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# The Road to a 3.0: Eagle Student-Athletes Post Strong First Semester

*Georgia Southern's student-athletes strive to reach a department-wide GPA of 3.0 or higher*

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**STATESBORO, Ga. –** Georgia Southern student-athletes posted a Fall 2015 GPA average of 2.98, the highest Fall GPA in the history of Georgia Southern Athletics. Georgia Southern's Office of Student-Athlete Services began "The Road to a 3.0" campaign the summer of 2015 in an effort to boost the department-wide GPA for the academic year. After one semester, the Eagles have already broken records.

Two hundred and twenty-two student-athletes made the Honor Roll this past fall. Thirty of those student-athletes posted a 4.0 GPA to earn a spot on the President's List, while 92 students made the Dean's List with a GPA of 3.5-3.99. Twelve teams achieved a semester GPA average of 3.0 or higher, with three sports posting the highest GPA average in the program's history: women's basketball (3.35), women's soccer (3.46) and baseball (3.25). Overall, the women's tennis team had the highest female team GPA with a 3.79, while the men's tennis team had the highest male team GPA with 3.34.

"I am proud of the effort that our student-athletes put forth in the classroom during the fall," said [Reggie Simpkins](#), Director of Student-Athlete Services. "Our athletes are fortunate to be learning in an environment where a great deal of emphasis is placed on their education by the academic and athletic administration. We appreciate the Student-Athlete Services staff for providing academic support to each of our athletes as they prepare for their lives after graduation."

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