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Two University of Saint Mary Teams Earn 'NAIA Scholar Team' Ranking

(Leavenworth, Kan.)— The University of Saint Mary has two sports teams that have been honored by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) as 2007-08 Scholar Teams.

Both the USM Women's Basketball Team and the Women's Soccer Teams were honored as teams with an aggregate grade-point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Nationally, only 73 women's basketball teams reached that plateau and only 64 women's soccer team reached the mark.

The USM basketball team earned a GPA of 3.25 and the women's soccer team earned a GPA of 3.08.

"This underscores the standard that Saint Mary student-athletes are students first," said University President Diane Steele. "We are proud that our two teams have been honored."

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