



ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® TEAM

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THREE-TIME RECIPIENT GRACE BEYER, TWO-TIME WINNER CAITLIN CLARK HIGHLIGHT WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® TEAMS

AUSTIN, Texas – The College Sports Communicators (CSC) announced Tuesday the 2023-24 Academic All-America® women's basketball teams for NCAA Division I-II-III and NAIA, headlined by University of Iowa's **Caitlin Clark**, **Samantha Pirosko** from Gannon University, New York University's **Natalie Bruns**, and **Grace Beyer** of the University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis.

Clark (Division I), Pirosko (Division II), Burns (Division III) and Beyer (NAIA) have each been named the Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year award winner for their respective divisions.

Division I

Clark repeats as the Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year for Division I, becoming the seventh player to earn the honor in back-to-back seasons. It's the third time in her career being selected to the first team, having also earned the honor in 2021-22. The senior guard from West Des Moines, Iowa, carries a 3.64 GPA while majoring in marketing. Clark was recently named the Wooden Award National Player of the Year after leading the nation in 10 different offensive categories including averaging 31.6 points and 8.9 assists per game. She also led the country with six triple doubles while ranking fourth with 24 double doubles. She was also named the National Player of the Year by the Associated Press, USA Today, ESPN.com, The Athletic, the Sporting News, and the Naismith award. Her other national honors include the Nancy Lieberman Point Guard of the Year, Ann Meyers Drysdale Award, Wade Trophy, and the Honda Sport Award. Clark led the Hawkeyes to their second straight National Championship appearance while becoming the first Division-I player to record 1,000+ points in back-to-back season.

Five of the 16 members of the Academic All-America® Division I women's basketball teams boast a perfect 4.0 GPA in their undergraduate work or graduate school. The five members of the first team have an average GPA of 3.73, with the entire Division I team holding a collective average GPA of 3.77.

Four other student-athletes join Clark as a repeat selection on the Academic All-America® Division I team. **Ayoka Lee** of Kansas State University also earns her third Academic All-America® honor after earning the honor in 2020-21 and 2021-22. The other repeat selections from last season were **Mackenzie Holmes** (Indiana University), **Hannah Jump** (Stanford University), and **Elizabeth Kitley** (Virginia Tech).

Division II

A forward from Eastlake, Ohio, Pirosko has been named the Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year for Division II. The senior carries a 3.93 GPA while pursuing her bachelor's degree in health sciences. She was also named to the first team a season ago. Pirosko finished the year second in Division II in field goals (251) and free throws (223), while her 19.8 points per game were 10th. She led the Golden Knights to the Elite Eight and their third Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) tournament title in the last four seasons. She was named the WBCA and D2CCA National Player of the Year while also being named the PSAC West Women's Basketball Athlete of the Year and the D2CCA Atlantic Region Player of the Year. In her final season she set a new program record with 752 points on the year and finishes her career second in program history with 2,293 points.

The Division II Academic All-America® program is being financially supported by the NCAA Division II national governance structure to assist CSC with handling the awards fulfillment aspects for the 2023-24 Division II Academic All-America® program.

Six of the 15 members of the Academic All-America® Division II women's basketball teams sustain an unblemished 4.0 GPA in their undergraduate work or graduate school. The five members of the first team have an average GPA of 3.96, with the entire Division II team maintaining a collective average GPA of 3.89.

There three repeat selections joining Pirosko on the Academic All-America® Division II team are **Chloe Idoni** (Ferris State University), **Audrey Ramsey** (University of Tampa) and **Braelyn Wykle** (Carson-Newman).

Division III

Burns earns the Academic All-America® of the Year for Division III, being named to the third team last season. The junior from St. Louis, Missouri, holds a 3.96 GPA as the forward pursues her degree in business & technology management. Burns led NYU to the national championship and a perfect 31-0 record while being named the NCAA Tournament Most Outstanding Player. She was named the National Player of the Year and All-America from both the WBCA and D3hoops.com. The University Athletic Association Player of the Year finished the season averaging 14.3 points, 7.3 rebounds, and 3.16 blocks per game. She ranks fourth in the nation in total blocks (98), sixth in field goal shooting (59.3), and ninth in blocks per game. She became the 18th player in program history to reach 1,000 points while setting a new single-season program record for blocks.

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Five of the 15 members of the Academic All-America® Division III women's basketball teams claim a perfect 4.0 GPA in their undergraduate work or graduate school. The five members of the first team have an average GPA of 3.97, with the entire Division III team retaining a collective average GPA of 3.91.

Joining Burns as repeat selections on the Academic All-America® Division III team are **Claire Brock** (Emory University), **Julie Baudendistel** (Webster University), **Elyce Knudsen** (Millikin University), and **Cassidy Perry** (Gallaudet University). Brock is a three-time selection.

NAIA

Beyer becomes the first player in the history of the Women's Basketball Academic All-America® program to earn the Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year honor three consecutive seasons. The graduate student from Eagle, Wisconsin, maintains a 3.89 GPA while pursuing a master's degree in pharmacy after earning her undergraduate degree also in pharmacy with a 3.97 GPA. For the fourth straight season, Beyer's led the NAIA in points per game, averaging 35.0 for the season. Her 1,051 points gave her 3,961 for her career, breaking the 34-year-old NAIA record. This season she not only led the NAIA in points per game, but also field goals (306-662) and free throws (375-403), while ranking second in the nation in free throw percentage (93.1). She was named the American Midwest Conference (AMC) Player of the Year for the third straight year. During the regular season, she was named the AMC Player of the Week 10 times and was twice named the NAIA National Player of the Week.

The NAIA Academic All-America® program is being financially supported by the NAIA national governance structure to assist CSC with handling the awards fulfillment aspects for the 2023-24 NAIA Academic All-America® program.

Five of the 11 members of the Academic All-America® NAIA women's basketball teams maintain an impeccable 4.0 GPA in their undergraduate work or graduate school. The five members of the first team have an average GPA of 3.93, with the entire NAIA team carrying a collective average GPA of 3.90.

The other repeat selection on the Academic All-America® NAIA team joining Beyer is **Olivia Sprague** (Oregon Tech), who earned first team honors last season.

For more information regarding the Academic All-America® program, visit <https://academicallamerica.com/>.

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2023-24 Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team NCAA Division I

FIRST TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Georgia Amooore	Virginia Tech	Sr.	3.56	Sociology
Paige Bueckers	University of Connecticut	Jr.	3.50	Human Development & Family Sciences
Caitlin Clark (1)(4)	University of Iowa	Sr.	3.64	Marketing
Mackenzie Holmes (1)	Indiana University	Gr.	3.62/3.64	Human Development & Family Studies (U)
Elizabeth Kitley (1)	Virginia Tech	Gr.	3.90/4.00	Curriculum & Instruction
Ayoka Lee (4)(8)	Kansas State	Sr.	3.90/3.85	Masters in Couple & Family Counseling

SECOND TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Raegan Beers	Oregon State	So.	3.55	Education
Kaitlyn Chen	Princeton University	Sr.	3.54	Medical Anthropology
Yvonne Ejim	Gonzaga University	Sr.	3.55	Human Physiology
Hannah Jump (2)	Stanford University	Gr.	3.76	Psychology

THIRD TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Frida Formann	University of Colorado	Sr.	4.00	Environmental Studies
Shay Holle	The University of Texas at Austin	Sr.	3.54/4.00	Finance
Morgan Maly	Creighton University	Sr.	3.95	Exercise Science
Irene Murua	University of Detroit Mercy	Sr.	4.00	Mathematics
Rachael Rose	Wofford	Jr.	3.86	Psychology
Amy Velasco	Bowling Green State University	Jr.	4.00	Inclusive Early Childhood Education

CSC Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year: Caitlin Clark, University of Iowa

- (1) = 1st team Academic All-America® in 2022-23
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- (4) = 1st team Academic All-America® in 2021-22
- (8) = 2nd team Academic All-America® in 2020-21



2023-24 Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team NCAA Division II

FIRST TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Kola Bad Bear	Montana State University Billings	Gr.	4.00/4.00	Community Health
Joey Batt	Minnesota State	Sr.	3.97	Elementary Education
Grace Foster	Lubbock Christian University	Jr.	4.00	Criminal Justice
Ashley Ingram	Texas Woman's University	Jr.	3.87	Kinesiology
Samantha Pirosko (1)	Gannon University	Sr.	3.93	Health Sciences

SECOND TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Keeley Carter	Trevecca Nazarene University	Sr.	3.95	Science Education
Chloe Idoni (3)	Ferris State University	Sr.	3.99	Elementary Education
Audrey Ramsey (3)	University of Tampa	Gr.	4.00/3.85	Cybersecurity & Information Technology Management
Lexie Schneider	University of Mary	Gr.	3.55/3.66	Organizational Leadership
Ashley Steffek	Colorado School of Mines	Gr.	3.69/4.00	Engineering & Technology Management
Emilee Weakley	Frostburg State	So.	3.93	Business Administration

THIRD TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Makaylee Kuhn	Northern Michigan University	Sr.	4.00	Environmental Studies
Olivia Reed	Colorado Mesa University	So.	3.92	Fitness & Health Promotion
Braelyn Wykle (2)	Carson-Newman	Gr.	3.57/4.00	Business Administration
Sam Yencha	Jefferson	Jr.	3.88	Biopsychology

CSC Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year: Samantha Pirosko, Gannon University

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2023-24 Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team NCAA Division III

FIRST TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Claire Brock (1)(5)	Emory University	Gr.	4.00/4.00	Bioethics
Natalie Bruns (3)	New York University	Jr.	3.96	Business & Technology Management
Paris Kiser	Hardin-Simmons University	Gr.	4.00/4.00	Business
Elyce Knudsen (1)	Millikin University	Sr.	3.9	Finance
Cassidy Perry (2)	Gallaudet University	Sr.	3.95	Sociology
Kasey Schipfer	Ohio Wesleyan University	Sr.	3.91	Exercise Science & Psychology

SECOND TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Lauren Huber	Illinois Wesleyan University	Jr.	3.60	Biology
Conley Langford	Mississippi University for Women	Jr.	4.00	Biology
Jaedon Murphy	Wartburg College	Sr.	3.92	Business Administration
Zoe Tomlinson	Colorado College	Jr.	3.94	Mathematical Economics

THIRD TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Julie Baudendistel (2)	Webster University	Gr.	3.98/4.00	Business Administration (G)
Gwendolyn Carpenter	Framingham State University	Sr.	3.99	Biology & Neuroscience
Aleah Grundahl	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater	Sr.	3.50	Elementary Education
Parris Parmer	Hardin-Simmons University	Gr.	4.00/4.00	Exercise Science
Olivia Rangel	Carroll University	Jr.	3.73	Communications & Spanish

CSC Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year: Natalie Bruns, New York University

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2023-24 Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team NAIA

FIRST TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Grace Beyer (1)(4)	University of Health Sciences & Pharmacy	Gr.	3.97/3.89	Pharmacy
Sandra Cannady	Loyola University New Orleans	Gr.	4.00/4.00	Business Administration (G)
Lilli Frasure	Indiana Wesleyan University	Jr.	3.97	Elementary Education
Ashlee Maldonado	University of Providence	Jr.	4.00/4.00	Organizational Leadership
Jamie Pickens	Carroll College	Gr.	3.57	Nursing & Health Sciences

SECOND TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	GPA	Major
Jessica Carrothers	Indiana University Northwest	So.	3.67	Criminal Justice
Mak Hatcliff	Doane University	Jr.	3.82	Pre-Medicine
Bekki Kalaydjiev	Southeastern University	Gr.	3.90/4.00	Kinesiology (G)
Olivia Sprague (2)	Oregon Tech	Jr.	4.00	Dental Hygiene
Callie Stevens	Lewis-Clark State College	Sr.	3.69	Business Informatics
Jordan Sweeney	Montana Western	Sr.	4.00	Education Studies

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Grace Beyer, University of Health Sciences & Pharmacy**

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