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NSIC MYLES BRAND ALL-ACADEMIC WITH DISTINCTION AWARD

Burnsville, Minn. - Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC) Commissioner Butch Raymond is proud to announce the fifth annual NSIC Myles Brand All-Academic with Distinction Award winners. The honor, named for the late NCAA President Dr. Myles Brand, is bestowed to senior NSIC student-athletes who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.75 or higher, are exhausting their eligibility and are on track to graduate. Each student-athlete will be recognized by the NSIC with a certificate of achievement and a wrist watch. Furthermore, each institution is highly encouraged to have these student-athletes be publicly recognized at a home athletic event. A total of 96 student-athletes from the NSIC's 16 institutions and two affiliated members will receive the award in its fifth year.



“Dr. Brand, in his leadership role with the NCAA, always gave strong support to Division II and our dual emphasis on academics and athletics. The NSIC is proud to recognize and honor this elite group of student-athletes in Dr. Brand’s honor,” said Raymond.

Dr. Myles N. Brand, visionary leader, educator and reformer, served as the President of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) from 2003-2009. He passed away in September 2009 at the age of 67 after a battle with pancreatic cancer. Brand presided over passage of the most comprehensive academic reform package for intercollegiate athletics in recent history – a package that refocused the attention of student-athletes, coaches and administrators on the education of student-athletes. Brand also changed the national dialog on college sports to emphasize the educational value of athletics participation and the integration of intercollegiate athletics with the academic mission of higher education. His impact on Division II ran deep by implementing an identity campaign and a strategic-positioning platform tied to specific divisional attributes. He challenged Division II to continue its game-environment and community-engagement focus, and improve academic success rates.

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2014 NSIC Myles Brand All-Academic with Distinction Award

AUGUSTANA COLLEGE

| Name | Sport | Hometown | Major |
|------------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Katie Guse | Track & Field | Waseca, Minn. | Communications & Business Admin |
| Katelyn Niesen | Volleyball | Fort Dodge, Iowa | Elementary Education |
| Jessica Spalding | Tennis | Fremont, Neb. | Computer Science & Communications |

BEMIDJI STATE

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|-------------------|----------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Miles Campbell | Baseball | Eden Prairie, Minn. | Biology |
| Jessica Voeller | Soccer | White Bear Lake, Minn. | Elementary Education |
| Tiffany VanHaafen | Soccer | Chaska, Minn. | Exercise Science |

CONCORDIA-ST. PAUL

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|--------------------|---------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Katie Ellis | Track & Field | Becker, Minn. | Psychology |
| Tessa Ewert | Softball | Hutchinson, Minn. | Elementary Education |
| Thomas Flack | Football | Savage, Minn. | Accounting and Finance |
| Eryn Johnson | Golf | Holmen, Wis. | Biology |
| Brittany Kapala | Soccer | Fridley, Minn. | Biology |
| Kayla Kuczaboski | Soccer | Vadnais Heights, Minn. | Exercise Science |
| Erienne Lauersdorf | Volleyball | Watertown, Wis. | Mathematics |
| James Peterson | Football | Belle Plaine, Minn. | Business Administration |
| Kara Pioske | Volleyball | Waconia, Minn. | Biology |
| Bekah Roth | Softball | Shoreview, Minn. | Criminal Justice |

UNIVERSITY OF MARY

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|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Alex Bachman-Williams | Soccer | Minot, N.D. | Respiratory Therapy |
| Kayla Carlson | CC/T&F | Bigfork, Mont. | Respiratory Therapy |
| Austin Grunstad | Baseball | Williston, N.D. | Occupational Therapy |
| John Oyloe | Football | Williston, N.D. | Business Admin. |
| Andrew Richter | Football | Bismarck, N.D. | Occupational Therapy |
| Lindsey Sand | Basketball | Steele, N.D. | Nursing |
| Aaron Teigen | Track & Field | Rugby, N.D. | Exercise Science |

MINNESOTA CROOKSTON

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|-------------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Josh Perea | Football | Pico Rivera, Calif. | Criminal Justice |
| Alyssa Schneider | Volleyball | Racine, Wis. | Early Childhood Education |
| Andrew Steinfeldt | Football | Green Bay, Wis. | Health Sciences |
| Chelsea Wiesner | Volleyball | Rochester, Minn. | Health Sciences |

MINNESOTA DULUTH

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|-----------------|------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Katrina Newman | Basketball | Barnum, Minn. | Math Education |
| Dani Potter | Soccer | White Bear Lake, Minn. | Exercise Science |
| Randi Timmerman | CC/T&F | Stevens Point, Wis. | Biochemistry & Hispanic Studies |

MINNESOTA STATE

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|---------------------|------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Jacob Ball | CC/T&F | Hudson, Wis. | Biochemistry |
| Brittany Cygan | Soccer | Woodbury, Minn. | Accounting |
| Briel Hendrickson | Volleyball | Lakefield, Minn. | Marketing |
| Victoria Meinhardt | Soccer | Maple Grove, Minn. | Communication Disorders |
| Courtney Vallarelli | Soccer | Eagan, Minn. | Elementary Education |
| Ali Wilkinson | Basketball | Blue Mounds, Wis. | Art/Graphic Design |
| Kelly Wood | Softball | Eagan, Minn. | Law Enforcement |

MSU MOORHEAD

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|-------------------|------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Carole Braschayko | Soccer | Coon Rapids, Minn. | Elem. Education |
| Megan Rieland | Swim/Dive | Sauk Centre, Minn. | Biology |
| Kamie Roesler | Golf | Leonard, N.D. | Mass Comm. |
| Logan Romines | Football | Wyoming, Minn. | Business Adm. |
| Morgan Zabel | Basketball | Northfield, Minn. | Business |

MINOT STATE

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| Jamin Heller | Baseball | Lethbridge, Alberta | Mgmt Marketing / Business |
| Jen Dixon | Softball/Volleyball | Brandon, Manitoba | Physical Education/Corporate Fitness |

NORTHERN STATE

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|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Whitney Kemink | Volleyball | Castlewood, S.D. | Education |
| Katie Kippes | Soccer | Somerset, Wis. | Special Education |
| Nicholas Kranz | Track & Field | Watertown, S.D. | Physical Education |
| Alison Kusler | Basketball | Aberdeen, S.D. | Elementary Education |
| Ashley LaFave | Swimming | Aberdeen, S.D. | Elementary Education |
| Laura Linscheid | Soccer | Dallas, Texas | Biology |
| Sara Peterson | Swimming | Sioux Falls, S.D. | Human Performance |
| Khachirha Tugus | Soccer | Las Vegas, Nevada | Biology |

SIOUX FALLS

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|--------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sierra Harder | CC/T&F | Mountain Lake, Minn. | Nursing |
| Kayci Huslig | Soccer | Great Bend, Kan. | Biology/Chemistry |
| Julia Iversen | Tennis | Seattle, Wash. | English Education |
| Davee Johnson | Golf | Burke, S.D. | Music Education |
| Kendra Knight | Track & Field | Mitchell, S.D. | Art & Business Administration |
| Samantha Slaubaugh | Track & Field | Sioux Falls, S.D. | English/Theology |
| Blake Stevenson | CC/T&F | Aberdeen, S.D. | Elementary Education |

SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE

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|-------------------|------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Vanesa Corona | Soccer | Beaumont, Calif. | Recreation |
| Josh Hanson | Baseball | Plymouth, Minn. | Elem Education |
| Ethan Hildebrandt | Wrestling | St. James, Minn. | Elem Education |
| Bree Holleman | Basketball | Hancock, Minn. | Elem Education |
| Micah Larson | Wrestling | Atwater, Minn. | Ag Business/Finance |
| Rachel Patnoe | Golf | Milbank, S.D. | Biology |
| Rebekah Rolling | Basketball | Bancroft, Iowa | Recreation |
| Nick Smith | Basketball | Johnston, Iowa | Sports MGMT/Finance |
| Britt Wickett | Football | Brandon, S.D. | Exercise Science |

ST. CLOUD STATE

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| Rebecca Hodous | Soccer | Newton, Wis. | Criminal Justice & Spanish |
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LINDENWOOD*

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| Storrie Cramer | Swimming | Colorado Springs, Colo. | Elementary Education |
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UPPER IOWA

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|--------------------|----------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Katherine Brossard | Golf | Janesville, Wis. | Elementary Education |
| Adrienna Olson | Softball | St. Olaf, Iowa | Conservation Management |
| Branden Owen | Football | Acton, Calif. | Exercise and Sports Studies |
| Kelsey Taldone | Soccer | Crystal Lake, Ill. | Secondary Education - Science |

WAYNE STATE

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|----------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Tyler Bauschek | Basketball | Mukwonago, Wis. | Business Admin / Marketing |
| Sidney Blum | Track & Field | Howells, Neb. | Life Sciences: Biology |
| Mickey Doerr | Track & Field | Bloomfield, Neb. | Social Sciences Education |
| Macy Hagen | Soccer | Bellevue, Neb. | Health & Physical Education |
| Aaron Molinaro | Baseball | Lincoln, Neb. | Health & Physical Education |
| Nate Most | Football | Giltner, Neb. | Chemistry: Health Sciences |
| Kara Powell | Basketball | Hot Springs, S.D. | Sport Management |
| Ryan Rolfzen | Basketball | Papillion, Neb. | Exercise Science |
| Craig Tigges | Football | Ringsted, Iowa | Business Admin / Accounting |
| Norma Volkmer | Soccer | Lincoln, Neb. | Political Science |

WINONA STATE

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|---------------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Kelsey Andrist | Basketball | Menomonie, Wis. | Exercise/Rehab Science |
| Jennifer DeRoo | Soccer | Anoka, Minn. | Elementary Education |
| Michelle Dunnington | Track & Field | Germantown, Wis. | Nursing |
| Allison Glisch | Volleyball | Muskego, Wis. | Elementary Education |
| Christopher Hovden | Cross Country | Lake Geneva, Wis. | Political Science |
| Kaley Jacobson | Volleyball | Watertown, Wis. | Comm Arts & Literature |
| Natalie Jech | CC/T&F | Lino Lakes, Minn. | Psychology |
| Kassi Kamps | Track & Field | Belmont, Wis. | Nursing |
| Morgan LeFebvre | Soccer | Grimes, Iowa | Elementary Education |
| Rebecca McCoy | Soccer | Eagan, Minn. | Social Work |
| Jonathan Nelson | Baseball | Johnston, Iowa | Engineering |
| Tyler Zemla | Baseball | Oak Creek, Wis. | Mathematics |

*NSIC affiliated member in Women's Swimming & Diving

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