



# News Release

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## **MEAC ANNOUNCES 2012 BASEBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS**

**DSU's Haas Named Player of the Year, SSU's Davis Earns Rookie of the Year,**  
**B-CU's Gonzalez Named Pitcher of the Year and DSU's Blandin Earns Coach of the Year Honors**

**NORFOLK, Va., May 15, 2012**-Delaware State University first baseman Ryan Haas was named the 2012 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Baseball Player of the Year, the conference announced on Tuesday. Bethune-Cookman's Rayan Gonzalez was selected as the Pitcher of the Year and Savannah State's Rexford Davis was named Rookie of the Year. Head Coach JP Blandin of Delaware State earned Coach of the Year accolades.

All awards are voted on by the conference's head baseball coaches and sports information directors.

Haas led the conference and was seventh in the nation in doubles (21) and 23<sup>rd</sup> in the nation in RBI (53). Named as an All-MEAC first-team selection for the second time in his career, Haas tallied a .361 batting average with 65 hits, one home run and one triple in 180 plate appearances. Defensively, the first baseman was second in the conference with 339 putouts. In six appearances on the mound, the junior was 3-1 with 19 strikeouts, 15 walks and an ERA of 4.50 in 30.0 innings.

Gonzalez recorded a 2.16 ERA and was second in the conference with eight wins (8-1). In 13 appearances, the senior was also second in the MEAC with 72 strikeouts. In total, Gonzalez pitched 79.1 innings, allowing 24 runs, 19 earned runs and 17 walks.

Davis was 5-2 with an ERA of 4.00 in 45.0 innings. The rookie started eight games allowing 38 hits, 24 runs, 20 earned runs and striking out 24 batters. Davis earned MEAC Pitcher of the Week honors once this season.

Blandin, who is his 12<sup>th</sup> year at the helm of the DSU Hornets, lead his team to a 22-2 record in conference play and the northern divisional crown. The Hornets concluded the regular season winning 17-of-18 games and posted a 35-15-1 mark. DSU's 35 wins this season is third best in team history, trailing only the 2002 (40-19) and 2001 (37-10) teams. Under his tutelage, DSU led the MEAC in over 10 statistical categories including batting average (.309), slugging percentage (.394), runs scored (426), hits (501), RBI (351), ERA (3.57), and walks (218).

Delaware State led the conference with seven student-athletes earning all-conference first and second team selections. Bethune-Cookman and North Carolina A&T each had five all-conference nods.

The 2012 MEAC Baseball Championship tournament gets underway Wednesday, May 16 beginning at 9 a.m. at the Marty L. Miller field on the campus of Norfolk State University.

Norfolk State (N2) will face North Carolina A&T (S3) on Wednesday at 9 a.m. Games two and three will include Bethune-Cookman (S1) against Coppin State (N4) and Delaware State (1N) and Savannah State (4S). North Carolina Central (S2) and Maryland Eastern Shore (3N) will complete the action on day one beginning at 7:30 p.m.

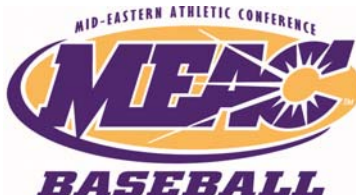
The championship finale is set for Sunday, May 20 beginning at 1 p.m. A complete tournament schedule of events is available on [www.MEACsports.com](http://www.MEACsports.com).

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-2012 All-MEAC Baseball Team listed below-



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## 2012 MEAC Baseball All-Conference Honors

### Player of the Year

Ryan Haas, Delaware State

### Pitcher of the Year

Ryan Gonzalez, Bethune-Cookman

### Rookie of the Year

Rexford Davis, Savannah State

### Coach of the Year

JP Blandin, Delaware State

### First Team

Pos	Name	School	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
P	Ryan Gonzalez	Bethune-Cookman	Sr.	6-4	210	Arecibo, Puerto Rico
P	Jordan Elliott	Delaware State	Sr.	6-3	185	Lincoln, Del.
RP	Jordan Dailey	Bethune-Cookman	Jr.	6-0	210	Orlando, Fla.
C	Eddie Sorondo	Delaware State	So.	6-0	190	Jersey City, N.J.
1B	Ryan Haas	Delaware State	Jr.	6-0	200	Bear, Del.
2B	Marquis Riley	North Carolina A&T	Sr.	5-10	190	Efland, N.C.
3B	Cameron Cecil	Delaware State	So.	5-9	180	Gloucester, Va.
SS	Brashad Johnson	Bethune-Cookman	Sr.	6-1	200	New Hope, Minn.
OF	Luis Diaz	North Carolina Central	Jr.	5-8	191	Geneva, N.Y.
OF	Cameron Day	Norfolk State	So.	6-0	205	Virginia Beach, Va.
OF	David Lee	Bethune-Cookman	Jr.	6-4	205	Jacksonville, Fla.

### Second Team

Pos	Name	School	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
P	Kyle McGowin	Savannah State	So.	6-5	175	Sag Harbor, N.Y.
P	Matt McClain	Delaware State	So.	6-2	180	Dover, Del.
RP	Jordan Egan	Norfolk State	Jr.	6-2	200	Virginia Beach, Va.
C	Chris Warren	Norfolk State	Sr.	5-10	175	Virginia Beach, Va.
1B	Kelvin Freeman	North Carolina A&T	Jr.	6-4	235	Wilmington, N.C.
2B	JP Frey	Delaware State	Jr.	6-1	185	Erie, Pa.
3B	Luke Tandler	North Carolina A&T	So.	5-11	181	Wilmington, N.C.
SS	Michael Radford	North Carolina A&T	Sr.	5-6	135	Princeton, N.C.
OF	Tre-Von Johnson	Maryland Eastern Shore	Jr.	5-10	215	East New Market, Md.
OF	Julius Green	Savannah State	Sr.	6-0	180	Pooler, Ga.
OF	Aaron Nardone	Delaware State	So.	6-0	185	Chesapeake, Va.

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