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PAC-12 ANNOUNCES 2017 SOFTBALL ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

**UTAH'S HANNAH FLIPPEN, ARIZONA'S KATIYANA MAUGA NAMED CO-PLAYERS OF THE YEAR
ARIZONA'S DANIELLE O'TOOLE VOTED PITCHER OF THE YEAR
FLIPPEN TABBED DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR AND PAC-12 BATTING CHAMPION
UCLA'S RACHEL GARCIA VOTED FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR
ARIZONA'S MIKE CANDREA SELECTED AS COACH OF THE YEAR**

SAN FRANCISCO – The 2017 Pac-12 Softball All-Conference honors, including All-Pac-12, All-Freshman and All-Defensive teams, were announced today by the Conference office. In a vote of the Conference's head coaches, UTAH's **Hannah Flippen** and ARIZONA's Katiyana Mauga have been named the 2017 Pac-12 Softball Co-Players of the Year. Arizona senior **Danielle O'Toole** was voted Pitcher of the Year. Flippen also garnered Defensive Player of the Year honors and was crowned the Pac-12 Softball Batting Champion. UCLA's **Rachel Garcia** was tabbed Freshman of the Year and Arizona head coach **Mike Candrea** was voted Coach of the Year.

Pac-12 Co-Player of the Year, Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year and Batting Champion – Hannah Flippen, Utah

Flippen earned the Conference's Player of the Year honors once again after leading the Utes to a fifth-place finish in the Pac-12 with a .424 batting average throughout the regular season to also become the Pac-12 Softball Batting Champion. Flippen is a 2016 First Team NFCA All-Pacific Region and ranks in the top five Conference standings in slugging percentage (.764), on base percentage (.515), and stolen bases (11).

Pac-12 Co-Player of the Year – Katiyana Mauga, Arizona

Senior Mauga earned Pac-12 Player of the Year after leading the Wildcats to their first Conference title and highest NCAA tournament seed since 2007. Mauga is approaching history with 22 home runs so far this season and 89 in her career, breaking the school record and only four shy of the NCAA record held by Oklahoma's Lauren Chamberlain. She earned Pac-12 player of the week four times this season.

Pac-12 Pitcher of the Year – Danielle O'Toole, Arizona

O'Toole earns Pac-12 Pitcher of the Year with a 27-4 record, posting 191 strikeouts in 195.1 innings of work to lead the Wildcats to a Conference championship and a No. 2 NCAA Tournament seed. She earned Pac-12 Pitcher of the Week twice this season bringing her career total to six weekly awards and is a two-time first-team all-Pac-12, Arizona's first, first-team all-Pac-12 pitcher since 2010.

Pac-12 Freshman of the Year – Rachel Garcia, UCLA

Rachel Garcia led the Bruins to a fourth place finish and a No. 5 overall seed in the NCAA Tournament. Garcia owns a 18-7 record with 154.2 games pitched and 161 strikeouts. She earned Conference honors four times this season, including twice where she garnered both pitcher and freshman of the week.

Pac-12 Coach of the Year – Mike Candrea, Arizona

Arizona's Mike Candrea re-wrote the history books this season recording his 1,500 career win earlier in the season. Candrea is the fastest coach in NCAA history, in any sport, in any division, to reach 1,500 career wins. He led the Wildcats to their first Conference title since 2007, finishing the season 18-6 in Conference play, and a No. 2 overall seed in the NCAA tournament.

2017 Softball All-Conference Honors

2017 PAC-12 ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

First Team

Name	Position	Year	School
Ali Aguilar	IF	Sr.	Washington
Taran Alvelo	P	So.	Washington
Maggie Balint	RHP	Fr.	Oregon
Hannah Flippen	IF	Sr.	Utah
Rachel Garcia	P	Fr.	UCLA
Chelsea Gonzales	SS	Sr.	Arizona State
Jessie Harper	IF	Fr.	Arizona
Madeline Jelenicki	C/1B	Jr.	UCLA
Megan Kleist	RHP	So.	Oregon
Katiana Mauga	3B	Sr.	Arizona
Danica Mercado	IF	Sr.	Oregon
Mo Mercado	SS	Sr.	Arizona
Danielle O'Toole	P	Sr.	Arizona
Sashel Palacios	C	Sr.	Arizona State
Kylee Perez	IF	Jr.	UCLA
Mandie Perez	OF	Sr.	Arizona
Delaney Spaulding	IF	Sr.	UCLA
Casey Stangel	OF	Sr.	Washington
Nikki Udria	IF	Sr.	Oregon
Miranda Viramontes	P	Jr.	Utah

Second Team

11 players instead of 10 due to tie in voting

Alyssa Barrera	OF	Fr.	Utah
Katie Donovan	P	Jr.	Utah
Alysha Everett	IF	Jr.	Oregon State
Ashleigh Hughes	2B	Jr.	Arizona
Jazmyn Jackson	U	Jr.	California
Alexis Mack	IF	So.	Oregon
Taylor McQuillin	P	So.	Arizona
Bubba Nickles	P/IF	Fr.	UCLA
Alyssa Palomino	OF	Fr.	Arizona
Kylie Sorenson	IF	Sr.	Stanford
Anissa Urtez	SS	Sr.	Utah

Third Team

McKenna Arriola	SS	Jr.	Oregon State
Taylor Becerra	IF	So.	Arizona State
Mia Camuso	IF	Fr.	Oregon
Reyna Carranco	U	Fr.	Arizona
Taylor Cotton	P	Sr.	Oregon State
Natalie Hampton	IF	Sr.	Oregon State
Breanna Macha	RHP	Jr.	Arizona State
Kylie Reed	IF	Sr.	California
Lindsay Rood	IF	So.	California
Gwen Svekis	C	Jr.	Oregon

All-Defensive Team

10 players instead of 9 due to tie in voting

Name	Position	Year	School
Ali Aguilar	IF	Sr.	Washington
Hannah Flippen	IF	Sr.	Utah
Mo Mercado	SS	Sr.	Arizona
Bessie Noll	OF	Sr.	Stanford

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Danielle O'Toole	P	Sr.	Arizona
Kylee Perez	IF	Jr.	UCLA
Sashel Palacios	C	Sr.	Arizona State
Kylie Sorenson	IF	Sr.	Stanford
Delaney Spaulding	IF	Sr.	UCLA
Nikki Udria	IF	Sr.	Oregon

All-Freshman Team

Name	Position	School
Maggie Balint	RHP	Oregon
Alyssa Barrera	OF	Utah
Sis Bates	IF	Washington
Mia Camuso	IF	Oregon
Reyna Carranco	U	Arizona
Miranda Elish	RHP	Oregon
Rachel Garcia	P	UCLA
Jessie Harper	IF	Arizona
Giselle Juarez	LHP	Arizona State
Kelly Martinez	C/3B	Utah
Dejah Mulipola	C	Arizona
Bubba Nickles	P/IF	UCLA
Alyssa Palomino	OF	Arizona
Shannon Rhodes	IF	Oregon

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