

# GREAT NORTHWEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

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### Northwest Nazarene Wins Third Straight GNAC Academic Title

SPOKANE, Wash. – Northwest Nazarene University posted the best team grade point average in three sports in winning the 2009-10 *Great Northwest Athletic Conference Academic All-Sports* title for the third year in a row.

The Crusaders won titles in men's basketball, women's soccer and women's track and field in out pointing Seattle Pacific 131-125 to win the overall title. Montana State Billings was third with 117 points, 17 ahead of fourth-place Saint Martin's. NNU also won its third straight women's title and its sixth overall edging MSUB 77-73. Seattle Pacific finished third with 67 points and Saint Martin's was fourth with 52 points.

SPU won the men's title with 58 points, four ahead of Northwest Nazarene. Saint Martin's and MSU Billings finished third and fourth with 48 and 44 points, respectively. The title was the sixth overall for the Falcon men, but their first since 2005-06.

"I would like to congratulate our student-athletes for once again balancing their academics and athletics," Northwest Nazarene University athletic director Rich Sanders said. "I would also like to thank our faculty for their continued work with our student-athletes during their demanding in-season travel schedules."

Seattle Pacific matched NNU's team title total, also earning the best cumulative team GPA in three sports including men's soccer, men's track and field and women's cross country. MSU Billings (softball, women's basketball), Saint Martin's (baseball, golf) and Alaska Fairbanks (volleyball, men's cross country) led the way in two sports each, while Western Oregon was the leader in one (football).

Saint Martin's baseball team academic title was its ninth in a row. The Saint baseball squad is the only team to win the academic team in all nine years of the award.

Seattle Pacific's women's cross country team posted the best GPA of any GNAC team finishing with a 3.73 average.

Fifty-three of the conference's 92 teams (57.6 percent) posted cumulative GPAs of 3.00 or better, including all nine women's cross country teams and all eight women's track and field squads. Seven of the conference's nine volleyball teams had cumulative GPAs of 3.00 or better, while six of the seven softball teams and six of the nine women's hoop squads also reached that figure. In all 40 of the GNAC's 48 women's teams (83.3 percent) had cumulative GPAs of at least 3.00.

On the men's side, 13 of the 44, teams including five in cross country and three in track and field also had GPAs of 3.00 or better.

The Academic all-sports standings are based on the cumulative grade point averages of all the athletes on the official team rosters including redshirts.

Individual sport academic winners included:

**Men: Cross Country** – Alaska Fairbanks 3.48. **Soccer** – Seattle Pacific 3.24. **Basketball** – Northwest Nazarene 3.22. **Baseball** – Saint Martin's 2.92. **Track-and-Field** – Seattle Pacific 3.22. **Golf** – Saint Martin's 3.20. **Football** – Western Oregon 2.70.

**Women: Volleyball** – Alaska Fairbanks 3.47. **Cross Country** – Seattle Pacific 3.73. **Soccer** – Northwest Nazarene 3.50. **Basketball** – MSU Billings 3.45. **Softball** – MSU Billings 3.15. **Track and Field** – Northwest Nazarene 3.39.

## YEARLY CHAMPIONS

### OVERALL

2001-02	Seattle University
2002-03	Saint Martin's
2003-04	Seattle Pacific
2004-05	Seattle Pacific
2005-06	Seattle Pacific
2006-07	Seattle University
2007-08	Northwest Nazarene
2008-09	Northwest Nazarene
2009-10	Northwest Nazarene

### MEN

2001-02	Seattle Pacific
2002-03	Seattle Pacific
2003-04	Seattle Pacific
2004-05	Seattle Pacific
2005-06	Seattle Pacific
2006-07	Seattle University
2007-08	Northwest Nazarene
2008-09	Northwest Nazarene
2009-10	Seattle Pacific

### Football

2001-02	Central Washington	2.89
2002-03	*Central Washington	2.82
2003-04	Central Washington	2.76
2004-05	Western Washington	2.66
2005-06	Western Oregon	2.70
2008-09	Western Oregon	2.75
2009-10	Western Oregon	2.70

### Cross Country

2001-02	Alaska Fairbanks	3.65
2002-03	Alaska Fairbanks	3.51
2003-04	Seattle Pacific	3.37
2004-05	Alaska Fairbanks	3.38
2005-06	Alaska Fairbanks	3.47
2006-07	Seattle University	3.17
2007-08	Seattle Pacific	3.38
2008-09	Alaska Fairbanks	3.30
2009-10	Alaska Fairbanks	3.48

### Soccer

2001-02	Seattle Pacific	2.99
2002-03	Seattle University	2.96
2003-04	Seattle Pacific	3.01
2004-05	Seattle Pacific	3.20
2005-06	Seattle Pacific	3.21
2006-07	+Seattle University	3.31
2007-08	Montana State Billings	3.36
2008-09	Montana State Billings	3.28
2009-10	Seattle Pacific	3.24

### Basketball

2001-02	+Seattle Pacific	3.12
	Northwest Nazarene	3.12
2002-03	Seattle Pacific	3.25
2003-04	Seattle Pacific	3.30
2004-05	Seattle Pacific	3.10
2005-06	*Seattle Pacific	3.09
2006-07	Saint Martin's	3.04
2007-08	Northwest Nazarene	3.25

2008-09	Northwest Nazarene	3.35
2009-10	Northwest Nazarene	3.22

### Baseball

2001-02	Saint Martin's	3.19
2002-03	Saint Martin's	3.05
2003-04	Saint Martin's	2.96
2004-05	Saint Martin's	3.09
2005-06	Saint Martin's	3.13
2006-07	Saint Martin's	3.20
2007-08	Saint Martin's	3.01
2008-09	Saint Martin's	2.97
2009-10	Saint Martin's	2.92

### Track & Field

2001-02	Seattle University	3.30
2002-03	Seattle Pacific	3.29
2003-04	Seattle Pacific	3.24
2004-05	Saint Martin's	3.24
2005-06	Alaska Anchorage	3.27
2006-07	Seattle Pacific	3.21
2007-08	Seattle Pacific	3.41
2008-09	Seattle Pacific	3.24
2009-10	Seattle Pacific	3.22

### Golf

2007-08	Northwest Nazarene	2.99
2008-09	Saint Martin's	3.05
2009-10	Saint Martin's	3.20

### WOMEN

2001-02	Northwest Nazarene
2002-03	Saint Martin's
2003-04	Northwest Nazarene
2004-05	Northwest Nazarene
2005-06	Seattle Pacific
2006-07	Seattle University
2007-08	Northwest Nazarene
2008-09	Northwest Nazarene
2009-10	Northwest Nazarene

### Volleyball

2001-02	Central Washington	3.40
2002-03	Saint Martin's	3.37
2003-04	Northwest Nazarene	3.28
	Seattle University	3.28
2004-05	Northwest Nazarene	3.38
2005-06	+Seattle Pacific	3.31
2006-07	Western Oregon	3.56
2007-08	Western Oregon	3.56
2008-09	*Western Oregon	3.42
2009-10	Alaska Fairbanks	3.47

### Cross Country

2001-02	Saint Martin's	3.64
2002-03	Alaska Fairbanks	3.56
2003-04	Alaska Fairbanks	3.68
2004-05	Northwest Nazarene	3.50
2005-06	Alaska Fairbanks	3.61
2006-07	*Seattle Pacific	3.65

2007-08	*Seattle Pacific	3.68
2008-09	*Seattle Pacific	3.66
2009-10	Seattle Pacific	3.73

### Soccer

2001-02	+Seattle University	3.35
	Northwest Nazarene	3.35
2002-03	Northwest Nazarene	3.44
2003-04	*Seattle Pacific	3.41
2004-05	*Seattle Pacific	3.49
2005-06	Seattle	3.44
2006-07	Northwest Nazarene	3.47
2007-08	Northwest Nazarene	3.56
2008-09	Northwest Nazarene	3.48
2009-10	Northwest Nazarene	3.50

### Basketball

2001-02	Saint Martin's	3.25
2002-03	Saint Martin's	3.44
2003-04	Saint Martin's	3.56
2004-05	*Seattle Pacific	3.49
2005-06	Seattle Pacific	3.44
2006-07	*Seattle Pacific	3.41
2007-08	Saint Martin's	3.51
2008-09	Saint Martin's	3.65
2009-10	MSU Billings	3.45

### Softball

2001-02	Seattle University	3.38
2002-03	Saint Martin's	3.43
2003-04	Saint Martin's	3.41
2004-05	Saint Martin's	3.37
	Seattle University	3.37
2005-06	Central Washington	3.16
2006-07	Seattle University	3.12
2007-08	Northwest Nazarene	3.55
2008-09	Northwest Nazarene	3.32
2009-10	MSU Billings	3.15

### Track & Field

2001-02	Seattle University	3.47
2002-03	Seattle Pacific	3.49
2003-04	Alaska Anchorage	3.41
2004-05	Saint Martin's	3.43
2005-06	*Seattle Pacific	3.55
2006-07	Saint Martin's	3.58
2007-08	Seattle Pacific	3.54
2008-09	Seattle Pacific	3.46
2009-10	Northwest Nazarene	3.39

\*Indicates also won conference title  
+Indicates shared conference title