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Georgia Southern University senior base Ashley Riggs and sophomore flyer Katherine Daniel were recently selected by USA Cheer as First Team 2013 STUNT All-Americans.

Riggs, an early childhood education major from Sharpsburg, Ga., was the captain of the Georgia Southern STUNT team and had major responsibility for selecting personnel and teaching the STUNT routines. She led the team to the national semi-finals against the University of Louisville, performing in 12 out of the 19 STUNT routines and was instrumental in victories over the University of Georgia and Florida State University.

Riggs, a four-year Georgia Southern cheerleader, has cheered at more than 90 football and men's and women's basketball games. As a member of the All-Girl team she won two NCA National Championships in 2011 and 2012.

Daniel, a middle grades education major from Rincon, Ga., participated in 10 of the 19 STUNT routines as a flyer. She was focused on perfecting routines with her stunt partners, including Riggs, and was an integral part of the most difficult pyramids. Daniel earned an NCA National Championship in 2012.

Riggs and Daniel join Georgia Southern's previous STUNT All-Americans Ashlee Newsome and Conice Leverett from 2012 and JaNee Demery and Kayla Anne Wheatley from 2011 in achieving this recognition.

STUNT is an emerging NCAA competitive team sport that has derived from traditional cheerleading. STUNT removes the crowd leading and focuses on the technical and athletic components of cheer. STUNT was developed by USA Cheer in collaboration with Title IX experts as well as known coaches and experts in the All-Star and traditional cheerleading community. USA Cheer is the national governing body for sport cheering in the United States.

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