanna Ridgell	Christian Brothers	SO	G	Psychology	3.53
Lauren Faris	North Alabama	SO	G	Nursing	3.70
!Brittney Nelson	Valdosta State	SR	G/F	Mathematics	3.70
Jaymie Druding	West Florida	JR	F	Biology	3.83
Emily Erland	West Florida	SR	F	English	3.81

!—2012-13 All-GSC Second Team; #—2011-12 Winter All-Academic Team; \$—2010-11 Winter All-Academic Team; *—Unanimous selection

****All red-shirt freshmen are listed under their academic status rather than their eligibility status. ****

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