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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL--Several Eastern Illinois University women athletes were recently selected to receive Presidents' All-Academic Awards from the Gateway Collegiate Conference.

Eleven Eastern athletes were honored for their achievement in the classroom while participating in an intercollegiate sport, with three named to the 35-member All-Academic team and eight women earning honorable mention status.

"These athletes exemplify our philosophy here at Eastern--that academics and athletics go hand-in-hand," EIU Associate Athletic Director Joan Schmidt said. "This recognition shows that our athletes are here for an education, something we stress very highly."

Eastern's representatives on the All-Academic team include freshman Penni Lammon (Crystal Lake), a member of the EIU cross country and track teams, sophomore Tammi Rettig (Bloomington), the shortstop on the EIU softball squad, and senior Tammy Baker (Sterling), a freestyle swimmer. To receive the recognition, the athletes maintained a cumulative grade point average of 3.8 or above on a 4.0 scale.

The eight Lady Panthers named honorable mention possess grade point averages between 3.5 and 3.8.

Honorable mentions from EIU include two basketball players--senior guard Jodi Corson (Baggs, WY) and sophomore center Susan Hynd (Ottawa), five runners--sophomore Erin Healy (Chicago-St. Benedict), freshman Janine Jarris (St. Charles), freshman Teresa Paul (Aledo), senior Sharon Cizek (Lyons-Morton West) and senior Carrie Mortell (McHenry), and swimmer Gail Pavick (Warren, OH-Harding).