



WOMEN'S TENNIS

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MVC Announces 2018 Women's Tennis Scholar-Athlete Teams

The Missouri Valley Conference is pleased to announce the 2018 Women's Tennis Scholar-Athlete Teams. Eleven student-athletes have been named to the 2018 MVC Scholar-Athlete First Team by a vote of the league's women's tennis sports information directors, with approval from head coaches.

This year's first team includes six players that have received previous MVC women's tennis scholar-athlete recognition, including three repeat first-team honorees. Drake's Tess Herder is a three-time first-team honoree.

Twenty-three student-athletes were nominated for the Valley's scholar-athlete team. The criterion for the honor parallels the CoSIDA (College Sports Information Directors of America) standards for Academic All-America voting. Nominees must have participated in at least 75% of the regular-season matches or be projected to play in the MVC Championship, with at least a 3.20 cumulative GPA (on a 4.00 scale). Student-athletes must have reached sophomore status in both athletic and academic standing at their institution (true freshmen, redshirt freshmen and first-year transfers were not eligible).

2018 Missouri Valley Conference Women's Tennis Scholar-Athlete First Team

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Abbey Belote *	Missouri State	Sr.	3.75	Exercise & Movement Science
Alexa Brandt *%	Bradley	Sr.	3.65	Health Science
Summer Brills	Drake	Sr.	3.78	Broadcast News
Ana Carrion-Rodriguez	Stony Brook	Jr.	3.86	Political Science/Spanish Language & Literature
Valerija Gercar #	Illinois State	Sr.	3.81	International Business
Veronika Golanova	Illinois State	R-Jr.	3.72	Exercise Science
Tess Herder #^	Drake	Sr.	3.97	Elementary Education
Fati Khamissi *	Missouri State	Jr.	3.75	Cell & Molecular Biology
Jordan Kopfer	Valparaiso	So.	4.00	Health Science
Jana Kustkova	Illinois State	Jr.	3.83	Finance and Business Management
Malini Wijesinghe #	Bradley	Jr.	3.98	Biochemistry, Philosophy, and Spanish

2017 First Team, *2017 Honorable Mention, ^ 2016 First Team, % 2016 Honorable Mention

2018 Missouri Valley Conference Women's Tennis Scholar-Athlete Honorable Mention Team

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Natalia Barbary	Bradley	So.	3.61	Industrial Engineering, Engineering Management
Alye Darter	Missouri State	So.	3.74	Communications Sciences & Disabilities
Anne-Kathrin Hierl	Stony Brook	Jr.	3.80	Business Management
Savanna Hunt	UNI	Sr.	3.64	Physical Education (Kinesiology) & Exercise Science
Dao Sysouvanh	Valparaiso	So.	3.44	Civil Engineering
Anelisse Torrico Moreno	Missouri State	Sr.	3.47	Accounting