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## *PAC-12 SELECTS 2016-17 POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS*

**SAN FRANCISCO** – The Pac-12 Conference announced today the 22 outstanding Pac-12 student-athletes who have been named recipients of Pac-12 Postgraduate Scholarships for the 2016-17 academic year. The scholarships, worth \$9,000 each, are awarded to up to two student-athletes from each Pac-12 school annually. These worthy student-athletes maintained a minimum 3.0 grade point average and demonstrated a commitment to education, campus and community involvement, and leadership.

To be selected for a Pac-12 Postgraduate Scholarship, a student-athlete must have:

- Maintained an overall undergraduate minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.00 (based on a 4.00 scale);
- Completed his/her final season of intercollegiate athletics eligibility in all sports or be in his/her final year of undergraduate study, having exhausted athletics eligibility in all sports;
- Been accepted to or already be enrolled as a full-time student in a graduate or professional program at an accredited institution, or in a postgraduate program for which an undergraduate degree is required for admission;
- Performed with distinction as a member of a varsity team; and
- Exemplified behavior, both in competition and beyond, in a manner that has brought credit to the student-athlete, the institution, and intercollegiate athletics.

"The recipients of this scholarship are excellent representatives of their universities and wonderful examples of the power of collegiate sports to help young people reach their goals," said Pac-12 Commissioner Larry Scott. "The Pac-12 is honored to help these standout student-athletes continue their educations, and I look forward to watching them positively impact their communities in the years to come."

Student-athletes awarded this scholarship plan to pursue postgraduate education in best-in-class graduate programs at some of the most prestigious institutions in the world, including several Pac-12 universities. They will study everything from medicine and law to business, dentistry, engineering, education, and more.

In 1999, the Postgraduate Scholarship Program was created to both honor and financially assist some of the Conference's most outstanding athletes and scholars as they continue their educations and prepare for careers in their chosen industries. The Pac-12 annually awards up to 24 scholarships of \$9,000 each to former and graduating student-athletes across the conference. Through its institutional selection process, each Pac-12 institution may select two student-athletes, one man and one woman, to be awarded the scholarship.

Below is the list of 2016-17 Pac-12 Postgraduate Scholarship recipients.

<b>Undergraduate Institution</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Sport</b>	<b>Graduate Institution, Area of Study</b>
Arizona	Sheaffer Skadsen	Soccer	University of Colorado – Denver, Dentistry
Arizona State	Hunter Atha	Diving	University of Illinois – Chicago, Museum and Exhibition Studies
Arizona State	Alexandra Osborne	Tennis	Arizona State University, Sports Law and Business Administration
California	Sullivan Parker	Track & Field	University of California – Berkeley, Education
California	Christina Higgins	Volleyball	Georgetown University, Law
Colorado	Henrik Gunnarsson	Skiing	Imperial College London, Finance and Accounting
Colorado	Clare Wise	Skiing	Stanford University, Medicine
Oregon	Cullen Prena	Track & Field	University of Mississippi, Business Administration
Oregon	Madeline Middlebrooks	Track & Field	University of Denver, Law
Oregon State	Max Engelbrekt	Baseball	Oregon State University, Business Administration
Oregon State	Bev Miller	Softball	University of Virginia, Chemical Engineering
Stanford	Johnny Caspers	Football	Stanford University, Earth Systems
Stanford	Nicole Stafford	Swimming	Stanford University, Mechanical Engineering
USC	Sara Hughes	Beach Volleyball	University of Southern California, Entrepreneurship
UCLA	Garrett Danner	Water Polo	Durham University, Management and Finance

UCLA	Kamila Tan	Beach Volleyball	University of California – Los Angeles, Health Policy and Management
Utah	Brendan Nguyen	Swimming	University of Utah, Public Health
Utah	Hannah Flippen	Softball	University of Utah, Special Education
Washington	William Lytle	Rowing	University of Washington, Intercollegiate Athletics Leadership
Washington	Casey Stangel	Softball	Vanderbilt University, Leadership and Organizational Performance
Washington State	Matthew Swanson	Track & Field	Washington State University, Business Administration and Data Analytics
Washington State	Alexis Thode	Soccer	Northwestern Health Sciences University, Chiropractic

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