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*Ten Eagles recognized for work in the classroom*



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**STATESBORO, Ga.** - The Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) has announced its 2016 Academic Awards, recognizing more than 4,200 scholar-athletes across all divisions, along with over 700 all-academic teams. The Georgia Southern men's team, coached by [Sander Koning](#), and the Georgia Southern women's team, coached by [Michele Stanford](#), were both honored as an All-Academic Team for their work in the classroom.

The ITA All-Academic Team award is open to any ITA program that has a cumulative team grade point average of 3.20 or above (on a 4.00 scale). All varsity letter winners

should be factored into the cumulative team GPA for the current academic year (including fall 2015 and spring 2016).

Individually, 10 tennis players were honored for their work academically. They are:

**2016 All-Academic Teams & Scholar Athletes - Division I Men**

JC Alcala

Dani Casablanco

Christian Kerrigan

Rise Lanne

**2016 All-Academic Teams & Scholar Athletes - Division I Women**

Paige Christian

Francisca Norregaard

Mariana Ranzahuer

Mary Phillips Smith

Lindsay Truscott

Shannon Wagner

In order to earn ITA Scholar-Athlete status a player must meet the following criteria: 1.) be a varsity letter winner, 2.) have a grade point average of at least 3.50 (on a 4.00 scale) for the current academic year, and 3.) have been enrolled at their present school for at least 2 semesters (including freshman through senior year).

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