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NICK HOWIE OF EASTERN KENTUCKY LEADS ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® DIVISION I BASEBALL TEAM

AUSTIN, Texas – Eastern Kentucky University senior outfielder Nick Howie headlines the 2020 Academic All-America® Division I baseball team selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) and announced Thursday.

Howie has been named the 2020 Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year for Division I baseball.

Despite the cancellation of spring competition during COVID-19, CoSIDA continued its sponsorship of the Academic All-America awards program. Student-athletes were selected based on career statistics.

A finance major with a 4.00 GPA from Oakville, Ontario, Howie becomes a three-time Academic All-America® selection after being named to the first team in 2019 and the third team in 2018.

Howie hit .351 with two home runs, 14 runs scored, 16 RBI, five doubles and six stolen bases in 14 games last season. He was chosen as the 45th-best outfielder in the nation and rated as the 50th-best hitter by D1Baseball.com after the 2020 season. Howie was one of 36 players nationally named to the watch list for the Bobby Bragan Collegiate Slugger Award and he was the 2020 Ohio Valley Conference Preseason Player of the Year and was a preseason All-OVC selection.

Of the 33 members on the Academic All-America® Division I baseball team, seven boast a perfect 4.0 GPA. The 11 members of the first team have an average GPA of 3.90.

Five others join Howe as repeat selections on Academic All-America® Division I baseball team from 2019 – **Anthony Giachin** (United States Military Academy)**, Alec Trela** (University of Memphis)**, Alec Burleson** (East Carolina University)**, Michael Guldberg** (Georgia Tech) and **Joe Lomuscio** (Brown University).

For more information regarding the Academic All-America® program, visit https://academicallamerica.com/.

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2020 Academic All-America ® Baseball Team Division I

FIRST TEAM

Pos.	Name	School	GPA	Yr.	Major
P	Garrett Acton	University of Illinois	3.98	Sr.	Finance
P	Emerson Hancock	University of Georgia	3.42	Jr.	Sports Management
C	Chase Sebby	Ball State University	4.00/4.00	Gr.	Statistics
IF	Anthony Giachin (2)	United States Military Academy	3.97	Jr.	Mechanical Engineering
IF	Grant Mathews	Tulane University	4.00	Sr.	Homeland Security Studies
IF	Tristan Peterson	New Mexico State University	4.00	Sr.	Engineering
IF	Alec Trela (3)	University of Memphis	3.97	Sr.	Biomedical Engineering
OF	Alec Burleson (3)	East Carolina University	3.93	Jr.	Business Management
OF	Michael Guldberg (1)	Georgia Tech (1)	3.90	Jr.	Industrial Engineering
OF	Nick Howie (1) (4)	Eastern Kentucky University	4.00	Sr.	Finance
DH	Freddy Sabido	Wagner College	3.74/3.88	Gr.	Business Administration / Marketing

SECOND TEAM

Pos.	Name	School	GPA	Yr.	Major
P	Bryce Jarvis	Duke University	3.34	Jr.	Mechanical Engineering
P	Jared Leins	U.S. Naval Academy	3.83	Jr.	Mechanical Engineering
C	Michael Rothenberg	Duke University	3.72	Jr.	Political Science
IF	Steven Curry	Georgia Southern University	3.77	Sr.	Finance
IF	Nick Gonzales	New Mexico State University	3.33	Jr.	Individualized Studies
IF	Luke Waddell	Georgia Tech	3.86	Jr.	Business Administration
IF	Rankin Woley	Auburn University	3.94	Sr.	Business Administration
OF	Jacob Hurtubise	United States Military Academy	3.70	Sr.	Operations Research
OF	Heston Kjerstad	University of Arkansas	3.58	Jr.	Recreation & Sport Management
OF	Brandon Raquet	William & Mary	3.90	Sr.	Neuroscience
DH	Ryan Ober	Oregon State University	3.66	Jr.	Finance

THIRD TEAM

Pos.	Name	School	GPA	Yr.	Major
P	Jacob Key	University of Illinois at Chicago	3.84	Sr.	Mechanical Engineering
P	Kyle Swanson	Northwestern State University	4.00/4.00	Gr.	Biology (U) / Health & Human Performance (G)
C	Braxton Fulford	Texas Tech University	3.90	Jr.	Finance
IF	Chris Adams	University of Pennsylvania	3.72	Sr.	Finance / Legal Studies & Business Ethics
IF	Michael Coritz	U.S. Naval Academy	3.46	Sr.	Quantitative Economics
IF	Thomas Joyce	Merrimack College	3.89	Sr.	Economics
IF	Luke Shadid	Bradley University	3.66/3.57	Gr.	Finance
OF	Joe Lomuscio (2)	Brown University	4.00	Jr.	Economics
OF	Andrew MacNeil	Stetson University	4.00	Sr.	Molecular Biology
OF	Jake Suddleson	Harvard University	3.46	Sr.	History
DH	Christian Barczi	Valparaiso University	3.59	Sr.	Communication

Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year: Nick Howie, Eastern Kentucky University

(1) = 2019 1st team Academic All-America®
(2) = 2019 2nd team Academic All-America®
(3) = 2019 3rd team Academic All-America®
(4) = 2018 3rd team Academic All-America®