

# CAPITAL ONE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® TEAM SELECTED BY COSIDA

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# LIAM BARRETT, MIA PERSSON TOP CAPITAL ONE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® COLLEGE DIVISION SOCCER TEAMS

**TOWSON, Md.** – Senior forward **Liam Barrett** of Illinois Institute of Technology and senior midfielder **Mia Persson** of Lindsey Wilson College lead the 2012 Capital One Academic All-America® College Division Men's and Women's Soccer Teams, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

The Capital One Academic All-America® College Division soccer teams are comprised of student-athletes from NAIA, Canadian and two-year institutions.

Barrett and Persson have been chosen as the winners of the Capital One College Division Academic All-America® of the Year award for the men's and women's soccer teams, respectively.

Barrett, a senior business major with a perfect 4.00 G.P.A., was named as the winner of the Capital One College Division Academic All-America® of the Year award for the second consecutive year. The Felixstowe, England native led Illinois Tech and the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference in goals (17) and points (40), earning him the CCAC Player of the Year award for the second time in his career after leading the Scarlet Hawks to an 8-9-2 record.

Barrett currently ranks sixth in the NAIA in shots on goal per game (3.000), seventh in shots per game (4.890), 23<sup>rd</sup> in points per game (2.220), 25<sup>th</sup> in total goals (17) and goals per game (0.940), and 26<sup>th</sup> in total points (40). He finished his career with 61 goals, 22 assists and 144 points.

Persson, a senior from Sjobo, Sweden, has led Lindsey Wilson to a No. 4 ranking and a 16-4-1 record. The Blue Raiders are one of 16 teams who are competing for the NAIA national championship this week in Orange Beach, Ala.

A communication major with a 3.89 G.P.A., Persson currently ranks fifth in the NAIA in goals (27), sixth in goals per match (1.29) and ninth in points (59). She is also ninth in points per match (2.81). Her 68 career goals rank second all-time in the program's history – one goal away from the record of 69. Her career 161 career points are just three shy of the record of 164 and her 27 goals are the fourth most in a single season at LWC.

The two-time Mid-South Conference Player of the Year and a four-time all-conference first-team selection is a three-time NAIA All-American.

### Capital One Academic All-America® Men's Soccer College Division Team

Joining Barrett on the first team are seniors **Oliver Hewitt-Fisher** and **Richard Isberner** of University of Rio Grande, senior **Jacob Doup** and junior **Caleb Palumbo** of Mount Vernon Nazarene University, senior goalkeeper **Cody Troyer** of Bethel (Ind.) College, senior **Zach Baron** of University of St. Francis (Ind.), senior **Neil Howard** of Cumberland University, senior **Jon** 

Fuentes of Robert Morris (III.) University, senior Cameron Meter of Morningside College, and senior Matthew Kraciun of Saint Ambrose University.

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### Liam Barrett, Mia Persson Top Capital One Academic All-America® College Division Soccer Teams

Isbemer and Hewitt-Fisher have led Rio Grande to a 16-2-1 record and a berth in the NAIA National Championship in Montgomery, Ala.

A senior forward from Sao Paulo, Brazil, Isberner leads Rio Grande and the Mid-South Conference in goals (22), assists (12) and points (56). The two-time MSC Player of the Year, Isberner ranks third in the NAIA in goals per game (1.290) and points per game (3.290). A business administration major with a 3.74 G.P.A., he ranks sixth in the NAIA in total points. A second team selection on the 2011 Capital One Academic All-America® College Division team, he had a goal and assist in Rio Grande's 2-1 win over Aquinas College in the NAIA national championship first round.

Hewitt-Fisher, a senior midfielder from Swansea, Wales, has also helped Rio Grande to a 16-2-1 record and a berth in the NAIA National Championship Tournament. An all-conference first-team selection, Hewitt-Fisher is ranked 29<sup>th</sup> in the NAIA in assists (10) and 47<sup>th</sup> in total points (32). A biology major with a 3.90 G.P.A., he also has scored 11 goals on the season. Hewitt-Fisher had a career-high four goals and two assists for 10 points in a 13-0 win over Pikeville on Oct. 13.

Doup, a senior defender from Fredericktown, Ohio, played in 14 matches while helping Mount Vernon Nazarene post an 11-6-4 mark this season. He had one assist and one point in his career and was named to MVNU's Dean's List all six semesters. Doup, who has a double major in accounting and financial management with a 3.95 G.P.A, helped the Cougar defense record seven shutouts in 2012. In 2011, he was named as an NCCAA Scholar-Athlete.

Palumbo, a junior defender from Galena, Ohio, also represents Mount Vernon Nazarene on the Capital One Academic All-America® College Division first team. He started 20 games this season for MVNU and he scored three goals with one assist. A third-team Capital One Academic All-America® College Division selection last year, he anchored the Cougar back line which posted seven shutouts this season. A biology major with a pre-medicine minor and a 3.84 G.P.A., Palumbo was named to the All-Crossroads League first team in 2012.

A senior goalkeeper from Goshen, Ind., Troyer helped Bethel post an 8-6-4 record this season. A starter in all games for the Pilots, he allowed 19 goals while posting a 1.027 Goals Against Average. He recorded 66 saves and five shutouts. During his four-year career at Bethel, Troyer played in 77 games, compiling 308 saves while posting a 44-19-3 record. He posted 16 shutouts with seven coming during the Pilots' two-year stretch of undefeated conference play in the Mid-Central Collegiate Conference (now the Crossroads League). Troyer is a business administration major with a marketing minor with a 3.86 G.P.A.

A second team selection on the 2011 Capital One Academic All-America® College Division team, Baron was one of three captains for St. Francis which posted a 7-11 overall record. An accounting major with a 3.99 G.P.A., Baron had two assists as a senior, finishing his career with three assists.

A sport and exercise pedagogy major with a perfect 4.0 G.P.A., Howard started all 17 matches while helping Cumberland post a 7-10-1 record. A native of Doncaster, England, he recorded one goal, one assist and three points while helping the Bulldog defense post three shutouts. Howard is a three-time academic all-conference selection and finished his career with one goal, nine assists and 11 points.

A business administration major with a 4.0 G.P.A., Fuentes led Robert Morris to a 12-5-2 record in 2012. A three-year starter for the Eagles, Fuentes missed five games due to an injury. A starter at center midfielder, the Chicago native scored one goal this season and finished his career with nine goals, three assists and 21 points. As a junior, Fuentes earned all-conference second-team honors.

A senior midfielder from Lincoln, Nebraska, Meter led Morningside to a 7-11-2 mark as a senior. He scored seven goals and had hat tricks against AIB (Iowa) and Briar Cliff. An all-conference honorable mention pick, Meter scored 14 goals, seven assists and 35 points during his career with the Mustangs. He is a mathematics and mathematics teaching major with a minor in physics and has a 3.97 G.P.A.

### Liam Barrett, Mia Persson Top Capital One Academic All-America® College Division Soccer Teams

Kraciun, a senior forward from Bettendorf, Iowa, helped Saint Ambrose to a 10-6-2 record while earning all-conference first-team honors. He led the Midwest Collegiate Conference in assists (8) and currently ranks 27<sup>th</sup> in the NAIA in total game-winning goals (4) and 46<sup>th</sup> in total assists. A biology major with a 3.96 G.P.A., Kraciun scored 11 goals and 30 total points in his career for the Bees.

Three members of the 2012 Capital One Academic All-America® College Division Men's Soccer first team have perfect 4.0 G.P.A.'s. The 11 members of the first team have an average G.P.A. of 3.93.

### Capital One Academic All-America® Women's Soccer College Division Team

Joining Persson on the 2012 Capital One Academic All-America® College Division Women's Soccer first team are senior **Amy Cochran**, senior **Clair Lanter** and junior **Leah Fortune** of Lee University, seniors **Nichole** and **Dana Hemmingsen** of Park University, junior goalkeeper **Carmen Barnell** of Grace College, senior **Lydia Bienlien** of Morningside College, junior **Alison Hensley** of Westmont College, senior **Christy Lachappelle** of the University of Mobile, and junior **Martine Olsen** of Embry-Riddle (Fla.) University.

Nine of the 2012 Capital One Academic All-America® College Division Women's Soccer first team selections qualified for the NAIA National Championship and seven of them have advanced to the final rounds in Orange Beach, Ala.

Cochran, Lanter and Fortune have led Lee to an 18-1-1 record and the top seed for the NAIA National Championships.

A senior defender from Yorba Linda, Cal., Cochran has led Lee in its quest for a fifth straight NAIA championship, earned All-America honors from the NAIA as a junior. A business administration major with a 3.95 G.P.A., she has scored one goal with nine assists. A member of three national championship teams, she has helped the Flames register 13 shutouts, third best in the NAIA. She was also named as an All-Southern States Athletic Conference for the second straight year.

A political science major with a perfect 4.0 G.P.A., Lanter is a senior defender for Lee who has been a member of three NAIA championship teams. A native of Soddy-Daisy, Tenn., she has helped No 1 Lee in its pursuit of its fifth consecutive NAIA national title. Lanter has scored a goal and assisted on another for three points this year. She has helped the Flames register 13 shutouts, third best in the NAIA. The winner of the NAIA's A.O. Duer Award in 2011, she earned second team NAIA All-America honors in 2010.

A junior midfielder from Chicago, Ill., Fortune has helped Lee in its quest for its fifth consecutive NAIA national title. A public relations major with a 3.93 G.P.A., Fortune has scored 15 goals and added nine assists for 39 points. She is ranked 30<sup>th</sup> in the NAIA in points (39). The Southern States Athletic Conference Player of the Year in 2012, she was selected as the Outstanding Offensive Player at the 2011 NAIA National Championship. A transfer from the University of Texas, she has scored 33 goals with 33 assists in her career at Lee. She was also a first team 2011 NAIA All-American.

Dana and Nichole Hemmingsen are identical twin sisters who led Park University to a 12-7-0 record this season. A senior forward, Dana was named as the 2012 American Midwest Conference Player of the Year. A first team all-conference pick, she leads the NAIA in assists (18) and assists per match (0.95). She is sixth in the nation with 3.26 points per match. A mathematics major with a 3.73 G.P.A., she ranks fifth in school history with 36 career assists. She was an honorable mention NAIA All-American in 2011.

A mathematics major with a 3.92 G.P.A., Nichole scored a career high eight goals, including her first career hat trick this season. The third-leading scorer on her team, she also added eight assists. She earned first team All-American Midwest Conference honors three years in a row.

A junior goalkeeper from Lexington, Ohio, Barnell helped Grace College to a program- best 16-4-2 record and a berth in the NCCAA National Championship in Kissimmee, Fla. An NCCAA first team All American selection is currently ranked 18<sup>th</sup> in the NAIA with a 0.76 Goals Against Average. A graphic design major with a 3.96 G.P.A., she has posted eight shutouts this season.

### Liam Barrett, Mia Persson Top Capital One Academic All-America® College Division Soccer Teams

A second team selection on the 2011 Capital One Academic All-America® women's soccer team, Bienlien led Morningside to a 10-6-4 record. Beinlein has a double major in biology and chemistry with a 3.99 G.P.A. A senior defender from Glenwood, Iowa, she has helped post seven shutouts in 2012. The president of the Beta Beta Biological Honor Society and a member of Alpha Lambda Delta and Omicron Delta Kappa honor societies, she was also a Capital One Academic All-America® College Division Cross Country/Track and Field first team selection in 2012.

Hensley, a junior defender from Huntington Beach, Cal., earned third team Capital One Academic All-America® notice last season. She led Westmont to a 12-6-1 record and a No. 17 national ranking in 2012. Hensley, who has a double major of mathematics and Spanish with a 4.00 G.P.A., had three goals with one assist for seven points this season. Named All-Golden State Athletic Conference and NAIA All-American in 2011, she was the Claire Brossoit Hoffner Scholar for Mathematics in 2011 and the corecipient in 2012 of the Euler Award in Mathematics.

A senior forward from San Antonio, Tex., Lachappelle has led No. 3 Mobile to a 15-3-2 mark and a berth in the NAIA championship in 2012. A human performance/exercise science major with a 3.83 G.P.A., Lachappelle is ranked third in the NAIA with seven match-winning goals. She is 20<sup>th</sup> in NAIA with 18 goals and ranks 19<sup>th</sup> with 45 points scored. She is currently third in the program's history with 55 goals and 149 points and ranks second with 39 assists. She was named to the All-Southern States Athletic Conference team for the past three years and was named to the NAIA All-America third team in 2010.

A business administration major with a 3.85 G.P.A., Olsen has led Embry-Riddle (Fla.) to a 16-5 record and a berth in the NAIA national championship tournament. Named to the Capital One Academic All-America® women's soccer second team in 2011, she has 15 goals with five assists this year. A junior forward from Hosle, Norway, she was an NAIA All-America second team pick in 2011. Olsen holds Embry-Riddle's single season record for goals (27) and she is a three-time all-conference first-team performer.

The 11 members of the Capital One Academic All-America® College Division women's soccer first team have an average G.P.A. of 3.91.

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### 2012 Capital One Academic All-America ® Men's Soccer Team **College Division**

### **FIRST TEAM**

Pos.	Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
GK	Cody Troyer	Bethel (Ind.)	Sr.	Goshen, Ind.	3.86	Business Administration
D	Zach Baron (2)	St. Francis (Ind.)	Sr.	Fort Wayne, Ind.	3.99	Accounting
D	Jacob Doup	Mount Vernon Nazarene	Sr.	Fredericktown, Ohio	3.95	Accounting, Financial Mngmnt
D	Neil Howard	Cumberland	Sr.	Doncaster, England	4.00	Sport & Exercise Pedagogy
D	Caleb Palumbo (3)	Mount Vernon Nazarene	Jr.	Galena, Ohio		Biology (pre-medicine)
M	Jon Fuentes	Robert Morris (III.)	Sr.	Chicago, III.	4.00	Business Administration
M	Oliver Hewitt-Fisher	Rio Grande	Sr.	Swansea, Wales	3.90	Biology
M	Cameron Meter	Morningside	Sr.	Lincoln, Nebraska	3.97	Mathematics, Math. Teaching
F	Liam Barrett (1)	Illinois Inst. of Tech.	Sr.	Felixstowe, England	4.00	Business
F	Richard Isberner (2)	Rio Grande	Sr.	Sao Paulo, Brazil	3.74	Business administration
F	Matthew Kraciun	Saint Ambrose	Sr.	Bettendorf, Iowa	3.96	Biology

### **SECOND TEAM**

Pos.	Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	<b>GPA</b>	Major
GK	Stephen Lunney	Martin Methodist	So.	Dublin, Ireland	3.91	Physical Education
D	Tyler Hageman	MidAmerica Nazarene	Sr.	Wichita, Kan.	3.77	Chemistry
D	Trenton Porter	Grace	Sr.	Warsaw, Ind.	3.89	Elementary Education
D	Josh Rydberg	Baker	Sr.	Olathe, Kan.	3.97	Math, Business, Economics
D	Mark Waller	Trinity Christian	Sr.	Tucson, Ariz.	3.89	Political Science, Philosophy
M	Caio Cruz	Rio Grande	So.	Sao Paulo, Brazil	3.95	Business Administration
M	Lebogang Moloto (2)	Lindsey Wilson	Sr.	Polokwane, So. Africa	3.71	Communication
M	Luis Velasquez	Embry-Riddle (Fla.)	Jr.	Orlando, Fla.	4.00	Aerospace Engineering
F	Marcelo Carreiro	William Woods	Jr.	Curitiba, Brazil	3.56	Sports Mgmt., Mgmt. Inf. Systems
F	Emmanuel Onywera	San Diego Christian	Sr.	Kisimu, Kenya	3.73	Kinesiology
F	Sias Reyneke	Lee University	Sr.	Cleveland, Tenn.	3.92	Health Science

#### THIRD TEAM

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Pos.	Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major		
GK	Andrew Bussell (1)	Master's College	Sr.	Bakersfield, Calif.	3.84	Biological Science		
D	Taylor Esparza	MidAmerica Nazarene	Jr.	Olathe, Kan.	3.84	Biology		
D	Scott Hayes	Biola	Jr.	Folsom, Calif.	3.96	International Cultural Studies		
D	Edwin Meza	St. Thomas (Fla.)	Sr.	Mexico City, Mexico	4.00	International Business		
D	Gabriel Warner	Southern Polytechnic.	Jr.	Grovetown, Ga.	3.65	Biology		
M	Grant Brackin	Marian (Ind.)	Sr.	Indianapolis, Ind.	3.93	Business Management		
M	Luke Keogh	St. Gregory's	Sr.	Donabate, Ireland	3.97	Criminal Justice		
M	Elvar Sigurdsson	Auburn-Montgomery	So.	Kopavogur, Iceland	3.76	Biology		
F	Nathan Douglas	Concordia (Neb.)	Jr.	Winnipeg, Canada	3.73	Physics		
F	Esolam Kpemoua	Faulkner	Sr.	Lome, Togo	3.92	Computer Science		
F	Jhonathan Rico	St. Thomas (Fla.)	Sr.	Cali, Colombia	3.58	Business Management		

### Academic All-American of the Year: Liam Barrett, Illinois Tech

- Capital One Academic All-America® College Division 1<sup>st</sup> team in 2011 Capital One Academic All-America® College Division 1<sup>st</sup> team in 2011 Capital One Academic All-America® College Division 1<sup>st</sup> team in 2011 (1)
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## **2012 Capital One Academic All-America**® **Women's Soccer Team College Division**

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Pos.	Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
GK	Carmen Barnhill	Grace	Jr.	Lexington, Ohio	3.96	Graphic Design
D	Lydia Bienlien (2)	Morningside	Sr.	Glenwood, Iowa	3.99	Biology, Chemistry
D	Amy Cochran	Lee University	Sr.	Yorba Linda, Cal.	3.95	<b>Business Administration</b>
D	Alison Hensley (3)	Westmont	Jr.	Huntington Beach, Cal.	4.00	Mathematics, Spanish
D	Clair Lanter	Lee University	Sr.	Soddy-Daisy, Tenn.	4.00	Political Science
M	Leah Fortune	Lee University	Jr.	Chicago, III.	3.93	Public Relations
M	Nichole Hemmingsen	Park	Sr.	Prairie Village, Kan.	3.92	Mathematics
M	Mia Persson	Lindsey Wilson	Sr.	Sjobo, Sweden	3.89	Communication
F	Dana Hemmingsen	Park	Sr.	Prairie Village, Kan.	3.73	Mathematics
F	Christy Lachappelle	Mobile	Sr.	San Antonio, Texas	3.83	Human Perf., Exer. Science
F	Martine Olsen (2)	Embry-Riddle (Fla.)	Jr.	Hosle, Norway	3.85	<b>Business Administration</b>

### **SECOND TEAM**

Pos.	Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
GK	Holly Clarke	Auburn-Montgomery	Jr.	Norwich, England	4.00	Exercise Science
D	Maren Heller	Auburn-Montgomery	Jr.	Leonberg, Germany	4.00	International Business
D	Mary Kinney	Doane	Sr.	Norfolk, Neb.	3.90	Biology, Spanish
D	Kelsie Ruff	Mobile	Sr.	Huntsville, Ala.	4.00	Mathematics
D	Rebekah Valenta	Our Lady of the Lake	Gr.	McAllen, Texas	4.00	Social Work
M	Jordan Dolbin	Baker	Sr.	La Mirada, Cal.	3.79	Mass Media, Public Relations
M	Jocelyn Evans	Grace	Sr.	Warsaw, Ind.	3.81	Sport Management
M	Kelsie Grgurich (3)	Doane	Sr.	Bellevue, Neb.	3.99	Elementary Education
F	Hollie Babut	Ashford	Jr.	Oshawa, Ontario, Canada	3.57	Health Science Adm.
F	Jessica Ralph	Campbellsville	Jr.	Owensboro, Ky.	4.00	<b>Business Administration</b>
F	Nicole Steller	Bethel (Ind.)	Jr.	Yorkville, III.	3.80	Health & Physical Ed.

### THIRD TEAM

Pos.	Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	<b>GPA</b>	Major
GK	Morgan Lynn	Saint Ambrose	So.	Osprey, Fla.	4.00	Accounting
D	Shannon Bennett	Robert Morris (III.)	Sr.	Portage, Mich.	3.94	Business Administration
D	Sarah Freygang	St. Francis (Ind.)	So.	Fort Wayne, Ind.	3.98	Nursing
D	Loren Leforce	Rogers State	Sr.	Portland, Ore.	3.72	History
M	Lauren Hager	Rogers State	Sr.	Belgrade, Mont.	3.86	Medical Molecular Biology
M	Meghan Pipal	Olivet Nazarene	Sr.	Wheaton, III.	3.89	Elementary Education
M	Hannah Ulrich	Siena Heights	Sr.	Saline, Mich.	3.89	Special Education
F	Jordan Beasley	Rogers State	So.	Lafayette, La.	4.00	Molecular Biology
F	Autumn Surage	Ottawa	So.	Colorado Springs, Colo.	4.00	Human Services
F	Stephanie Wisen	Viterbo	Jr.	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.	3.43	Art Education

### Academic All-America® of the Year: Mia Persson, Lindsey Wilson

- Capital One Academic All-America® College Division 1<sup>st</sup> team in 2011 Capital One Academic All-America® College Division 1<sup>st</sup> team in 2011

