

## TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA-ANCHORAGE AND BOISE STATE TOP TEAM GPA LIST

**ITHACA, NY (August 10, 2022)** –Texas Woman's University, University of Alaska-Anchorage and Boise State posted the top three team grade-point averages (GPAs) for the 2021-22 academic year based on data submitted to the Women's Collegiate Gymnastics Association (WCGA).

Overall, there were 53 teams with a team GPA of 3.5 or more on a 4.0 scale, down from 58 teams last year. There were 228 (14.53%) student-athletes with a 4.0 GPA, and a record number of gymnasts – 1,077 (68.84% of all reporting gymnasts) with a 3.5 or better GPA, the most reported since 2008. This is the second year in a row where more than 1,000 Scholastic All-America team members were awarded.

"Congratulations on another amazing, record-breaking year of academic success for all of the student athletes, coaches and support staff," Melanie Hall, WCGA Chair of the Board and Head coach at Cornell University, said. "To continually pursue excellence in both the classroom, as well as the gym, takes immense effort, preparation and time management and is truly inspiring. It is exciting to see the continued academic success of so many gymnasts across the country, in all divisions, year after year."

Texas Woman's University posted the top team GPA with a 3.8774. The Pioneers have been in the top five for the past six years and finished 5<sup>th</sup> last year. Every team member had a 3.5 or better GPA, and Head Coach Lisa Bowerman had eleven student-athletes with a 4.0 GPA.

The University of Alaska-Anchorage made their way into the top 5 for the first time this year, posting a team GPA of 3.866. This is their highest team GPA since 2015 and all 14 team members had over a 3.5 GPA. Head Coach Marie-Sophie Boggasch had 9 members with a 4.0 GPA.

Boise State Head coach Tina Bird's team came in at number three with a 3.8411 GPA overall. This is their 8<sup>th</sup> straight season in the top 5 with all 17 student-athletes over a 3.5 GPA, including 5 with a 4.0 GPA.

Southern Utah was fourth with a team GPA of 3.7843. Scott Bauman's team posted all athletes above a 3.5 and three coming in with a 4.0 GPA. This is their first time back in the top 5 since 2017.

Head coach Barbara Cordova's West Chester squad took top percentage honors by having 100% of her team, all 24 members, receiving Scholastic All-America status. This is their 3<sup>rd</sup> straight year in the top 5.

A comprehensive list of team GPAs as submitted and documented by the institutions are attached. Also attached are a list of WCGA Scholastic All-America Award winners, who are all student-athletes with a 3.5 overall grade point average or a 3.5 grade point average for 2021-22.

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