

## SEVEN CONSECUTIVE YEARS

### FSU's GPA Ranks In Top 25 Again

The Ferris State women's basketball team has achieved success in more ways than one under ninth-year head coach Tracey Bloodworth-Fisk.

The 2005-06 Bulldog squad was honored for having the



**The 2005-06 Bulldog basketball squad (above) ranked 20th overall among the nation's top 25 academic teams.**

nation's 20th-highest cumulative grade point average in the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) Division II Academic Top 25 Team Honor Roll list. It marks the seventh consecutive year Ferris has placed among the nation's top 25 academic teams.

The Bulldogs compiled a 3.350 grade point average in 2005-06. Nebraska-Kearney posted a 3.663 team gpa en route to receiving first-place accolades. FSU was ranked the highest of the two Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC)-member institutions ranked in the top 25 as Gannon placed 21st (3.343).

The Bulldogs, who previously compiled the nation's highest gpa (3.534) in 1999-00, also finished 21st (3.313) in 2001-02 and were 20th (3.388) for the 2000-01 academic year. Ferris' 3.604 gpa in 2002-03 placed second and also represented the fifth-best figure among teams from both the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Divisions I, II and III levels along with those representing National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) institutions. FSU was 17th overall (3.384) in 2003-04 before placing 14th overall (3.432) in the 2004-05 campaign.

The WBCA Top 25 Team Honor Roll list annually recognizes the nation's highest NCAA Divisions I, II, III, junior/community colleges and NAIA academic team programs based upon nominations submitted by WBCA-member head coaches. The gpa's were calculated by dividing the total number of quality points earned by each student-athlete on an institution's squad list in the given academic term by the total number of hours earned by the team. They were then rounded to the nearest thousandth of a point.

Five Bulldog players were honored individually as 2005-06 GLIAC Women's Basketball All-Academic Team selections. They included senior forward Kelly McLaughlin (Clare), junior guard Erin Miller (Niles), sophomore forward/center Rachel Folcik (Powers/Carney-Nadeau), sophomore guard Katie Loosvelt (Trenton/Carlson) and freshman forward Lindsey Deyo (Battle Creek/Gull Lake). Miller also attained 2005-06 ESPN *The Magazine* Academic All-District IV College Division First-Team recognition.

**NCAA Division II  
Great Lakes Region  
Tournament  
1999-00 & 2003-04**

**NCAA-II's Highest  
Team Grade Point  
Average  
1999-2000**

**GLIAC Tournament  
Quarterfinalists  
2000-2006**

**WBCA Division II  
Team Academic  
Top 25 Honor Roll  
1999-2006**

**GLIAC Tournament  
Runner-Up  
1999-00 & 2003-04**



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