

2019 BCAM Men's and Women's College Academic-Athletic Teams

Sr. Jeff Beckman Spring Arbor University Special Education 3.9 Shelby, MI
 Jeff is an outstanding leader with an extraordinary work ethic. He helped his team to the 2019 NAIA Division II National Championship. This past season he averaged 10.5 points and 7.1 rebounds. Jeff scored 1067 career points and pulled down 919 rebounds during his time at Spring Arbor University. He has earned a 3.9 GPA in Special Education.

Sr. Jerald Booker Concordia University Organizational Leadership and Admin. 4.0 Southfield, MI
 Jerald has been a 4-year starter and finished his career with 1,431 points (8th all-time at CU). He averaged 13.7 points this past season and was named 2nd team all-conference. Jerald overcame two different season-altering injuries in his career yet still graduated in 4 years. He's been a captain and has assisted with numerous youth camps and community service projects. He carries a 4.0 GPA while working toward his Master of Science degree in Organizational Leadership and Administration.

Sr. Steven Harvey Alma College Business Management 3.5 Grand Rapids, MI
 Steven served as a captain for this past year's Alma College team. He scored over 900 career points and was an MIAA Player of the Week. Harvey averaged 10.7 points 5.2 rebounds this past season. He was a member of Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and was a Special Olympics volunteer. He has a 3.54 GPA in Business Management.

Sr. Adam Kregel Grace Christian University Sports Management 4.0 Grand Rapids, MI
 Last season Adam averaged 13.2 points and 5.5 rebounds and broke the school's career 3 point record, helping his team win a National Championship in 2019. This year's team was the #1 seed and was preparing to play in the Elite Eight before the tournament was canceled. He was a member of the President's List which is the highest academic award at GCU. He led his team in community service hours with almost 300 hours per year. He carries a 4.0 GPA in Sports Management.

Sr. Ben Reiter Kalamazoo College Chemistry 3.4 Rochester, MI
 Ben averaged 14.3 points and 4.5 rebounds this past season for Kalamazoo College. He was an All-MIAA 2nd Team as a junior last season and scored over 1,000 career points. Reiter tied the school record for made 3's in a game with 7. He is a volunteer at local soup kitchens in the Kalamazoo area. He is a 3.4 GPA Chemistry major and is planning on attending dental school.

Jr. Kyra Bussell Central Michigan University Exercise Science 3.98 Grand Rapids, MI
 Starting forward Kyra Bussell made an impact both on and off the court as she helped the Chippewas to a 23-7 record and the top seed for the Mid-American Conference Tournament. She led her team in rebounding (7.0) and was 10th in the conference. Her field goal percentage was the third best in the MAC at nearly 50%, while averaging 14.2 PPG. The junior garnered several accolades throughout the 2019-20 campaign including: Academic All-District 5 Team, All-MAC Third Team, MAC West Player of the Week (3x) and MAC Scholar-Athlete of the Week. Kyra is a member of the Pre-Physical Therapy Club, the CMU Athletics Leadership Program, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

So. Samantha Cherney Wayne State University Chemical Engineering 4.00 Farmington Hills, MI
 Samantha Cherney has demonstrated a notable work ethic on the court and in the classroom during her short time at Wayne State University. The women's basketball center broke the school record for career blocks (92). In addition, she is the first player in WSU's 46-year history to average over two blocks per game which earned her a spot on the 2019-20 GLIAC All-Defensive Team. Cherney finished the season third in the GLIAC for offensive rebounds (84), total rebounds (261), and rebounds per game (8.7). Academically Sam has already earned 81 college credits. She is a peer mentor for the WSU chemistry learning community, all while being in the Honors College. She was named to the 2020 GLIAC All-Academic Excellence Team.

Sr. Kara Minderhoud Calvin University Recreational Therapy 3.98 Grand Rapids, MI
 Calvin College first-year head coach Mark Christner relied on Kara Minderhoud's senior leadership - she was the only senior in the starting line-up, starting all 27 games. She garnered the title of Team Captain during the 2019-20 campaign. Her contributions on the court included first in minutes played (699), and second in defensive rebounds (102), total rebounds (149) and assists (63). Minderhoud concluded her career as a Knight with 60 career starts in 79 contests. The recreational therapy major is a three-time MIAA Honor Roll member and has earned a spot on the Calvin College Dean's List in seven semesters, to date.

So. Marissa Shaw Jackson College Education 3.90 Pittsford, MI
 Phi Theta Kappa member and Jackson College women's basketball sophomore Marissa Shaw is not afraid of hard work. According to her head coach Heather Brown, "Marissa is an outstanding student-athlete that leads by example." Marissa's determination helped lead the Jackson Jets to a 20-8 record during the 2019-20 campaign. One of Marissa's on court contributions for her team was represented in the assist column. She led her team in assists with 107 on the season. The education major also caught the attention of opposing MCCA coaches, as she earned a spot on the 2020 MCCA All-Western Conference Second Team.

Jr. Olivia Voskuil Hope College Civil Engineering 3.90 Holland, MI
 Hope College had an impressive season finishing 29-0, and advancing to the NCAA Division III tournament. Olivia Voskuil was a big part of her team's success. Head coach Brian Morehouse stated "Olivia led our team to a No. 1 defensive rank in the U.S. She's the most active and athletic defender we've ever had." Olivia repeated as the MIAA coaches' choice as Defensive Most Valuable Player. In addition, she earned a spot on the 2020 All-MIAA First team, the 2020 D3Hoops Great Lakes Region First Team and was recognized as a 2020 WBCA Honorable Mention All-American. Off the court, Olivia volunteers with Special Olympics, Miracle baseball, and took part in a trip to third world villages delivering water filtration devices.

Each BCAM Academic-Athletic Honor Team pays tribute to five outstanding scholar-athletes from Michigan colleges and universities at the NCAA I, NCAA II, NCAA III, and NAIA levels. To be eligible, players must be nominated by their BCAM member coach, be either a starter or an important reserve, have reached sophomore standing, have participated in at least 50% of the team's games, and have at least a 3.0 GPA. The BCAM teams are selected on the basis of academic achievement, athletic accomplishments, and extra-curricular activities.