Faller Named To Academic All-American Second Team

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UW-Eau Claire senior **Liz Faller** *(Marinette)* has been named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-American college division women's track & field/cross country second team.

Faller, the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference indoor 55-meter hurdles champion, is a kinesiology major with an emphasis in physical education and sports a 3.97 cumulative grade point average.

Faller is the second Blugold this year to receive Academic All-American recognition and only the 23rd individual in school history. Previously this year, Shanna Berger was selected to the Academic All-American volleyball second team. Only 11 different Blugolds have ever been named a first team Academic All-American.

A total of 45 college division athletes were selected to the three Academic All-American track & field/cross country teams. In order to qualify, the individual athletes had to be named to their respective Academic All-Region first team. Faller's region included NCAA Division II, NCAA Division III and NAIA athletes from the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana.

After winning the conference indoor hurdles title, Faller proceeded to finish third at the NCAA indoor nationals in school record time and helped the Blugold women achieve a third-place team finish. She was also a member of the Blugolds' conference champion indoor 1600-meter relay team which placed seventh at the NCAA indoor championship. She was injured during the outdoor season and unable to compete in the conference meet or the national meet but was named the WIAC Scholar-Athlete for outdoor track this year.

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