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### **GSC Announces Spring All-Academic Team**

Magnolia, Ark. - Southern Arkansas University catcher Ross Boudreaux of the Mulerider baseball team, and outfielder/pitcher Cassie Blackwood and outfielder Lindsey Haas of the Lady Mulerider softball team, have been selected on the 2005 Gulf South Conference All-Academic Baseball and Softball Teams, respectively, by the conference sports information directors and faculty athletic representatives. Nominated student-athletes must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.20 or better on a 4.00 scale for their entire academic career, and may not be a freshman or first-semester transfer. The student-athlete must also be a significant contributor to the team, and SIDs and FARs may not vote for their own student-athletes.

Boudreaux, a senior from Church Point, La., posted a 3.76 GPA in exercise science. He earlier had been named Second Team on the *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-America Baseball Team, and was a First Team selection on the District VI All-Academic Team. Blackwood, a senior from Forney, Tex., had a 3.37 GPA in health, kinesiology, and recreation. She was a First Team selection on the *ESPN The Magazine* District VI All-Academic Softball Team. Haas, a senior from Houston, Tex., finished with a 3.72 GPA in graphic design.

Christian Brothers University led all schools with 40 student-athletes making the Spring Academic Honor Roll in which a student-athlete must post at least a 3.00 GPA, and may be a freshman or first-year transfer. The University of Central Arkansas was close with 39, Lincoln Memorial University had 36, the University of West Florida had 35, and Southern Arkansas University had a total of 34 student-athletes on the Honor Roll.

The University of North Alabama and the University of Arkansas-Monticello both finished with 30 student-athletes, Arkansas Tech University and Valdosta State University placed 29 each on the roll, the University of Alabama-Huntsville had 27, Delta State University 25, Henderson State University 24, Harding University 19, the University of West Georgia placed 17, Ouachita Baptist University had 16, the University of Montevallo finished with 15, and the University of West Alabama had 14.

A total of 14 Southern Arkansas baseball players made the GSC Academic Honor Roll. They include Boudreaux, freshman third baseman Lance Colvin of Taylor, with a 3.66 GPA in pre-nursing, freshman outfielder Isaac Dulaney of Hope, with a 3.03 in HKR, junior pitcher Aaron Gisler of Springdale, with a 3.03 in HKR, sophomore first baseman/pitcher Jeremy Hambrice of Magnolia, with a 3.01 in HKR, freshman catcher Scooter Hendrickson from Blue Springs, Mo., with a perfect 4.00 in biological science, junior pitcher Justin Moore of Bald Knob, with a 3.10 in social studies education, junior first baseman Matt Oliver from Montgomery, Ala., with a 3.18 in HKR, sophomore pitcher Seth Pinner of Magnolia, with a 3.75 and undecided on a major, junior outfielder Skyler Stromsmoe from Etzikom, Alberta, with a perfect 4.00 in HKR, junior outfielder Kolby Tucker of Joplin, Mo., with a 3.00 and still undecided on a major, sophomore pitcher Paul Turrell from Marysville, Mich., with a 3.34 in exercise science, sophomore

pitcher Chad Whitman of Bossier City, La., with a 3.25 in HKR, and freshman pitcher Duke Williams from Germantown, Tenn., with a 3.35 in HKR.

Twelve Lady Mulerider softball players were on the GSC Academic Honor Roll. Headed by Blackwood and Haas, others were sophomore infielder Whitney Brannon of Hallsville, Tex., with a 3.20 GPA in early childhood education, senior shortstop Lauren Frazier from Houston, Tex., with a 3.42 in HKR, sophomore outfielder Christina Joseph of Houston, Tex., with a 3.60 in HKR, junior pitcher/infielder Kayla King from Tomball, Tex., with a 3.54 in social studies, junior pitcher Josie Lindgrin of Richmond, British Columbia, with a 3.16 in mass communications, freshman catcher Kirstie Reed from Little Rock, with a 3.32 and undecided on her major, sophomore pitcher/infielder Cheyenne Savony of Kilgore, Tex., with a perfect 4.00 in athletic training, freshman outfielder Kayla Sharp from Nashville, with a 3.60 and undecided, sophomore outfielder Katie Thompson of Norman, Okla., with a 3.15 in business administration-marketing, and sophomore infielder/catcher Tisha Thompson from Jefferson, Tex., with a 3.52 in HKR.

Three Mulerider golfers were on the GSC Academic Honor Roll. They were junior Greg Griffin of Hot Springs, with a 3.60 GPA in HKR, junior Joshua Smith from El Dorado, with a 3.22 in HKR, and senior Chris Wasson of El Dorado, with a 3.48 in business administration-management.

Five Lady Mulerider tennis players earned GSC Academic Honor Roll honors. They include Aneeka Bhalla, a freshman from Nepean, Canada, with a 3.91 in biological science, Megan Black, a Magnolia freshman with a 3.90 and undecided on a major, Meagan Knight, a freshman from Atlanta, Tex., with a 3.58 in pre-nursing, Nelly Tualla, a sophomore out of Nacogdoches, Tex., with a 3.95 in accounting, and freshman Rachel Vinsant, a freshman from Greenville, Tex., with a perfect 4.00 in athletic training.

GSC spring sports include baseball, softball, men's and women's golf, and men's and women's tennis. A total of 459 student-athletes from 17 universities in six southeastern states were honored on the conference All-Academic Honor Roll. Baseball contributed 152, softball 132, men's golf 42, women's golf 30, men's tennis 39, and women's tennis 64.