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Auburn Tigers Remain No. 1 in Latest Coaches Poll

COLUMBIA, S.C. – For the second straight poll, the Auburn Tigers are the No. 1 equestrian team in the nation. The Tigers, with a record of 4-0, were a near unanimous selection again, receiving all but one first place vote.

Texas A&M remains the No. 2 team, as the Aggies improved to 4-0 on the season with a 12-7 win at New Mexico State on Oct. 15. Georgia and South Carolina flip-flopped in the latest poll, with the Bulldogs taking over the third spot and the Gamecocks slipping one spot to fourth.

Oklahoma State, which earned one first place vote, remains fifth in this week's poll. Baylor remains sixth, as the Bears are now 4-1 on the season. Kansas State is ranked seventh again, as the Wildcats are coming off a win over TCU in a neutral site competition hosted by Georgia.

New Mexico State, the No. 10 team two weeks ago, climbed in this week's poll, as the Aggies move up to eighth.

Despite an impressive 5-1 record, SMU finds itself as the No 9. Team. The Mustangs recently went 3-0 on the road against Sacred Heart, Delaware State, and New Mexico State. This is SMU's first time being ranked this season.

Fresno State falls from the No. 8 spot two weeks ago down to No. 10. TCU, which had been ranked ninth, is 0-5 this season and fell out of the poll.

The collegiate coaches competing under the Varsity Equestrian Championship umbrella initiated the national poll.

The poll will be released bi-monthly with the next announcement scheduled for Nov. 9, 2011.

