

Indiana State University Intercollegiate Athletics

Academic Highlights

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- Spring 2002, **60%** of student-athletes on the [Athletic Director's Honor Roll](#) (3.0+ semester GPA), consistent with recent years.
- **60%** (176/295) of all student-athletes have a 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA, *an all-time high*.
- After Spring 2002, **83%** of all female student-athletes have a 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA, *a new high mark*, where **54%** (60/111) have a 3.5 or higher cumulative GPA.
- The percentage of student-athletes in poor academic standing is **5%** (14/295) after Spring 2002, consistent with recent semesters.
- **Women's Soccer** had **95% (19/20)** of team members above the 3.0 mark in Spring 2002, highest among all [ISU athletic teams](#). **Softball** and **Women's Basketball** followed with **93% (14/15)** and **92% (11/12)** respectively.
- **Women's Cross Country** registered a team cumulative GPA of **3.52** after the Spring 2002 semester, highest among all ISU Athletic teams. **Women's Basketball** followed with a **3.50** and **Softball** finished with a **3.49**.
- Showing substantial improvement in team cumulative GPA from the Fall is **Men's Track**, jumping from 2.78 to **2.93**.
- Improving in percentage of team members on the honor roll in Spring 2002 was **Women's Tennis** with **80% (8/10)**, up from 67% last term.
- **Chris Sapp**, Football, was recognized by the Division I-AA Athletic Directors Association, being chosen for the fourth annual Academic All-Star Team.
- For Volleyball, Seniors **Megan Mirs** and **Cheryl Berg** received a selection to the 2001 MVC All Scholar-Athlete First Team. **Mirs** was named to the First Team for the third consecutive season.
- **Men's Cross Country** was honored by being recognized as a NCAA Division I Men's All-Academic Team. Among the 62 teams which earned the honor, *the Sycamores were one of 25 to receive the honor with distinction*.
- **Women's Soccer** finished the season ranked fourth nationally with a 3.52 grade point average, while **Carey Patton** was chosen to the 2002 Academic All-MVC Team.
- **Jessica Crowder**, **Jacki Michaud**, and **Jeri Meyerholtz**, Women's Cross Country, were all named to the Academic All-Conference Team; with three runners being honored, Indiana State University had the most among any other MVC institution.
- Three Women's Basketball team members were named to the 2002 MVC Scholar-Athlete Team. **April Kirby** and **Kourtney Mennen** were honored with First Team selections; **Kristen Stewart** was chosen to the Second Team. This is the first time in Women's Basketball history that three Sycamores have been honored.
- Men's Basketball also received three selections to the 2002 MVC Scholar-Athlete Team. **Djibril Kante** was a First Team member, while **Kelyn Block** and **Terence Avery** received Second Team selections.
- Baseball received academic honors as **Tommy Jeffers**, **Caleb Reger**, **Mitch Stetter**, and **Greg Wear** were named to the MVC Scholar-Athlete First Team. Four athletes on the first team was a conference high. **Jeffers** and **Stetter** received this honor for the second consecutive year.
- **Kate Gilner** and **Melanie Newnum** received Honorable Mention nominations to the 2002 MVC Scholar-Athlete Team.
- The **Track and Field** Program placed **12** student-athletes on the MVC Scholar-Athlete Team. The Sycamore Women's squad led the Valley with **eight** student-athletes earning a spot on the All-Scholar Team.
- Men's Tennis placed five of its seven team members on the 2002 MVC Scholar-Athlete Team. **Stefan Hirn** was the only First Team selection to receive unanimous recognition.
- For Women's Tennis, **Jennifer Earl** earned a spot on the MVC Scholar-Athlete First Team, while **Karen Human** and **Lisa Herndon** received Honorable Mention status.

- Nine Sycamores were named as 2002 Arthur Ashe Jr. Scholars. The first team consisted of **Melanie Fairley**, Women's Track and Field, along with **Max Matthews**, **Ryan Merriwether**, and **Marc Phillips**, from Football. **Jamal Brown**, Football, earned Second Team honors. Third Team distinction was awarded to **Jason Lane**, Football, and **Crystal Weemes**, Women's Track and Field. **Michelle Fowler**, Women's Track and Field, and **Takashi Fukuda**, Men's Track and Field, received a Fourth Team selection.