



## **CAPITAL ONE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® TEAM** **SELECTED BY COSIDA**

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### **KEALA PETERSON OF SONOMA STATE LEADS CAPITAL ONE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® DIVISION II VOLLEYBALL TEAM**

**TOWSON, Md.** – Senior outside hitter **Keala Peterson** of Sonoma State headlines the 2011 Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Volleyball Team, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

A double major in Anthropology and Psychology, she has a 3.96 G.P.A. Peterson has been chosen as the winner of the Capital One Division II Academic All-America® of the Year award for Division II volleyball.

The Capital One Division II Academic All-America® program is being financially supported by the NCAA Division II national governance structure to assist CoSIDA with handling the awards fulfillment aspects for the 2011-12 Capital One D-II Academic All-America® teams program.

Peterson led Sonoma State to a 23-7 record as the Seawolves advanced to the NCAA Division II West Region final before being eliminated. She is one of six AVCA All-Americans on the Capital One Academic All-America team, earning honorable mention AVCA All-American honors. It marked the third time she had received AVCA accolades. She was a third team AVCA All-American in 2009 and an honorable mention selection last year.

As a senior, Peterson led the Seawolves and the California Collegiate Athletic Association with 380 kills, setting a school record with 3.62 kills per set. She added 249 digs and 51 blocks. In her three years with the Seawolves, she accumulated 1,089 kills, fifth on the Seahawks' all-time list.

While earning All-CCAA honors for the second time, Peterson helped the Seahawks post the best record in school history with a 23-7 mark, good for second place in the league.

A Nursing major with a 4.00 G.P.A., senior **Mollie Lacy** of Washburn is the only repeat selection on the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Volleyball team. She was a second team selection last year.

A three-time All-Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association selection, Lacy led Washburn to its second straight conference championship. A native of Lincoln, Neb., Lacy finished her career as one of eight players in school history with 1,000 career kills and 300 career blocks. With 1,220 career kills, she finished 12<sup>th</sup> on Washburn's all-time list. As a senior, she was fourth in the MAIAA with a .347 hitting percentage and was seventh in blocks. She led the Lady Blues to a 32-3 record as they lost in the South Central Regional final.

A Psychology major with a 3.90 G.P.A., senior **Jennie Hutt** earned honorable mention AVCA All-American honors for Abilene Christian in addition to claiming a spot on the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Volleyball first team. An outside hitter, Hutt helped the Wildcats to a 21-11 record and earned first team All-Lone Star Conference honors. She was named all-conference for the third time after earning second team honors twice. Named as the 2011 Lone Star Conference Academic Player of the Year, she was also a first team AVCA All-Region choice. A native of Papillion, Neb., Hutt had 1,543 kills in her career, fourth on the Wildcats' all-time list.

A trio of Scholar-Athletes who each has a 4.00 G.P.A. rounds out the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Volleyball first team. Senior **Anna Garrison** of Montevallo joins juniors **Jennifer Costello** of Missouri Science & Tech and Wingate's **Grace Krauser** to complete the first team.

A Communication Studies major with a 4.00 G.P.A., Garrison led Montevallo in assists (968) and digs (291). A veteran setter, she was a two-time All-Peach Belt Conference selection, earning first team honors in 2010. She was also recognized as the PBC Co-Setter of the Year last season. As a senior, the LaVerne, Tenn. native averaged 10.6 assists and 3.2 digs per set.

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A junior setter at Missouri Science and Tech, Costello is a Chemical Engineering major with a 4.00 G.P.A. While averaging 11.12 assists per set, she earned first team All-Great Lakes Valley Conference honors. She helped the Miners post a 24-10 record and finish first in the GLVC's Southern Division. She was second in the conference in assists and was fourth on her team in digs.

A Sociology major with a 4.00 G.P.A., Krauser was named second team All-South Atlantic Conference as a middle blocker for the second year in a row. A member of the SAC Championship all-tournament team, she led the Bulldogs to their sixth consecutive conference title. While averaging 2.85 kills and 0.52 blocks per game, the Louisville, Ky. native helped Wingate post its first-ever undefeated regular season. She also helped the Bulldogs earn their seventh straight NCAA playoff berth. The winner of the NCAA Elite 88 award last year, she has helped Wingate post a 99-5 record during her career.

The six members of the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Volleyball first team have an average G.P.A. of 3.98.

The Capital One Academic All-America Division® II Volleyball second team is led by senior setter **Liz Willis** of Wingate, a third team AVCA All-America selection. Wingate and Tampa are the only schools with more than one representative on the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Volleyball teams. Tampa is represented by senior **Camille Hanks** on the second team and senior **Eva Dupay** on the third team. They led the Spartans to a 33-2 record and a berth in the NCAA Division II semi-finals.

The rest of the second team includes seniors **Rhianon Brady** of Clarion, **Allison Fanta** of Minnesota Duluth and **Lauren Huber** of Florida Southern. **Ashley Sarmiento** of Tusculum is the lone sophomore on the second team.

Seniors **Allie Huffman** of Central Missouri, **Sarah Kahrs** of Saint Rose and senior **Clara Leutheuser** of Hillsdale join juniors **Meghan Franz** of California (Pa.) and **Anne Sutton** of Ferris State to complete the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Volleyball third team.

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# Capital One 2011 Academic All-America® Division II Volleyball Team

## FIRST TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
Jennifer Costello	Missouri Science and Tech	Jr.	St. Louis, Mo.	4.00	Chemical Engineering
Anna Garrison	Montevallo	Sr.	LaVergne, Tenn.	4.00	Communication Studies
Jennie Hutt	Abilene Christian	Sr.	Papillion, Neb.	3.90	Psychology
Grace Krauser	Wingate	Jr.	Louisville, Ky.	4.00	Sociology
Mollie Lacy (2)	Washburn	Sr.	Lincoln, Neb.	4.00	Nursing
<b>Keala Peterson</b>	<b>Sonoma State</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>Sebastopol, Cal.</b>	<b>3.96</b>	<b>Anthropology, Psychology</b>

## SECOND TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
Rhianon Brady	Clarion	Sr.	Canal Winchester, Ohio	3.92	Biology, Sec. Education
Allison Fanta	Minnesota Duluth	Sr.	Hillsboro, Wis.	3.97	Management
Camille Hanks	Tampa	Sr.	Dexter, Mich.	3.92	Psychology, English
Lauren Huber	Florida Southern	Sr.	Charlotte, N.C.	3.96	Human Movement and Perf.
Ashley Sarmiento	Tusculum	So.	Dayton, Ohio	4.00	Mathematics, Math. Education
Liz Willis	Wingate	Sr.	Raleigh, N.C.	3.83	Biology

## THIRD TEAM

Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
Eva Dupay	Tampa	Sr.	Fort Myers, Fla.	3.53	Biology, Pre-Dental
Meghan Franz	California (Pa.)	Jr.	Cranberry Twp., Pa.	3.88	Secondary Education
Allie Huffman	Central Missouri	Sr.	Lee's Summit, Mo.	3.58	Sports Management
Sarah Kahrs	Saint Rose	Sr.	Kings Park, N.Y.	3.96	Math Adolescence Educ.
Clara Leutheuser	Hillsdale	Sr.	Hillsdale, Mich.	3.89	German
Anne Sutton	Ferris State	Jr.	Grand Rapids, Mich.	3.94	Graphic Design

**Capital One Division II Academic All-America® of the Year: Keala Peterson, Sonoma State**

(2) *CoSIDA Academic All-America® 2nd team in 2010*

