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## Historical Team Grade Point Averages (Cumulative) '05-'08

	SP 08	FA 07	SP 07	FA 06	SP 06	FA 05
W Volleyball	3.49	<b>3.45</b>	3.56	<b>3.33</b>	3.53	<b>3.37</b>
W Basketball	3.46	<b>3.46</b>	3.62	<b>3.09</b>	3.32	<b>3.34</b>
W Cross Country	3.46	<b>3.08</b>	3.15	<b>3.22</b>	3.38	<b>3.38</b>
M Cross Country	3.38	<b>3.17</b>	2.81	<b>2.50</b>	N/A	<b>N/A</b>
W Track and Field	3.34	<b>3.20</b>	2.96	<b>2.97</b>	3.17	<b>3.26</b>
W Golf	3.35	<b>2.92</b>	3.25	<b>3.34</b>	3.14	<b>3.14</b>
W Tennis	3.22	<b>3.25</b>	3.48	<b>3.50</b>	3.59	<b>3.66</b>
W Soccer	3.09	<b>3.10</b>	3.21	<b>3.24</b>	3.05	<b>3.06</b>
M Golf	2.99	<b>2.92</b>	3.12	<b>3.04</b>	3.00	<b>3.02</b>
W Softball	2.98	<b>3.09</b>	3.29	<b>3.27</b>	3.32	<b>3.26</b>
M Tennis	2.93	<b>2.93</b>	3.33	<b>3.35</b>	3.31	<b>3.18</b>
W Swim/Diving	2.91	<b>2.97</b>	2.96	<b>2.95</b>	3.13	<b>3.12</b>
M Baseball	2.86	<b>2.87</b>	2.74	<b>2.70</b>	2.70	<b>2.73</b>
M Basketball	2.75	<b>2.89</b>	2.63	<b>2.58</b>	2.87	<b>2.77</b>
M Wrestling	2.68	<b>2.89</b>	2.78	<b>2.63</b>	2.75	<b>2.73</b>
M Football	2.67	<b>2.71</b>	2.73	<b>2.53</b>	2.77	<b>2.58</b>
M Track and Field	2.65	<b>2.71</b>	2.79	<b>2.50</b>	2.85	<b>2.88</b>
<b>Dept Average</b>	<b>3.07</b>	<b>3.04</b>	<b>3.13</b>	<b>3.05</b>	<b>3.16</b>	<b>3.14</b>



Jessica Zimmerman

**Average GPA**  
**student-athletes**  
**spring 2008:**  
**3.04**  
**For UNC student**  
**body:**  
**2.85**

## Women's Basketball WBCA Academic Top 25

The Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) announced its winners for the 2007-08 Academic Top 25 Team Honor Roll Monday and the University of Northern Colorado sported one of the top 10 grade point averages in Division I. This award, given in NCAA Division I, NCAA Division II, NCAA Division III, NAIA and Junior College/Community College, awards teams throughout the nation that carry the highest grade point averages for the entire season based on the nominations from coaches.



## Volleyball Honored

The Northern Colorado volleyball team was named as one of only 70 NCAA Division I teams across the nation to earn a American Volleyball Coaches Association Team Academic Award for the 2007-2008 season. In all, 353 teams were honored with the award, which began with the 1992-1993 academic year and recognizes collegiate and high school volleyball teams that maintain a minimum of a 3.30 cumulative grade-point average on a 4.0 scale or a 4.10 GPA on a 5.0 scale. The Bears also had 10 players named to the Big Sky Conference All-Academic team.

## What does it mean to be a Division I school?

Division I member institutions have to sponsor at least seven sports for men and seven for women (or six for men and eight for women) with two team sports for each gender. Each playing season has to be represented by each gender as well. There are contest and participant minimums for each sport, as well as scheduling criteria. For sports other than football and basketball, Division I schools must play 100 percent of the minimum number of contests against Divi-

sion I opponents -- anything over the minimum number of games has to be 50 percent Division I. Men's and women's basketball teams have to play all but two games against Division I teams; for men, they must play one-third of all their contests in the home arena. Schools that have football are classified as Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A) or NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division I-AA). Football Bowl Subdivision schools are

usually fairly elaborate programs. Football Bowl Subdivision teams have to meet minimum attendance requirements (average 15,000 people in actual or paid attendance), which must be met once in a rolling two-year period. NCAA Football Championship Subdivision teams do not need to meet minimum attendance requirements. Division I schools must meet minimum financial aid awards for their athletics program, and there are maximum financial aid awards for each sport. (NCAA.org)



## The Board of Athletic Control

The Board of Athletic Control is a permanent University committee composed of faculty, staff, students, student-athletes, administrators, and Athletic Department personnel who serve either as voting or ex-officio members. The BOAC is charged with providing oversight of intercollegiate athletics in areas such as academic success, student-athlete welfare, strategic planning, fund raising, intercollegiate competition and scheduling, budgeting, and facilities planning. Members are either elected

or appointed to the Board and are widely representative of the constituent groups involved with athletics and/or student-athletes. The BOAC is headed by the University's Faculty Athletic Representative and is advisory to the University's President, who may assign the Board other duties. The BOAC meets at least three times a semester during fall and spring and as needed. For more information on the Board, including minutes of meetings and by-laws, the University maintains a website at: [www.unco.edu/BOAC](http://www.unco.edu/BOAC).



## What is the NCAA?

The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) is a voluntary organization through which the nation's colleges and universities govern their athletics programs. It is comprised of institutions, conferences, organizations and individuals committed to the best interests, education and athletics participation of student-athletes. Our purpose is to govern competition in a fair, safe, equitable and sportsmanlike manner, and to integrate intercollegiate athletics into higher education so that the educational experience of the student-athlete is paramount. The Association - through its member institutions, conferences and national office staff - shares a belief in and commitment to:

- 1) The highest levels of integrity and sportsmanship.
- 2) The pursuit of excellence in both academics and athletics.
- 3) The supporting role that intercollegiate athletics plays in the higher education mission and in enhancing the sense of community and strengthening the identity of member institutions.
- 4) An inclusive culture that fosters equitable participation for student-athletes and career opportunities for coaches and administrators from diverse backgrounds.
- 5) Respect for institutional autonomy and philosophical differences.
- 6) Presidential leadership of intercollegiate athletics at the campus, conference and national levels. ([NCAA.com](http://NCAA.com))

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