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Honor given out by Student-Athlete Services
Men's Basketball
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Each month, the Georgia Southern Student-Athlete Services Department hands out its Talon-Ted Award, which recognizes students who are working just as hard in the classroom as they are on the field of competition. The male winner for the month of January is Quan Jackson of the men's basketball team and the female winner is Kaylyn Thomas of the swimming team. Let's get to know each of these student-athletes!

Quan Jackson
Quan Jackson is a redshirt freshman from Tallahassee, Florida. Entering this week's games, he is averaging 7.3 points, 3.0 rebounds and 1.3 steals a game for the men's basketball team here at Georgia Southern. He is a sports management major with a minor in business. After college, he is interested in working in a sports psychology field.

Favorite place to eat?
Quan's favorite meal in Statesboro is bourbon chicken and shrimp from Applebee's.

Game day ritual?
His game-day ritual includes praying, listening to music and watching James Harden Highlights.

What keeps him motivated academically?
Quan stays motivated in the classroom because he is the first in his family to go to college, he wants to be a role model for his siblings, being responsible and basketball.

Kaylyn Thomas
Kaylyn Thomas is senior from Cumming, Georgia, who swims freestyle and butterfly here at Georgia Southern. She is a sports management major with a minor in business. After college, she is interested in coaching swimming. Thomas holds school records in the 100 and 200-meter butterfly and 200, 400, and 800-meter freestyle relay as well as the 200 and 400-meter medley relay.

Favorite place to eat?
Her favorite place to eat in Statesboro is Gnat's Landing.

Game day ritual?
Her meet day ritual includes listening to Migos and eating avocado toast and fruit before she swims.
What keeps you motivated academically?
Kaylyn is motivated in the classroom so she can have the opportunity to land a good job after college.

Congrats to both Quan and Kaylyn and be sure to check back at the end of each month for our newest Talon-Ted Award winners!
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