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CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University sprinter Claude Magee (Clermont, FL) earned All-American honors in two events at the NCAA II National Track Championship.

Magee finished 6th in the 100 meter dash in 10.7 and then ran a leg of the 6th place 400 meter relay team (41.35). The top six places are awarded All-American status.

Just a freshman, Magee paced the Panthers to 15th place at the national meet hosted by state rival Western Illinois University.

Magee strained a leg muscle in the prelims and head coach Neil Moore thought he would not be able to compete the next day in the finals.

"Western's trainers did a great job getting Claude ready to go . . . and once they did their job, he came through. That's quite an accomplishment for a freshman to earn All-American honors in two events," Moore said.