

Report of the Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics to the University Council

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UGA's student-athletes finished the 2015-16 academic year with a 3.05 GPA; this is the seventh consecutive semester and the 9th in the last 11 in which the overall GPA was above 3.00. One of the UGAA's annual goals for 2016-17 is to have 55% of Georgia's student-athletes at 3.00 or above. This goal has been achieved as evidenced by the fact that 60% were at 3.00 or above in 2015-16.

The FAR Award, presented to the team with the top overall GPA, went to Equestrian team because it had finished the year just ahead of Men's Tennis with a team GPA of 3.34 compared to 3.33 for Men's Tennis.

The Joel Eaves Awards went to Emma Schauder from the Equestrian team and Brandon Young from the Basketball team – they are male and female student-athletes entering their senior year with the highest GPAs.

A long list of Georgia's student-athletes received academic awards in 2015-16 including Kendell Williams, Jeb Blazevich, Kisean Smith and Mary Beth Box as well as many of the Bulldogs who competed in Rio at the Olympics including Ms. Williams, Keturah Orji, Hali Flickinger, Gunner Bentz, Leontio Kullenou, Brittany Maclean and Macel Ubio.

The Graduation Success Rate (GSR) for 2016 for Georgia's student/athletes is 82% as calculated by the NCAA.

Also, Georgia had 7 of its 21 teams at 90% or better for their GSRs - men's basketball (100), men's tennis, women's basketball, gymnastics (100), soccer, softball, and swimming (100).