

2017-18 PACWEST SCHOLAR-ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

Sport	Name	School	GPA	Major
Baseball	Sean Aspinall	Azusa Pacific	3.87	Accounting
Men's Basketball	Brandon Simister	Dixie State	3.90	Biology
Women's Basketball	Natalie Diaz	Dominican	3.57	Business Administration
Men's Cross Country	Jeremy Porter	Azusa Pacific	3.86	Business Management
Women's Cross Country	Emeline Delanis	California Baptist	3.89	Business Administration
Men's Golf	Jayce Frampton	Dixie State	3.74	Finance
	Kyle McLay	Holy Names	3.54	Business Management
Women's Golf	Samantha Martinez	California Baptist	3.94	Journalism & New Media
Men's Soccer	Wiktor Lasota	Point Loma	3.90	Business-Finance
Women's Soccer	Darian Murdock	Dixie State	3.98	Nursing
Softball	Ryann Ferguson	Concordia	3.92	Exercise & Sport Science
Men's Tennis	Oliver Frank	Azusa Pacific	3.82	Business Administration
Women's Tennis	Lena Lutzeier	Hawai'i Pacific	3.90	Business Administration
Men's Track & Field	Scott Hickam	Fresno Pacific	3.75	Finance
	Gatien Airiau	Academy of Art	3.58	Communications & Media Technologies
Women's Track & Field	Marion Presigny	Academy of Art	3.84	Fashion Journalism
Volleyball	Lauren Hackett	California Baptist	3.82	Graphic Design/Digital Media

BASEBALL – Sean Aspinall (Azusa Pacific)

2018 Google Cloud Academic All-America Division II Baseball (third team) and earned All-PacWest second team honors... Ranked fourth in the PacWest in total bases (126), fifth in home runs (13) and RBIs (50), and 11th in batting average (.352)... Led APUs offense in batting (.352), hits (70), and RBIs (50)... Ranked second on team in home runs (13)... Registered teams longest hitting streak (17 games)... Led the team in multi-RBI games (15) and second on team in multi-hit games (21)... Had perfect fielding percentage in 102 chances... In 7th inning and later, batted .421 (24-for-57) with 12 extra-base hits (5 HR), 10 walks, 16 runs & 16 RBIs... Missed all of 2016 season to summer-league injury the previous year and battled through injury-plagued 2017 season to return in 2018 as one of the teams most productive players with multiple game-winning hits.

MEN'S BASKETBALL – Brandon Simister (Dixie State)

2018 CoSIDA Second Team Academic All-America selection ... also a three-time CoSIDA Academic All-District and Academic All-PacWest pick ... was a first team all-PacWest and second team D2CCA all West region selection this past season after finishing as DSU's second-leading scorer at 15.1 points per game ... scored in double figures in 23 of his 28 starts with a team-high seven 20-plus point outings, and he led the team in scoring 13 times overall ... was named the 2018 PacWest Tournament Most Outstanding Player after pouring in a career-high 28 points in DSU's tourney clinching win over CBU (3/3) ... also tallied 25 points with a DSU single-game record-tying six 3-pointers in a win over Holy Names (2/19), and followed that up with a game-high 19 points, 13 in the second half, in DSU's PacWest title-clinching win at Point Loma (2/24), which earned him PacWest Player of the Week honors ... closed his season ranked 11th-nationally in free throw percentage with a DSU single-season record 90.2 percent clip, which included breaking DSU and PacWest single-game records with 18-straight free throws made in a win at Concordia-Irvine (Dec. 18), going 18-for-18 overall ... finished his four-year career owning the DSU "trifecta" as the single game (co-leader with 6), single-season (67 in 2017-18) and career (165) 3FGM leader. He is also DSU's career leader in free throw percentage (.8708) and is ranked in the top-10 all-time in 13 DSU career statistical categories overall, including second all-time in free throws made (337), third in assists (307), third in career 3-point percentage (.424), and fourth in scoring (1,145 pts).

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL – Natalie Diaz (Dominican)

Named Division II Conference Commissioners Association Second Team All-American...Was named to the WBCA All-America Honorable Mention...Earned two PacWest Player of the Week awards for Nov. 27-Dec. 3 and Dec. 11-17...Named 2018 PacWest Player of the Year...Named All-PacWest First Team...Named to the All-PacWest Women's

Basketball Championships Team...Set a single-season Dominican record with 722 points during the NCAA Division II era...Appeared in all 30 games with 28 starts...Finished the season with 15 double-doubles...Ranked third nationally with 24.1 points per game.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY – Jeremy Porter (Azusa Pacific)

Porter became Azusa Pacific's first NCAA Division II individual men's cross country national qualifier in 2017, earning an at-large selection to the national championships with his 7th-place finish at the NCAA West Regionals with a school-record time of 30:12... Placed 3rd in the PacWest XC Championships, earning All-PacWest first team honors... Won 2 meets (Biola Invitational, Coyote Invitational).

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY – Emeline Delanis (California Baptist)

2017 PacWest Runner of the Year and individual champion ... led CBU to its fourth-straight PacWest Championship, first-ever West Region Championship and a third-place finish at the DII Championship ... grabbed CoSIDA Academic All-District and All-American honors ... took fifth overall at nationals for All-American honors.

MEN'S GOLF – Jayce Frampton (Dixie State)

collected second team all-PacWest honors after he posted two individual event victories in Hawaii during the fall season ... claimed medalist honors at the DSU Island Invitational (10/23-24) and followed that up with a win at the Hawaii Hilo/Dennis Rose Intercollegiate (10/27-28), which earned him back-to-back PacWest Player of the Week awards (10/26 and 11/2) ... helped lead DSU to its third PacWest title in four seasons and to the program's 10th-straight NCAA Regional appearance ... posted a t-4th finish at the UCSD SoCal Intercollegiate (3/26-27) to help pace DSU to a team runner-up showing ... played in all 10 events this season posted five top-15 individual showings ... finished second on the team with a 73.93 scoring average in 29 competitive rounds and finished tied on the team with 11 rounds of par or better.

MEN'S GOLF – Kyle McLay (Holy Names)

Was a member of HNUs first athletic team to qualify for an NCAA Championship Final event in May 2018 ... Second Team All-PacWest ... Co-Golfer of the Week - March 15 ... D2 ADA Academic Achievement Award in 2016-17 ... Chi Alpha Sigma ... 2016-17 Srixon/Cleveland Golf All-America Scholar ... Academic All-PacWest 2016-17 ... was on HNU Men's Golf qualifying for NCAA postseason in university's first two years of NCAA postseason eligibility

WOMEN'S GOLF – Samantha Martinez (California Baptist)

Martinez was a first-team All-PacWest selection and ranked 35th in Golfstat's NCAA Division II individual rankings this year... The 2017 PacWest Freshman of the Year averaged a 75.30 in 12 tournaments and 27 rounds this season... The 2017 individual conference champion has a total of eight top20 finishes as an individual, seven top-10 finishes and two in the top three, with the other two exceptions being a 24th and 33rd finish... She won the NCAA Division I Lady Mustang Intercollegiate hosted by Cal Poly and is a two-time PacWest Golfer of the Week, which tied for a conference high this season... Martinez also took fifth at the PacWest Championships for All-Tournament honors.

MEN'S SOCCER – Wiktor Lasota (Point Loma)

All-American honorable mention...Led the PacWest and ranked 13th in NCAA Division II with eight shutouts, despite missing three starts...Registered an .818 save percentage (22nd NCAA) and ranked 14th nationally with a .669 goals against average...Helped PLNU post its best season in program history with a 16-match unbeaten streak and tying the school record with 14 wins...The Sea Lions also earned the right to host the NCAA West Regional.

WOMEN'S SOCCER – Darian Murdock (Dixie State)

earned 2017 CoSIDA First Team Academic All-America honors and was a 2016 CoSIDA Second Team Academic All-America pick ... also a two-time CoSIDA Academic All-District 8 (2016-17) and three-time Academic All-PacWest selection ... was named the 2017 PacWest Scholar Athlete for women's soccer ... capped an award-winning season as she repeated as PacWest Women's Soccer Player of the Year and earned D2CCA West Region Player of the Year and D2CCA Second Team All-American honors ... finished the 2017 regular season ranked in the top-10 nationally in five statistical categories overall, including single-season school records for goals scored (19), game-winning goals (8), and points (42) ... her name is etched atop five DSU single-season statistical categories this year, including becoming the first player in

program history to register three hat tricks in one season, and in all three instances she was named PacWest Player of the Week ... scored at least one goal in seven of her last nine starts, and in 11 of 18 matches overall with five multi-goal outings, while DSU played to a 10-1-0 record when she found the back of the net ... ended her four years as the Dixie State's career leader in game-winning goals (16) and finished third all-time in career goals (42), career points (94), career shots (204) and career shots on goal (104).

SOFTBALL – Ryann Ferguson (Concordia)

2016, 2017, 2018 PacWest Softball Scholar Athlete of the Year... Two-time CoSIDA Academic All-American... a D2ADA Academic Achievement recipient a...a Capital One Academic All-American...2018 Female Scholar Athlete of the Year (CUI Athletic Department)..2018 Google Cloud CoSIDA Academic All-District.. 2015 NAIA All-American...All-PacWest conference recognition each of the past three years... Division II Collegiate Commissioners Association All-West Region Second Team... hit .356, scored 49 runs, collected 72 hits, 103 total bases and 16 stolen bases, leading the Eagles in each category in 2018... Hit 529 over the Eagles first 10 games... Against Colorado Christian, Western Washington, CSU Monterey Bay and UC Colorado Springs, Ferguson collected three hits in each game in the span of six days. In the final regular season game of the season, Ferguson went four-for-four at the plate, scoring two runs and knocking in one...Led Eagles to first trip to NCAA West Regionals as No. 2 seed.

MEN'S TENNIS – Oliver Frank (Azusa Pacific)

2017 PacWest Scholar-Athlete of the Year and a two-time ITA singles All-American and doubles All-American... Two-time PacWest Player of the Year... Posted a 47-1 career singles record in dual matches... Won the ITA singles national title in 2016 and doubles title in 2017... Led Azusa Pacific to its deepest postseason run as an NCAA Division II member, leading the Cougars to the national semifinals.

WOMEN'S TENNIS – Lena Lutzeier (Hawai'i Pacific)

No. 1 Player in Division II...ITA Player of the Year...PacWest Player of the Year...Ranked No. 1 in singles and No. 11 in doubles...Record of 22-1 in singles, 19-5 in doubles...Led HPU to its first No. 1 team ranking during the season...led HPU to its first PacWest Conference Championship...led HPU to NCAA Division II Semifinals.

MEN'S TRACK & FIELD – Scott Hickam (Fresno Pacific)

PacWest Mens Track Scholar Athlete of the Year...Four-time All-PacWest Academic honoree....PacWest champion in the 400 hurdles....part of the school-record 4X4 relay....ranks fourth all-time in the 400h (52.93)....team captain....ASC tutor on campus....FPU Senior of the Year

MEN'S TRACK & FIELD – Gatien Airiau

USTFCCCA DII National Champion in 3000m Steeplechase ... USTFCCCA Indoor All-Region (3000m, 5000m, DMR) & Outdoor All-Region (1500, 3000m Steeplechase, 5000m) ... All-PacWest First Team (3000m Steeplechase, 5000m) ... Google Cloud Academic All-District Team ... ART U record-holder in Indoor 5000m, DMR and Outdoor 3000m Steeplechase, 2 Mile ... among the program's top five in 11 other events.

WOMEN' TRACK & FIELD – Marion Presigny (Academy of Art)

USTFCCA Outdoor All-American (100mH) ... 2017-18 Google Cloud Academic All-District Team ... USTFCCCA Indoor All-Region (60mH, LJ, 4x400m) & Outdoor All-Region (100mH) ... All-PacWest Second Team (100mH) & All-PacWest Third Team (LJ) ... ART U record-holder in the pentathlon and among the programs top five in nine other events.

VOLLEYBALL – Lauren Hackett (California Baptist)

Hackett was named the 2017 Player of the Year in the NCAA Division II West Region by the AVCA and in the PacWest Player of the Year... She also named a CoSIDA Academic All-American for the second year in a row... She made both All-American teams this year and was a first-team pick in the West Region by both outlets... As a senior, she posted 457 points (4.62 a set), with 384 kills (3.88 a set) on a .271 percentage, 60 blocks and 35 aces... Added 260 digs (2.63 a set) ... Posted NCAA-era career program records with 1,687 kills (4.04 a set) and 112 aces, while adding 892 digs (2.13 a set) and 279 blocks over four years at CBU.