Information Item

ATH – 2  2015-16 Athletic Department Accomplishments Summary

Background Information

The following report is produced each semester by Spartan Academic Support Services to provide academic data and highlight achievements.

General

- 69 Academic All-SoCon selections.
- 140 members named to the SoCon Academic Honor Roll.
- The UNCG student-athlete GPA is a 3.15, higher than the general student body (2.76).
- The Spartans also had three student-athletes this season named Academic All-America in Lindsey Thomas of softball, Lucy Mason of women’s basketball and Noah DeAngelo of men’s soccer.
- Noah DeAngelo of men’s soccer and Eira Jensen of cross country were named Phi Beta Kappa.
- 29 inductees in the Golden Chain Honor Society.
- Chesney White of women’s soccer awarded NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship.
- Lucy Mason of women’s basketball awarded SoCon David Knight Graduate Scholarship.
- UNCG was chosen to win the Southern Conference D.S. McAlister Sportsmanship Award as a program.
- Spartan fans got to witness lots of wins at home last season as UNCG won over 70% of its home games, including over 75 percent in men’s basketball, baseball and volleyball.
- The future is bright for UNCG athletics as the Spartans had a program-record six student-athletes earn Southern Conference Freshman of the Year honors this season --- the most by any team in the SoCon. Earning top rookie honors included Leeroy Maguraushe (men’s soccer), Caylin Prillaman (women’s soccer), Allison Penner (volleyball), Kathleen Mansure (women’s cross country), Stephanie Bryden (softball) and Bryce Hendrix (men's golf).
- For the third straight year, 100 percent of UNCG student-athletes donated to the Spartan Club with a gift to the program.
- For 5th consecutive year, UNCG Spartan Club set an all-time record for cash raised for the Athletic scholarship fund with a total of $425,329.
- Attained a renewal rate of 83% for men’s basketball season tickets.
• Launched a new online store with more variety and nearly ten times as many products.
• Led the Southern Conference in average attendance per match for men’s soccer, women’s soccer and volleyball.
• Drew the second largest crowd (2,065) for a women’s soccer match in UNCG history.
• Reached a capacity crowd at Spartan Madness for the second consecutive year.
• Attracted 1,200+ students at the men’s basketball Coliseum opener.
• Worked with ESPN to design a production trailer and purchase of new equipment to enhance video broadcasts.
• Created three video shows: Wes Miller Show, Wendy Palmer Show and Let’s Go G Sports Show.
• Drew largest crowd (903) in UNCG women’s basketball history.
• Drew largest crowd (565) in UNCG softball history.
• Extended IMG College Agreement thru 2018.

**Cross Country**

• Women’s Cross Country placed third at SoCon Championships improving from a fifth place finish in 2014.
• Freshman Kathleen Mansure was named Freshman of The Year for the SoCon as the top freshman finisher at the 2015 Cross Country Championships.
• Mansure was named to the All-Freshman and All-SoCon First Team.
• Eira Jensen collected All-SoCon First Team honors with a 6th place finish.
• Mansure placed fifth at USATF Cross Country Championships.
• Mansure became first in program history to earn a spot at the APA Pan American Cross Country Cup in Venezuela.
• Jensen was named Phi Beta Kappa at UNCG.
• Men’s Cross Country finished fifth at the SoCon Championships improving from a seventh place finish in 2014.
• Placed four men’s players on the Academic All-SoCon Team – David Guthrie, Brandon King, Patrick O’Grady and Dakarai Shipp.
• Placed four women’s players on the Academic All-SoCon Team – Eira Jensen, Katherine Link, Katlyn Ayers and Sarah DeSantis.

**Volleyball**

• Finished 22-11 and 11-5 in the SoCon.
• Finished 3rd in the SoCon.
• Went 11-1 in Fleming Gymnasium.
• Averaged a league-best 17.41 digs per set last season.
• Held opponents to a .169 hitting average, tops in the SoCon.
• First time since 2008 UNCG placed three players on the All-Conference Teams.
• Senior Katherine Santiago earned SoCon Libero of the Year and Second Team All-SoCon Honors.
• Allison Penner earned SoCon Freshman of the Year.
- Named three to the Academic All-SoCon Team – Lauren Betlach, Ashley Muench and Julia Westerbur.
- Second-straight year that UNCG has had a player earn Freshman of the Year and third time in school history.
- Sophomore Ashley Muench earned First Team All-SoCon.
- Junior Jessica Brezwyn earned Second Team All-SoCon.
- Jasmine Jones earned SoCon All-Freshman honors.
- Muench named SoCon Offensive Player of the Week (Sept. 14).
- Muench finished second in the SoCon with 3.73 kills per set.
- Finished 17th in the NCAA with 17.41 digs per set.
- Finished 19th in the NCAA with 38.03 team attacks per set.
- Penner earned a SoCon season-best 64 assists against Chattanooga (Oct. 23).
- Received the NCAA APR Public Recognition Award.

**Men’s Soccer**
- Posted an 11-5-5 record on the season.
- Won the Southern Conference regular season championship with a 6-1-3 mark in league play.
- Jacques Francois was named the SoCon Player of the Year.
- Leeroy Maguraushe was named the SoCon Freshman of the Year.
- This marks the second time in program history UNCG has swept the Player and Freshman of the Year honors (2004).
- Noah DeAngelo was named Academic All-America and was named to UNCG’s Phi Beta Kappa.
- Posted a 6-2-3 record at home, the most home wins since 2009.
- Finished seventh in the nation and led SoCon in scoring offense at 2.19 goals per game.
- Ranked sixth in the country and led SoCon in shots per game at 15.90.
- Jacques Francois led the SoCon and ranked 22nd in the nation in scoring with 1.37 points per game.
- Francois ranked 14th in the country and led the SoCon with 14 total assists.
- Freshman Leeroy Maguraushe was named a Freshman All-American.
- Placed seven members on the All-SoCon First and Second Teams. The seven members on the All-SoCon First and Second teams ties the UNCG school-record for most honorees on the postseason teams, matching the number set in 2005 when UNCG posted five first team and two second team selections.
- Jacques Francois, Leeroy Maguraushe and Hugo Coicaud were named First Team All-SoCon.
- Matteo Busio, Damieon Thomas, Nicholas Downs and Jordan Poarch were named Second Team All-SoCon.
- Maguraushe and Busio were named to the SoCon All-Freshman Team.
- Freshman goalkeeper Jon Milligan finished his season without a loss, posting a 6-0-4 record on the year. Milligan ranked second in the SoCon with a 0.64 goals against average.
- Francois was named First Team All-NSCAA Region.
Francois was named the SoCon Player of the Month for October.
Francois was named SoCon Player of the Week Nov. 3.
Maguraushe was a two-time SoCon Player of the Week winner, earning honors
Oct. 27 and Sept. 1.
Damieon Thomas was named SoCon Player of the Week Sept. 15.
Maguraushe scored his first career goal in overtime in the season-opening victory
at Atlantic Coast Conference foe Virginia Tech.
Placed six on the Academic All-SoCon Team – Noah DeAngelo, Hugo Coicaud,
Corey Croegaert, Eric Gunnarsson, Rouven Wahlfeldt and Christopher Reingen.

Women’s Soccer
- Posted a 9-9-3 record going 6-2-1 in the SoCon and earning a No. 3 seed in the
  SoCon Tournament.
- Chesney White and Georgia Brown were named Preseason All-SoCon.
- Defeated NC State on the road for first win over an ACC opponent since Wake
  Forest in 2012.
- Following the 2-0 shutout over NC State, goalkeeper Chloe Buehler was named
  SoCon Player of the Week and NSCAA National Player of the Week 9/15/15.
- Hosted defending national champions Florida State in front of 2,065 fans
  September 17, 2015, the second-largest crowd in program history.
- Finished the regular season on a three-game win streak and won four of the last
  five games.
- Caylin Prillaman was named SoCon Freshman of the Year, the sixth in program
  history.
- Chesney White earned her fourth All-SoCon Team honors as a First Team
  selection.
- Georgia Brown and Zoë Fishman were named All-SoCon First Team.
- Ashley Eddleman and Regan Lehman were named All-SoCon Second Team.
- Prillaman and Gabbi Charles earned All-SoCon Freshman Team.
- Chesney White and Georgia Brown were named All-Tournament Team.
- Prillaman named SoCon Player of the Week 10/20/15.
- Placed seven players on the Academic All-SoCon Team – Chesney White, Melanie
  Spensiero, Zoë Fishman, Candice Forbes, Ashley Eddleman, Chloe Buehler and
  Hannah Hoeksema.

Track (Indoor & Outdoor)
- Kathleen Mansure was named to the All-Freshman team after finishing as the top
  freshman in the 5,000 meter at the SoCon Indoor Track and Field
  Championships.
- Katy Link ran personal best 5,000-meter at Raleigh Relays with time of 17:29.10.
- Link set personal record in 10,000 at Last Chance Meet with time of 35:03.21.
- Eira Jensen inducted into UNCG’s Epsilon Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.
- Link qualified for NCAA East Regionals in Jacksonville, Fla., where she earned a
  top-40 finish in the 10K.
**Women’s Basketball**
- Posted an 8-22 overall record and went 6-9 at home.
- Began the season 9-7 in non-conference play, the best start in over 10 seasons.
- Lucy Mason was named Preseason All-SoCon.
- Mason set a single-game record when she scored a career-high 42 points against High Point.
- Mason earned SoCon Player of the Week honors 11/24/15.
- Mason was named SoCon Player of the Month in both November and December 2015.
- UNCG closed out the 2015 portion of the season winning four of the last five games including going 2-1 in New Orleans with wins over UNO and Cleveland State.
- Mason became the program’s all-time scorer (1,703 points) breaking Angie Polk-Jones’ 26-year-old record against Maryland-Eastern Shore 12/28/15.
- UNCG won its 700th game in program history against UMES 12/28/15.
- Set a program record for team shooting percentage in a game (.661) in a 103-56 win over NC Central 12/31/15. That same game UNCG reached the century mark in a game and was one-point shy of matching a program record for points scored in a game during the DI era.
- UNCG’s 47-point win over NC Central marked the third best margin in program history.
- Mason named SoCon Student Athlete of the Week 12/02/15.
- Mason named SoCon Player of the Week for second consecutive week 1/5/16.
- India Timpton was named a finalist for the Allstate WBCA Good Works Team.
- Mason named SoCon Player of the Week for third time.
- Mason earned CoSIDA Academic All-District and Academic All-America Honors (First Academic AA for UNCG women’s basketball in history).
- Women’s Basketball participated in Walk for Hunger, Jesse Wharton Elementary School, Our Lady of Grace Catholic School and various other community events.
- Mason earned All-SoCon First Team honors and All-SoCon First Team Media Poll Honors.
- Timpton received Ann Lashley Inspiration Award from SoCon.
- Mason named to Division I-AAA ADA Scholar Athlete Team.
- Mason awarded David Knight Graduate Scholarship from SoCon.
- Women’s Basketball named Co-Winner with Women’s Golf of UNCG UNITY award at Senior Awards Banquet.
- Mason finished in the top-20 nationally for points per game, shots per game and total free throws.
- Set a Fleming Gymnasium attendance record in the final home game of the season with 903 in attendance 2/27/16.

**Men’s Basketball**
- Posted a 15-19 record on the season, including a 10-8 mark in Southern Conference play.
• Finished tied for fifth overall in the league with a 10-8 record and earned a first round bye in the SoCon Tournament.
• Announced an extension to keep the Greensboro Coliseum as the Spartans’ home for the 2016-17 season.
• Recorded its fourth postseason appearance with a spot in the CBI.
• Notched the program’s first-ever postseason victory with a home win over Dallas Baptist and suffered a last-second loss in the quarterfinals at Ohio.
• Finished the season winning six out of its last eight games with the only losses coming in the SoCon Tournament and the CBI.
• The Spartans’ 15 victories are the most for UNCG since posting a 19-12 record in 2007-08.
• Recorded a 12-4 record at home this season, marking the most home wins since 2001-02.
• Closed the regular season with a five-game winning streak, the longest winning streak for the program since winning seven-straight in 2011-12.
• Head Coach Wes Miller signed a two-year contract extension prior to the season.
• Redshirt junior center R.J. White was named to the First Team All-SoCon Team.
• Junior guard Diante Baldwin was named Third Team All-SoCon.
• Freshman guard Francis Alonso was named to the SoCon’s All-Freshman Team.
• R.J. White became the 21st player in UNCG history to score 1,000-career points, eclipsing the mark in the CBI game at Ohio.
• White finished the year ranked 13th in the nation and led the SoCon with a 61.6 percent mark shooting from the field.
• Baldwin ranked second in the SoCon and 44th in the country with 169 assists.
• Freshman guard Francis Alonso set the UNCG scoring record for a freshman with 443 points, eclipsing the previous mark of 412 (Jay Joseph).
• Senior forward Kayel Locke finished his career as the all-time leader in games played with 130.
• Locke finished his career ranked sixth all-time in scoring with 1,522 career points.
• Alonso finished third in UNCG history for single-season 3-pointers made with 85.
• Spartans as a team ranked 35th in the nation with 815 3-pointers attempted.
• UNCG ranked 42nd in the country with 8.7 3-pointers made per game.
• Locke was named to SoCon Player of the Week Feb. 2 after scoring a career-high 30 points at The Citadel.
• Junior forward Jordy Kuiper was named to the All-State Good Works Team for his efforts with the JDRF and Bas Van de Goor Foundation.

**Men’s Golf**

• Finished in second place at the Southern Conference Championships, just one shot out of the leader ETSU at Pinehurst.
• Was ranked as high as No. 45 in the country during the season and was in conversation for an at-large bid.
• Junior Jake McGlone earned the Spartans’ second-ever individual at-large selection into the NCAA Tournament. McGlone took part in the Franklin Regional hosted by Vanderbilt.
• Bryce Hendrix was named the SoCon Freshman of the Year.
• Jake McGlone and Taylor Coalson were named to the All-SoCon Team.
• Josh Stockwell led the Spartans with a seventh place finish at the SoCon Championships, his best career finish.
• McGlone and Coalson tied for the individual title at the Tiger Invitational.
• McGlone placed fifth at the Rod Myers Invitational to open the season.
• Spartans posted six top five finishes on the season, including a second-place showing at the Wolfpack Intercollegiate.
• Received the NCAA APR Public Recognition Award.
• Earned the GCAA All-Academic Team Award for the seventh straight season.

**Women’s Golf**
• Finished eighth overall at the Southern Conference Championships.
• Graduated two players – Sammie Buchanan and Jessica Madsen.
• Finished third overall at the Forest Oaks Fall Classic.
• Tallied three top-10 finishes on the year.
• Placed sixth overall at the Bobby Nichols Intercollegiate.
• Jessica Madsen had the Spartans’ top finish of the season, placing fifth at the Forest Oaks Fall Classic.
• Lexi Kershaw placed eighth at the Forest Oaks Fall Classic, her highest finish of the year.
• Emily Kurey finished 11th at the Lady Bulldog Individual.
• Women’s Basketball named Co-Winner with Women’s Golf of UNCG UNITY award at Senior Awards Banquet.
• Women’s Golf named UNCG Community Service award at Senior Awards Banquet.

**Men’s Tennis**
• Finished 9-13 overall and 2-5 in the SoCon.
• Junior Warren Bryan earned Second Team All-SoCon.
• Junior Connor Thompson named SoCon Player of the Week (Mar. 21).
• Senior Daniel Mack named SoCon Player of the Week (Feb. 22).
• Thompson finished 14-8 at No. 1 singles, earning the most wins, as well as the highest winning percentage of the team.
• Redshirt Junior William Albright and Warren Bryan earned 4-3 records in SoCon play, tying for a team-best.
• Daniel Mack and Connor Thompson earned a 15-5 record at No. 1 and No. 2 doubles, the most wins of any doubles pair this season.

**Women’s Tennis**
• Finished 8-13 overall and 2-5 in the SoCon.
• Sarah Swiderski earned SoCon All-Freshman.
Senior Amy Ellis earned the SoCon Sportsmanship Award.
Swiderski finished 8-3 at No. 2 singles, a team-best for wins in one flight.
Junior Masey DeMoss went 4-3 in SoCon play, and 10-10 overall.
Senior Jamie Grinberg finished 7-5, and 4-1 at No. 4 singles, the best winning percentage on the team.

**Softball**
- Posted a 33-26 record and 24-9 at home while earning the No. 3 seed in the SoCon Tournament.
- UNCG has won at least 30 games in three of the last four seasons since head coach Janelle Breneman took over.
- Breneman earned her 100th career win as a head coach.
- Spartans set a program record for home wins (24).
- Lindsay Thomas was named Preseason SoCon Player of the Year for the second straight year.
- Spartans earned five Preseason All-SoCon First Team selections.
- UNCG defeated No. 23 NC State for first win over an ACC opponent since Virginia in 2013. It was the first win over NC State since 2010 and first win over a top-25 team since No. 23 Florida State 2/11/11.
- UNCG earned its first ever win over a Big 12 opponent when they beat Kansas during opening weekend; returned the next day and beat the Jayhawks again in a come-from-behind walk-off win.
- Lindsay Thomas named SoCon Softball Player of the Week 2/15/16.
- Alicia Bazonski named SoCon Pitcher of the Week 2/29/16.
- Danielle Vega named SoCon Player of the Month (February).
- Bazonski threw 12th no-hitter in program history, first under head coach Janelle Breneman.
- Bazonski named SoCon Pitcher of the Week 3/14/16.
- Lindsay Thomas became all-time home run leader with three home runs in doubleheader vs. Bryant.
- Bazonski repeated as SoCon Pitcher of the Week 3/21/16.
- L. Thomas and Bazonski swept SoCon Player & Pitcher of the Month awards for March, first sweep in program history.
- Nicole Thomas named SoCon Player of the Week 4/11/16.
- Lindsay Thomas Named SoCon Player of the Week 5/2/16.
- Lindsay Thomas named SoCon Student Athlete of the Week 5/4/16.
- Softball earned sweep over Chattanooga for the first time since 2003.
- Softball defeated Chattanooga by mercy rule for first time in program history 4/30/16.
- Nicole Thomas, Sidney Grkman and Lindsay Thomas earned CoSIDA Academic All-District Team honors.
- Stephanie Bryden named SoCon Freshman of the Year.
- L. Thomas & N. Thomas named SoCon First Team. Lindsay became first four-time First Team selection in program history and just fifth in SoCon history.
- Bazonski, Vega and Allison Geiner named All-SoCon Second Team.
• Bryden named SoCon All-Freshman Team.
• 3 Spartans earned NFCA All-Region honors - Nicole & Lindsay First Team, Vega Second Team.
• Lindsay Thomas became all-time leader in career hits, finished with 257, 57 home runs, 189 runs scored and .382 batting average, all program records.
• UNCG led the SoCon with 61 home runs.
• Five Spartans hit over .300 this season with Lindsay Thomas hitting .411.
• Nicole Thomas named CoSIDA Academic All-America Second Team.

Baseball
• Posted a 38-21 record - the most wins since the 2003 season.
• Went 15-9 and finished tied for second in the SoCon.
• Earned the No. 3 seed in the SoCon tournament, the highest seed since 2034 and 2004.
• Earned a win in the SoCon Tournament, the first under head coach Link Jarrett.
• Junior Jake Kusz and Freshman Cesar Trejo named to SoCon All-Tournament Team.
• Finished with the best batting average in the nation and the SoCon.
• Set school records in batting average, hits, runs, RBI, doubles, triples and on-base percentage.
• Concluded the regular season leading the NCAA in average, hits, doubles, slugging percentage, on-base percentage and tied for the top spot in triples.
• Went 25-5 at home, the best winning percentage at home since 1998.
• The 25 wins at home are the most since 2003 when UNCG finished 27-6 at home.
• Link Jarrett named unanimous SoCon Coach of the Year.
• Jarrett earned his 100th career win as a head coach.
• Sophomore Andrew Wantz, Redshirt Senior L.J. Kalawaia and Senior Collin Woody were First Team All-SoCon.
• Wantz earned SoCon Co-Pitcher of the Year honors in the media poll.
• Junior Ben Spitznagel and Junior Dillon Stewart were Second Team All-SoCon.
• Matt Frisbee, Andrew Moritz and Cesar Trejo earned SoCon All-Freshman honors.
• Wantz earned SoCon Pitcher of the Week, Collegiate Baseball National Player of the Week and NCBWA National Pitcher of the Week Honors (Mar. 28-Apr. 4).
• L.J. Kalawaia earned SoCon Player of the Week and Collegiate Baseball National Player of the Week (Apr. 11-Apr. 17).
• Matt Frisbee earned SoCon Pitcher of the Week (Apr. 11-Apr. 17).
• Junior Ben Spitznagel, Junior Dillon Stewart and Freshman Cesar Trejo earned American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA)/Rawlings Atlantic Region honors (First Team, Second Team and Second Team respectively).
• Andrew Moritz and Cesar Trejo named Louisville Slugger Freshmen All-Americans, first since 2003.
• Spitznagel earned American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA)/Rawlings Third Team All-American honors.
• Ben Spitznagel finished 2nd in the NCAA with 95 hits, and third all-time at UNCG.
• L.J. Kalawaia finished 11th in the NCAA with 89 hits.
• Four players ranked in the top 25 of the NCAA in runs scored.
• Collin Woody ranked 10th in the NCAA with 23 doubles on the season; second all-time.
• Andrew Moritz finished 11th in the NCAA with seven triples despite playing in at least eight less games than all other players.
• L.J. Kalawaia ranked 21st in the NCAA with six triples.
• Stewart, Kalawaia and Woody ranked 25th, 16th, and 10th respectively for total RBI in the NCAA.
• Stewart ranked 20th in the NCAA with a .665 slugging percentage.
• Woody paced the nation with 11 sacrifice flies during the year.
• Andrew Wantz ranked 10th in the nation in pitching appearances.
• L.J. Kalawaia, Collin Woody and Hunter Smith drafted in 21st, 24th and 38th MLB rounds respectively. Three picks matches most in school history (2007 and 1994).

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