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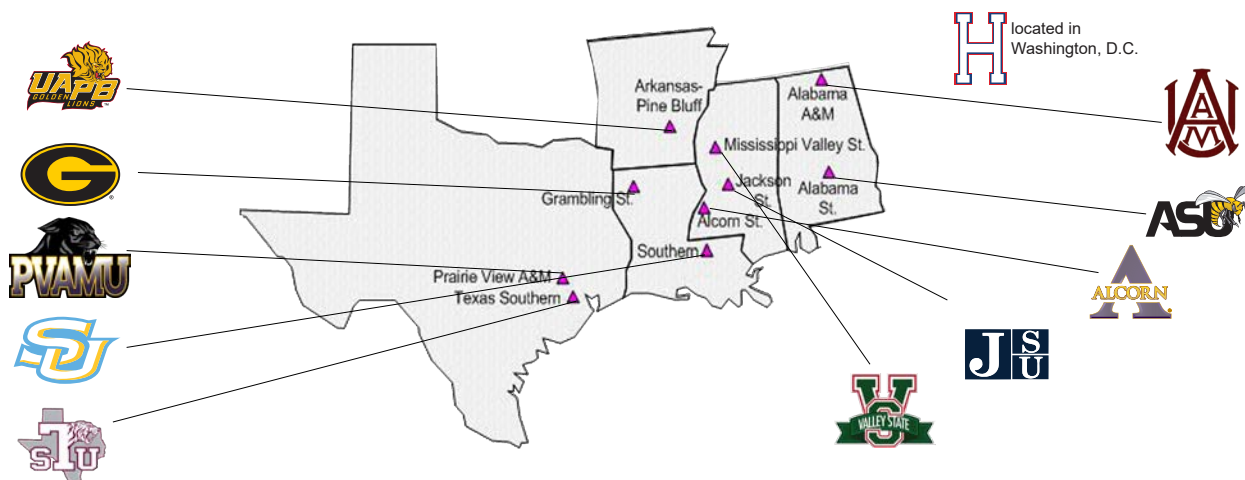
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## LETTER FROM THE COMMISSIONER

First and foremost, I wanted to congratulate the achievements of those student-athletes who graduated this past academic year and the more than 1,200 who made the SWAC All-Academic Team (3.0 or better). Those individuals exemplified what it means to excel whether it be on the running trails, the pitch, the courts, the gridiron, on the bowling lanes, on the golf course or on the diamond as well as in the classroom.

Fans of the SWAC continued to show their passionate support as the conference remained the best-attended football league in the NCAA Div. I- Football Championship Series (FCS) for the 39th time in the prior 40 seasons. The SWAC averaged 13,694 in attendance at each of its 54 home football contests and outnumbered the next highest attended in the Missouri Valley Conference by nearly 3,000 people per game. The Big Sky Conference finished third with an average of 9,927.

SWAC football champion Grambling State University faced MEAC champion North Carolina A&T University in the third installment of the Celebration Bowl, the first game of bowl season, to showcase the tradition and pageantry of Historically Black College and Universities (HBCUs) across the country. The game garnered a higher rating (1.59) than the New Orleans Bowl (0.87), New Mexico Bowl (0.75), the Camellia Bowl (0.73) and the Division II national championship game (0.36) that also played on the same day.

It was a milestone year as Mississippi Valley State ran to its first women's cross country championship in program history while Jackson State took home the men's title for the first time since 1999.

Alabama State repeated as the women's soccer champions and, in women's volleyball, claimed their fourth championship in the past five seasons. Grambling State won back-to-back SWAC football titles earning a berth into the third annual Celebration Bowl and faced North Carolina A&T at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta.

The Alabama State women's indoor track and field team captured their 10th straight championship while the men's indoor track and field team secured consecutive championships.

In women's basketball, Grambling State won their first championship in 19 years. National headlines were made as Grambling State's Shakyla Hill recorded the first quadruple-double in college basketball, in either the men's or women's game, since 1993. Texas Southern's Joyce Kennerson grabbed the spotlight by leading all Division I players in scoring for a stretch during the season.

Another record fell when Prairie View A&M's Shala Dobbins broke the NCAA women's basketball single season record for most free throws attempted-and-made.

On the men's hardwood, Texas Southern won their fourth championship in five seasons and extended their run with a historic NCAA victory against North Carolina Central in the tournament's opening round match up in Dayton, Ohio.

In a thrilling finish, Texas Southern edged Jackson State by one pin in a winner-take-all seventh match to be crowned the champions of women's bowling. Alabama State successfully defended its crown in both women's and men's tennis. The Lady Hornets won their fifth women's golf championship in six seasons while Prairie View A&M men's golf team won their first in 40 years.

Prairie View A&M earned their first time men's outdoor track and field title in a decade while Alabama State women's team reeled off its ninth consecutive championship. Additionally, more than 20 athletes qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Regional meets. The Lady Panthers of Prairie View A&M defied the odds by winning six consecutive elimination games to claim their softball championship for the first time in 20 years. Texas Southern baseball team wrapped up the school year with a second straight championship and a third title in four seasons.

With eight conference championships, Alabama State earned its fifth consecutive James Frank Commissioner's Cup. ASU also received the Sadie Magee/Barbara Jacket Award, given to the best overall women's program. Prairie View A&M secured three championships in the spring and accepted the C.D. Henry Award for the best overall men's program.

Our league's national exposure increased with various television networks, the SWAC Digital Network, and swac.org as it brought the competition to the homes of our loyal fans. For the year, 28 football games were televised during the regular season with 14 airing on the ESPN networks. In addition, 61 regular season basketball games were covered by 14 television networks including: Fox Sports 1, the ACC Network, the SEC Network, the Big 10 Network, the Pac 12 Network and eight games on ESPNU and ESPN2. ESPN continued to partner with the conference airing the championships for volleyball, football, bowling, men and women's basketball and baseball. Also, during the regular season, ESPN3 was able to highlight two of our premier programs in softball - Jackson State and Texas Southern.

The conference also built partnerships with the National Basketball Players Association (NBPA) Top 50 camp alongside the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) and held the inaugural event in July by gracious hosts Clark Atlanta University and Morehouse College.

The SWAC Digital Network continued to enhance the brand with nearly 14,000 unique viewers watching a SWAC game on their mobile devices, laptop or desktop computer. The addition of SDN helped lift the number of views to our primary resource swac.org. Our home website had nearly two million page views resulting in nearly 350,000 people who logged on to our primary resource. As the SWAC continues to grow, we have to thank our football championship and basketball tournament title sponsor, Toyota, for its commitment to our student-athletes and fans. We would also like to salute Russell Athletic, Nike and Coca-Cola for their support and partnership. Lastly, we would like to thank our fans, student-athletes, their parents, and our member institutions for a spectacular 2017-18 season.

Sincerely,



Edgar Gantt  
Southwestern Athletic Conference Interim Commissioner



## SWAC 2017-18 YEAR-IN-REVIEW / SWAC ADMINISTRATION



ALABAMA A&M



ALABAMA STATE



ALCORN STATE



GRAMBLING STATE



JACKSON STATE



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Senior Woman Administrator  
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Senior Woman Administrator  
Genese Lavalais



MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M



SOUTHERN



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Athletics Director  
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Interim Athletics Director  
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Senior Woman Administrator  
Alicia Pete



Senior Woman Administrator  
Lashonda Stirgus



Senior Woman Administrator  
Dr. Dwalah Fisher



Senior Woman Administrator  
Brenda Jones

# SWAC ADMINISTRATORS

## Mississippi Valley State



**CLINTON, Miss.** – Mississippi Valley State claimed the Southwestern Athletic Conference Women's Cross Country Championship on Monday, finishing with 58 points. The title is the first in Devilettes program history.

Six-time defending champion Alabama State finished the team portion of the event in second place with 64 points. Grambling State finished in third with 69 points. Prairie View A&M (86), Jackson State (120), Alcorn State (142), Texas Southern (157) and Arkansas Pine Bluff (157) rounded out the standings.

Scholasticah Kemei was named the Women's Runner of the Year, winning the women's individual title with a time of 18:30.83. Arion Span of Alabama State finished in second place and Halima Chepkwony of Grambling State rounded out the top three finishers.

Fermon Tate of Mississippi Valley State was named the SWAC Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year.



FIRST-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE



SECOND-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

# SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

## RUNNER OF THE YEAR



**SCHOLASTICAH KEMI**  
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE

## ALL-SWAC

Scholasticah Kemei	Mississippi Valley
Arion Span	Alabama State
Halima Chepkwony	Grambling State
Naomi Kiprop	Grambling State
Alice Kimutai	Mississippi Valley
Sade Lavallias	Alabama State
Angelica Jacobs	Alcorn State
Derica Pitters	Mississippi Valley
Autezia Sellers	Mississippi Valley
Priscilla Kibet	Grambling State

## COACH OF THE YEAR

Fermin Tate	Mississippi Valley State
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## 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b>	
SyKonza Evans	Jordyn Hankins
Auntmn Locklin	Nautica Merrell
Jenee' Nichols	Akia Slaughter
Davina Young	
<b>Alabama State</b>	
Bartley, Markia	Ebert, Brandee
Etienne, Tatiana	Hackney, Charminqu
Horn, Desiree	Jack, Nia
Locker, Latesha	Pickney, Alexis
Reliford, Xiquaria	Span, Arion
Staton-Joi, Chyna	Thompson, Kristen
Whittaker, Zaria	
<b>Alcorn State</b>	
Alessandria Aikerson-Russell	Candace Baity
Alana Bass	Kierra Gardner
Jessica Garrett	Eurika Hardy
Sheaquanda Hill	Ashli Isbell
Angelica Jacobs	Shaniqua Knowles
Samiria Martin	Ty'Mesha Nabors
Jessica Ransom	Dynasty Williams
<b>Grambling State</b>	
Winmarie C. Bowen	Kyra T. Canty
Creshonda K. Carter	Halima J. Chepkwony
Darlene Desmangles	Shaciarra Drake
Charisma Green	Roynisha G. James
Jasmine D. King	De'Zyria J. Rankins
Jalyn K. Simon	Marissa L. Stove
Darnese P. Woods	
<b>Jackson State</b>	
Antoine, Mohogany	Brewster, Aniecia A.
Cato, Jahelle	Clement, Keira C.
Dolford, Latisha	Gilding, Latoya J.
Knight, Akeilia J.	Mallory, Lenetta
Parker, Shannon S.	Qualls, Khadijah
Ridle, Rashaunda	Robertson, Jeida K.
Silencieux, Stherline	Spell, Ky'Bria G.
Taylor, Tye'Reshina M.	Valmyre, Kimberly
<b>Mississippi Valley State</b>	
Ashley Adekweh	Christy Cotton
Tra'Nisha Dukes	Najee Green
Alexandrea Francis	Scholasticah Kemei
Omesha Locke	Derica Pitters
Ki'ana Thomas	Mary Jean Tyler
Autezia Sellers	Stephanie Washington
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>	
Nekiesha Bailey	Tyla Bryant
Coleman, Takara	Jovanna Espinoza
Brea Garrett	Jakerria Hughes
Camirey Jackson	Zakia Johnson
Jayirella Joseph	Kelsey Madkins
Stephanie Madkins	Sabrina Ozigbo
Kristina Ricks	Brianna Robinson
Ashley Santos	Alana Williams
Geordann Yelder	
<b>Southern</b>	
Rykesia Bankhead	Ashley Miles
Clarissa McGarner	Tiana Cephers
Danae Colston	Breanca Cummings
Janae Simoneaux	Ambrosia Williams
Nia Williams	
<b>Texas Southern</b>	
Marlyn Campa	Deouna Davis
Jillian Favor	Nikole Haroon
Isis Lane	Leanna Mack
Christelle Nintheu	Melissa Pena
Ashanti Phelps	Miriam Pierre
Kiya Reeves	Shylia Riley
Alecia Smith	Mariah Stewart
Chantance Taylor	Ellena Torres
Morgan Utsey-Williams	Breanca Woods
<b>Arkansas - Pine Bluff</b>	
Gammage, Jada	Gilliam, Summer
Hunter, Salonica	James, Deandra
Knight, Camiya	Simmons, Sharoya
Burke, Briana	Tasher, Ashley
Taylor, Takia	Worlds, Sydney

## ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2017	Mississippi Valley St.
2016	Alabama State
2015	Alabama State
2014	Alabama State
2013	Alabama State
2012	Alabama State
2011	Alabama State
2010	Grambling State
2009	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
2008	Alabama State
2007	Alabama State
2006	Alabama State
2005	Alabama State
2004	Grambling State
2003	Grambling State
2002	Grambling State
2001	Alabama State
2000	-----
1999	Grambling State
1998	Grambling State /
1997	Grambling State /
1996	Grambling State
1995	Grambling State
1994	Southern
1993	Southern
1992	Southern
1991	Southern
1990	Prairie View A&M
1989	Prairie View A&M
1988	Prairie View A&M
1987	Prairie View A&M
1986	Grambling State
1985	Jackson State
1984	Jackson State
1983	Jackson State
1982	Jackson State
1981	Jackson State
1980	Jackson State
1979	Jackson State
1978	Prairie View A&M
1977	Prairie View A&M
	Jackson State
	Jackson State



**CLINTON, Miss.** – Jackson State captured the 2017 Southwestern Athletic Conference Men's Cross Country Championship on Monday, with a team score of 41 points by virtue of a head-to-head tie breaker -- Jackson State had better individual results -- over Prairie View A&M.

Vincent Langat finished the race in first place, earning the individual title with a time of 24:48.40. Langat also captured the runner of the year honors with his first place finish.

Prairie View A&M's Levante Williams came in second place overall, and Henry Kiplagat of Jackson State rounded out the top-three finishers.

Arkansas Pine Bluff finished in third place for the team portion with 87 points. Alabama State (94), Texas Southern (103), Mississippi Valley State (165) and Alcorn State (172) rounded out the standings.



FIRST-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE



SECOND-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

# SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

## RUNNER OF THE YEAR



**VINCENT LANGAT**  
JACKSON STATE

## ALL-SWAC

Vincent Langat	Jackson State
Levante Williams	Prairie View A&M
Henry Kiplagat	Jackson State
Aaron Austin	Prairie View A&M
Wade Garner	Arkansas Pine Bluff
Francisco Hernandez	Prairie View A&M
Darrion Hampton	Jackson State
Joshua Coffelt	Alabama State
Gregory Thigpen	Alabama State
Jorge Martinez	Texas Southern

## COACH OF THE YEAR

Mark Thorne	Jackson State
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## 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b>	
Amortez Moody	
<b>Alabama State</b>	
Brown, Jamie	Coffelt, Joshua
Jackson, Andrew	Member-Meneh, Lezoghia
Newton, Tyree	Shaw, O'Shane
Spike, Norris	Thigpen, Gregory
Trahan, Chaaka	Coffelt, Joshua
Jackson, Andrew	Newton, Tyree
Streeter, Jeremiah	
<b>Alcorn State</b>	
John Baptist	Jordan Boyd
Justin Boyd	Kemar Cumberbach
Darien Hennington	Charles Hughes
Christopher Jefferson	Mario Martinez
Oshaye Rawls	Jabari Thompson
Qaseem Wajid	
<b>Grambling State</b>	
Mickey D. Anderson	Roderick Atkinson
Hassan Chepkwony	Frederic Green
Montieco Harris	Aaron K. Koech
Wesley Love	Justin L. Miller
Tyris T. Rachel	Noah K. Rugut
Rudolph A. Valentine III	Chauncey D. Wells
<b>Jackson State</b>	
William Carroll	Tyler Crockett
Joshua Everitt	Darrion Hampton
Jauvany K. Hyde	Markus D. Jackson
Jerod Miller	Jamal A. Ridgel
Keiven J. Russey	Raheem M. Skinner
Murray Washington	
<b>Mississippi Valley State</b>	
Ahmad Sykes	Deion Reed
Jakyle Harris	Farrean Toney
John Akakeya	Nicholas Alexander
Derris Cleaver	Brandon McCall
Damone Jackson	
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>	
David Alexander	Ty'Ron Baker
Keon Campbell	Deante Crittenden
Dylan Gladney	Syed Hussain
D'Andre Jackson-Reeves	Yaw Sekyere
Joshua Simmons	Jovondi Williams
Levante Williams	Logan Williams
Luiz Yanez	
<b>Southern</b>	
Issac Brown	Desmond Thomas
Keshaun Javois	
<b>Texas Southern</b>	
Jawayn Brooks	Austin Brown
Marcus Caldwell	Darryl Carter
Tarique Fisher	Vincent Fisher
David Guzman	D'Andre Lewis
Xavier Martinez	Jacob Price
Travis Sanders	Justin Smith
Demarco Taylor	Jalen Wade
Mykele Young-Sanders	
<b>Arkansas - Pine Bluff</b>	
Bibbs, Travis	Dortch, Miles
Griffin, Rodney	Parker, Juwan
Thompson, Demetrius	Woodard, Lamarques
Gardner, Wade	McAlpin, Rasheed
Munn, Travion	Self, Harry



## ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2017	Jackson State
2016	Grambling State
2015	Grambling State
2014	Prairie View A&M
2013	Mississippi Valley
2012	Mississippi Valley
2011	Grambling State
2010	Mississippi Valley
2009	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
2008	Alabama State
2007	Prairie View A&M
2006	Prairie View A&M
2005	Prairie View A&M
2004	Grambling State
2003	Southern
2002	Southern
2001	Southern
2000	-----
1999	Jackson State
1998	Jackson State
1997	Jackson State
1996	Jackson State
1995	Grambling State
1994	Mississippi Valley
1993	Texas Southern
1992	Texas Southern
1991	Southern
1988-90	No Championship
1987	Texas Southern
1986	Jackson State
1985	Jackson State
1984	Jackson State
1983	Jackson State
1982	Texas Southern
1981	Jackson State
1980	Jackson State
1979	Jackson State
1978	Texas Southern
1977	Jackson State
1976	No Contest
1975	Jackson State
1974	Southern
1973	Southern
1972	No Championship
1971	No Championship
1970	No Championship
1969	Prarie View A&M

### Alabama State



**PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas** – Shelby Unruh scored the match-winning goal in penalty kicks to give Alabama State its second consecutive Southwestern Athletic Conference soccer championship over Grambling State on Sunday.

In a match that was tightly contested throughout, the first half ended in a 0-0 draw. Alabama State outshot the Lady Tigers 6-3 in the opening frame.

The second half saw the defensive struggle continue. The Lady Hornets outshot the Lady Tigers, 7-4 in the second half and 13-7 in regulation.

The match remained scoreless at the end of regulation and went into overtime. In the extra periods, neither team found the back of the net with the score remaining 0-0 and went into penalty kicks to determine the winner. The Lady Tigers out chanced Grambling State 2-0 in the extra frames.

In penalty kicks, Alabama State outscored Grambling State 4-2 with Unruh's shot giving the Lady Hornets the championship.

Goalkeeper Gianna Guyot was named the tournament MVP for the Lady Hornets.

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TOURNAMENT MVP



GIANNA GUYOT  
ALABAMA STATE

2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b> Khatelan Casilan Anexandra Desgagne Caroline Dyrdek Teryn Jolly Camille Nurse Vanessa Ward <b>Alabama State</b> Cordova, Shyann Elder, Mooregan Fielding, Meaghan Harris, Britanee Larue, Emily Lewis, Ariela Maynard, Zaria Murphy, Allysa White, Larissa	Andrea Casilan Julie Duran Estelle Esperance Alexus Lawson Iris Torress Jasmine Young  Edwards, Kayla Farrar, Kaitlyn Guyot, Gianna Kriegar, Alexia Lewis, Aaliyah Manning, Alanna Mitchell, Candice Padilla, Mercedes
<b>Alcorn State</b> Comfort Agvei Kimberly Connolly Priscilla Guardado Jessica Joe-Cabbiah Lindsey Taylor Viktoryia Mihaylova Rita Okoro Alexandra Salvador	Aliyah Bachelor Jade Dougla Yaira Guarado Gabrielle Jones-Hall Maya McInnis Vanessa Monge Giselle Rnjas Makayla Wiley
<b>Jackson State</b> Astorga, Alexandra Blair, Jessica Carrington, Sierra Ceniceros, Jolene Ellis, Jalana Griffiths, Carlee Henriquez, Savanna McAdam-Mitchell, Quiona Roberts, Kalen Toennies, Faith Williams, Courtlyn	Barnes, Sharidyn Brown, Kamri Carter, Jalah Christian, Kylie Ellis, Rhae' Ven Henriquez, Alexis Io, Kyleigh Rieland, Arriana Robles, Rachyl Vinson, Ariel
<b>Grambling State</b> Akano, Damilola Bridges, Damik David, Florence. Lawson, Adeniyi Lewis, Jazmyne Raymond, Annalee Rodriguez, Araceli	Ayim, Helen Clayton, Lainey Harris, Janee Lesage, Jennifer Pardy, Kaitlin Rivas, Clarissa

Mississippi Valley

Danielle Allen Sarah Cenary Katelyn Denton Rita Gyasi Sydney Newport Hannah Scott	Mariana Balbao Heather Craddock Camila Gomide Laadi Issaka Paxton Rodocker Karenth Zabala Terrazas
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Prairie View A&M

Taylor Brown Ravyn Gilbert Clarissa Ledesma Braelah McGinnis Nicole Mogan Leslie Rodriguez Reshana Watson	Reina Cruz Shelby Johnson Alexis Mack Brooke Merino Diana Neff Danielle Vargas A n i r a W y n n
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Southern

Khadija Ahmad Shelby Carbin Nickesha Williamson Kendra Lewis Jessica Persico Tiffany White	Akousa Allen Desirae George-McCool Penelope Hall Victoria Mendes Chloe Sims Sophia Zavata
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Texas Southern

Ysamar Alonso Valarie Cortez Janelle Gore Victoria Hermosillo	Bailey Blalock Erica Cozart Paige Hayward Alisa Holloway
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ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2017	Alabama State
2016	Alabama State
2015	Howard University
2014	Howard University
2013	Jackson State
2012	Mississippi Valley State
2011	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
2010	Jackson State
2009	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
2008	Mississippi Valley State
2007	Alabama A&M
2006	Grambling State
2005	Mississippi Valley State
2004	Grambling State
2003	Alabama A&M

Tiana Humphrey  
Rania Kablawi  
Breeana Lowery  
Alexis Robles  
Kaylah Valdry

Makayla Johnson  
Alexia Ladipo  
Briana Norwood  
Kayla Smith  
Christina Vital

Arkansas-Pine Bluff

De Campos, Maira  
Bresler, Victoria  
Cowles, Makayla  
Fenwick, Karissa  
Knorr, Jordan  
Montone, Daniela  
Parker, Veronica  
Rios Jean, Maria  
Russell, Haleigh  
Silvero, Ana  
Ybarra, Gabrielle

Babb, Tyler  
Cota, Jessica  
Fenwick, Cierra  
Herrin, Allison  
Martin, Kelsey  
Orocu, Sariah  
Poyner, Tierra  
Ruiz, Crystal  
Seymour, Shannon  
Wright, Sarah

ALL-TOURNAMENT

Jasmine Smith Paige Hayward Ariela Lewis Reina Cruz Aleeyah Sawyer Kela Gray Candace Mitchell Kaylee Holt Faith Toennies Gianna Guyot Lexi Kriegler	Grambling State Texas Southern Alabama State Prairie View A&M Howard Howard Alabama State Grambling State Jackson State Alabama State Alabama State
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COACH OF THE YEAR

Justin Wagar	Grambling State
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**JACKSON, Miss.** — Alabama State prevailed over Texas Southern in four sets to claim its fourth Southwestern Athletic Conference Volleyball Tournament championship in five years at Lee E. Williams Athletic Assembly Center Sunday afternoon.

Ni'yesha Brown led all players with 15 kills. Krysta Medearis and 2017 SWAC Volleyball Tournament MVP Briana Dorsey posted 10 kills each. Kori Kutsch dished out 24 assists with seven digs. Candace Martin notched five kills and seven block assists. Justus Tuiolosega posted 13 assists and Asha Daniels led with 15 digs.

Texas Southern's Cassidy Jannson and Kirby Anderson put down 12 kills each, with Jannson adding 13 digs. Alexis Austin chipped in 10 kills. Ellena Torress (16) and Asia Howard (15) combined for 31 helpers, and Erin Adams posted 12 digs.

Neither side gave much ground in set one before sloppy play by Alabama State -- in the vein of attack errors -- allowed Texas Southern an 11-9 advantage. Alabama State regrouped to knot things up at 18. The Lady Hornets went on to claim the set with a 7-2 run as consecutive TSU attacks went wide, and Krysta Medearis and Candace Martin stopped an Austin attack.

Much like set one, the second set saw Texas Southern snatch the lead early only for the Lady Hornets to even it up 18-18. This time, the Lady Tigers kept control of things, as Nia Stone smashed two kills to open things up for Texas Southern. After Ellena Torres snuck one

past ASU's front line, the No. 3 seed tied it with a Jannson kill.

Texas Southern's tendency to start strong continued into the third set, as an Anderson kill made it 11-8 Lady Tigers. Alabama State then rattled off a 8-1 run -- four points via TSU misfires -- to take a 16-12 lead. Up 19-14, the Lady Hornets threatened to pull away before Texas Southern made a charge with a 6-2 run to get within one. Alabama State then talked things over and came back to seal the set in its favor after a kill from Brown.

The momentum began in the corner of the Lady Hornets in the initial goings of set four, as Brown connected on two smashes to put Alabama State up 8-4.

The Lady Tigers came out of the timeout with a 4-0 spurt to tie the match at 8-8. Alabama State returned fire with a 5-0 run of its own and with Brown and Dorsey leading the way, the Lady Hornets ran away with the match -- and the title -- down the stretch.



## SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / VOLLEYBALL

### TOURNAMENT MVP



**BRIANA DORSEY**  
ALABAMA STATE

### 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b>	
Tamar Davis	Indonesia Jordan
Rebecca Pierce	Hannah Balsmeyer
Riley Balsmeyer	Courtney Oliver
Nina Biggs	Josie Daffin
Jaelin Gant	Astonai Gray
Germashia Moton	
<b>Alabama State</b>	
Brown, Brittany	Coleman, Jamie
Dorsey, Briana	Kutsch, Kori
Martin, Candace	Martin, Tamara
Medearis, Krysta	Torres, Kayla
<b>Alcorn State</b>	
Jasmine Cruz	Brittney Dumas
Barbara Garrett	Heather Jackson
Simone Joiner	Lurlethia Jones
Carol Kism-Assato	Sydney Mellom
Wanya Morris	Sarah Pierre
Ariel Scott	Taylor Scriven
Dnada Smith	Nysa Terry
<b>Grambling State</b>	
Taylor Moy	Danyelle Thompson
<b>Jackson State</b>	
Burney, Alexandra	Jackson, Karmen S.
Jackson, Taylor	Salas, Arianna T.
Shelton, Kianna K.	Wolf, Madison
<b>Mississippi Valley</b>	
Kalin Barnes	Octavia Burrage
Nadia Crawford	Alexandria Douglas
Sydney Robinson	Terrea Sims
Brianna Watkins	
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>	
Christen Augustine	Emonie Harris
Calli Jordan Hensch	Kira Kirkham
Larissa Martinez	
<b>Southern</b>	
Vaterra Calais	Shauntia Carr
Mariah Clayton	Arabella Hall
Paige Hall	Troi Bailey Jefferson
Shelby Jolly	Melodie Malone
Sameera Mohamed	Darrah Moore
<b>Texas Southern</b>	
Erin Adams	Kirby Anderson
Lauren Briggman	Ashlynn Caldwell
Audriana Carson	Jillian Favor
Kali Fluke	Brianna McKay
Nicole Robinson	Ellena Torres
Allison Woods	Breyanna York
<b>Arkansas-Pine Bluff</b>	
Brand, Courtney	Burrall, Taylor
Corby, Lauren	Gibbs, Natalie
Grice, Haley	Howard, Kendalle
Hufnagel, Katy	Ross, Taleah
Sahlmann, Britney	Sanlin, Jade
Wuzinski, Jenna	

### ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2017	Alabama State
2016	Alabama State
2015	Jackson State
2014	Alabama State
2013	Alabama State
2012	Jackson State
2011	Jackson State
2010	Alabama A&M
2009	Alabama A&M
2008	Alabama A&M
2007	Alabama A&M
2006	Prairie View A&M
2005	Alabama A&M
2004	Alabama A&M
2003	Alabama A&M
2002	Alabama A&M
2001	Alabama A&M
2000	Alabama A&M
1999	Prairie View A&M
1998	Southern
1997	Grambling State
1996	Grambling State
1995	Grambling State
1994	Texas Southern
1993	Southern
1992	Prairie View A&M
1991	Texas Southern
1990	Texas Southern
1989	Texas Southern

### ALL-TOURNAMENT

Victoria Pearson, Prairie View A&M  
Cassidy Jannson, Texas Southern  
Kirby Anderson, Texas Southern  
Alexis Austin, Texas Southern  
Ni'yesha Brown, Alabama State  
Briana Dorsey, Alabama State  
Candace Martin, Alabama State

### COACH OF THE YEAR

Penny Lucas-White      Alabama State



## Grambling State



**HOUSTON, Texas** – Grambling State senior quarterback Devante Kincade completed 14-of-24 passes for 223 yards with two touchdowns and rushed for 75 yards with two more scores on the ground as the Tigers rode a gigantic second quarter to power past Alcorn State 40-32 Saturday to win back-to-back SWAC Football Championships at NRG Stadium.

For Grambling State, it marks their eighth football championship in the SWAC title game era that started in 1999.

The East Division winning Braves (7-5, 5-2 SWAC) and West Division winning Tigers (11-1, 7-0 SWAC) had split the prior two championship meetings with Grambling rallying back to take last year's championship 27-20 and Alcorn proclaiming a 49-21 victory in the 2015 title game.

Final Judgement saw the teams play out relatively evenly in a tight first quarter with the score tied at 10-10.

Kincade, the SWAC Offensive Player of the Year, gave the Tigers the first lead on a 14-yard touchdown run with 12:06 remaining in the first quarter, but the Braves had an answer when conference leading rusher De'Lance Turner rumbled in from two yards out to help knot the score at 7-7 with 7:50 left.

After Grambling's Marc Orozco and Alcorn's Corey McCullough traded field goals, the Tigers broke open with a 28-point second quarter highlighted by a five-yard touchdown run by Martez Carter, two passing scores from Kincade (one to Jordan Jones and another to Quintin Guice) and another on a 27-yard rushing score to take a comfortable 38-10 lead into halftime.

Defense stiffened in the third quarter with neither team able to score.

Grambling halted Turner in the end zone for a safety to increase the lead to 40-10 early in the fourth and then Alcorn State began a furious attempted rally as Norlando Veals scored on a 34-yard touchdown toss from Lenorris Footman with 12:53 left. Footman

added another score when he took it himself to score from five yards out. McCullough's PAT made a 40-24 score with 6:11 remaining in the game.

And, the Braves were not finished as Footman found Marquis Warford on a deep 65-yard pass to set up a six-yard touchdown run by Turner. Footman followed up by finding Veals toward the corner of the end zone for a successful two-point conversion to cut the lead to 40-32.

Kincade was named the SWAC Championship Offensive Most Valuable's Player while De'Andre Hogues was dubbed the game's Defensive Most Valuable Player after making a team-high seven tackles to go along with a sack and a tackle for a loss. Guided by head coach Broderick Fobbs, the Tigers have now won 10 straight games and last lost to a conference opponent in the 2015 SWAC Championship against Alcorn State.

Grambling State advances to represent the SWAC in the Celebration Bowl and will play undefeated North Carolina A&T on December 16 in Atlanta at Mercedes-Benz Stadium. Alcorn State tied the championship-game record for most sacks with eight.



# SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / FOOTBALL

## OFFENSIVE MVP



**DEVANTE KINCADE**  
GRAMBLING STATE

## DEFENSIVE MVP



**DE'ANDRE HOUGES**  
GRAMBLING STATE

## COACH OF THE YEAR

Broderick Fobbs      Grambling State

## 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>ALABAMA A&amp;M</b>	Archer, Marlon
Devin Andrews	Aurismond, Ismael
Gregory Bentley	Bridgers, Malik
Nicholas Carden	Clark, Christian
Joseph Burke	Farmer, Taliesin
Marceles Clash	Graham, Palmer
Jeremiah King	Gray, Ezra
Alan Rios	Hill, Joshua
Averee Giles	Johnson, Darron
Austin Simmons	Jones, Kobie
Antonio Wright	Pierce, John
Bryan Brower	Presley, Therron
Tere Calloway	Renaker, Dylan
Dylan Hamilton	Roberts iv, Dennis
Dante Jamison	Sanders, Edward
Vernon Moland	Scott, Ronnie
Roderick Randolph	Thompson, Carl-Sylvester
David Whitehead	Vicent, Trevor
Demerrius Williams	Watkins, Brandon
	White, Willis

### ALABAMA STATE

<b>ALCORN STATE</b>	Powell, Jordan
Christian Brown	Robinson, Johntavious
Detonio Dade	Rockwell, T'kevia
Darius Davis	Scott, Trenton
Lenorris Footman	Skipper, Johnkil
Evan Grimes	Stevens, James
Felix Harper	Varner, Brandon
Keegan Hudson	Wallace, Jonathan
Charles Hughes	Williams, Frederick
Michael Hurns	Williams, Jonathan
Mustaffa Ibrahim	Wilmer, Carl
Simeon Kimble	Wright, Charles
Dedric Lane	
Michael Lester	
Demetrus Lewis	
Corey McCullough	
Jaborian McKenzie	
Darrium Shelton	
Delance Turner	

### GRAMBLING STATE

Bailey, Christian	Salazar, Adrian
Baldwin, Travous	Sampson, Vincent
Blunt, Alexander	Simmons, Zacchaeus
Booker, Billy	Standback, Hector
Brooks, Lyndemian	Theyard, Ryan
Cargo, Percy	Thornton, Dante
Conteh, Abubakarr	Tripplett, Cedric
Dunn, Treytan	Wansley, De'Ryan
Grant, Steven	Ward, Ramone
Hogues, Deandre'	Wiggins, Uriah
Johnson, Christopher	
Jones, Kendarius	
Madise, Devaughn	
Manning, Ii, Che'	
Mccray, Donovan	
Miller, Justin	
Olivier, Tyler	
Kennedy, Terrell	
Lyles, Brent	
Malden, Brandon	
Marshall, Christian	
McCoy, Brandon	
McDonald, Kevonce	
Moffett, Charles	
Moore, Anthony	
Morikawa, Jarin	
Ollie, Carle	
Parrish, Benjy	
Paster, Donnell	
Reid, James	
Roddy, Leroy	

### MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE

Jamain Boyd	Karenz Stephens
Adrian Campbell	Justin Jackson
William Dean	Joshua Rice
Jordan Freeman	Steven McIntosh
Bryant Jones	
Gearl Major	
Justin Reed	
Ruben Piraquive	
Farrean Toney	
David Vincent	
James Carter	
Tyler Brewer	
O'brain Anderson	
Lerandel Allen	
Andre Eubanks	
Anderson Gund	
Tyler Brewer	
Austin Bray	
Albert Sutton	

## ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS CHAMPIONSHIP GAME ERA

2017	Grambling State
2016	Grambling State
2015	Alcorn State
2014	Alcorn State
2013	Southern
2012	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
2011	Grambling State
2010	Texas Southern*
2009	Prairie View A&M
2008	Grambling State
2007	Jackson State
2006	Alabama A&M
2005	Grambling State
2004	Alabama State
2003	Southern
2002	Grambling State
2001	Grambling State
2000	Grambling State
1999	Southern

### PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

Treveon Billings  
Caleb Broach  
James Paul Bryant  
David Green  
Guillory, Steven  
LaStrappe, Demarquo  
Leviage, Jalon  
Bradley Mbu  
Pierce, Shawn  
Joshua Simmons  
Donovan Thomas

### SOUTHERN

Kentavious Preston  
Blake Monroe  
Arvin Huff  
Christian Rodriguez  
Danny Johnson  
Christopher Jones  
Alex McKee

### TEXAS SOUTHERN

Jay Christophe  
Cameron Davis  
Mathew Butler  
Lathaniel Thompson  
Tyrae Crayton  
Andre Joseph Bernard  
Marquis Walker  
Eric Williams  
Julian Marcantel  
Kolby Stewart  
Kevin Tran  
Mark Wheeler  
Donald Halstead  
Carter Jefferson  
Tracy Johnson  
Daimond Kind

Eli Nebushosi

### ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF

Adams, David  
Bennett, Obadiah  
Carroll, Michelangelo  
Collins, Jaelen  
Conner, Blake  
Gladden, Jamal  
Lawson, Kyrion  
McDonald, Gabriel  
McNeal, Kolby  
Merriweather, Rico  
Montgomery, Terry  
Reid, Eric  
Smith, Dekeethion  
Stroud, Nicholas  
Totten, Roger  
Vela, Ascension  
Wallace, Joshua  
Williams, Keshawn  
Williams, Ryan

Beavers, Samuel  
Sorensen, Nolan  
Willis, Cameron  
Girley, Cameron  
Hammond, Dashaun  
Mitchell, Devin  
Williams, Justin



**BIRMINGHAM, Ala. –** The Alabama State Lady Hornets won its 10th-straight Southwestern Athletic Conference Indoor Track and Field Championship in convincing fashion, racking up 166.5 points en route to victory.

Prairie View A&M took second place with 118 points, and Mississippi Valley State was third. Rounding out the standings were Southern (63), Alabama A&M (50), Arkansas-Pine Bluff (47.50), Texas Southern (44), Alcorn State (40), Grambling State (38) and Jackson State (15).

Lady Hornets coach Ritchie Beene was named 2018 Coach of the Year. Mississippi Valley State's Scholasticah Kemei took home Most Outstanding Track Performer honors for the second-straight year with 30 points total after winning three events during the meet. Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Keziann Jones was honored as the meet's Most Outstanding Field Performer.

#### DAY TWO HIGHLIGHTS:

Charminique Hackney earned the distinction of the SWAC's fastest woman, taking home gold in the 60-meter dash (7.42s) and nabbing another gold while setting a new SWAC Indoor Championships record in the 200-meter dash with a 23.61-second result. Hackney beat out Alcorn State's Euricka Hardy (7.49) and Texas Southern's Alexis Gray (7.50) in the 60-meter event, and bested Gray (23.66) and Alabama A&M's Joi Ballard (24.28) in the 200 meter dash.

The Lady Hornets continued their winning ways in the 60-meter hurdles as Shamira Lovett (8.59) raced to the gold medal. Texas Southern's Zaidra James (8.66) and Lady Hornet Ariayanna Val (8.70) won silver and bronze, respectively.

Kemei dominated distance events, winning the women's mile run (5:14.46) and the 5,000-meter run (18:36.67). Alabama State's Sade Lavallias (5:18.87) and Janice Lane (5:19.25) also

medaled in the mile run. Alabama State's Arion Span finished second in the 5,000-meter run (19:04.29) and Mississippi Valley's Alice Kimutai posted a time of 19:23.26 to take the bronze.

Earlier in the day, Span nabbed a gold in the 800-meter run (2:13.37), with Prairie View A&M's Husiniyyah Rogers (2:18.39) earning silver and Southern's Raelynn Price (2:19.3) third. Prairie View A&M swept the women's triple jump, with Kaizha Roberts (11.94m; 39-02.25 feet) earning the top finish. In second was Devynn King (11.72m; 38-05.5 ft) and coming in third was Toronica Duncan (11.59m; 38-00.25 ft).

Southern's Terralicia Mercadel (55.77) won the gold medal in the 400-meter dash, besting Kyana Evans of Alabama State (56.40) and Mississippi Valley's Najee Green (56.43). Prairie View A&M's Lakeydra Mosley (3.31m; 10-10.25 ft) earned gold in the pole vault, and teammate Brianna Robinson (3.21m; 10-06.25 ft) won the silver as she bested bronze medalist Danice Loney (3.21m) from Alabama A&M via needing less tries to clear the mark.

Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Keziann Jones cleared 13.58m (44-06.75 ft) on her final attempt to overtake Grambling's Aneisha Bell (13.31m; 43-08.00m) to win the gold. In third was Grambling's Darnese Woods (13.18m; 43-03.00 ft).

Prairie View A&M's Nekiesha Bailey broke her own meet record in winning the high jump, clearing 1.79m (5-10.50 ft) in competition. Alabama A&M's Samia Liverpool and Texas Southern's Quintella Johnson (1.67m) each earned silver after tying during the event.

In the final event of the championships, Prairie View A&M's 4x400-meter relay team – Rogers, Deonca Bookman, Takara Coleman and Sydnee Mitchell-Jemison – took home the gold with a time of 3:47.90. In second was Southern (3:48.72), and Mississippi Valley finished third (3:49.14).

# SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

## OUTSTANDING TRACK PERFORMER



**SCHOLASTICAH KEMEI**  
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE

## OUTSTANDING FIELD PERFORMER



**KEZIANN JONES**  
ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF

## COACH OF THE YEAR

Ritchie Beene      Alabama State

## 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b>	Jordyn Hankins
SyKonza Evans	Nautica Merrell
Auntmn Locklin	Akia Slaughter
Jenee' Nichols	
Davina Young	
<b>Alabama State</b>	Ebert, Brandee
Bartley, Markia	Hackney, Charminqu
Etienne, Tatiana	Jack, Nia
Horn, Desiree	Pickney, Alexis
Locker, Latesha	Span, Arion
Reliford, Xiquaria	Thompson, Kristen
Staton-Joi, Chyna	
Whittaker, Zaria	
<b>Alcorn State</b>	
Alessandria Aikerson-Russell	Candace Baity
Alana Bass	Kierra Gardner
Jessica Garrett	Eurika Hardy
Sheaquanda Hill	Ashli Isbell
Angelica Jacobs	Shaniqua Knowles
Samiria Martin	Ty'Mesha Nabors
Jessica Ransom	Dynasty Williams
<b>Grambling State</b>	
Winmarie C. Bowen	Kyra T. Canty
Creshonda K. Carter	Halima J. Chepkwony
Darlene Desmangles	Shaciarra Drake
Charisma Green	Roynisha G. James
Jasmine D. King	De'Zyriah J. Rankins
Jalyn K. Simon	Marissa L. Stove
Darnese P. Woods	
<b>Jackson State</b>	
Antoine, Mohogany	Brewster, Aniecia A.
Cato, Jahelle	Clement, Keira C.
Dolford, Latisha	Gilding, Latoya J.
Knight, Akeilia J.	Mallory, Lenetta
Parker, Shannon S.	Qualls, Khadijah
Ridle, Rashaunda	Robertson, Jeida K.
Silencieux, Stherline	Spell, Ky'Bria G.
Taylor, Ty'Reshina M.	Valmyre, Kimberly
<b>Mississippi Valley State</b>	
Ashley Adekweh	Christy Cotton
Tra'Nisha Dukes	Najee Green
Alexandrea Francis	Scholasticah Kemei
Omesha Locke	Derica Pitters
Ki'ana Thomas	Mary Jean Tyler
Autezia Sellers	Stephanie Washington
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>	
Nekiesha Bailey	Tyla Bryant
Coleman, Takara	Jovanna Espinoza
Brea Garrett	Jakerria Hughes
Camirey Jackson	Zakia Johnson
Jayirella Joseph	Kelsey Madkins
Stephanie Madkins	Sabrina Ozigbo
Kristina Ricks	Brianna Robinson
Ashley Santos	Alana Williams
Geordann Yelder	
<b>Southern</b>	
Rykeshia Bankhead	Ashley Miles
Clarissa McGarner	Tiana Cephers
Danae Colston	Breanca Cummings
Janae Simoneaux	Ambrosia Williams
Nia Williams	
<b>Texas Southern</b>	
Marlyn Campa	Deouna Davis
Jillian Favor	Nikole Haroon
Isis Lane	Leanna Mack
Christelle Nintheu	Melissa Pena
Ashanti Phelps	Miriam Pierre
Kiya Reeves	Shylia Riley
Alecia Smith	Mariah Stewart
Chantance Taylor	Ellena Torres
Morgan Utsey-Williams	Breanca Woods
<b>Arkansas - Pine Bluff</b>	
Gammage, Jada	Gilliam, Summer
Hunter, Salonica	James, Deandra
Knight, Camiya	Simmons, Sharoya
Burke, Briana	Tasher, Ashley
Taylor, Takia	Worlds, Sydney

## ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Alabama State
2017	Alabama State
2016	Alabama State
2015	Alabama State
2014	Alabama State
2013	Alabama State
2012	Alabama State
2011	Alabama State
2010	Alabama State
2009	Alabama State
2008	Jackson State
2007	Grambling State
2006	Alabama State
2005	Alabama State
2004	Southern
2003	Alabama State
2002	Alabama State
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2000	Southern
1999	Southern
1998	Southern
1997	Southern
1996	Southern
1995	Southern
1994	Southern
1993	Southern
1992	Texas Southern
1991	Texas Southern
1990	Texas Southern
1989	Prairie View A&M
1988	Texas Southern
1987	Prairie View A&M
1986	Prairie View A&M
1985	Prairie View A&M
1984	Prairie View A&M
1983	Jackson State
1982	Texas Southern
1981	Texas Southern
1980	Prairie View A&M
1979	Prairie View A&M
1978	No Contest
1977	Prairie View A&M
1976	Prairie View A&M



**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** – Alabama State successfully defended the Southwestern Athletic Conference men's indoor track and field championship, becoming the first repeat winner since Texas Southern (2015-16) to defend the title after racking up 148 points.

Prairie View A&M finished second with 123.5 points, and Texas Southern finished third with 110 points. Jackson State scored 106 points to finish fourth, and Arkansas-Pine Bluff (70.5) was fifth. Completing the standings were Alabama A&M (55), Alcorn State (33) and Mississippi Valley State (9).

Alabama State coach Ritchie Beene was named 2018 SWAC Men's Indoor Track and Field Coach of the Year. Prairie View's Sunne Rodriguez-Weems and Tristian Ham were named Co-Most Outstanding Field Performers after each scoring 18 points over the two-day event. Texas Southern's Jorge Martinez amassed 19 points over three events to win the meet's Most Outstanding Track Performer.

### DAY TWO HIGHLIGHTS:

Alabama A&M's Akeem Samuels (17.19m; 56-04.75 ft) took home the gold medal in the weight throw, besting silver medalist Marquis Daniels (16.06m; 52-08.25 ft) of Alabama State. Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Miles Dortch (15.29m; 50-02.00 ft) won the bronze. Prairie View A&M's Sunne Rodriguez-Weems and Tristian Ham finished 1-2 in the men's heptathlon, with Rodriguez-Weems winning the gold medal.

Alabama State's Chaaka Trahan took third. Travis Bibbs of Arkansas-Pine Bluff won the triple jump with a leap of 15.48m (50-09.50 ft), with Jackson State Ryan Theyard (15.11m; 49-07.0 ft) finishing silver and Harvey Kendall of Texas Southern (14.88m; 48-10.00m) winning the bronze. Josh-

ua Hilliard of Jackson State clocked an 8.08-second mark in the 60-meter hurdles, good for first place. Terrance Adams of Alabama State (8.11) edged Prairie View A&M's Logan Williams (8.15) to earn silver.

Alcorn State Bralon Robinson nabbed the 60-meter dash gold with a time of 6.74 seconds, with Josh Davis (6.759) and Norris Spike of Alabama State (6.76) taking silver and bronze. Davis later rebounded with a gold-medal performance in the 200-meter dash (20.94), fending off Alabama A&M's DeTorrian Green (21.11) and Prairie View's Samuel Omoera (21.19).

Alabama State's Joshua Coffelt (4:22.85) earned the gold in the men's mile run, with Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Laural Heath (4:23.16) taking second and Jackson State's Raheem Skinner (4:24.2) in third. Jackson State's Vincent Langat overran the field during the 5,000-meter run, setting a new meet record with a 15:14.81 gold-medal winning time. JSU's Henry Kiplagat (15:29) and Prairie View A&M's Levante Williams (15:52.46) won the silver and bronze, respectively.

Alabama A&M's Alex Ward set a new meet record in the 400-meter dash (47.19), beating out Prairie View A&M's William Polley (47.68) and Alabama State's Lezoghia Member-Meneh (48.31). UAPB also rewrote the record books as Wade Garner's 1:51.41 mark in the 800m run was enough to take the gold. Alabama State's Andrew Jackson (1:55.46) was second, and Heath finished third (1:55.98). In the 4x400-meter relay, Prairie View A&M's quartet – Logan Williams, Carl Jordan, Brandon Kirby and William Polley – took the top spot with a time of 3:13.60. Texas Southern finished second (3:14.90) and Alcorn State was third (3:20.40). Arkansas-Pine Bluff, Alabama State and Jackson State were each disqualified from the race.

# SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / MEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

## OUTSTANDING TRACK PERFORMER



**JORGE MARTINEZ**  
TEXAS SOUTHERN

## CO-OUTSTANDING FIELD PERFORMERS



**SUNNE RODRIGUEZ-WEEMS**  
**TRISTIAN HAM**  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

## COACH OF THE YEAR

**Ritchie Beene**      **Alabama State**

## 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b>	
Amortez Moody	
<b>Alabama State</b>	
Brown, Jamie	Coffelt, Joshua
Jackson, Andrew	Member-Meneh, Lezoghia
Newton, Tyree	Shaw, O'Shane
Spike, Norris	Thigpen, Gregory
Trahan, Chaaka	Coffelt, Joshua
Jackson, Andrew	Newton, Tyree
Streeter, Jeremiah	
<b>Alcorn State</b>	
John Baptist	Jordan Boyd
Justin Boyd	Kemar Cumberbach
Darien Hennington	Charles Hughes
Christopher Jefferson	Mario Martinez
Oshaye Rawls	Jabari Thompson
Qaseem Wajd	
<b>Grambling State</b>	
Mickey D. Anderson	Roderick Atkinson
Hassan Chepkwony	Frederic Green
Montieco Harris	Aaron K. Koech
Wesley Love	Justin L. Miller
Tyris T. Rachel	Noah K. Rugut
Rudolph A. Valentine III	Chauncey D. Wells
<b>Jackson State</b>	
William Carroll	Tyler Crockett
Joshua Evertt	Darrion Hampton
Jauvany K. Hyde	Markus D. Jackson
Jerod Miller	Jamal A. Ridgel
Keiven J. Russey	Raheem M. Skinner
Murray Washington	
<b>Mississippi Valley State</b>	
Ahmad Sykes	Deion Reed
Jakyle Harris	Farrean Toney
John Akakeya	Nicholas Alexander
Derris Cleaver	Brandon McCall
Damone Jackson	
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>	
David Alexander	Ty'Ron Baker
Keon Campbell	Deante Crittenden
Dylan Gladney	Syed Hussain
D'Andre Jackson-Reeves	Yaw Sekyere
Joshua Simmons	Jovondi Williams
Levante Williams	Logan Williams
Luiz Yanez	
<b>Southern</b>	
Issac Brown	Desmond Thomas
Keshaun Javois	
<b>Texas Southern</b>	
Jawayn Brooks	Austin Brown
Marcus Caldwell	Darryl Carter
Tarique Fisher	Vincent Fisher
David Guzman	D'Andre Lewis
Xavier Martinez	Jacob Price
Travis Sanders	Justin Smith
Demarco Taylor	Jalen Wade
Mykele Young-Sanders	
<b>Arkansas - Pine Bluff</b>	
Bibbs, Travis	Dortch, Miles
Griffin, Rodney	Parker, Juwan
Thompson, Demetrius	Woodard, Lamarques
Gardner, Wade	McAlpin, Rasheed
Munn, Travion	Self, Harry

## ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

<b>2018</b>	<b>Alabama State</b>
<b>2017</b>	<b>Alabama State</b>
<b>2016</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>2015</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>2014</b>	<b>Grambling State</b>
<b>2013</b>	<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>
<b>2012</b>	<b>Grambling State</b>
<b>2011</b>	<b>Grambling State</b>
<b>2010</b>	<b>Alabama State</b>
<b>2009</b>	<b>Grambling State</b>
<b>2008</b>	<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>
<b>2007</b>	<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>
<b>2006</b>	<b>Jackson State</b>
<b>2005</b>	<b>Grambling State</b>
<b>2004</b>	<b>Alabama State</b>
<b>2003</b>	<b>Southern</b>
<b>2002</b>	<b>Southern</b>
<b>2001</b>	<b>Southern</b>
<b>2000</b>	<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>
<b>1999</b>	<b>Southern</b>
<b>1998</b>	<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>
<b>1997</b>	<b>Southern</b>
<b>1996</b>	<b>Southern</b>
<b>1995</b>	<b>Southern</b>
<b>1994</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>1993</b>	<b>Southern</b>
<b>1992</b>	<b>No Championship</b>
<b>1991</b>	<b>No Championship</b>
<b>1990</b>	<b>No Championship</b>
<b>1989</b>	<b>No Championship</b>
<b>1988</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>1987</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>1986</b>	<b>Jackson State</b>
<b>1985</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>1984</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>1983</b>	<b>Jackson State</b>
<b>1982</b>	<b>Jackson State</b>
<b>1981</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>1980</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>1979</b>	<b>Texas Southern</b>
<b>1978</b>	<b>No Contest</b>
<b>1977</b>	<b>Jackson State</b>
<b>1976</b>	<b>Jackson State</b>

### Grambling State



**HOUSTON, Texas** - A 19-year title drought is over as the No. 3 seed Grambling State Lady Tigers defeated top-seeded Southern Jaguars 72-68 to win the 2018 Southwestern Athletic Conference Women's Basketball Tournament Saturday afternoon in Delmar Fieldhouse.

Tournament Most Valuable Player Shakyla Hill led Grambling with 27 points, 10 rebounds, five assists and three steals. Jazmin Boyd and Monisha Neal each added 11 points. Southern was led by Briana Green, who scored 22 points to go with nine assists and five rebounds. Samantha Duncan added 12 points, and Courtney Parsons scored 10.

Tied 53-53 after the third, Skylar O'Bear put Southern (17-13) ahead with a three-pointer. The sides traded baskets as Grambling stayed in striking distance, keeping the margin within one possession until Hill raced out behind the Southern defense to put the Lady Tigers ahead 61-60 with 4:23 left.

Hill then buried a three-pointer to push the Lady Tigers up by four with 3:32 left. Grambling (19-13) scrapped together an 11-2 run to go ahead 68-62 with under two minutes left. Green answered with back-to-back scores to close the gap to 68-66 with 31 seconds left. Neal knocked down a free throw to make the game 69-66 with 27 ticks left. Justice Coleman then picked off a lazy pass and coasting to an uncontested lay-up. Grambling fended off the Jaguars late to win the program's first title since 1999.

The Jaguars flew out of the gate as Grambling struggled to find offense early on. Parsons outscored the Lady Tigers on her own with six points, as Southern opened the game on an 11-4 run. Grambling used its explosive transition of-

fense to find its footing, and an Ariel Williams three-ball tied the game at 15-15. The Lady Tigers ended the frame on a 9-3 run, but Southern eventually took a 19-17 lead into the second.

Southern pushed its lead to 26-21 but went cold offensively, failing to connect from the field for a stretch of more than two minutes. Meanwhile, Grambling took control with a 9-0 run over an 81-second span -- capped by a swipe and score from Takerra Parsons -- to go ahead 30-26 with 4:49 left in the break.

Green broke the Jaguar drought after intercepting a pass and finishing with a floater on the other end. From there, the Jaguars closed the gap before both sides traded buckets. Danayea Charles tied the game at 35 with a perfect trip to the line, but Hill responded with a slashing drive to the basket.

Duncan then connected on a heave from two-thirds of the court as time expired to give Southern a 39-37 lead at intermission. The sides battled from there until Hill's late takeover pushed Grambling over the top.



# SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## TOURNAMENT MVP



**SHAKYLA HILL**  
GRAMBLING STATE

## ALL-TOURNAMENT

Shakyla Hill, Grambling State  
Monisha Neal, Grambling State  
Taylor Robinson, Texas Southern  
Briana Green, Southern  
Samantha Duncan, Southern

## COACH OF THE YEAR

Sandy Pugh                      Southern

## 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b>	
Courtney Eggleston	Ebony Johnson
Lauren McKeel	Josta Tottem
Hilary Williams	
<b>Alabama State</b>	
Ewert, Daniele	Jones, Elisiah
Toney, Damaya	Wright, Britney
<b>Alcorn State</b>	
Jacqueline Braxton	Alleyah Burns
Jada Hargrove	Aysha Kirland
Tia Sanders	Talisa Sherman
Tori Spann	
<b>Grambling State</b>	
Alexis P. Adams	Kiana C. Jones
Takerra N. Parsons	Khadijah M. Pearson
Darae M. Taylor	
<b>Jackson State</b>	
Adams, Kierra	Cowens, Jasmine
Evans, Edneshia J.	Gray, Oshaela
Hunt, Katie	Shelton, Keendra
Williams, Sumer	Woodson, Radejah D.
<b>Mississippi Valley</b>	
Kenya Arnold	Kassaedy Bolden
Stormy Green	Christina Reed
Kristy Parker	Lauren Elliott
Alexandria Tarrant	Kenya Hailey
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>	
Kayla Bell	Mariah Campbell
Donreion McCoy	Chelsea Tieuel
Kyler Wyatt	
<b>Southern</b>	
Rishonti Cowart	
<b>Texas Southern</b>	
Chynna Ewing	Katelynn Johnson
Isis Lane	Brianna Lewis
Camille Mills	Kelena Morris
Teana Ogden	Kaitlyn Palmer
Natina Pouengue	Nia Roberts
Nycolle Smith	

## Arkansas-Pine Bluff

Blanco, Mercy	Brewton, Destiny
Ceasar, Bria	Daniels, Ashlee
Darden, Katherine	Hassan , Aiya
Head, Niya	Johnson, Jasmine
Mcgee, Tyjha	Muhammad, Malaik
Ohanta, Faith	Richardson, Aija
Richardson, Kye	

## ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Grambling State
2017	Texas Southern
2016	Alabama State
2015	Alabama State
2014	Prairie View A&M
2013	Prairie View A&M
2012	Prairie View A&M
2011	Prairie View A&M
2010	Southern
2009	Prairie View A&M
2008	Jackson State
2007	Prairie View A&M
2006	Southern
2005	Alcorn State
2004	Southern
2003	Alabama State
2002	Southern
2001	Alcorn State
2000	Alcorn State
1999	Grambling State
1998	Grambling State
1997	Grambling State
1996	Grambling State
1995	Jackson State
1994	Grambling State
1993	Mississippi Valley
1992	Alcorn State
1991	Alcorn State
1990	Jackson State
1989	Alabama State
1988	Grambling State
1987	Mississippi Valley
1986	Alcorn State
1985	Jackson State
1984	Jackson State
1983	Jackson State
1982	Jackson State



### Texas Southern



**HOUSTON, Texas** – For the fourth time in five years, Texas Southern rules the roost in the Southwestern Athletic Conference as the Tigers pulled away down the stretch for an 84-69 victory over Arkansas-Pine Bluff, claiming the 2018 Toyota SWAC Men's Basketball Tournament championship in the process.

Tournament Most Valuable Player Trae Jefferson led the way for the Tigers, who had four players in double figures. Jefferson scored 15 points, seven rebounds and six assists. Donte Clark added 14 points, Derrick Bruce scored 13 points. Trayvon Reed scored a team-best 17 points to go with 10 boards and four rejections.

Texas Southern (15-19), which used a blistering second-half of offense to pull away from Prairie View A&M during the semifinals, delivered more of the same to open the game against Arkansas-Pine Bluff. After Trent Steen connected on a jumper to pull the Golden Lions to within one, Donte Clark scored eight points as he powered a 13-1 run to put the Tigers ahead by double-digits near the midpoint of the first half.

Martaveous McKnight brought Arkansas-Pine Bluff (14-20) within striking distance as the Golden Lions cut it to within five. However, the Tigers continued their hot shooting, connecting on 60 percent of its tries – including a 7-for-15 clip from deep – to take a 45-36 lead into the locker rooms. Christian Robertson found some success against Texas Southern to open the second half, scoring six early points.

However, the Golden Lions couldn't do enough to close the gap on TSU during the early goings of the second half. After Trayvon Reed converted a three-point play to put the Tigers up 11, the Golden Lions came alive.

Terrance Baynard responded in kind on the other end, and McKnight connected on a teardrop on the following possession. Harper then cashed-in on an acrobatic finish at the rim and Robertson sank one of two at the line to close the deficit to 55-52 with 12:40 left.

Banyard knocked down a jumper at the line to pull UAPB within one possession, and after a Reed dunk, McKnight finished underneath the rim to make it 59-57 with 10:20 left. From there, the Tigers pulled away on a 14-4 run that coincided with a Texas Southern's Robert Lewis then nailed a corner trey to push TSU back ahead by five, and Jefferson swished home a floater in the lane, making it 64-57.

Texas Southern then pulled away with a 14-4 run over a seven-minute stretch during which UAPB made just one of their 11 field-goal tries. For the game, TSU shot 59.1 percent from the floor (26-of-44) including a 10-of-21 line from deep. Harper led all players with 21 points and seven rebounds. McKnight netted 17, and Robertson 11.



TOURNAMENT MVP



DEMONTRAЕ JEFFERSON  
TEXAS SOUTHERN

2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

- Alabama A&M**  
Marcus Merriweather
- Alabama State**  
Gee, Reginald
- Alcorn State**  
Denzel Dublin  
Anthony Mosby
- Grambling State**  
Mitchell, Ervin  
Thompson, Marcel  
Wilks, Ashton
- Jackson State**  
Berry, Jordan  
Bozeman, Eric  
Felton, Anfernee
- Prairie View A&M**  
Hamilton, Zachary  
Williams, Admassu
- Texas Southern**  
Cainan McClelland  
Kevin Granger  
Marvin Jones  
Divonte Lumpkin  
Jamie Rutherford  
Eric Washington
- Arkansas - Pine Bluff**  
Campbell, Khalid  
Mckinney, Kennedy  
Robertson, Christian  
Turner, Cedric



ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

- 2018 Texas Southern  
2017 Texas Southern  
2016 Southern  
2015 Texas Southern  
2014 Texas Southern  
2013 Southern  
2012 Mississippi Valley  
2011 Alabama State  
2010 Arkansas-Pine Bluff  
2009 Alabama State  
2008 Mississippi Valley  
2007 Jackson State  
2006 Southern  
2005 Alabama A&M  
2004 Alabama State  
2003 Texas Southern  
2002 Alcorn State  
2001 Alabama State  
2000 Jackson State  
1999 Alcorn State  
1998 Prairie View A&M  
1997 Jackson State  
1996 Mississippi Valley  
1995 Texas Southern  
1994 Texas Southern  
1993 Southern  
1992 Mississippi Valley  
1991 Jackson State  
1990 Texas Southern  
1989 Southern  
1988 Southern  
1987 Southern  
1986 Mississippi Valley  
1985 Southern  
1984 Alcorn State  
1983 Texas Southern  
1982 Alcorn State  
1981 Southern  
1980 Alcorn State  
1979 Alcorn State  
1978 Jackson State

ALL-TOURNAMENT

- Trae Jefferson – Texas Southern  
Donte Clark – Texas Southern  
Martaveous McKnight – Arkansas-Pine Bluff  
Travon Harper – Arkansas-Pine Bluff  
Gary Blackston – Prairie View A&M

COACH OF THE YEAR

- Donte' Jackson          Grambling State

### Texas Southern



**ARLINGTON, Texas** – Texas Southern narrowly edged Jackson State in a back and forth contest to win its first SWAC bowling conference championship since 2006.

Jackson State won game one of the first match 153-151 to take a 1-0 lead in the best of seven.

Texas Southern answered in the second game winning 178-152 to even things at 1-1, but Jackson State -- in search of its second title in three seasons -- took the lead back in game three with a 194-163 victory to take a 2-1 lead.

Texas Southern once again had an answer, winning game four 182-175 to even the series at 2-2.

Jackson State outpointed Texas Southern 212-210, putting itself one game away from forcing a second match. However, Texas Southern pushed it a seventh game by winning game six by a score of 199-153.

In the seventh and decisive game, the back and forth pattern continued. The seventh game was the closest game contested in the match. Texas Southern's Samantha Kriner knocked down nine pins in her final two rolls as TSU edged Jackson State by just one pin -- 190-189 -- to claim the

conference title.

Texas Southern's Brittany Torres was named the championship's Most Valuable Bowler. Torres closed 12 out of 14 frames with seven strikes and five spares in the championship match.

Texas Southern will head to the NCAA tournament by receiving the first automatic bid in SWAC history. The NCAA Bowling Championship will be held April 12-14 in Clayton, Mo.



SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / BOWLING

TOURNAMENT MVP



BRITTANY TORRES  
TEXAS SOUTHERN

2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

Alabama A&M	Terri England Gewel Richardson Jasmine Searcy
Alabama State	Sawmiller, Jessica Walker, Ashley Wilkins, Tiara Young, Haley
Grambling State	Ayim, Helen Galeano, Danna Henderson, Ariel Lesage, Jennifer Rogers, Alinza Walker, Asia
Jackson State	Estrada, Carlota Kirk, Violet Sanchez, Marclea Uzzell, Laura Walker, Michelle
Prairie View A&M	Borman, Alexis Katelyn Dickerson Brittany Kinney Lynsie Rodruguez
Southern	Colleen Cheramie Brielle Dean Lauren Kight Kenidi Robinson
Texas Southern	Samantha Kriner Kaelyn Lawson-Serges Summer Salak Jaden Takayesu Jessica Thoma Brittany Torres Denisysha Waller

ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Texas Southern
2017	Alabama State
2016	Jackson State
2015	Prairie View A&M
2014	Alabama A&M
2013	Prairie View A&M
2012	Prairie View A&M
2011	Southern
2010	Alabama A&M
2009	Southern
2008	Southern
2007	Alabama A&M
2006	Texas Southern
2005	Texas Southern
2004	Southern
2003	Southern
2002	Southern
2001	Texas Southern
2000	Texas Southern
1999	Southern
1998	Grambling State

ALL-TOURNAMENT

Samantha Kriner	Texas Southern
Marcella Sanchez	Jackson State
Jessica Sawmiller	Alabama State
Violet Kirk	Jackson State
Jessica Rodriguez	Prairie View A&M

COACH OF THE YEAR

Andrew Chatmon	Alabama State
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## Alabama State



**NEW ORLEANS** – The crown will stay in Montgomery.

The Alabama State women's tennis team claimed its second consecutive SWAC Championship by winning the 2018 Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) Women's Tennis Championship with a convincing 4-0 victory against No. 5 Alcorn State at City Park/ Pepsi Tennis Courts on Sunday.

Alabama State won its fourth overall SWAC Women's Tennis Championship in program history (1995, 1999, 2017 and 2018).

The top-seeded Lady Hornets (12-8) received stellar performances once again from the duo of Gabriela Lackova and Lea Krajcovicova, who each won their respective singles matches and then teamed to win as doubles partners to both finish unblemished with a 4-0 record in the SWAC Tournament.

The juniors who both hail from Slovakia were a dominant force throughout conference play this season as they combined to finish 15-2 against SWAC opponents in singles play.

Lackova was named the SWAC Tournament's Most Valuable Player after playing from the No. 3 singles position as she defeated sophomore Alessandra Maganuco of Italy 6-3, 6-0.

Krajcovicova, playing from the No. 4 singles position, topped junior Klavdija Bukovec of Slovenia, 6-1, 6-1.

No. 2 Reka Szentes downed Ammaarah Tim 6-2, 6-2 for the third singles win for Alabama State.

In doubles action, Lackova and Krajcovicova were too much for Tim and Maganuco as they won 6-0. Mirna Curcic and Maria Blazeovic secured the doubles point for the Lady Hornets as they were knocked off Marlene Maier and Bukovec 6-2.

Alcorn State (8-15) did not take a set, but the Lady Braves junior No. 1 player Bianca Birkenstock had pushed Chloe Kabama to a

6-6 tie-breaker and did not finish.

The awards presentation included the announcement of the 2018 SWAC Women's Tennis All-Tournament Team. Alabama State led with four selections.

Lackova was named the SWAC Tournament's Most Valuable Player as well to the All-Tournament Team after winning both her singles and doubles matches in the semifinals and the championship from the No. 3 singles spot and from the No. 2 doubles position.

Krajcovicova also went 4-0 from the No. 4 singles position and the No. 2 doubles position. Curcic claimed three victories in the tournament including one as a doubles partner in the No. 3 match of the championship with Marija Blazeovic. Blazeovic also made the team after earning two victories in the tourney.

Alcorn State, the runners up, was represented by Maganuco, who entered the finals with a team-high three wins on the Lady Braves journey to the championship.

The sophomore picked up two key victories in the upset win against No. 3 Southern on Friday and then added another in the Lady Braves' victory against No. 2 Prairie View A&M on Saturday.

Tyler Smith of Jackson State was the lone player who did not play in the final who made the All-Tournament squad. The senior from Pembroke, Bermuda won tied a conference-high with four victories in the tournament.

The Coach of the Year award went to Alabama State head coach Anuk Christiansz for a second straight season.

The Lady Hornets went 8-0 in conference play to earn the top seed and a first round bye in the playoffs. Alabama State defeated No. 4 Jackson State 4-1 in the semifinals on Saturday and followed it up with Sunday's 4-0 title win against No. 5 Alcorn State.

## SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / WOMEN'S TENNIS

### TOURNAMENT MVP



**GABRIELA LACKOVA**  
ALABAMA STATE

### ALL-TOURNAMENT

Gabriela Lackova, Alabama State  
Lea Krajcovivoca, Alabama State  
Mirna Curcic, Alabama State  
Marija Blazevic, Alabama State  
Alessandra Maganuco, Alcorn State  
Tyler Smith, Jackson State

### COACH OF THE YEAR

Anuk Christiansz Alabama State

### 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

**Alabama A&M**  
Beatriz Cerezo-Gutierrez  
Viag Hollos  
Rida Khalid  
Jazmine Lawson  
Sharre' Smith

**Alabama State**  
Blazevic, Marija  
Cartier, Marine  
Curcic, Mirna  
Lackova, Gabriela  
Orlovic, Brankica  
Parlic, Jovana  
Tekelova, Nicole

**Alcorn State**  
Maddison Brankenerg  
Bianca Birenstick  
Kiavdija Bukovec  
Daria Chemodanova  
Marlene Maier  
Nataila Parchonska  
Veronika Pytikova

**Grambling State**  
Galeano, Danna  
Kemp, Cara  
Magunje, Tanyaradzwa  
Muswere, Keren-Happuch  
Philavong, Phonephatthep  
Reshetnikova, Anastasya

**Jackson State**  
Ananth, Akshatha  
Butorina, Daria  
Dickson, Ariel  
Gauvreau-Dredge, Chloe  
Solis, Lucia  
Zhang, Nina

**Prairie View A&M**  
Findley, Shaddae  
Lackey, Stacy  
Maxwell, Timara  
Rama, Neharika  
Randolph, Trinity  
Ruhl, Tatiana  
Thomas, Sydney

**Southern**  
Tanaka Chakanyuka  
Darnesha Moore  
Rufero Chirewa  
Mia Kent  
Stephanie Mbaya  
Nicki Neal  
D'Jeri Raymond

**Arkansas-Pine Bluff**  
Lewis, Jana

### ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Alabama State
2017	Alabama State
2016	Alcorn State
2015	Southern
2014	Southern
2013	Southern
2012	Southern
2011	Southern
2010	Southern
2009	Jackson State
2008	Alcorn State
2007	Alabama A&M
2006	Texas Southern
2005	Southern
2004	Southern
2003	Southern
2002	Southern
2001	Alcorn State
2000	Alcorn State
1999	Alabama State
1998	Jackson State
1997	Southern
1996	Grambling State
1995	Alabama State
1994	-----
1993	Grambling State
1992	Grambling State
1991	Grambling State
1990	Southern
1989	Southern
1988	Southern



### Alabama State



**NEW ORLEANS, La. —** For the third time in the past four years, the Alabama State men's tennis team are champions of the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC).

The No. 1 seeded Hornets defended their crown as it defeated No. 5 Jackson State 4-0 in the SWAC Men's Tennis Championship played Sunday at the City Park / Pepsi Tennis Center in New Orleans.

The Hornets (11-9) received a boost from its No. 1, 3 and 6 singles players as all won their match and the No. 1 and 3 doubles teams each won to secure the doubles point.

Alabama State won in a little over two hours as No. 1 Ion Efrim defeated Joan Sanson 6-0, 6-3, No. 3 Tomas Fernandez followed with a 6-3, 6-4 victory against Fritz Jacobs and No. 6 Alejo Calvis topped Vishu Prasad 6-1, 6-1.

The Hornets earned the doubles point with wins from Collard and Efrim, who defeated Sanson and Prasad 6-3 at the No. 1 position and Chris Andre and Calvis, who topped Jacobs and Federico Mendieta 6-3. Andrey Alawi and Stylianos Gkontsaridis teamed up to win the No. 2 doubles match 6-1.

Jackson State (7-19) was a four-time champion with their last title coming in 2016.

The Hornets earned four spots on the All-Tournament Team as each recorded at least three wins. Calvis was dubbed MVP with his fourth victory of the tournament on Sunday. Alabama State's trio of freshmen came up large throughout the season and in this tournament as Collard, Andre and Calvis combined for 10 of the Hornets victories during the semifinals and the championship.

Efrim added an important win on Sunday to add his team to the list.

In leading the Tigers to the championship match, Stylianos Gkontsaridis notched four victories along the journey playing from the No. 5 singles position and the No. 2 doubles spot. Andrey Alawi also made the team with three wins playing from the No. 2 singles spot and the No. 2 doubles position.

Coach Christiansz doubled up on his Coach of the Year accolades for a second straight season, winning both the Women's Tennis and Men's Tennis Coach of the Year awards. Christiansz led the Hornets to a 6-0 mark in conference play and then won the semifinals against No. 4 Alcorn State 4-2 before taking the title on Sunday with a 4-0 win against No. 5 Jackson State.



TOURNAMENT MVP



ALEJO CALVIS  
ALABAMA STATE

2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

Alabama A&M	Jarib Beazer Cristian Biggot Shakir Elvin Amanda Gray Mateo Monray Nishanagan Nadaraja Carlos Salas Joshua Wilson
Alabama State	Efrim, Ion Fernandez, Tomas Mlambo, Takura Naruka, Digvijay Pusztay, Szabin Skvorc, Karlo Trajkovski, Andrej
Alcorn State	Suyah Gupia Nikita Kostikov Ivan Matas Nischay Rawal Nuno Rocho Javon Yarbrough
Jackson State	Alawi, Andrey Gkontsaris, Stylianos Jacobs, Fritz Mendieta, Federico Prasad, Vishu Sanson, Joan
Prairie View A&M	Avella, Sergio Boyogueno, Ulrick Quintero, Freddy Yadav, Anirudh

ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Alabama State
2017	Alabama State
2016	Jackson State
2015	Alabama State
2014	Prairie View A&M
2013	Prairie View A&M
2012	Alcorn State
2011	Alcorn State
2010	Prairie View A&M
2009	Alcorn State
2008	Southern
2007	Alcorn State
2006	Texas Southern
2005	Prairie View A&M
2004	Southern
2003	Southern
2002	Southern
2001	Alcorn State
2000	Alcorn State
1999	Alcorn State
1998	Jackson State
1997	Jackson State
1996	Jackson State
1995	Grambling State
1993	Southern
1992	Southern
1991	Southern
1987	Southern
1986	Southern
1985	Southern
1980	Southern
1979	Southern
1970	Prairie View A&M
1969	Prairie View A&M
1968	Prairie View A&M
1967	Prairie View A&M
1966	Prairie View A&M
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1958	Prairie View A&M
1957	Prairie View A&M
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1949	Prairie View A&M
1948	Prairie View A&M
1947	Prairie View A&M
1938	Prairie View A&M



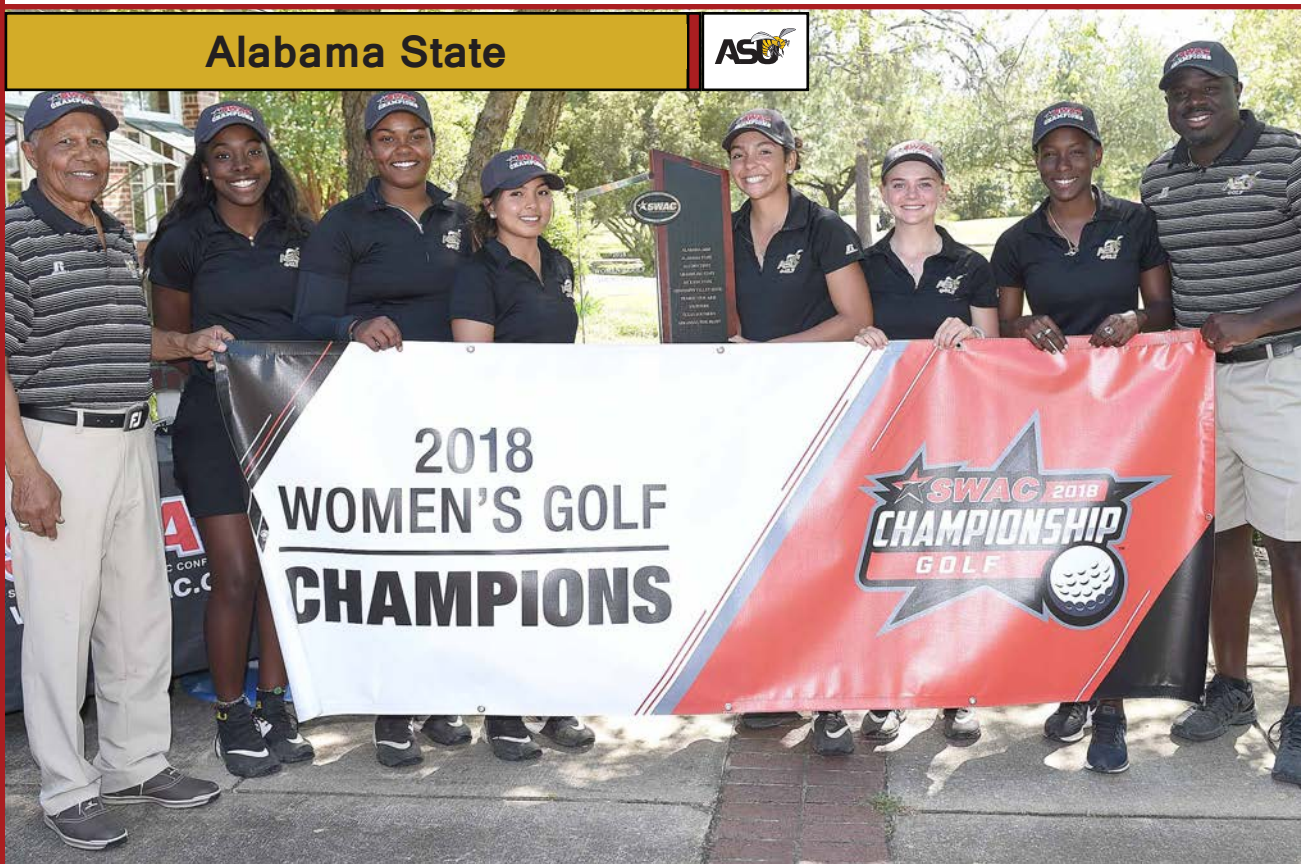
ALL-TOURNAMENT

Alexis Collard, Alabama State  
Chris Andre, Alabama State  
Alejo Calvis, Alabama State  
Ion Efrim, Alabama State  
Stylianos Gkontsaris, Jackson State  
Andrey Alawi, Jackson State

COACH OF THE YEAR

Anuk Christiansz      Alabama State

### Alabama State



**ALEXANDRIA, La.** – The Alabama State Lady Hornets captured its fifth SWAC women's golf title in the last six seasons on Sunday, with a two day total of 626 strokes (+50).

Texas Southern finished in second place with a two day total of 665 (+89). Prairie View A&M finished in third place with a total of 700 (+124). Alcorn State rounded out the team standings in fourth place, finishing with a two day total of 720 (+144).

Chanelle Avaricio of the Lady Hornets was awarded low medalist honors. The senior from Paranaque, Philippines beat out teammate Nia Station by one shot, finishing six over par for the tournament and a two day total of 150. It was the fourth straight year Avaricio has won low medalist honors.

Station was named Freshman of the Year, finishing at +7 for the championship and made a late charge for low medalist, by shooting the low round of the day with a 74.

Amber Kuykendall of Texas Southern finished the event in third place finishing at fourteen over par. Madison DeRousse of Alabama State finished the event in fourth place in a tie with Aubrianna Jordan.

Quname Mhotsha of Alcorn State finished in sixth, and Jade McAlister of Alabama State finished in seventh.

Celeste Nawa of Alcorn State finished the event in eighth place, while Hilary Washington and Destany Hall of Texas Southern rounded out the top-ten.

Alabama State Head Coach Dr. Gary Grandison was named the 2018 SWAC Women's Golf Coach of the Year.



FIRST-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE



SECOND-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

## SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / WOMEN'S GOLF

### LOW MEDALIST



**CHANELLE AVARICIO**  
ALABAMA STATE

### 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama State</b>	Avaricio, Chanelle Marquez, Dismay Masango, Sylvia
<b>Alcorn State</b>	Daii Gardner Abrea Grant Erin Kopinok Quinn Meyer Samantha Schroer
<b>Jackson State</b>	Brown, Makalia L. Garcia, Tasita Kirk, Kaia Taylor, Destiny Terrell, Brandy S.
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>	Alexis Rose Kiani Sheppard
<b>Texas Southern</b>	Destani Burbank Amber Kuykendall Jalyn Kuykendall Hillary Washington

### ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Alabama State
2017	Texas Southern
2016	Alabama State
2015	Alabama State
2014	Alabama State
2013	Alabama State
2012	Jackson State
2011	Alabama State
2010	Jackson State
2009	Jackson State
2008	Jackson State
2007	Jackson State
2006	Jackson State
2005	Jackson State
2004	Southern
2003	Southern
2001	Jackson State
2000	Southern
1999	Southern
1996	Jackson State
1995	Southern
1994	Southern
1993	Southern

### FIRST-TEAM

Chanelle Avaricio	Alabama State
Nia Station	Alabama State
Amber Kuykendall	Texas Southern
Aubrianna Jordan	Prairie View A&M
Madison DeRousse	Alabama State

### SECOND-TEAM

Ouname Mhotsha	Alcorn State
Jada McAlister	Alabama State
Celestine Nawa	Alcorn State
Hillary Washington	Texas Southern
Shania Jones	Alabama State

### COACH OF THE YEAR

Dr. Gary Grandison      Alabama State

### FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

Nia Station      Alabama State



### Prairie View A&M



**ALEXANDRIA, La.** – Prairie View A&M captured its first SWAC golf championship since 1979 on Wednesday at Oak Wing Golf Club in Alexandria, La., finishing with a team score of 891 (+27) and won by 31 shots. This is the first SWAC title that the Panthers have won this academic year.

Alabama State finished the championship in second place, with a three day total of 922 (+58), Texas Southern came in third place, finishing with a three day total of 927 (+63).

Alcorn State finished in fourth place in the team standings, and Arkansas Pine Bluff rounded out the team standings finishing in fifth.

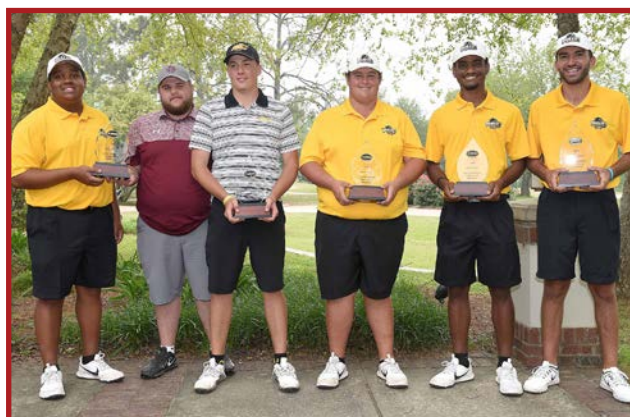
Laurence Crea from Prairie View A&M won low medalist honors. He shot a final round 77 to finish at four over par and win by one shot over teammate John Jones, who finished at five over for the tournament.

Zane Brooks of Prairie View A&M finished in third place, finishing at six over par for the tournament. Alexandre Belanger of Alabama State finished in fourth at 12 over par.

Tom McLaughlin of Texas Southern and David Baker Jr. of Prairie View A&M rounded out the top five, finishing in a tie for fifth, which placed them both on All-SWAC first team.

Prairie View A&M head coach Kevin Jennings was named the men's golf Coach of the Year.

Crea was also named the Freshman of the Year as the highest placing freshman in the field.



FIRST-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE



SECOND-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

## SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / MEN'S GOLF

### LOW MEDALIST



**LAURENCE CREA**  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

### FIRST-TEAM

Laurence Crea	Prairie View A&M
Zane Brooks	Prairie View A&M
John Jones	Prairie View A&M
Alexandre Belanger	Alabama State
Tom McLaughlin	Texas Southern
David Baker Jr.	Prairie View A&M

### SECOND-TEAM

Lucas Elliott	Texas Southern
Quincy Stith	Alabama State
Noel Sims	Alabama State
Mbongeni Maphosa	Alabama State

### CO-COACHES OF THE YEAR

Kevin Jennings	Alabama State
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### FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

Laurence Crea	Prairie View A&M
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### 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>ALABAMA A&amp;M</b>	Paul San James Watson
<b>ALABAMA STATE</b>	Maphosa, Mbongeni Minondo, Patricio Reed, Kirabo Stith, Quincy Tinsay-Roxas, Alexander
<b>ALCORN STATE</b>	Jonathan Allen Jorge Garzon Daniel Racioppa Spencer Rhodes Daniel Stamper Denzel Turner
<b>JACKSON STATE</b>	Douglas, Arriek Wynn, Marcus A.
<b>PRAIRIE VIEW A&amp;M</b>	David Baker Harold Carter
<b>TEXAS SOUTHERN</b>	Ross Lucas Elliott Blake Lolato Thomas McLaughlin
<b>ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF</b>	Cloud, Brian Medina, Humberto

### ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Prairie View A&M
2017	Alabama State
2016	Alabama State
2015	Alabama State
2014	Alabama State
2013	Alabama State
2012	Alabama State
2011	Jackson State
2010	Jackson State
2009	Jackson State
2008	Jackson State
2007	Jackson State
2006	Jackson State
2005	Jackson State
2004	Jackson State
2003	Jackson State
2002	Jackson State
2001	Jackson State
2000	Jackson State
1999	Jackson State
1998	Jackson State
1997	Jackson State
1996	Jackson State
1995	Jackson State
1994	Jackson State
1993	Jackson State
1992	Jackson State
1991	Jackson State
1990	Jackson State
1989	Jackson State
1988	Southern
1987	Southern
1986	Southern
1985	Southern
1984	Southern



## Alabama State



**PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas** – The Alabama State Lady Hornets claimed their ninth-straight Southwestern Athletic Conference Women's Outdoor Track and Field championship Sunday at Prairie View A&M Track Stadium in dominant fashion, tallying 218 points to clinch the crown.

Host Prairie View finished second (146), and Arkansas-Pine Bluff and Grambling finished tied for third with 78 points.

Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Keziann Jones was named the Most Outstanding Field Performer of the championships after earning two golds and a silver in throwing events.

Scholasticah Kemei of Mississippi Valley State earned the title of Most Outstanding Track Performer after claiming four gold medals in distance events. Alabama State coach Ritchie Beene garnered Coach of the Year honors.

### TEAM STANDINGS:

1. Alabama State (218)
2. Prairie View A&M (146)
3. UAPB/Grambling (78)
5. Alcorn State (69)
6. Mississippi Valley (64)
7. Texas Southern (63)
8. Southern (55)
9. Jackson State (26)
10. Alabama A&M (21)

### DAY 3 RESULTS

Kaizha Roberts earned her second gold medal of the meet, winning the women's triple jump. The Lady Panthers' leaper cleared 12.18 meters to win. Roderica White of Alabama State finished second, and Devynn King earned bronze for the Lady Panthers.

Alabama State finished 1-2 in the women's discus, as Xiquaria Reliford (44.60m) claimed the gold. Teammate Kristen Thompson (44.24m) earned the silver, and UAPB's Sabrina Hollins cleared 40.28 meters for the bronze.

Nekiesha Bailey of Prairie View A&M took home the gold medal in the women's high jump (1.75m), with teammate Ja'Sha Sloan (1.71m) coming in second). Texas Southern's Quintella Johnson

(1.67m) finished third.

Alabama State overtook Prairie View down the stretch of the 4x100 meter relay, as the Lady Hornets won the relay event with a time of 45.05 seconds. PVAMU took second (45.17s) and Alcorn State (45.56s) was third.

Deonca Bookman of Prairie View A&M edged out Shamaria Lovett of Alabama State to win the 100-meter hurdles. Bookman timed a 13.52-second mark, and Lovett claimed silver with a 13.56-second time. In third was Alabama State's Ariyanna Val (14.04).

Nikole Haroon of Texas Southern comfortably claimed the 400-meter dash title with a time of 53.12 seconds. Southern's Terralicia Mercadel (54.35) was second, and Alcorn's Jessica Ransom (54.37) was third.

Alabama State speedster Charminiqu Hackney (11.24) won the title of SWAC's fastest woman with a win in the 100-meter dash, breaking the previous championship record of 11.25 seconds – set in 1986 by TSU's Mary Onyali -- in the process. Alcorn's Euricka Hardy (11.41) took silver, and Alabama State's Desiree Horn (11.77) was third. Hackney also won the 200-meter dash (23.30), besting Texas Southern's Alexis Gray (23.92) and Hardy (24.07).

Scholasticah Kemei won the 1500-meter run (4:37.64) for Mississippi Valley, with Alabama State's Arion Span (4:42.68), and Halima Chepkwony of Grambling (4:50.83) finished third. Span rebounded to coast to a gold medal in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:09.56. Dinah Murphy of Prairie View won the silver (2:14.35), and in third was Alcorn's Angelica Jacobs (2:14.64).

During the 400-meter hurdles, defending champion Bookman appeared on her way to another win before clipping a hurdle and falling during the home stretch. The misstep proved costly as Alabama State's Lovett (58.02) was able to make up ground and take home the victory in the event. Bookman recovered to finish second (59.39), and in third was Alabama State's Kyana Evans (59.47).

Alcorn State held off Prairie View A&M to win the 4x400-meter relay (3:40.35). PVAMU was second (3:40.65), and Alabama State (3:40.91).

## OUTSTANDING TRACK PERFORMER



**SCOLASTICAH KEMEI**  
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE

## OUTSTANDING FIELD PERFORMER



**KEZIANN JONES**  
ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF

## COACH OF THE YEAR

Ritchie Beene Alabama State

## 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b>	
SyKonza Evans	Jordyn Hankins
Auntmn Locklin	Nautica Merrell
Jenee' Nichols	Akia Slaughter
Davina Young	
<b>Alabama State</b>	
Bartley, Markia	Ebert, Brandee
Etienne, Tatiana	Hackney, Charminqu
Horn, Desiree	Jack, Nia
Locker, Latesha	Pickney, Alexis
Reliford, Xiquaria	Span, Arion
Staton-Joi, Chyna	Thompson, Kristen
Whittaker, Zaria	
<b>Alcorn State</b>	
Alessandria Aikerson-Russell	Candace Baity
Alana Bass	Kierra Gardner
Jessica Garrett	Eurika Hardy
Sheaquanda Hill	Ashli Isbell
Angelica Jacobs	Shaniqua Knowles
Samiria Martin	Ty'Mesha Nabors
Jessica Ransom	Dynasty Williams
<b>Grambling State</b>	
Winmarie C. Bowen	Kyra T. Canty
Creshonda K. Carter	Halima J. Chepkwony
Darlene Desmangles	Shaciarra Drake
Charisma Green	Roynisha G. James
Jasmine D. King	De'Zyriah J. Rankins
Jalyn K. Simon	Marissa L. Stove
Darnese P. Woods	
<b>Jackson State</b>	
Antoine, Mohogany	Brewster, Aniecia A.
Cato, Jahelle	Clement, Keira C.
Dolford, Latisha	Gilding, Latoya J.
Knight, Akeilia J.	Mallory, Lenetta
Parker, Shannon S.	Qualls, Khadijah
Ridle, Rashaunda	Robertson, Jeida K.
Silencieux, Stherline	Spell, Ky'Bria G.
Taylor, Tye'Reshina M.	Valmyre, Kimberly
<b>Mississippi Valley State</b>	
Ashley Adekweh	Christy Cotton
Tra'Nisha Dukes	Najee Green
Alexandrea Francis	Scholasticah Kemei
Omesha Locke	Derica Pitters
Ki'ana Thomas	Mary Jean Tyler
Autezia Sellers	Stephanie Washington
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>	
Nekiesha Bailey	Tyla Bryant
Coleman, Takara	Jovanna Espinoza
Brea Garrett	Jakerria Hughes
Camirey Jackson	Zakia Johnson
Jayirella Joseph	Kelsey Madkins
Stephanie Madkins	Sabrina Ozigbo
Kristina Ricks	Brianna Robinson
Ashley Santos	Alana Williams
Geordann Yelder	
<b>Southern</b>	
Rykesha Bankhead	Ashley Miles
Clarissa McGarner	Tiana Cephers
Danae Colston	Breanca Cummings
Janae Simoneaux	Ambrosia Williams
Nia Williams	
<b>Texas Southern</b>	
Marlyn Campa	Deouna Davis
Jillian Favor	Nikole Haroon
Isis Lane	Leanna Mack
Christelle Nintheu	Melissa Pena
Ashanti Phelps	Miriam Pierre
Kiya Reeves	Shylia Riley
Alecia Smith	Mariah Stewart
Chantance Taylor	Ellena Torres
Morgan Utsey-Williams	Breanca Woods
<b>Arkansas - Pine Bluff</b>	
Gammage, Jada	Gilliam, Summer
Hunter, Salonica	James, Deandra
Knight, Camiya	Simmons, Sharoya
Burke, Briana	Tasher, Ashley
Taylor, Takia	Worlds, Sydnee

## ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Alabama State
2017	Alabama State
2016	Alabama State
2015	Alabama State
2014	Alabama State
2013	Alabama State
2012	Alabama State
2011	Alabama State
2010	Alabama State
2009	Jackson State
2008	Jackson State
2007	Alabama State
2006	Grambling State
2005	Alabama State
2004	Southern
2003	Alabama State
2002	Alabama State
2001	-----
2000	-----
1999	Southern
1997	Southern
1996	Grambling State
1995	Southern
1993	Southern
1992	Texas Southern
1991	Texas Southern
1990	Texas Southern
1989	Texas Southern



### Prairie View A&M



**PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas** – For the first time in a decade, the Prairie View A&M Panthers are Southwestern Athletic Conference Outdoor Track and Field champions, besting Alabama State and Jackson State behind clutch victories in field action.

PVAMU scored 167 points. In second was Alabama State (161) and Jackson State (160). Up by two points heading into the final event, Prairie View A&M (3:09.81) managed a second-place finish behind Texas Southern (3:09.60) to seal it, as Alabama State and Jackson State faded during the stretch run of the relay. UAPB finished third at 3:13.42.

Jackson State distance runners Vincent Langat and Henry Kiplagat (28 points) finished as Co-Most Outstanding Track Performers after winning a combined four gold medals. Alabama A&M's Akeem Samuels won two gold medals in throwing events to earn Most Outstanding Field Performer (25 points). Prairie View A&M's Chris Clay was named Coach of the Year.

#### TEAM STANDINGS:

1. Prairie View A&M (167)
2. Alabama State (161)
3. Jackson State (160)
4. Texas Southern (113)
5. Alabama A&M (84)
6. Arkansas-Pine Bluff (77)
7. Alcorn State (37)
8. Mississippi Valley State (16)

#### DAY 3 RESULTS

Tristian Ham of Prairie View A&M had a pole vault outing for the record books as he shattered the previous SWAC championship mark of 5.05 meters in the event. Ham won the gold with a clearance of 5.12 meters. Teammate Sunne-Rodriguez Weems was second (4.55m), and Texas Southern's Cassius King (4.05m) finished third.

Prairie View A&M's Deante Crittenden won the men's high jump, as he soared over a height of 2.06 meters. Harvey Kendall of Texas Southern and Aaron Worrell each cleared 2.02 meters to reach the medal stand, as Kendall won silver thanks to clearing the mark in less attempts. Jackson State blazed to victory in the 4x100 meter relay with a time of 39.87 seconds. Prairie View took home the silver (40.37), edging out

Alabama State (40.41) in the closing moments. Samuels won the men's discus throw with a heave of 46.61 meters, nearly a full meter ahead of silver medalist Caesar Kemp (45.73m) of Alabama State. Prairie View's Jovondi Williams (45.56m) was third.

In the triple jump, Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Travis Bibbs bested the field, winning with a leap up 15.54 meters. Texas Southern's Harvey Kendall (14.81m) earned the silver, and Jackson State's Jauvany Hyde (14.74m) was third.

Jackson State continued their late charge as Joshua Hilliard won the 100-meter hurdles by a hair over Terrence Adams of Alabama State. Hilliard timed a 14.17, and Adams finished in 14.19 seconds. Azariah Foster of JSU finished third (14.21). In the 1500-meter run, Jackson State's Langat won with a time of 4:00.94. In second was UAPB's Loral Heath (4:01.60), and Prairie View A&M's Tracy Malrey (4:02.93) earned bronze.

Prairie View's duo of William Polley and Carl Jordan finished 1-2 in the 400-meter dash, with Polley earning gold (46.59 seconds). Jordan took silver (46.63) after overtaking Mississippi Valley's Laval Davis (46.67) at the finish-line lunge.

Alcorn State's Bralon Robinson won the 100-meter dash by a razor-thin margin (10.331) over Jackson State's Justin Thomas (10.338). Alabama State's Josh Davis (10.35) seized the bronze. Thanks to a strong finish down the stretch, Alabama State's Andrew Jackson won the 800-meter run with a time of 1:52.92. Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Loral Heath (1:53.93) and Jackson State's William Carroll (1:54.08) were second and third, respectively.

Alex Ward of Alabama A&M edged the field in the 400-meter hurdles (51.22), and UAPB's Rasheed McAlpin (51.25) took the silver. Prairie View's Logan Williams earned bronze with a time of 51.72 seconds.

Davis of Alabama State blazed a 20.70-second time en route to the 200 meter dash conference title. DeTorrian Green of Alabama A&M (20.88) finished second, and Jackson State's Thomas was third (20.92).

Jackson State closed individual competition with a 1-2 finish in the 5000-meter run. Kiplagat (15:39.61) won the meet, with teammate Langat second.

CO-OUTSTANDING  
TRACK PERFORMERS



VINCENT LANGAT  
HENRY KIPLAGAT  
JACKSON STATE

OUTSTANDING FIELD  
PERFORMER



AKEEM SAMUELS  
ALABAMA A&M

COACH OF THE YEAR

Chris Clay

Prairie View A&M

2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b> Amortez Moody	
<b>Alabama State</b> Brown, Jamie	Coffelt, Joshua
Jackson, Andrew	Member-Meneh, Lezoghia
Newton, Tyree	Shaw, O'Shane
Spike, Norris	Thigpen, Gregory
Trahan, Chaaka	Coffelt, Joshua
Jackson, Andrew	Newton, Tyree
Streeter, Jeremiah	
<b>Alcorn State</b> John Baptist	Jordan Boyd
Justin Boyd	Kemar Cumberbach
Darien Hennington	Charles Hughes
Christopher Jefferson	Mario Martinez
Oshaye Rawls	Jabari Thompson
Qaseem Wajd	
<b>Grambling State</b> Mickey D. Anderson	Roderick Atkinson
Hassan Chepkwony	Frederic Green
Montieco Harris	Aaron K. Koech
Wesley Love	Justin L. Miller
Tyris T. Rachel	Noah K. Rugut
Rudolph A. Valentine III	Chauncey D. Wells
<b>Jackson State</b> William Carroll	Tyler Crockett
Joshua Evertt	Darrion Hampton
Jauvany K. Hyde	Markus D. Jackson
Jerod Miller	Jamal A. Ridgel
Keiven J. Russey	Raheem M. Skinner
Murray Washington	
<b>Mississippi Valley State</b> Ahmad Sykes	Deion Reed
Jakyle Harris	Farrean Toney
John Akakeya	Nicholas Alexander
Derris Cleaver	Brandon McCall
Damone Jackson	
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b> David Alexander	Ty'Ron Baker
Keon Campbell	Deante Crittenden
Dylan Gladney	Syed Hussain
D'Andre Jackson-Reeves	Yaw Sekyere
Joshua Simmons	Jovondi Williams
Levante Williams	Logan Williams
Luiz Yanez	
<b>Southern</b> Issac Brown	Desmond Thomas
Keshaun Javois	
<b>Texas Southern</b> Jawayn Brooks	Austin Brown
Marcus Caldwell	Darryl Carter
Tarique Fisher	Vincent Fisher
David Guzman	D'Andre Lewis
Xavier Martinez	Jacob Price
Travis Sanders	Justin Smith
Demarco Taylor	Jalen Wade
Mykele Young-Sanders	
<b>Arkansas - Pine Bluff</b> Bibbs, Travis	Dortch, Miles
Griffin, Rodney	Parker, Juwan
Thompson, Demetrius	Woodard, Lamarques
Gardner, Wade	McAlpin, Rasheed
Munn, Travin	Self, Harry

ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Prairie View A&M
2017	Grambling State
2016	Texas Southern
2015	Grambling State
2014	Grambling State
2013	Grambling State
2012	Grambling State
2011	Grambling State
2010	Grambling State
2009	Grambling State
2008	Prairie View A&M
2007	Grambling State
2006	Grambling State
2005	Grambling State
2004	Alabama State
2003	Southern
2002	Southern
2001	-----
2000	Grambling State, Prairie View
1999	Southern
1998	-----
1997	Southern
1996	Southern
1995	Southern
1994	-----
1993	Southern
1970	Prairie View A&M
1969	Prairie View A&M
1958	Prairie View A&M
1955	Prairie View A&M
1953	Prairie View A&M
1951	Prairie View A&M
1950	Prairie View A&M
1949	Prairie View A&M
1948	Prarie View A&M
1946	Prairie View A&M
1944	Prairie View A&M
1942	Prairie View A&M
1941	Prairie View A&M
1938	Prairie View A&M
1937	Prairie View A&M
1936	Prairie View A&M
1934	Prairie View A&M



## Prairie View A&amp;M



**MONTGOMERY, Ala.** - Prairie View A&M ended a 20-year title drought, besting Alabama State 5-3 and 4-3 to win the 2018 Southwestern Athletic Conference Softball Tournament championship.

After winning game one and finding itself down 3-0 in game two, Prairie View (20-21) rallied in the bottom of the fifth, as Keona Hunter was plunked and Destinee Williams managed a single. After a sac bunt moved both into scoring position, Alyssa Garcia ripped a single to left to score Hunter. SWAC Softball Tournament Most Valuable Player Laurisa Hernandez then knotted things up with a RBI single to center that scored D. Williams, and Garcia came home thanks to an error in centerfield.

After a quick 1-2-3 sixth inning compliments of Crystal Castillo, Shelby Williams reached via error and alertly advanced to third after a groundout by Hunter. D. Williams then gave PVAMU the lead with a two-out RBI single to score S. Williams for the go-ahead run. Castillo retired the side to bring the Lady Panthers their first SWAC title since 1998.

A pitcher's duel through three innings, the Lady Hornets used the long ball to jump ahead in the top of the fourth, as Charlene Castro blasted one over the left field wall for the game's first run and Amira James (2-for-3) followed with a two-run shot, prompting Ashley Higgins to come on in relief of starter Vanessa Castro. Higgins was able to work out of a bases-loaded jam to limit the damage.

The Lady Panthers mounted a threat in the bottom of the frame with singles by pinch-hitter Alyssa Garcia and Hernandez. Although ASU starter Justine Jean struck Kylar-Ward Flowers with a pitch to load the bases with no outs, Jean buckled down to retire the side, with two strikeouts sandwiching the end of the rally.

D. Williams and Hernandez each had a pair of hits. Castillo earned her third win of the tournament with 2.0 innings of shut-out ball in relief.



# SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / SOFTBALL

## TOURNAMENT MVP



**LAURISA HERNANDEZ**  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

## 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

### Alabama A&M

Janae Adams  
Jessica Alferos  
Brandi Foreman  
Caitlyn Hayden  
Kia Lang  
Eriel Lawson  
Emily Lipinski  
Madison Pozzi  
Rachel Sanders  
Jasmine Simpson  
Sierra Smith  
Lauren Walker

### Alabama State

Boggess, Alexia  
Byrne, Therese  
Centeno, Valerie  
Davis, Kaylee  
Hindi, Perry  
Jean, Justine  
Rivera, Natalia  
Walker, Hailey

### Alcorn State

Jazmin Castillo  
Sameiria Collins  
Ambria Dorsey  
Catherine Gore  
Adriana Gutierrez  
Alicia Hill  
Montana Holyfield  
Vanessa Sanders  
Royce Smith

### Grambling State

Brea Aikens  
Armani M. Babin  
Bre'Ajhanee C. Grayson  
Taylor D. Lenz-Selvera  
Deshuna N. McDaniell  
Samara A. Perry  
Monique Y. Smith

### Jackson State

Cheyenne Aplon  
Ariana Cruz  
Allison Hervey  
Denisha Knight  
Ashley Sain  
Symone Williams

### Mississippi Valley State

Holly Brown  
Sharia Cormier  
Kailyn Dunn  
Chandler Ellis  
Taliyah Riddick-Waters  
Annaisa Sanchez  
Lexany Terrones  
Lacy Wilburn

### Prairie View A&M

Taylor Drury  
Jennifer Garcia  
Ashley Higgins  
Brianna Knowles  
Kyler Ward-Flowers  
Shelby Williams

### Southern

Jade Luke  
Aubron James  
Bailey Rankin  
Caylin Scott

### Texas Southern

Gabriella Andrews  
Jade Bismark  
Adreana Casares  
Coren Davis  
Jasmin Fulmore  
Amber Garza  
Tiffany Marshall  
Gisella Paranch

Eriel Lawson  
Ciera Berkemeyer  
Danielle Hansell  
Jada Jackson  
Imani Largin  
V. Tamia Lee  
Kiara Miles  
Viridiana Ramos  
Tiana Sanders  
Ariel Smith  
Breayna Horton

Bradford, Vanessa  
Castro, Charlene  
Core, Kendall  
Felices, Aimee  
James, Amira  
Owens, Kimberlee  
Rosser, Taylor  
Wilson, Brittney

Madison Chitwood  
Madison Creed  
Bre Glenn  
Jessee Gresly  
Robin Harrison  
Courtenay Holt  
Mariah Ortiz  
Kaylee Smith  
Victoria Tyler

Kendalyn Arceneaux  
Tiffany L. Doss  
Allye C. Hartley  
D'Maria A. Matthews  
Caitlin R. McDowell  
Laa'Iquah R. Shaheer  
Mercedes N. Williams

Queen Briggs  
Alexis Hansard  
Miranda Jones  
Victoria Nelson  
Sierra Smith

Chanler Powell  
Kelsey Riley  
Lauren Rodriguez  
Krystalani Yockman

Rebekah Clinton  
Alexandra Dobbins  
Jordan Ellerby-Brown  
Andrea Elmore  
Elissa Salinas  
Deja Talton  
Jodeci Afoa-Tula

Amanda Ford  
Laurisa Hernandez  
Kellady Johnson  
Kiara Ross  
Destinee Williams

Sydney Andrews  
Jaslyn Perrodin  
Kayleigh Thomas  
Adriane Roberson

Hayley Anguiano  
Richa Cartwright  
Kacey Creel  
Jocilynn Ellis  
Alyssa Garcia  
Madilynn Marek  
Marissa Padron  
Kierra Patton

## ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

**2018** Prairie View A&M  
**2017** Texas Southern  
**2016** Alabama State  
**2015** Texas Southern  
**2014** Texas Southern  
**2013** Mississippi Valley  
**2012** Mississippi Valley  
**2011** Jackson State  
**2010** Alcorn State  
**2009** Mississippi Valley  
**2008** Mississippi Valley  
**2007** Mississippi Valley  
**2006** Mississippi Valley  
**2005** Mississippi Valley  
**2004** Mississippi Valley  
**2003** Southern  
**2002** Alabama A&M  
**2001** Grambling State  
**2000** Texas Southern  
**1999** Southern  
**1998** Prairie View A&M  
**1997** Alcorn State,  
Grambling State

Chanler Powell

Kelsey Riley  
Lauren Rodriguez  
Krystalani Yockman

### Arkansas - Pine Bluff

Aguliar, Maria  
Garcia, Paige  
Hall, Karia  
Mitchell, Lydia  
Nikolao, Monique  
Taylor, Alexandria

Anisha Richardson  
Zariah Robins  
Holli Taylor

Akins, Shanice  
Graham, Kameron  
Hawkins, Tonnay  
Moody, Ta'Lyn  
Saine, Kiara

## ALL-TOURNAMENT

Tiana Sanders, Alabama A&M  
Julia Bilbao, Texas Southern  
Ta'Lyn Moody, Arkansas-Pine Bluff  
Jazmine Dukes, Southern  
Tevanae Tate, Texas Southern  
Justine Jean, Alabama State  
Laurisa Hernandez, Prairie View A&M  
Crystal Castillo, Prairie View A&M  
Casey Durham, Alabama State  
Charlene Castro, Alabama State  
Destinee Williams, Prairie View A&M  
Kylar Ward-Flowers, Prairie View A&M

## COACH OF THE YEAR

**Nakeya Hall** Alabama A&M

### Texas Southern



**NEW ORLEANS, La.** – Texas Southern captured back-to-back SWAC Baseball Championships with a 18-3 win over Grambling State in the title game on Sunday. It is the Tigers third baseball title in four seasons.

Texas Southern broke the ice in the bottom of the first. With runners on the corners, Jose Camacho grounded out to the shortstop, which allowed a run to Gaudencia Lucca to score to give TXSO the early lead.

In the bottom of the second, Grambling State answered. Marshawn Taylor singled up the middle, which allowed D'Quan Mathews to score, tying the score at 1-1.

Grambling State took the lead in the second. Ace Felder knocked in an RBI single to right field, which let Isaiah Torres score and give GSU the 2-1 advantage.

Texas Southern opened the game up in the third. With the bases loaded and no one out, Christian Sanchez hit a two run single that gave Texas Southern the 3-2 advantage.

Later in the third, OJ Oloruntimilinen hit a two RBI single to center field, which gave Texas Southern a 6-2 lead. Kamren Dukes added an RBI single and Lucca added a tiddle in the inning. The Tigers ended the inning by scoring nine runs, to make the score 10-2.

Texas Southern added a run in the fifth. Lucca hit a sacrifice fly to center, that allowed Kyle Van Kuren to score, which made it 11-2.

Texas Southern added three runs in the seventh, and four in the eighth, including a two run home run by Christian Sanchez.

Oloruntimilehin was named the tournament MVP for Texas Southern. He went 2 for 4 with four RBIs and one run scored in the championship game.



# SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS / BASEBALL

## TOURNAMENT MVP



**OJ OLORUNTIMILEHIN**  
TEXAS SOUTHERN

## 2017 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

### ALABAMA A&M

Darren Beachem  
Wilanier Betancourt  
Terrance Daniel  
Thomas Davidson  
Fernando Diaz  
Jesus Diaz  
Isom Ford  
Caleb Gay  
Njike Hunter  
Zeth Malcolm  
Carson McGregory  
Blain Milam  
Dalton Mitchell  
Kyle Redmond  
Owen Stubberfield  
Brandon Whitaker  
Cornelius Woods  
Ronald Yarbrough

### ALABAMA STATE

Allen, Hunter  
Benevolent, John  
Biocic, Christopher  
Bizzle, Austin  
Coffin, Patrick  
Cox, Cage  
Drayton, Jared  
Echelmeier, Burke  
Gerard, Nathan  
Perez, Richard  
Phillips, Hunter  
Prioleau, Oscar  
Vazquez-Quinones

### ALCORN STATE

Anthony Ascota  
Brandon Barna  
Jusin Burns  
Daniel Belmont  
Kirt Cormier  
Daniel Corona  
Wilfredo Crespo  
Tanner Edwards  
Der'Vincent Hamilton  
Nicholas Hayes-Saltare  
Carlos Lopez  
Patrick McMahon  
Wallace Rios  
Jason Sanaz  
Conrado Shepple  
Walter Vives  
D'Venmio Warner  
Austin Willis-Greene

### GRAMBLING STATE

Baduel, Raul  
Bailey, Ian  
Beizer, Daniel  
Fountain, Matthew  
Franklin, Kristian  
Heath, Jalen  
King, Khaalis  
Lemos-Marquez, Christian  
Mojica, Johan  
Ramirez, Rafael  
Saunders, Elijah  
Weatherspoon, Jonathan  
Wilson, Danial

### JACKSON STATE

Anderson, Jesse  
Aponte, Jonathan  
Briggs, Lamar  
Brown, Jr, Richard  
Burke, David  
Cahill, Garth  
Cervantes, Francisco  
Copeland, Cornelius  
Mackey, Seberon  
Reyes, Wesley  
Vidal, Stephan  
Washington, Michael  
Watson, Mark  
Williams, Na'im  
Young, Marcus  
Yrigoyen-Gonzalez, Miguel

### MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE

Aaron Barkley  
Ivan Garcia  
Kanaikai Gaughen  
Kevin Gonzalez  
Brandon Hawkins  
Derrick Lane II  
Caleb Lindsey  
Quavante Mc Gregory  
Christopher McWright  
Marshall Parrish  
Sherrod Reed  
Reagan Sheppard  
Quitman Smith  
Dustin Stewart  
Zachery Uecker  
Jackson Webb

### PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

Alick Arnold  
Jalyn Baker  
Lance Bryon  
Cristian Cooper  
Cody Den Beste  
Andreas Faltesek  
Anthony Fernandez  
Jordan Foster  
Tyler Gordon  
Corbin Jamison  
Josh Jefferson  
Brashad Jones  
Cassity Land  
Kevin Macias  
Charles Philpott  
Gabriel Rodriguez  
Demarco Thomas  
Avery Williams  
Steven Williams  
Keelon Woods

### SOUTHERN

Jacob Juge  
Robinson Mateo  
Tyler Robinson  
Ryan Watts

### TEXAS SOUTHERN

Jose Camacho  
Kamren Dukes  
Dareion Evans  
Gabriel Gomez  
Fabio Gonzalez  
Ryan Jackson  
Horace LeBlanc  
Guadencio Lucca  
Seth Oliver  
Christian Sanchez  
Bertrand Simmons  
Travis Smith  
Ricardo Urbano  
Jesse Zapata

### ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF

Brown, Dontrell  
Esparza, Sergio  
Figueroa, Jeremiah  
Giron, Jacob  
Graham, Adam  
Grier, Austin  
Henderson, Corey  
Higgins, Kacy  
Hinton, Kennetha  
Ibrahim, Jason  
Lopez, Bradley  
Lopez, Tyrus  
Luster, Antoine  
O'guinne, Alvin  
Reynolds, Tim  
Sanchez, Thomas  
Sawrie, Nathan  
Shindlebower, Matthew  
Toth, Austin  
Watson, Nicholas  
Phelps, Chris  
Knox, Jordan

## ALL-TIME SWAC CHAMPIONS

2018	Texas Southern
2017	Texas Southern
2016	Alabama State
2015	Texas Southern
2014	Jackson State
2013	Jackson State
2012	Prairie View A&M
2011	Alcorn State
2010	Grambling State
2009	Southern
2008	Texas Southern
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## ALL-TOURNAMENT

Dezmond Chumley	Jackson State
Wesley Reyes	Jackson State
Ray Hernandez	Alabama State
Yamil Pagan	Alabama State
Steven Williams	Prairie View A&M
Ace Felder	Grambling State
Rafael Ramirez	Grambling State
Marshawn Taylor	Grambling State
Christian Sanchez	Texas Southern
Gaudencia Lucca	Texas Southern
Kamren Dukes	Texas Southern
OJ Oloruntimilehin	Texas Southern

## COACH OF THE YEAR

Jose Vazquez	Alabama State
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## CELEBRATION BOWL



**ATLANTA, Ga.** - The similarities between SWAC Champion Grambling State and MEAC Champion North Carolina A&T were striking.

In a matchup of the first and last two Celebration Bowl and HBCU National Champions, each team entered riding 11-game winning streaks and featured not only the most All-Conference nods, but also each featured the Offensive Players of the Year in the Tigers' Devante Kincade and the Aggies' Lamar Raynard.

Marked by stubborn defensive efforts from each team, turnovers and an unstained drive proved to be major factor in setting up scoring opportunities.

Grambling State's third turnover of the day proved costly where they fumbled it away on their own eight-yard line after a bad handoff with 9:54 left in the game.

The Tigers (11-2) would get it back on an interception by Dederick Shy way back on the Grambling own 15-yard line.

A three-and-out by the Tigers gave the ball back to the Aggies on their own 40-yard line where Raynard would guide a game-winning drive on three big passes and a quarterback sneak from himself to put up NCA&T up for good with 38 ticks remaining as North Carolina A&T would claim its second Celebration Bowl championship in three years with a 21-14 win against Grambling State at the Mercedes-Benz Stadium.

Aggies running back Marquell Cartwright earned the Celebration Bowl Offensive Player of the Game award after rushing 20 times for 113 yards with a rushing touchdown and also caught three balls for 54 yards with a receiving touchdown.

Raynard completed 23-of-43 passes for 225 yards with one passing touchdown and also rushed in the winning score to go along with 17 rushing yards.

Kincade completed 19-of-36 passes for 225 yards with two passing touchdowns and also rushed 16 times for a team-high 93 yards. De'Arius Christmas had a team-high eight tackles.

The back-and-forth flow was constant throughout the game.

With the Aggies (12-0) driving into the red zone, the Tigers' DeAndre Hogues intercepted a pass to give Grambling State hope. However, the very next play was fumbled away, giving NCA&T prime field position to punch it on a Cartwright 11-yard touchdown pass from Raynard to open the scoring with 4:58 remaining in the second quarter.

Grambling State answered with 43 seconds left in the first half when a wide-open Jordan Jones caught a two-yard touchdown toss from Kincade after an eight-play, 70-yard drive. Kincade's feet and a 21-yard pass to Kobe Ross were among the key plays on the drive.

North Carolina A&T missed a couple of golden opportunities, failing to convert on a field goal attempt that came up short with 6:58 left in the first quarter and then had a field goal blocked by the Tigers' defense.

The Aggies took advantage of a huge interception in the end zone by Mac McCain which set up NCA&T on their own 20-yard line. North Carolina A&T took the ball nearly the length of the field, orchestrating a seven-play, 80-yard drive capped by a Cartwright 29-yard run with 7:36 left in the third quarter to put the Aggies up 14-7 after the PAT by Noel Ruiz.

Grambling State had plenty of fight left in them, however, as the Tigers marched back down the field on a couple of Kincade passes, a 25-yard Kincade run and a catch-and-run touchdown by Martez Carter.



## CELEBRATION BOWL



## SWAC COMMISSIONER'S CUP WINNER

## Alabama State



**BIRMINGHAM, Ala. —** For the fifth-straight year, the Southwestern Athletic Conference has recognized Alabama State University as the winner of the James Frank Commissioner's Cup.

The Hornets athletics program, which also won the Sadie Magee/Barbara Jacket Award for the sixth-consecutive year, earned eight SWAC championships this past year to garner the honors. Prairie View A&M won the C.D. Henry Award for the first time since the 2012-13 academic year. The trophies will be presented at the league's annual spring meetings.

#### **Magee/Jacket Award**

The Lady Hornets totaled 109 points to beat out second-place finisher Prairie View A&M (89.5 points), which recently claimed its first softball title in 20 years. The Lady Hornets captured six team titles, including women's soccer, volleyball, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field and tennis.

Alabama State also finished runner-up in the 2018 cross country championships and the 2018 softball tournament.

Rounding out the standings are Texas Southern (73), Grambling State (61), Alcorn State (54.5), Southern (52.5), Jackson State (50), Mississippi Valley State (47), Arkansas-Pine Bluff (46), and Alabama A&M (37.5).

The Magee/Jacket Award is presented to the top women's athletic program in the SWAC. It is named after former Jackson State women's basketball coach Sadie

Magee and former Prairie View A&M track and field coach Barbara Jacket. Magee was the first women's basketball coach at Jackson State, compiling four SWAC regular season titles and three-straight National Association of Women's Sports National Championships from 1978-1980.

Jacket led the Prairie View A&M to eight cross country, nine indoor and five outdoors SWAC titles from 1965 to 1991.

Jacket was also the head coach of the 1992 U.S. Women's Olympic Track team that brought home won four gold medals, three silver medals and three bronze medals from Barcelona, Spain.

#### **C.D. Henry Award**

Prairie View A&M (75.5) edged Alabama State (73 points) to claim its first men's all-sports award in five years. The Panthers captured team championships in men's golf and men's outdoor track and field. Additionally, Prairie View A&M collected runner-up finishes in men's cross country and men's indoor track and field.

Coming in third through tenth, respectively, were Jackson State (59), Texas Southern (58), Alcorn State (52), Arkansas-Pine Bluff (51.5), Grambling State (34), Alabama A&M (29.5), Mississippi Valley State (29) and Southern (18.5).

The Henry Award is presented to the top men's athletic program in the SWAC. The award is named for C.D. Henry,

former Grambling State chairman of the College of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Department from 1958-74, as well as serving as the executive officer and secretary-statistician for the SWAC in 1968-73.

Henry became the first African American assistant commissioner of any conference office when he joined the Big Ten Conference in June of 1974.

#### **James Frank Commissioner's Cup**

With 109 points from the Magee/Jacket Award and 73 from the Henry Award standings, ASU took first place with 182 total points. Prairie View A&M finished second with a combined 165 points.

Texas Southern finished third with 131 total points, and Jackson State tallied 109 total points to earn fourth place.

Alcorn State (106.5), Arkansas-Pine Bluff (97.5), Grambling State (95), Mississippi Valley State (76), Southern (71) and Alabama A&M (67) round out the final standings.

The Commissioner's Cup, named for former league commissioner James Frank who led the SWAC from 1983 through 1998, is awarded to the university compiling the highest combined total of men's and women's all-sport points.

# SWAC COMMISSIONER'S CUP WINNER

## 2017-18 COMMISSIONER'S CUP & ALL-SPORTS STANDINGS

James Frank Award Standings (as of May 31, 2018)

*The James Frank Commissioner's Cup is awarded to the university compiling the highest total of men's and women's all-sports points.*



	Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
1. Alabama State	73	109	182.0	6. Ark.-Pine Bluff	51.5	46	97.5
2. Prairie View A&M	75.5	89.5	165.0	7. Grambling State	34	61	95.0
3. Texas Southern	58	73	131.0	8. Miss. Valley St.	29	47	76
4. Jackson State	59	50	109.0	9. Southern	18.5	52.5	71.0
5. Alcorn State	52	54.5	104.5	10. Alabama A&M	29.5	37.5	67.0

### C. D. Henry Award

School	Cross Country	Football	Indoor Track	Basketball	Tennis	Golf	Outdoor Track	Baseball	Total
Alabama A&M	-	5.5	6	2	6.5	-	7	2.5	29.5
Alabama State	8	7.5	12	5	12	10	10	8.5	73
Alcorn State	5	10	5	4	8.5	8	5	6.5	52
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	9	2.5	7	9	6.5	7	6	4.5	51.5
Grambling State	-	12	-	12	-	-	-	10	34
Jackson State	12	5.5	8	6	10	-	9	8.5	59
Mississippi Valley	6	2.5	4	3	5	-	4	4.5	29
<b>Prairie View A&amp;M</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>75.5</b>
Southern	-	9	-	7	-	-	-	2.5	18.5
Texas Southern	7	4	9	9	-	9	8	12	58

### Sadie Magee / Barbara Jacket Award

School	Cross Country	Soccer	Volleyball	Indoor Track	Basketball	Bowling	Tennis	Golf	Outdoor Track	Softball	Total
Alabama A&M	2	3	5.5	7	4	5.5	4	-	2	6.5	37.5
<b>Alabama State</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>109</b>
Alcorn State	6	6.5	2.5	4	6	-	10	8	7	4.5	54.5
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	4	3	8.5	6	4	-	4	-	8.5	8	46
Grambling State	9	11	5.5	3	9.5	5.5	6.5	-	8.5	2.5	61
Jackson State	7	6.5	5.5	2	7	8	8.5	-	3	2.5	50
Mississippi Valley	12	6.5	2.5	9	2.5	-	4	-	6	4.5	47
Prairie View A&M	8	6.5	8.5	10	8	9	8.5	9	10	12	89.5
Southern	-	3	5.5	8	12	7	6.5	-	4	6.5	52.5
Texas Southern	5	9.5 HU = 3rd (9.5)	10	5	9.5	10	-	10	5	9	73

*The Henry and Magee/Jacket Awards are presented to the top men's and women's athletic programs in the SWAC. They are awarded on a 12-point system for all sports, except women's soccer which is on a 13-point system. Point values are based on place at the conclusion of the regular season with first place receiving the maximum points allowed. Sports such as cross country, track and field and golf which do not have conference standings during the regular season will have points awarded based on finish at SWAC championships.*

## SWAC HALL OF FAME INDUCTION



**HOUSTON, Texas** – The Southwestern Athletic Conference bestowed its highest honor onto nine of the league's most influential and accomplished men and women, as the conference celebrated its 2017 Hall of Fame Class at the Westin Galleria Thursday night.

Seven schools -- Alcorn State, Alabama State, Arkansas-Pine Bluff, Mississippi Valley State, Prairie View A&M, Southern and Texas Southern -- were represented during the gala. The inductees were William Brown, Dr. Dwalah Fisher, Wallace Francis, Clifton Gilliard, Patricia Jackson, Shameka Jackson, Dr. David Ponton, Jr., James Williams and Roynell Young.

"Last night was a phenomenal evening," SWAC Director of Championships/Senior Woman Administrator and Hall of Fame event director Jasmine Quinn said. "I was able to witness nine inductees be honored into the SWAC Hall of Fame for their remarkable contributions. For that, I am honored and grateful. This is truly an event I look forward to being a part of every year."

Brown, a longtime track and field coach for the Mississippi Valley State Delta Devils, served for three decades at his post. In 1980 and 1981, he guided the Delta Devils to NAIA outdoor track championships -- the first national championships in the school's history. Brown -- who passed away in August of this year -- worked at MVSU from 1968-1997, and is a member of the Alcorn State and Mississippi Valley State Sports Halls of Fame.

Brown's son, William Jr., accepted the award on his behalf.

"It is a great honor for me to stand here tonight in the footsteps of my father," Brown Jr. said. "[He] was the epitome of coaching from a strategic standpoint. The entire William Brown family is celebrating tonight."

Fisher, who serves as Assistant Athletics Director/Senior Woman Administrator for Texas Southern, was enshrined following a stellar volleyball career during which she established herself as one of the greatest setters of her era. From there she became an accomplished coach and administrator for her alma mater, coaching the Lady Tigers to the 1994 SWAC title at just 22 years old.

"It is an awesome honor," she said. "My coach, the legendary coach, Audrey Ford was Texas Southern's first inductee so I'm really excited."

A three-time all-Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference selection during his playing days at Arkansas-Pine Bluff during the 1970s, Francis was selected in the fifth round of the NFL draft by the Buffalo Bills in 1973. He led the AFC in kick returns as a rookie and went on to earn team MVP honors with the Atlanta Falcons. He has since been called to the ministry.

"Growing up in Louisiana, being a young man that watched SWAC football ... playing in the SWAC was like playing in the SEC in my day," Francis said. "To be recognized with some of the great players is beyond glorious."

Gilliard's legacy at Prairie View A&M athletics is nearly unmatched, as he guided the Panthers' track program to numerous championships in the mid-2000s. Gilliard's men's program achieved the SWAC Triple Crown (winning titles in cross country, indoor track, outdoor track) in 2007-08. Prior to that, Gilliard was a member of the 1958 HBCU National Championship-winning Prairie View A&M football team.

Gilliard passed away in June of this year, and his son Derek Waites accepted on his behalf.



## SWAC HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

"He's so grateful for this," Waites said. "This was all he worked for. Everything about my dad was helping people, and this would have been his thank you. He would have been proud, and I'm proud."

P. Jackson graduated from Prairie View A&M as one of the greatest sprinters of her era. A 2006 inductee into the PVAMU Sports Hall of Fame, Jackson holds the conference record in the 400m dash -- a time which has stood since 1978 -- and was a four-time conference champion and a five-time All-American, going on to compete for the U.S. National Team on six occasions. The Prairie View A&M legend was overcome with gratitude.

"This is such a great honor to be one of the inductees for the SWAC Hall of Fame," she said. "I am overwhelmed of the excitement of being one of the inductees tonight."

As a Lady Hornet, S. Jackson was one of the most dominant women's basketball players in the history of the SWAC. The Saginaw, Mich. native earned Player of the Year honors at the conclusion of the 2002-03 season and garnered All-SWAC distinction three times.

At the time of her graduation, Jackson -- who had her number retired -- was the Lady Hornets' all-time leading scorer, a distinction she still holds today. The first-ever female inductee from Alabama State University said she never expected that her name would be immortalized in the league's history.

"It's everything, it's almost surreal," Jackson said. "I never even expected to be brought up in that conversation, it's a blessing ... I'm grateful."

Ponton Jr.'s name is littered throughout Southern Jaguars basketball lore, as he was one of the top point guards in the SWAC during the mid-1980s. Ponton led the Jaguars to

the 1985 SWAC tournament championship and from there, became a championship-winning hoops coach for the Grambling State men's and women's teams.

Currently, Ponton works at Grambling State University as the Vice President of Student Affairs.

"It's tremendous," Ponton Jr. said. "When you think of the great athletes in this conference, to be recognized is something you could never even dream about. I'm honored and humbled to be here."

Alcorn State had two representatives on the evening with former gridiron standouts Williams and Young.

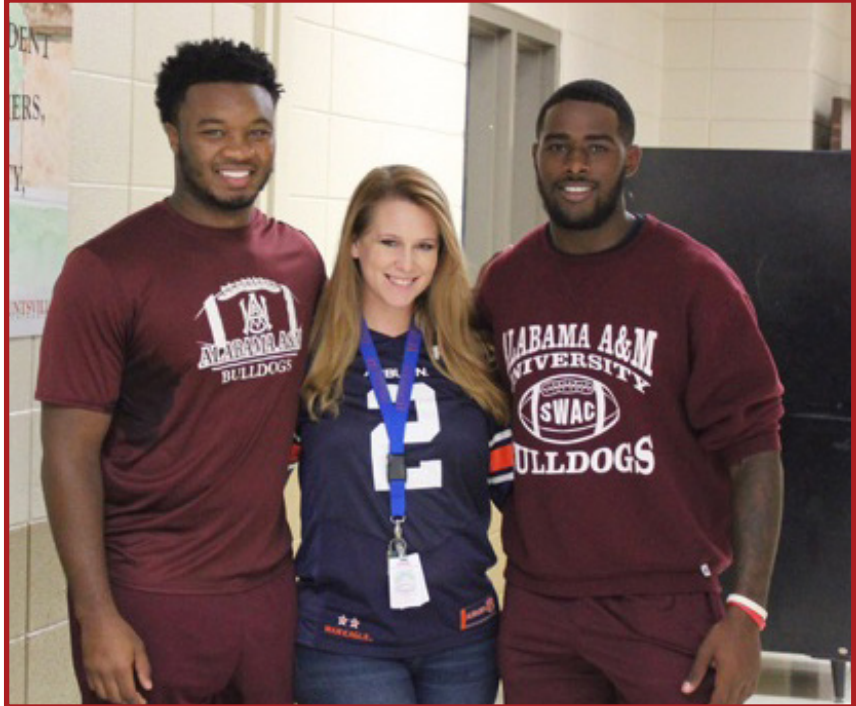
Williams was a dual-sport star for the Braves in the 1960s, earning All-SWAC recognition at cornerback as well as in track and field in 1966 and 1967. He went on to become a member of the Alcorn State University Sports Hall of Fame.

"It means a tremendous amount to me," he said. "To be going into the Hall of Fame, with some of the greats of the SWAC, it means a great deal to me."

Young earned All-SWAC first team honors as well as All-America accolades in 1979, during which the Braves won the SWAC football championship and he earned the Black College Defensive Player of the Year award. A first-round pick by the Philadelphia Eagles in 1980, Young later played in Super Bowl XV, was a Pro Bowl selection in 1981, and was voted the Eagles' defensive MVP in 1986.

"I'm deeply touched," Young said. "It's an award of proud tradition, not only on the athletic field but also off the field. Many greats have come through and been a part of that, so I am deeply touched by it."

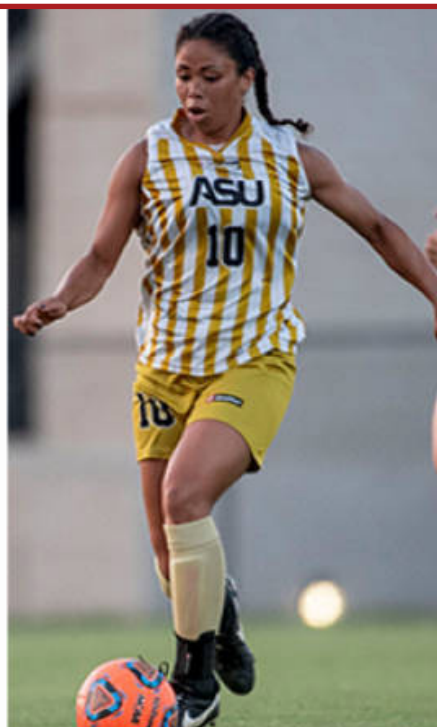








MERCEDES PADILLA  
DEF. PLAYER  
OF THE YEAR



ARIELA LEWIS  
OFF. PLAYER  
OF THE YEAR



GIANNA GUYOT  
GOALKEEPER  
OF THE YEAR

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** – Ariela Lewis of Alabama State, Mercedes Padilla of Alabama State, Gianna Guyot of Alabama State and Tammy Syron of Texas Southern earned individual honors as the Southwestern Athletic Conference announced the 2017 All-SWAC soccer teams and individual awards on Wednesday. The honors were voted on by the league's head coaches and sports information directors.

Lewis was named the Offensive Player of the Year. This is the second consecutive season that Lewis was named SWAC Offensive Player of the Year. Lewis led the conference in goals with 12, and was tied for the league lead in points with 26. Lewis also ranked first in points per game this season, scoring 1.62 points per contest.

Padilla was named the conference's Defensive Player of the Year. Padilla helped lead a Lady Hornets back line that ranked first in goals against average in conference play.

Alabama State totaled a 0.70 GAA as a team this season. The Lady Hornets also allowed the fewest goals in conference play, letting just seven shots find the back of the net. Guyot was voted as the goalkeeper of the year. Guyot led

the league in goals against average in conference matches (.067) and save percentage (.875) this season. Guyot also ranked tied for sixth in total saves in conference play, stopping 42 shots this season.

Syron was voted the Freshman of the Year. Syron led the conference in save percentage (.793) and goals against average (1.05). Syron also ranked second goals against average (0.73) and third in save percentage (.846) in conference matches this season.

Grambling State head coach Justin Wagar was voted the Coach of the Year. Wagar turned around a program that won just one game in 2016. He guided the Lady Tigers to a 7-2-1 record in conference play (9-7-1 overall) and earned the number two seed in the SWAC Soccer Tournament. Alabama State earned the most All-SWAC selections with five players, Howard had the second most players selected with four, Grambling State and Texas Southern each had three players earn recognition, Mississippi Valley State and Prairie View A&M each had two players selected and Alcorn State, Arkansas Pine Bluff and Alabama A&M each had one player earn All-SWAC recognition.



## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / SOCCER

### ALL-SWAC

#### FIRST TEAM

##### FORWARDS

**Ariela Lewis** *Alabama State*  
**Rita Okoro** *Alcorn State*  
**Kela Gray** *Howard*

##### MIDFIELDERS

**Laadi Issaka** *Mississippi Valley State*  
**Inma Martinez** *Alabama State*  
**Kayla Smith** *Texas Southern*  
**Noelle McCollum** *Howard*

##### DEFENDERS

**Mercedes Padilla** *Alabama State*  
**Britney Terry** *Grambling State*  
**Brianna Norwood** *Texas Southern*

##### GOALKEEPER

**Gianna Guyot** *Alabama State*

#### SECOND TEAM

##### FORWARDS

**Lexi Krieger** *Alabama State*  
**Paige Hayward** *Texas Southern*  
**Kaylee Holt** *Grambling State*

##### MIDFIELDERS

**Blair Lane** *Prairie View A&M*  
**Karissa Fenwick** *Arkansas Pine Bluff*  
**Iris Torres** *Alabama A&M*  
**Stephany Adomako** *Mississippi Valley State*

##### DEFENDERS

**Kendall Hamilton** *Howard*  
**Haileigh Adams** *Grambling State*  
**Alex Fields** *Prairie View A&M*

##### GOALKEEPER

**Gabrielle Emilien** *Howard*

### ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

WEEK	OFFENSIVE	DEFENSIVE	GOALKEEPER
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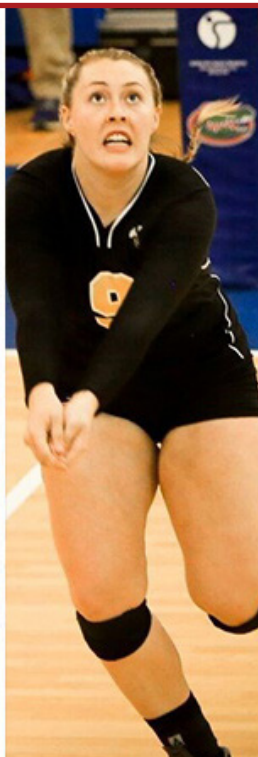
Week 1	Rhonique Alexander Mississippi Valley State	Lauren Saunders Alabama A&M	Faith Toennies Jackson State
Week 2	Paige Hayward Texas Southern	Brianna Norwood Texas Southern	Jordan Woodward Grambling State
Week 3	Whitney White Howard	Priscilla Guardado Alcorn State	Faith Toennies Jackson State
Week 4	Lexi Krieger Alabama State	Priscilla Guardado Alcorn State	Kamren Proby Alcorn State
Week 5	Laadi Issaka Mississippi Valley State	Kendall Hamilton Howard	Gianna Guyot Alabama State
Week 6	Ariela Lewis Alabama State	Brittany Torres Grambling State	Gianna Guyot Alabama State
Week 7	Rebecca Holmes Arkansas Pine Bluff	Brianna Norwood Texas Southern	Tammy Syron Texas Southern
Week 8	Ariela Lewis Alabama State	Brianna Norwood Texas Southern	Sariah Orocu Arkansas Pine Bluff
Week 9	Paige Hayward Texas Southern	Jessica Miller-Ulmer Grambling State	Jordan Woodward Grambling State
Week 10	Ariela Lewis Alabama State	Kendall Hamilton Howard	Gabrielle Emilien Howard



## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / VOLLEYBALL



**NI'YESHA BROWN**  
PLAYER OF  
THE YEAR



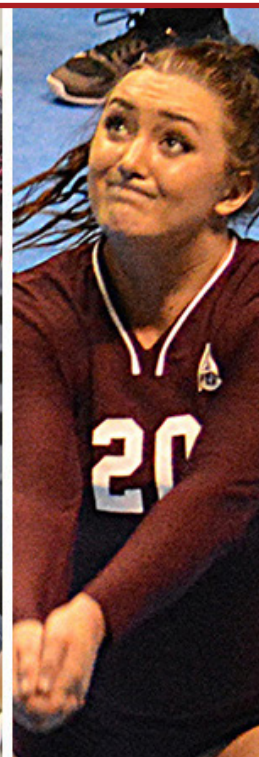
**KORI KUTSCH**  
SETTER OF  
THE YEAR



**CHRISTEN AUGUSTINE**  
LIBERO OF  
THE YEAR



**LISA CASIMIE**  
NEWCOMER OF  
THE YEAR



**MEREDITH SIECK**  
FRESHMAN OF  
THE YEAR

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** – The Southwestern Athletic Conference announced the 2017 All-SWAC Volleyball Teams Wednesday with Alabama State's Ni'yesha Brown and Kori Kutsch, Alabama A&M's Meredith Sieck, Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Lisa Casimie and Prairie View A&M's Christen Augustine collecting individual honors. The teams and individual accolades were voted on by the league's coaches and sports information directors.

Brown earned Player of the Year honors, and Kutsch was named Setter of the Year. Augustine took home Libero of the Year honors, and Casimie was tabbed as the conference's Newcomer of the Year. Sieck collected the Freshman of the Year award.

Brown, a First Team outside hitter for the second-straight season, tops the conference with 410 total kills on a .217 attack percentage. The 2016 Newcomer of the Year also leads the league with 472.5 total points and ranks second in service aces with 40. The senior ranks in the top 40 nationally in total points, and is responsible for the top three single-game kill outputs by a SWAC player this season.

On her way to a First Team selection, Kutsch paced the top-seeded regular season champion Lady Hornets with 778 assists in 123 sets, third-best in the SWAC. The Torrance, Calif. native was fourth in the league in assists per set (6.08), sent out 35 service aces -- seventh-best in the league -- and posted 240 digs.

A four-time winner of the Setter of the Week award this season, Kutsch recorded double-digit assist totals in all but one match for the Lady Hornets this season, including a season-best 44 helpers versus Texas Southern on Sept. 24. This marks the second-straight year a Lady Hornet has won Setter of the Year (Justus Tuiolosega, 2016).

Prairie View A&M's Augustine led the conference in digs per set at 4.47, accumulated 398 digs in 89 sets played -- good for sixth-best in the conference. The Humble, Texas native chipped in 63 assists and in terms of conference play was tops among all liberos in digs (319) and digs per set (4.69).

The junior is also a one-time defensive player of the week winner (Nov. 1) and a First-Team choice at defensive specialist.

Casimie currently ranks second in the SWAC in kills per set (2.94), having put away 265 of them -- good for a top-10 ranking amongst all players in total kills -- in aiding Arkansas-Pine Bluff to the No. 4 standing in the conference. In addition, the junior transfer put up 133 digs, 55 total blocks, and 21 service aces.

The 5-foot-11 frontliner put away a personal-best 21 kills versus Prairie View A&M on Nov. 6, and had 14 matches with at least 10 kills as she earned three weekly honors (two-time Newcomer of the Week on Oct. 11 and Nov. 8, one-time Offensive Player of the Week on Nov. 8) during the 2017 campaign.

Sieck led the conference in assists (881) and assists per set (8.31). Sieck posted three of the five-best single-game assist efforts by any league player this season and cracked the 50-assist plateau twice during the year. Sieck earned two Newcomer of the Week honors (Sept. 27, Oct. 4) and one Setter of the Week honor (Sept. 27).

Alabama State led all teams with five total honorees. Grambling State and Texas Southern earned two All-SWAC nods each, and Alabama A&M, Arkansas-Pine Bluff and Prairie View A&M each landed one selection.



## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / VOLLEYBALL

### ALL-SWAC

#### FIRST TEAM

##### OUTSIDE HITTERS

**Ni'yesha Brown** *Alabama State*  
**Kevreion Ward** *Grambling State*

##### MIDDLE BLOCKERS

**Briana Dorsey** *Alabama State*  
**Kirby Anderson** *Texas Southern*

##### LIBERO

**Christen Augustine** *Prairie View A&M*

##### SETTER

**Kori Kutsch** *Alabama State*

#### SECOND TEAM

##### OUTSIDE HITTERS

**Lisa Casimie** *Arkansas-Pine Bluff*  
**Bayle' Bennett** *Alabama State*

##### MIDDLE BLOCKERS

**Syretha Pride** *Alabama A&M*  
**Payten Clark** *Alabama State*

##### LIBERO

**Erineka Mollere** *Grambling State*

##### SETTER

**Asia Howard** *Texas Southern*

\* = indicates tie

### ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

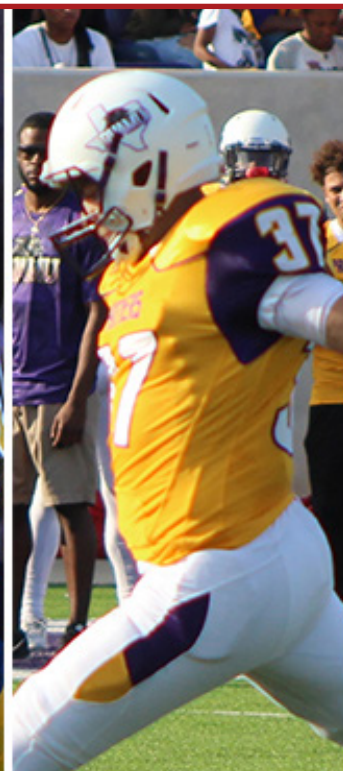
DATE	OFFENSIVE	DEFENSIVE	SETTER	NEWCOMER
Aug. 30	Ni'yesha Brown (ALST)	Fiapaipai Iosia (ALCN)	Kori Kutsch (ALST)	Camry Dabney (JKST)
Sept. 6	Briana Dorsey (ALST)	Fiapaipai Iosia (ALCN)	Kori Kutsch (ALST)	Payten Clark (ALST)
Sept. 13	Ni'yesha Brown (ALST)	Asha Daniels (ALST)	Jaime Polk (MVSU)	Taylor Selfridge (MVSU)
Sept. 20	Chasity Nicks (GRAM)	Erineka Mollere (GRAM)	Kori Kutsch (ALST)	Fiapaipai Iosia (ALCN)
Sept. 27	Bayle' Bennett (ALST)	Helena Figueiredo (AAMU)	Meredith Sieck (AAMU)	Meredith Sieck (AAMU)
Oct. 4	Alexis Austin (TXSO)	Fiapaipai Iosia (ALCN)	Vaterra Calais (SUBR)	Meredith Sieck (AAMU)
Oct. 11	Ni'yesha Brown (ALST)	Asha Daniels (ALST)	Britney Sahlmann (UAPB)	Lisa Casimie (UAPB)
Oct. 18	Bayle' Bennett (ALST)	Asha Daniels (ALST)	Sapphire Simpson (JKST)	Payten Clark (ALST)
Oct. 25	Briana Dorsey (ALST)	Bayle' Bennet (ALST)	Kori Kutsch (ALST)	Kirby Anderson (TXSO)
Nov. 1	Kirby Anderson (TXSO)	Christen Augustin (PVAM)	Erica Jimenez (PVAM)	Kirby Anderson (TXSO)
Nov. 8	Lisa Casimie (UAPB)	Jade Sanlin (UAPB)	Britney Sahlmann (UAPB)	Lisa Casimie (UAPB)



DEVANTE KINCADE  
OFFENSIVE PLAYER  
OF THE YEAR



DE'ARIUS CHRISTMAS  
DEFENSIVE PLAYER  
OF THE YEAR



ZACH ELDER  
FRESHMAN  
OF THE YEAR



QUINN MCELFRESH  
NEWCOMER  
OF THE YEAR

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** - The Southwestern Athletic Conference released its 2017 All-Conference Teams Thursday with 12 players from the SWAC West Division champions Grambling State being tabbed for the most individual honors.

The teams were announced two days prior to the 2017 Toyota SWAC Football Championship at NRG Stadium in Houston, Texas, after ballots were cast by the league's head coaches and sports information directors.

50 players were named to this year's All-Conference teams. Players were ranked in their position based upon the number of votes received. Ballots required voters to rank their selections in order.

After helping lead the Tigers to a conference-best 10-win season, Grambling State quarterback Devante Kincade was the voters' choice for the SWAC Offensive Player of the Year award. Following up on his SWAC Preseason Offensive Player of the Year nod, Kincade completed 59.7 percent of his passes and threw for 2,409 yards with 19 touchdowns against just three interceptions.

The senior held the top passing efficiency with a rating of 143.8. Additionally, Kincade accounted for the most total yards of offense as well with 2,649 yards.

De'Arius Christmas was tabbed as the SWAC Defensive Player of the Year after he was ranked fourth in the conference in tackles with 76, third in the SWAC with 14.5 tackles for a loss, to go along with 3.5 sacks (18th in SWAC), and two forced fumbles (tied for fourth in SWAC).

Mississippi Valley State junior transfer wide receiver Quinn McElfresh was named the SWAC Newcomer of the Year after leading the conference in receptions per game (5.2), was ranked second in receiving yards per game (80.8), led in receiving yards (889) and added five touchdowns.

Prairie View A&M kicker Zach Elder was honored with the SWAC Freshman of the Year award after ranking tied for third in the conference in scoring (72 points) as he made 42-of-43 PATs and converted on 10-of-12 field goals. He led the SWAC in PAT percentage (97.7).

Broderick Fobbs was dubbed the SWAC Coach of the Year after leading the Tigers to another double-digit win season and a third consecutive trip to the SWAC Championship. Grambling State lead the conference in points per game (32.0), was second in points allowed per game (19.4) and boosted the conference's best run stopping defense (allowed 94.0 yards per game), most interceptions (16), most sacks (41) and one of the nation's top turnover ratios (plus 21) as well as the SWAC's top red zone offense (converted on 90 percent of chances).

SWAC East Division winner Alcorn State had the second most amount of selections with nine, SWAC West Division runner up Southern and Prairie View A&M followed closely behind with eight selections apiece on the teams.

Mississippi Valley State had four selections while Alabama A&M and Alabama State each garnered three selections apiece, Arkansas-Pine Bluff had two selections and Jackson State had one representative.



## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / FOOTBALL

### ALL-SWAC

#### FIRST TEAM

##### OFFENSE

##### QUARTERBACK

**Devante Kincade** *Grambling State*

##### RUNNING BACKS

**De'Lance Turner** *Alcorn State*

**Martez Carter** *Grambling State*

##### OFFENSIVE LINE

**Trent Scott** *Grambling State*

**Timothy Gardner** *Alcorn State*

**William Waddell** *Grambling State*

**Kenyon Brantley** *Alcorn State*

**Sam Baptiste** *Alabama State*

##### WIDE RECEIVERS

**Norlando Veals** *Alcorn State*

**Khadarel Hodger** *Prairie View A&M*

##### TIGHT END

**Dillon Beard** *Southern*

##### DEFENSE

##### DEFENSIVE LINE

**LaAllan Clark** *Grambling State*

**Brandon Varner** *Grambling State*

**Vernon Moland** *Alabama A&M*

**Aaron Tiller** *Southern*

##### LINEBACKERS

**De'Arius Christmas** *Grambling State*

**JayIn Williams** *Prairie View A&M*

**Kenneth Davis** *Alabama A&M*

##### DEFENSIVE BACKS

**Danny Johnson** *Southern*

**Deaumante Johnson** *Grambling State*

**Ronnie Scott** *Alabama State*

**Ju'Anthony Parker** *Prairie View A&M*

##### SPECIAL TEAMS

##### KICKER

**Marc Orozco** *Grambling State*

##### PUNTER

**Jamie Gillan** *Arkansas-Pine Bluff*

##### RETURN SPECIALIST

**Darius Floyd** *Prairie View A&M*

#### SECOND TEAM

##### OFFENSE

##### QUARTERBACK

**Austin Howard** *Southern*

##### RUNNING BACKS

**Herb Edwards** *Southern*

**Sta'fon McCray** *Prairie View A&M*

##### OFFENSIVE LINE

**Corbin Finlayson** *Prairie View A&M*

**Mustaffa Ibrahim** *Alcorn State*

**Shawn Pierce** *Prairie View A&M*

**Alvin Solomon** *Mississippi Valley State*

**Christian Rodriguez** *Southern*

##### WIDE RECEIVERS

**Quinn McElfresh** *Mississippi Valley State*

**Darrell Clark** *Grambling State*

##### TIGHT END

**Jordan Jones** *Grambling State*

##### DEFENSE

##### DEFENSIVE LINE

**Tashad Charity** *Arkansas-Pine Bluff*

**Linwood Banks** *Grambling State*

**DeVohn Reed** *Prairie View A&M*

**Michael Brooks** *Alcorn State*

##### LINEBACKERS

**Patrick Harbin** *Mississippi Valley State*

**Shawn Bishop** *Jackson State*

**Trae Ferrell** *Alcorn State*

##### DEFENSIVE BACKS

**Dylan Hamilton** *Alabama A&M*

**Everett Nicholas** *Mississippi Valley State*

**Andre Augustine** *Southern*

**Deago Sam** *Alcorn State*

##### SPECIAL TEAMS

##### KICKER

**Corey McCullough** *Alcorn State*

##### PUNTER

**Trevor Vincent** *Alabama State*

##### RETURN SPECIALIST

**Danny Johnson** *Southern*

SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / FOOTBALL

SWAC HBCU CLASSIC LINE UP

DATE	CLASSIC	TEAMS	CITY	STADIUM
9/3	13th MEAC/SWAC Challenge	Southern vs. South Carolina State	Baton Rouge, La.	A.W. Mumford Stadium
9/9	27th Southern Heritage Classic	Jackson State vs. Tennessee State	Memphis, Tenn.	Liberty Bowl
9/23	67th Louis Crews Classic	<b>Alabama A&amp;M vs. Texas Southern</b>	Huntsville, Ala.	Louis Crews Stadium
9/30	20th Chicago Football Classic	Grambling State v. Clark Atlanta	Chicago, Ill.	Solider Field
10/7	94th State Fair Classic	<b>Prairie View A&amp;M vs. Grambling State</b>	Dallas, Texas	Cotton Bowl
10/14	5th Quarter Classic	Jackson State vs. Tuskegee	Mobile, Ala.	Ladd-Peebles Stadium
10/28	76th Magic City Classic	<b>Alabama A&amp;M vs. Alabama State</b>	Birmingham, Ala.	Legion Field
11/23	94th Turkey Day Classic	Alabama State vs. Edward Waters	Montgomery, Ala.	ASU Stadium
11/25	33rd Labor Day Classic (resked)	<b>Texas Southern vs. Prairie View</b>	Prairie View, Texas	BBVA Compass Stadium
11/25	44th Bayou Classic	<b>Southern vs. Grambling State</b>	New Orleans, La.	Mercedes-Benz Superdome

**BOLD** - Indicates Southwestern Athletic Conference Member Match Up

SWAC PLAYERS CLASSIC MVP

DATE	PLAYER	CLASSIC
10/28	Ronnie Scott (ALST)	Magic City Classic
11/25	Co-MVPS Devante Kincade (GRAM) Austin Howard (SUBR)	Bayou Classic

SWAC STATISTICAL LEADERS

TEAM LEADERS

CATEGORY	TEAM	STAT
Scoring Offense	Grambling State	31.2 PPG
Total Offense	Alcorn State	461.3 YPG
Rushing Offense	Alcorn State	237.4 YPG
Passing Offense	Miss. Valley State	279.9 YPG
Scoring Defense	Alabama State	18.0 PPG
Total Defense	Alabama State	302.3 YPG
Rushing Defense	Grambling State	106.8 YPG
Passing Defense	Miss. Valley State	148.5 YPG
Interceptions Caught	Grambling State	18 INT
Sacks	Grambling State	44 Sacks
3rd-Down Conversions	Prairie View A&M	43.1%
Opp. 3rd-Down Conv.	Alabama A&M	32.4%
Turnover Margin	Grambling State	+20
Red Zone Offense	Grambling State	89.1%
Red Zone Defense	Alcorn State	64.5%

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

CATEGORY	PLAYER	STAT
Rushing Yards	D. Turner (ALCN)	1,355 yards
Passing Yards	D. Kincade (GRAM)	2,857 yards
Receiving Yards	N. Veals (ALCN)	901 yards
Receptions	Q. McElfresh (MVSU)	57 catches
Rushing Touchdowns	D. Turner (ALCN)	
	M. Carter (GRAM)	10 TD (tied)
Passing Touchdowns	D. Kincade (GRAM)	23 TD
Receiving Touchdowns	K. Hodge (PVAM)	12 TD
All-Purpose Yards	D. Turner (ALCN)	1,758 yards
Tackles	J. Marcante (TXSO)	92 tackles
Sacks	V. Moland (AAMU)	10 sacks
Tackles For Loss	J. Williams (PVAM)	21.0 TFL
Interceptions	D. Johnson (GRAM)	5 INT
Passes Defended	D. Houston (SUBR)	16 PD
Total Scoring	M. Orozco (GRAM)	101 PTS
Pass Efficiency	D. Kincade (GRAM)	142.6



## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / FOOTBALL

### ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

DATE	OFFENSIVE	DEFENSIVE	SPECIALIST	NEWCOMER
9/4	De'Lance Turner (ALCN)	Kenneth Davis (AAMU)	Marquis Warford (ALCN)	Kobie Jones (ALST)
9/11	Martez Carter (GRAM)	Solomon Muhammad (ALCN)	Darius Floyd (PVAM)	Lavell McCullers (PVAM)
9/18	Lenorris Footman (ALCN)	De'Arius Christmas (GRAM)	Marc Orozco (GRAM)	George Golden (ALST)
9/25	De'Lance Turner (ALCN)	De'Aumante Johnson (GRAM)	Jamie Gillan (UAPB)	Aqeel Glass (AAMU)
10/2	Devante Kincade (GRAM)	Isiah Thomas (ALCN)	Danny Johnson (SUBR)	Lavell McCullers (PVAM)
10/9	Devante Kincade (GRAM)	De'Andre Hogues (GRAM)	Marc Orozco (GRAM)	Anfernee Mullins (GRAM)
10/16	Damion May (AAMU)	Trae Ferrell (ALCN)	Hunter Hanson (ALST)	Darryl Pearson (ALST)
10/23	Devante Kincade (GRAM)	De'Arius Christmas (GRAM)	Marc Orozco (GRAM)	Kendall Catalon (SUBR)
10/30	Austin Howard (SUBR)	Ronnie Scott (ALST)	Trevor Vincent (ALST)	Anthony Stubbs (PVAM)
11/6	Austin Howard (SUBR)	Joshua Hill (ALST)	Corey McCullough (ALCN)	P.J. Simmons (ALCN)
11/13	Norlando Veals (ALCN)	Vernon Moland (AAMU)	Trevor Vincent (ALST)	Neiko Hollins (PVAM)
11/20	Neiko Hollins (PVAM)	Kenneth Davis (AAMU)	Darius Floyd (PVAM)	Neiko Hollins (PVAM)

### 2017 TELEVISION GAMES

DATE	GAME	SITE	NETWORK
Aug. 26	Texas Southern at FAMU	Tallahassee, Fla.	ESPNU
Sept. 2	Alabama A&M at UAB	Birmingham, Ala.	WHNT
Sept. 2	Miss. Valley St. at N. Dakota St.	Fargo, ND	ESPN3
Sept. 2	Grambling State at Tulane	New Orleans, La.	ESPN3
Sept. 2	Jackson State at TCU	Fort Worth, Texas	FOX Sports Network
Sept. 3	S.C. State at Southern	Baton Rouge, La.	ESPN2
Sept. 7	Sam Houston St. at Prairie View	Prairie View, Texas	ESPNU
Sept. 7	Houston Baptist at Texas Southern	Houston, Texas	AT&T Sports Net
Sept. 8	Alcorn State vs. FIU	Birmingham, Ala.	beIN Sports
Sept. 9	Alabama A&M at Vanderbilt	Nashville, Tenn.	SECN Alternate
Sept. 9	Alabama State at Troy	Troy, Ala.	ESPN3
Sept. 9	Miss. Valley St. at S. Illinois	Carbondale, Ill.	ESPN3
Sept. 9	Southern at Southern Miss	Hattiesburg, Miss.	Stadium TV
Sept. 9	Jackson State at Tennessee State	Memphis, Tenn.	Fox Sports Southeast
Sept. 9	Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Akron	Akron, Ohio	ESPN3
Sept. 16	Alabama A&M at South Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	ESPN3
Sept. 16	Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Ark. St.	Jonesboro, Ark.	ESPN3
Sept. 16	Jackson State at Grambling St.	Grambling, La.	ESPN3 / ESPNU (tape)
Sept. 29	Alcorn State at Texas Southern	Houston, Texas	AT&T Sports Net work
Oct. 5	Alcorn State at Alabama St.	Montgomery, Ala.	ESPNU
Oct. 7	Texas Southern at Kennesaw St.	Kennesaw, Ga.	PeachTree TV
Oct. 14	Alabama State at Texas Southern	Houston, Texas	AT&T Sports Net
Oct. 28	Alabama A&M vs. Alabama St.	Birmingham, Ala.	ESPN3 / ESPNU (tape)
Nov. 11	Southern at Texas Southern	Houston, Texas	AT&T Sports Net
Nov. 25	Southern vs. Grambling State	New Orleans, La.	NBC Sports
Dec. 2	SWAC Championship	Houston, Texas	ESPNU
Dec. 16	Celebration Bowl	Atlanta, Ga.	ABC

### FINAL BLACK COLLEGE POLL

#### SHERIDAN BROADCAST NETWORK

1. North Carolina A&T
2. **Grambling State**
3. Virginia State
4. Bowie State
5. Bethune-Cookman
6. Howard
7. **Alcorn State**
8. **Southern**
9. North Carolina Central
10. Tuskegee





JOYCE KENNERSON  
PLAYER OF THE YEAR



BRIANA GREEN  
DEF. PLAYER OF THE YEAR



JHYRAH COBB  
FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR



SHALA DOBBINS  
NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** - Texas Southern guard Joyce Kennerson has been named the Southwestern Athletic Conference Women's Basketball Player of the Year, the league announced Monday. The announcement comes as part of the reveal of the 2017-18 all-conference teams.

Other individual honors unveiled were Defensive Player of the Year, which went to Southern forward Briana Green. Prairie View A&M doubled up on individual honors as guard Shala Dobbins earned Newcomer of the Year accolades and forward Jhyrah Cobb was named Freshman of the Year. Southern's Sandy Pugh was named Coach of the Year.

The awards and all-league teams were voted on by the SWAC's coaches and sports information directors.

A first-team selection for the second-straight year, Kennerson led the SWAC in scoring at 24.1 points per game and currently stands among the top five in the country in the category, briefly leading the nation at one point this season. The Port Arthur, Texas native scored at least 20 points in 22 of Texas Southern's 28 games this year. She also posted six 30-point games this season while dishing out 3.6 assists a night, good for fifth-best in the league.

Kennerston shot 41.6 percent from the field and 34.2 percent from deep, with both figures ranking her ninth and third, respectively in the conference. The junior's 75.5-percent clip from the charity stripe is fifth-best in the league. Kennerson also accounted for 1.8 steals per game, tied for 10th best in the league.

Green continued to add to her stature as one of the most decorated players in recent SWAC history. Green averaged 16.6 points (ranked third in the SWAC) and 6.8 boards a night (fifth-best in the SWAC). On the defensive end, the senior boasts an average of 2.4 steals a night, tied for sixth-highest in the league. Green, a first-team selection at forward, anchored a Jaguars team that allows the second-least points a night in league play

(58.4) and is tops in the league at defending the three-point line (22.4 3-PT%).

Dobbins asserted herself as an immediate difference maker for the Lady Panthers and is poised to set NCAA single-season records for free throws made, attempted as well as attempts per game. The Tulsa, Okla. native is second in the conference in scoring at 21.6 points per game, fifth in assists at 3.6 per night and tied for sixth in the SWAC with 2.4 steals a game.

A second-team All-Conference selection, Dobbins shot 79.6 percent from the line and is responsible for the top two single-game scoring performances by a SWAC women's player this year, including a 40-point outburst against Arkansas-Pine Bluff, the first such game by a SWAC women's athlete in more than seven years.

Cobb posted eight double-digit rebounding games for the Lady Panthers and ranked fifth in the league in rebounded at 6.8 boards per game. She connected on 52.3 percent of her field goals and compiled a 1.5-blocks-per-game average, fourth-highest in the league.

After preseason polls tabbed Southern to finish fourth in the standings, Pugh guided the Jaguars to an outright regular-season crown, the No. 1 seed in the SWAC Tournament and a 15-12 (14-4 SWAC) overall record. Under Pugh, Southern boasts the best scoring margin (+10.8) in conference play and best overall turnover margin (+5.74) among league teams.

This is the fourth time in five years that Southern has earned at least a share of the regular-season crown, and the Jaguars are the first SWAC women's basketball team to win an outright regular-season crown since 2013, when Southern accomplished the feat. Grambling State landed two first-team selections, and Alcorn State and Arkansas-Pine Bluff each garnered two slots on the second team.



## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

### ALL-SWAC

#### FIRST TEAM

##### GUARDS

**Joyce Kennerson** *Texas Southern*  
**Shakyla Hill** *Grambling State*

##### FORWARDS

**Briana Green** *Southern*  
**Monisha Neal** *Grambling State*

##### CENTER

**Tatyana Calhoun** *Alabama State*

#### SECOND TEAM

##### GUARDS

**Shala Dobbins** *Prairie View A&M*  
**Alexus Freeman** *Alcorn State*

##### FORWARDS

**Faith Ohanta** *Arkansas-Pine Bluff*  
**Miracle Rushing** *Alcorn State*

##### CENTER

**Shawntayla Harris** *Arkansas-Pine Bluff*

### ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

WEEK	PLAYER	TEAM
Week 1	Tia Sanders	Alcorn State
Week 2	Shala Dobbins	Prairie View
Week 3	Joyce Kennerson	Texas Southern
Week 4	Joyce Kennerson	Texas Southern
Week 5	Shakyla Hill	Grambling State
Week 6	LaKendra Bassett	Mississippi Valley St.
Week 7	Kristy Parker	Mississippi Valley St.
Week 8	Derica Wiggins	Jackson State
Week 9	Shakyla Hill	Grambling State
Week 10	Lauren McKee	Alabama A&M
Week 11	Alexus Freeman	Alcorn State
Week 12	LaKendra Bassett	Mississippi Valley St.
Week 13	Christina Ellis	Jackson State
Week 14	Joyce Kennerson	Texas Southern
Week 15	Shala Dobbins	Prairie View
Week 16	Joyce Kennerson Shakyla Hill	Texas Southern Grambling State
Week 17	Shakyla Hill	Grambling State

### TELEVISION SCHEDULE

DATE	GAME	NETWORK
11/10	Alabama State vs. South Carolina	SECN+
12/3	Alabama State vs. Tennessee	SECN+
12/10	Grambling State vs. Alabama	SECN
12/15	Alabama State vs. Miami (FL)	ACCN
12/28	Grambling State vs. Arkansas	SECN+
12/28	Prairie View vs. Texas A&M	SECN
1/15	Texas Southern vs. Grambling State	SDN
1/27	Prairie View A&M vs. Alabama State	SDN
2/3	Alcorn State vs Jackson State	SDN
2/10	Arkansas-Pine Bluff vs. Southern	SDN
3/10	Women's Basketball Championship	ESPN3

### 30 OR MORE POINTS IN A GAME

6.....Joyce Kennerson - Texas Southern  
2.....Briana Green - Southern U.  
2.....Shakyla Hill- Grambling State  
2..... Shala Dobbins - Prairie View A&M

### 2017-18 DOUBLE-DOUBLE COUNT

12..... Faith Ohanta - Arkansas-Pine Bluff  
12.....Shakyla Hill - Grambling State  
9..... Miracle Rushing - Alcorn State  
6..... Faith Ohanta - Arkansas-Pine Bluff  
4.....Briana Green - Southern U.  
4..... La'Neique Nealey - Prairie View A&M  
3..... Jhyrah Cobb - Prairie View A&M  
3..... Tatyana Calhoun - Alabama State  
2..... Alexandra Johnson - Alabama A&M  
2..... Breasia McElrath - Texas Southern  
2..... Monisha Neal - Grambling State  
2..... LaKendra Bassett - Mississippi Valley State  
2..... Shawntayla Harris - Arkansas-Pine Bluff  
2..... Kenisha Tharpe - Alabama A&M  
1..... 14 more players



## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / MEN'S BASKETBALL



MARTAVEOUS MCKNIGHT  
PLAYER/NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR



JACOBY ROSS  
FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR



TRENT STEEN  
DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** – The 2017-18 All-SWAC Men's Basketball Team was revealed Monday by the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) after ballots were cast by the league's head coaches and sports information directors. Each member institution received one vote apiece.

The 2017-18 All-SWAC Teams were spearheaded by Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Martaveous McKnight, who doubled as both the SWAC Men's Basketball Player of the Year and Newcomer of the Year.

The transfer from Itawamba Community College rose to prominence by averaging the second most points per game overall (18.5). The Walls, MS native was ranked seventh in field goal percentage (.453), fifth in assists per game (3.5), 14th in free throw percentage (.718), third in steals per game (2.0), ninth in 3-point field goal percentage (.366), sixth in 3-pointers made per game (1.9), fourth in assist to turnover ratio (1.3), and fourth in minutes played per game (33.5).

McKnight guided the Golden Lions to a 12-win season, a five-game improvement for the program from the previous season. He scored in double figures in 22 games and was a three-time SWAC Player of the Week award winner during the season.

Additionally, McKnight was voted on as an All-SWAC first team selection at guard.

The SWAC Defensive Player of the Year award was awarded to teammate Trent Steen of Arkansas-Pine

Bluff. The senior from Forest Hill, Ark. ranked third in blocks per game (1.4) and helped the Golden Lions to the second fewest points per game allowed (71.1).

Additionally, the team ranked second in field goal percentage defense (.427), second in 3-point percentage defense (.324), first in blocks (4.3), and was first in steals per game (8.0).

The SWAC Freshman of the Year went to Alabama State's Jacoby Ross, who ranked second on his team and 13th in the conference in points per contest (12.5), 12th in field goal percentage (.419), ninth in assists (2.3), fifth in free throw percentage (.795), fifth in 3-point percentage (.379), ninth in 3-pointers made per game (1.8). The New Orleans, La. native had 16 games with double digit scoring efforts.

The SWAC Coach of the Year award went to Grambling State first-year coach Donte' Jackson, who guided the Tigers to their first regular season conference championship in 30 years, elevating their record to the most conference wins in program history (13).

Grambling State also held the longest win streak among conference members this season, carrying an 11-game winning streak from Jan. 8 through Feb. 17.

Prior to GSU, Jackson spent three seasons as the head men's basketball coach at Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, Ala. where he led the team to the 2016 SIAC Championship and berth into the NCAA Tournament.



SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / MEN'S BASKETBALL

ALL-SWAC

FIRST TEAM

GUARDS

Martaveous McKnight Arkansas-Pine Bluff  
Ivy Smith, Jr. Grambling State

FORWARDS

Zachary Hamilton Prairie View A&M  
Dante Scott Mississippi Valley State

CENTER

Jared Sam Southern

SECOND TEAM

GUARDS

A.J. Mosby Alcorn State  
Gary Blackston Prairie View A&M

FORWARDS

Trent Steen Arkansas-Pine Bluff  
Shirmane Thomas Grambling State

CENTER

J.D. Wallace Prairie View A&M

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

DATE	PLAYER	TEAM	POSITION
11/14	Demontrae Jefferson	Texas Southern	Guard
11/21	Martaveous McKnight	Ark.-Pine Bluff	Guard
11/28	Gary Blackston	Prairie View A&M	Guard
12/5	Ivy Smith Jr.	Grambling State	Guard
12/12	Gary Blackston	Prairie View A&M	Guard
12/19	Demontrae Jefferson	Texas Southern	Guard
12/26	Zachary Hamilton	Prairie View A&M	Forward
1/2	Derrick Bruce	Texas Southern	Guard
1/9	Martaveous McKnight	Arkansas-Pine Bluff	Guard
1/16	Shirmane Thomas	Grambling State	Guard
1/23	Martaveous McKnight	Arkansas-Pine Bluff	Guard
1/30	Ivy Smith Jr.	Grambling State	Guard
2/6	Jared Sam	Southern	Forward
2/13	Ivy Smith Jr.	Grambling State	Guard
2/20	A.J. Mosby	Alcorn State	Guard
2/27	Derrick Bruce	Texas Southern	Guard
3/4	Demontrae Jefferson	Texas Southern	Guard

2017-18 DOUBLE-DOUBLE COUNT

14.....	Jared Sam - Southern
7.....	J.D. Wallace - Prairie View A&M
6.....	Branden Johnson - Alabama State
6.....	Trayvon Reed - Texas Southern
4.....	Marquis Salmon - Texas Southern
3.....	Paris Collins - Jackson State
3.....	Dennis Jones - Prairie View A&M
3.....	Axel Mpoyo - Grambling State
3.....	Jason Perry-Murray - Grambling State
3.....	Dante Scott - Mississippi Valley State
2.....	Seven More Players
1.....	18 More Players

TELEVISION SCHEDULE

DATE	GAME	NETWORK
Nov. 10	Alabama State at Mississippi State	SECN+
Nov. 10	Alcorn State at LSU	SECN+
Nov. 10	Southern at Illinois Chicago, Ill	BTN2
Nov. 10	Texas Southern at Gonzaga	ROOT
Nov. 10	Prairie View at Utah	PAC12N
Nov. 12	Alabama State at Iowa	BTN+
Nov. 12	Texas Southern at Wash. St.	PACN
Nov. 12	Alcorn State at Creighton	FS1
Nov. 13	Alcorn State at Northern Iowa	ESPN3
Nov. 13	Alabama A&M at Samford	SoCon DigitalN
Nov. 13	Miss. Valley St. at Utah	PAC12N
Nov. 13	Prairie View at Oregon	PACN
Nov. 14	Jackson State at Mercer	ESPN3
Nov. 15	Southern at Missouri St.	ESPN3
Nov. 16	Texas Southern at Ohio St.	BTN
Nov. 16	Grambling St. at Iowa	BTN2
Nov. 17	Alabama A&M at Alabama	SECN+
Nov. 17	Alabama State at Oregon	PAC12N
Nov. 18	Texas Southern at Syracuse	ESPN3
Nov. 18	Grambling St. at S. Dakota	BTN2
Nov. 18	UAPB at SMU	ESPN3
Nov. 19	Miss. Valley St. at Kent St.	ESPN3
Nov. 20	Jackson State at Maryland	BTN
Nov. 21	Alabama A&M at Minnesota	BTN
Nov. 21	Miss. Valley St. at Loyola	ESPN3
Nov. 24	Texas Southern at Clemson	ESPN3
Nov. 27	Alabama State at Cincinnati	ESPN3
Nov. 29	Alcorn State at Tulane	ESPN3
Nov. 30	Texas Southern at Oakland (MI)	Tulane All-Access
Nov. 30	Alabama State at Jacksonville St.	ESPN3
Dec. 2	Alabama A&M at Austin Peay	OVC Digital
Dec. 6	Southern at Tulane	OVC Digital
Dec. 9	Southern at UCF	ESPN3
Dec. 9	Prairie View at Texas A&M	ESPN3
Dec. 9	Grambling St. at Grand Canyon	SECN+
Dec. 9	UAPB at Oregon St.	ESPN3
Dec. 10	Southern at Iowa	PAC12N
Dec. 10	Alcorn State at Iowa St.	BTN
Dec. 11	Alabama A&M at DePaul	Cyclones TV
Dec. 11	Texas Southern at Oregon	FS1
Dec. 13	Jackson State at S. Illinois	PACN
Dec. 13	UAPB at Fresno St.	ESPN3
Dec. 14	Prairie View at Tulsa	MTN
Dec. 14	Texas Southern at Baylor	ESPN3
Dec. 16	Alabama A&M at UAB	ESPN2
Dec. 18	Miss. Valley St. at Grand Canyon	CUSA-TV
Dec. 18	Texas Southern at TCU	ESPN3
Dec. 19	UAPB at Cincinnati	FSSW
Dec. 20	Southern at Baylor	ESPN3
Dec. 20	Miss. Valley St. at UNLV	FCS
Dec. 21	Alabama A&M at Michigan	ROOT
Dec. 22	Alcorn State at Vanderbilt	ESPN3
Dec. 22	Prairie View at New Mexico	SECN+
Dec. 23	Alabama A&M at Georgetown	ROOT
Dec. 23	Texas Southern at BYU	FS1
Dec. 28	Grambling St. at Seattle	BYU TV
Jan. 1	Southern at Texas Southern	WAC Digital
Feb. 5	Southern at Jackson State	ESPN3
Feb. 12	Jackson St. at Prairie View	ESPN3
Feb. 19	Alcorn St. at Alabama State	ESPN3
March 10	SWAC Championship	ESPN2

## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / BOWLING



LINDSAY PARADES  
BOWLER OF THE YEAR

**ARLINGTON, Texas** – Lindsay Parades of Prairie View A&M was named bowler of the year as the Southwestern Athletic Conference announced its 2018 All-SWAC bowling teams and individual awards on the first day of the SWAC Bowling Championship.

Parades led all bowlers in the conference with a 195.33 average in conference play in 27 games bowled. Parades also recorded the third highest score of any bowler in conference play with a 258. This is the second time that she has earned All-SWAC honors.

Alabama State freshman Alize Stevenson was named the Freshman of the Year. Stevenson led all freshman and was also third overall in the conference with a 186.63 average score per game in conference play.

Alabama State head coach Andrew Chatmon was named Coach of the Year. Chatmon led Alabama State to a regular season championship with an 18-6 record in conference play.

Alabama State, Prairie View A&M and Texas Southern each earned the most All-SWAC bowlers with three each being named. Jackson State earned one All-SWAC honor.



ALIZE STEVENSON  
FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR



FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE



SECOND TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / BOWLING

### ALL-SWAC

#### FIRST TEAM

<b>Lindsay Parades</b>	<i>Prairie View A&amp;M</i>
<b>Denisyha Waller</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
<b>Alize Stevenson</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>
<b>Hailey Young</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>
<b>Samantha Kriner</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>

#### SECOND TEAM

<b>Veronica Prior</b>	<i>Prairie View A&amp;M</i>
<b>Alexes Burton</b>	<i>Prairie View A&amp;M</i>
<b>Capri Howard</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>
<b>Brittany Torres</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
<b>Jessica Sawmiller</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>

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TYLER SMITH  
PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** - The Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) office revealed the 2018 All-SWAC Women's Tennis Teams on Thursday, one day prior to the start of the 2018 SWAC Tennis Championships that will be played on the grounds of the Pepsi Tennis Center in New Orleans, La.

Members of the All-Conference teams were decided upon by their conference records in singles and doubles competition. Ties were broken by considering a player's position ranking with higher favorability granted to the higher seeded player.

The top 12 players in the conference were chosen as part of the All-Conference Team. In addition, the large individual award winners were announced for Freshman of the Year and the Player of the Year. The Coach of the Year award will be presented to the championship team's head coach at the end of the SWAC Championship. The women's team comprised of players who went a combined 67-6 in conference singles play.

There were seven players who joined the undefeated ranks in singles conference play with a minimum of at least four decisions including Tyler Smith (6-0) of Jackson State, Rufaro Chirewa (5-0) of Southern, Constanza Aranguiz (6-0) and Timara Maxwell (5-0) of Prairie View A&M, Marlene Maier (8-0) of Alcorn State and Reka Szentes (4-0) and Marija Blazevic (6-0), both of Alabama State.

Players who made the All-Conference team with just one singles defeat in conference included Tanaka Chakanyuka (6-1) of Southern, Gabriela Lackova (6-1), Mirna Curcic (5-1), and Lea Krajcovicova (5-1), all of Alabama State.

Lucia Solis, who played mainly from the No. 2 singles position, went 5-2 in conference singles play and then also added a victory in conference doubles play by teaming with Smith. Among the large individual award winners, Yuliia Popova, was named the 2018 SWAC Women's Tennis Freshman of the Year.

The native of Odessa, Ukraine went 3-3 in conference singles play from the top three positions and also teamed with Danna Galeano to pick up a conference doubles victory. Popova secured a winning overall record as well, recording an 8-6 mark in her first season.

Jackson State's No. 1 player Tyler Smith won back-to-back SWAC Women's Tennis Player of the Year honors after finishing with the most wins of any player in the SWAC at 13-2.

The senior from Pembroke, Bermuda, has reeled off 13 consecutive wins and did not take any defeats in conference play as she went 6-0 in singles competition and picked up an additional victory in doubles play by teaming with Solis.

ALL-SWAC

*Tyler Smith, Jackson State*  
*Lucia Solis, Jackson State*  
*Rufaro Chirewa, Southern*  
*Constanza Aranguiz, Prairie View A&M*  
*Timara Maxwell, Prairie View A&M*  
*Marlene Maier, Alcorn State*  
*Tanaka Chakanyuka, Southern*  
*Reka Szentes, Alabama State*  
*Gabriela Lackova, Alabama State*  
*Mirna Curcic, Alabama State*  
*Lea Krajcovicova, Alabama State*  
*Marija Blazevic, Alabama State*



YULIA POPOVA  
FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

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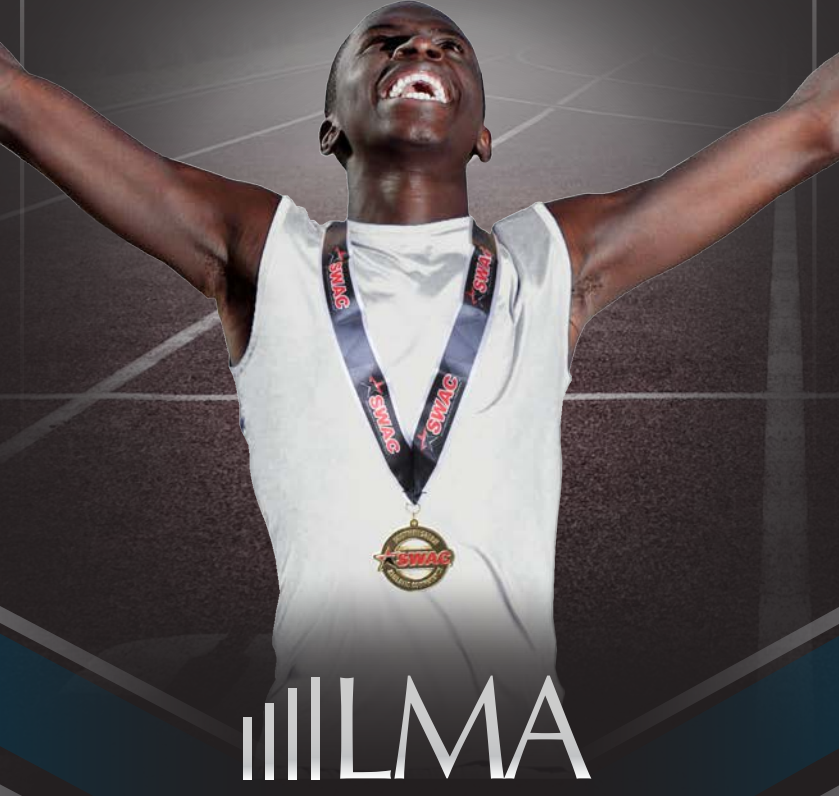
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KERT KILUMETS  
PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** - The Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) office revealed the 2018 All-SWAC Men's Tennis Teams on Thursday, one day prior to the start of the 2018 SWAC Tennis Championships that will be played on the grounds of the Pepsi Tennis Center in New Orleans, La.

Members of the All-Conference teams were decided upon by their conference records in singles and doubles competition. Ties were broken by considering a player's position ranking with higher favorability granted to the higher-seeded player.

The top 12 players in the conference were chosen as part of the All-Conference Team. In addition, the large individual award winners were announced for Freshman of the Year and the Player of the Year. The Coach of the Year award will be presented to the championship team's head coach at the end of the SWAC Championship.

The men's team comprised of players who went 48-5 in singles conference play.

There were six players who went undefeated in singles conference play with at least four matches played including Carl Louis-Luckmann (4-0), Tomas Fernandez (5-0), Chris Andre (5-0), all of Alabama State, Kert Kilumets (4-0) of Alcorn State, Xavier Lawrence (6-0) of Prairie View A&M, and

Sajid Rahman (4-0) of Arkansas-Pine Bluff. Ion Efrim, of Alabama State, had several unfinished conference matches. But Efrim recorded a mark of 2-0 in conference singles play and equaled that record in conference doubles play to finish a perfect 4-0.

Alexis Collard (5-1) of Alabama State, Stojan Stojanovski (3-1) of Alcorn State, Stylianos Gkontsaris (3-1) of Jackson State, Kevin Ugarteche (4-1) of Prairie View A&M, and Simon Lewis (3-1) of Arkansas-Pine Bluff all finished with just one singles conference defeat to round out the All-Conference squad.

The 2018 Men's Tennis Freshman of the Year was awarded to Andre of Alabama State, who closed out with an overall record of 7-1 in conference singles and doubles play combined. The Berlin, Germany native boasted a 8-3 overall record.

The 2018 Men's Tennis Player of the Year award was Kilumets of Alcorn State, who finished another perfect conference season for matches in which he took the court. The senior from Kuressare, Estonia, was 4-0 in singles play at the No. 1 position and also went 2-0 at the No. 1 doubles spot to finish a combined 6-0.




## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / MEN'S TENNIS


### ALL-SWAC

*Ion Efrim, Alabama State*  
*Carl-Louis Luckmann, Alabama State*  
*Tomas Fernandez, Alabama State*  
*Alexis Collard, Alabama State*  
*Chris Andre, Alabama State*  
*Kert Kilumets, Alcorn State*  
*Stojan Stojanovski, Alcorn State*  
*Stylianios Gkontsaris, Jackson State*  
*Kevin Ugarteche, Prairie View A&M*  
*Xavier Lawrence, Prairie View A&M*  
*Sajid Rahman, Arkansas-Pine Bluff*  
*Simon Lewis, Arkansas-Pine Bluff*





CHRIS ANDRE  
FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

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TAYLOR HUGHES  
HITTER OF THE YEAR



LAUREN RODRIGUEZ  
PLAYER & PITCHER OF THE YEAR



PAIGE TAYLOR  
NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** - Texas Southern senior pitcher Lauren Rodriguez was named the Southwestern Athletic Conference 2018 Softball Player and Pitcher of the Year as the league announced its softball postseason honors Monday morning. The team was chosen via a vote among the conference's head coaches and sports information directors.

Alcorn State senior infielder Taylor Hughes won Hitter of the Year accolades for the second year in a row, and fellow Lady Brave Paige Taylor received the Newcomer of the Year award.

Texas Southern's Julia Bilbao was honored as freshman of the year – the second year in a row a Lady Tigers player has garnered the award – and Alabama A&M's Nakeya Hall was voted the SWAC Coach of the Year.

Rodriguez posted a sparkling 11-1 win-loss record for the western division champion Lady Tigers. The senior from Houston, Texas led the league in wins and earned run average (2.14).

The only SWAC pitcher to average more than a strikeout per inning, Rodriguez also ranked third in opponent batting average (.225) and notched the second-most strikeouts among conference pitchers with 79.

Hughes bat .350 for the Lady Braves, posting 41 hits, 26 RBI and 21 runs scored. It was a historic season for the senior, as she set Alcorn State career records

for hits and doubles. She drew a league-best 24 walks in becoming a back-to-back winner of the league's top hitter award.

In 16 appearances – 13 starts – Taylor put up a 3-7 record with five complete games, including a no-hitter on March 22. The junior led the Lady Braves in ERA, starts and was the lone Alcorn hurler to not allow a home run this season.

Bilbao hit .324 on the season for the Lady Tigers, with 23 hits and seven doubles. She drove in 15 runs and boasted a .493 slugging percentage while stealing eight bases.

Hall led Alabama A&M to its first 20-win season of the decade. Under Hall's guidance, the Lady Bulldogs won a share of the Eastern Division title and not only set a new benchmark in wins under her tenure (21), but the team also boasted arguably the top offense in the league. Alabama A&M leads the SWAC in batting average (.299), home runs (30), RBI (214) and team slugging percentage (.454). The Lady Bulldogs also ranked third in fielding percentage at .936 and boasted the third-lowest ERA in the conference (4.32)

Texas Southern led all teams with six All-SWAC selections. Alabama A&M and Alabama State each picked up four all-conference spots, and Alcorn State and Southern saw three players earn all-league consideration. Mississippi Valley, Prairie View, Jackson State and Arkansas-Pine Bluff each had one selection.



## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / SOFTBALL

### ALL-SWAC

#### FIRST TEAM

1B	<b>Taylor Hughes</b>	<i>Alcorn State</i>
2B	<b>Jocilynn Ellis</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
3B	<b>Kristin Gunter</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>
SS	<b>Tiana Sanders</b>	<i>Alabama A&amp;M</i>
OF	<b>Tonnay Hawkins</b>	<i>Arkansas-Pine Bluff</i>
OF	<b>Sydney Andrews</b>	<i>Southern</i>
OF	<b>Mariah Ortiz</b>	<i>Alcorn State</i>
C	<b>Kiara Suttles</b>	<i>Southern</i>
P	<b>Lauren Rodriguez</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
P	<b>Jasmin Fulmore</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
P	<b>Crystal Castillo</b>	<i>Prairie View A&amp;M</i>
DP	<b>Charlene Castro</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>

#### SECOND TEAM

1B	<b>Sierra Valdez</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
2B	<b>Tamia Lee-Barbadillo</b>	<i>Alabama A&amp;M</i>
3B	<b>Ariel Smith</b>	<i>Alabama A&amp;M</i>
SS	<b>Dominique Tello</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
OF	<b>Kelsey Smith</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>
OF	<b>Kailyn Dunn</b>	<i>Mississippi Valley State</i>
OF	<b>Amira James</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>
C	<b>Marissa Padron</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
P	<b>Justine Jean</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>
P	<b>Winter Ridgeway</b>	<i>Alcorn State</i>
P	<b>Lauren Hayden</b>	<i>Alabama A&amp;M</i>
DP	<b>Jazmine Dukes</b>	<i>Southern</i>

### ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

#### WEEK HITTER

1      Charlene Castro  
Alabama State

2      Casey Durham  
Alabama State

3      Taylor Hughes  
Alcorn State

4      Hailey Haynes  
Grambling State

5      Taylor Rosser  
Alabama State

6      Kiara Suttles  
Southern

7      Taylor Hughes  
Dominique Humphrey  
Alcorn/UAPB

8      Kaylee Davis  
Alabama State

9      Desirea Lindsey  
Alcorn State

10     Tiana Sanders  
Alabama A&M

11     Victoria Tyler  
Alcorn State

12     Laurisa Hernandez  
Prairie View A&M

#### PITCHER

Vanessa Bradford  
Alabama State

Lauren Rodriguez  
Texas Southern

Jasmin Fulmore  
Texas Southern

Paige Taylor  
Alcorn State

Charlene Castro  
Alabama State

Crystal Castillo  
Prairie View A&M

Lauren Rodriguez  
Texas Southern

Lauren Rodriguez  
Texas Southern

Ambria Dorsey  
Alcorn State

Justine Jean  
Alabama State

Jasmin Fulmore  
Texas Southern

Justine Jean  
Alabama State

#### HOME RUNS

Tiana Sanders (AAMU) .....	12
Kiara Suttles (SUBR) .....	10
Amari Ramsey (ALCN).....	6
Tamia Lee-Barbadillo (AAMU).....	6
Laurisa Hernandez (PVAMU) .....	6
Ariel Smith (AAMU) .....	6

#### DOUBLES

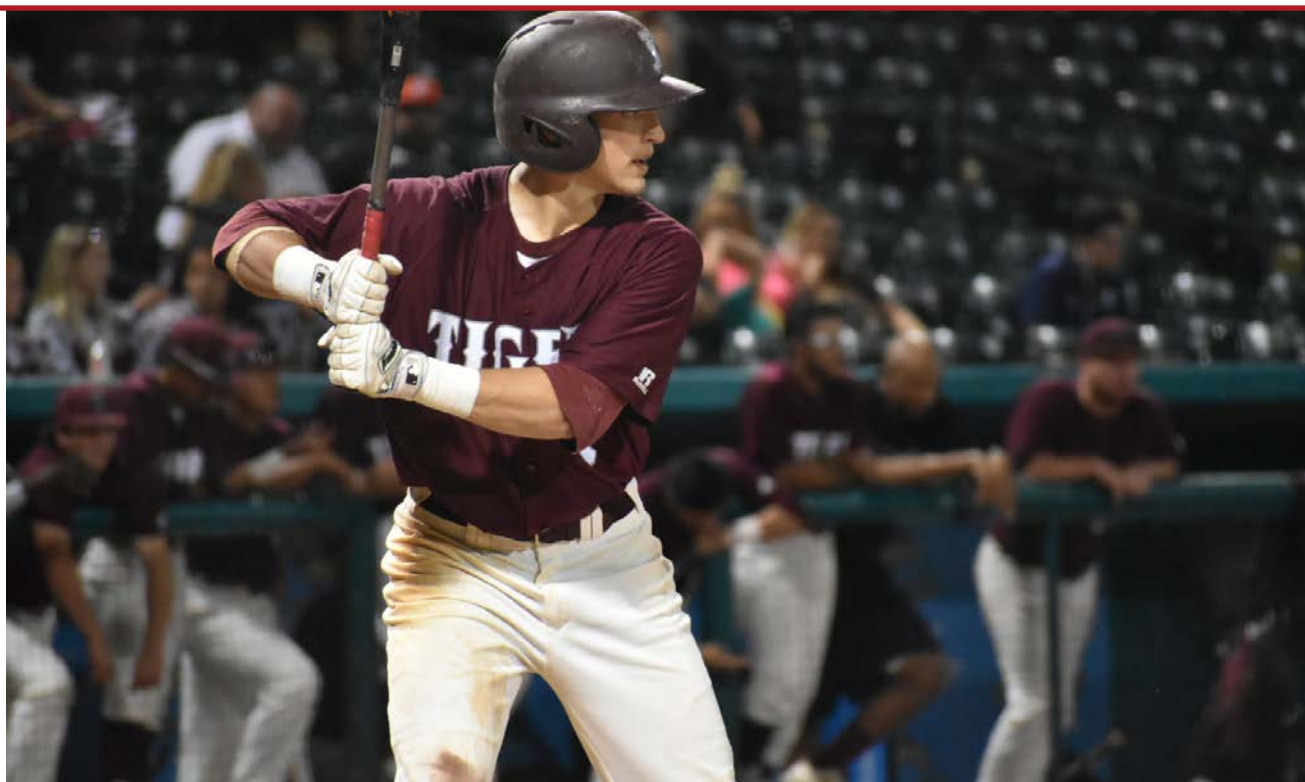
Amari Ramsey (ALCN).....	12
Tamia Lee-Barbadillo (AAMU).....	11
Tiana Sanders (AAMU) .....	10
Kiara Suttles (SUBR).....	10
Kelsey Smith (JKST) .....	10
Casey Durham (ALST).....	10
Charlene Castro (ALST).....	10
Kristin Gunter (ALST).....	10

#### TRIPLES

Amira James (ALST) .....	4
Kameron Graham (UAPB).....	4
Amari Ramsey (ALCN).....	3
DeShonte Smith (MVSU).....	3
Marina Clark (ALST).....	3
Cheyenne Aplon (JKST).....	3

### TELEVISION SCHEDULE

DATE	GAME	NETWORK
3/21	Alabama State vs. Auburn	SECN+
3/23	Jackson State vs. Texas Southern	ESPNU
5/12	Prairie View A&M vs. Alabama State (DH)	SDN
	SWAC Softball Championship	



KAMREN DUKES  
PLAYER & HITTER  
OF THE YEAR

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** — Kamren Dukes of Texas Southern was voted the Southwestern Athletic Conference Player and Hitter of the Year, as the league announced its 2018 baseball postseason honors on Monday. The honors were voted on by the league's head coaches and sports information directors.

Dukes, a Pearland, Texas native, led the SWAC in batting average this season at .394, runs scored (57), and hits (84). The senior also racked up 40 RBIs, which ranked eighth. His 84 hits ranks third nationally.

In conference play, Dukes was fourth in batting average (.448), scored 26 runs, totaled 46 hits and 32 RBIs to help lead the Tigers to a West Division Title. Dukes also has an active streak of 34 straight games with a hit.

Aaron Solis of Texas Southern was voted the Pitcher of the Year. The senior and League City, Texas native had a 1.99 ERA, and a 7-1 record in SWAC play this season. Solis had an 8-3 record overall, which included three complete games.

Jose Tirado of Jackson State was voted the Relief Pitcher of the Year. Tirado finished the regular season with a 2.78 ERA, which ranked first on the Tigers. The senior from San Juan, Puerto Rico also led Jackson State in opposing batting average (.170), saves (13) and was second on the team in strikeouts (67). The 13 saves also ranked first in the SWAC.

Raul Hernandez from Jackson State was voted the Newcomer of the Year. The junior from Cidra, Puerto Rico was third in the league in batting average (.384) fifth in slugging percentage (.579), third in hits (.73) and fifth in RBIs (46). In SWAC play, Hernandez ranked tied for third in RBIs (32) and fifth in hits (40).

Nikelle Galatas of Jackson State was voted the league's Freshman of the Year. Galatas was fourth on the Tigers with a 4.27 ERA. The Ladera Heights, Calif. native was second on the team with nine wins, and pitched the second-most innings (86.1). He also struck out 53 batters this season.

Alabama State head coach Jose Vazquez was voted the Coach of the Year. In just his second season at the helm of the Hornets baseball program, Vazquez led Alabama State to an 18-6 record in SWAC play (27-20 overall) and an East Division title.

Jackson State earned the most All-SWAC selections with seven players. Grambling State had the second-most players with six players voted All-SWAC, and Texas Southern earned five all-conference selections.

Alabama State had four players receive All-SWAC recognition and Arkansas Pine Bluff and Alcorn State each had one player earn All-SWAC honors.



## SWAC ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS / BASEBALL

### ALL-SWAC

#### FIRST TEAM

1B	<b>Christian Sanchez</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
2B	<b>Gaudencio Lucca</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
3B	<b>Ray Hernandez</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>
SS	<b>Marshawn Taylor</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>
OF	<b>Kamren Dukes</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
OF	<b>Joseph Estrada</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>
OF	<b>Isaiah Torres</b>	<i>Grambling State</i>
C	<b>Sephan Vidal</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>
SP	<b>Aaron Solis</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
SP	<b>Darrius Wright</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>
RP	<b>Jose Tirado</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>
DH	<b>Richard Ortiz</b>	<i>Grambling State</i>

#### SECOND TEAM

1B	<b>Rafael Ramirez</b>	<i>Grambling State</i>
2B	<b>Wesley Reyes</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>
3B	<b>Jesus Santana</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>
SS	<b>Hirance LeBlanc</b>	<i>Texas Southern</i>
OF	<b>Lamar Briggs</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>
OF	<b>Sergio Esparza</b>	<i>Arkansas Pine Bluff</i>
OF	<b>Dezmond Chumley</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>
C	<b>Huner Allen</b>	<i>Alabama State</i>
SP	<b>Raul Baduel</b>	<i>Grambling State</i>
SP	<b>Carlos Lopez</b>	<i>Alcorn State</i>
RP	<b>Daniel Beizer</b>	<i>Grambling State</i>
DH	<b>Robert Perteet</b>	<i>Jackson State</i>

### ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

DATE	HITTER	PITCHER
2.21	Kirt Cormier Alcorn State	Darrius Wright Alabama State
2.28	Ray Hernandez Alabama State	Darren Kelly Alabama State
3.8	Rafael Ramirez Grambling State	Gage Dollar Alabama State
3.15	Christian Sanchez Texas Southern	Aaron Solis Texas Southern
3.21	Marshawn Taylor Grambling State	Michael Villanueva Texas Southern
3.28	Gaudencio Lucca Texas Southern	Aaron Solis Texas Southern
4.4	Marshawn Taylor Grambling State	Dalwon Wilder Alabama State
4.11	Marshawn Taylor Grambling State	Tyler Laux Prairie View A&M
4.19	Hunter Allen Alabama State	Aaron Solis Texas Southern
4.25	Gustavo Rios Alabama State	Carlos Lopez Alcorn State
5.3	Justin Barna Alcorn State	Darrius Wright Alabama State
5.9	Joseph Estrada Alabama State	Aaron Solis Texas Southern

### STATISTICAL LEADERS

#### HOME RUNS

Christian Sanchez, TXSO.....	17
Rafael Ramirez, GRAM.....	16
Ray Hernandez, ALST.....	11
Rafael Ortiz, GRAM.....	10
Gaudencio Lucca, TXSO.....	9
Jesus Santana, JKST.....	9
Raul Hernandez, JKST.....	7
JP Soriano, UAPB.....	7
Stephen Vidal, JKST.....	6
Hunter Allen, ALST.....	6

#### RUNS BATTED IN

Rafael Ramirez, III, GRAM.....	66
Christian Sanchez, TXSO.....	60
Gaudencio Lucca, TXSO.....	50
Raul Hernandez, JKST.....	50
Jesus Santana, JKST.....	48
Rafael Ortiz, GRAM.....	47
Gustavo Rios, ALST.....	47
Ray Hernandez, ALST.....	45
Marshawn Taylor, GRAM.....	44

#### WINS

Kevin Perez, JKST.....	11
Aaron Solis, TXSO.....	10
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### TELEVISION SCHEDULE

DATE	GAME	NETWORK
5/22	Baseball Championship	ESPNEWS



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DATE	EVENT	TOTAL VIEWERS	UNIQUE VIEWERS
July 14	Football: Media Day 2017	782	401
Sept. 23	Football: Southern at Alcorn State	4,276	2,031
Sept. 29	Soccer: Howard vs. Mississippi Valley State	232	117
Oct. 2	Volleyball: Texas Southern at Grambling State	146	92
Oct. 8	Soccer: Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Texas Southern	185	84
Oct. 15	Soccer: Alabama State at Arkansas-Pine Bluff	175	78
Oct. 21	Football: Alcorn State at Grambling State	7,570	3,300
Oct. 30	Volleyball: Southern at Prairie View A&M	113	71
Nov. 2	Volleyball: Alabama A&M at Alabama State	250	110
Nov. 5	Soccer Championship: Alabama State v. Grambling State	1,350	662
Nov. 11	Football: Grambling State at Alabama State	3,403	1,700
Nov. 18	Football: Alcorn State at Jackson State	3,416	1,444
Dec. 1	Football Championship Press Conference	37	24
Jan. 15	Women's Basketball: Texas Southern at Grambling State	299	162
Jan. 15	Men's Basketball: Texas Southern at Grambling State	470	203
Jan. 27	Women's Basketball: Prairie View A&M at Alabama State	142	75
Jan. 27	Men's Basketball: Prairie View A&M at Alabama State	257	127
Feb. 3	Women's Basketball: Alcorn State at Jackson State	209	121
Feb. 3	Men's Basketball: Alcorn State at Jackson State	316	171
Feb. 10	Women's Basketball: Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Southern	161	96
Feb. 10	Men's Basketball: Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Southern	204	131
March 9	Women's Basketball Semifinals: Prairie View A&M (radio)	149	86
March 9	Men's Basketball Semifinals: Arkansas-Pine Bluff (radio)	708	254
May 6	Outdoor Track and Field Championships at Prairie View A&M	882	417
May 12	Softball Championship: Prairie View A&M vs. Alabama State	1,623	732
May 16	Baseball Tournament: All day (radio)	1,089	394
May 17	Baseball Tournament: All day (radio)	850	384
May 18	Baseball Tournament: All day (radio)	621	146
May 19	Baseball Tournament: All day (radio)	897	286
May 20	Baseball Championship (radio)	125	67
Totals		30,912	13,966



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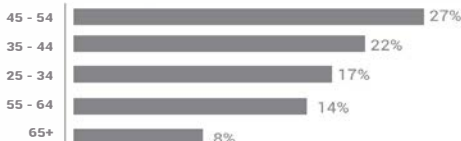
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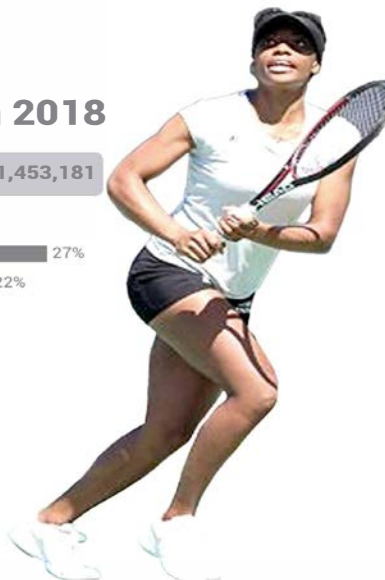
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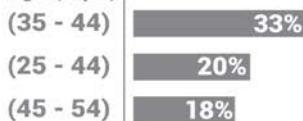


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Pageviews by Device Category

Device Category	Pageviews
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tablet	132,652

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Mobile Users (Includes Tablet)

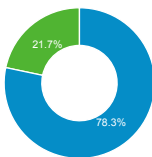
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Visits by Browser

Browser	Sessions
Safari	265,825
Chrome	249,088
Internet Explorer	98,843
Edge	36,961
Samsung Internet	30,829
Safari (in-app)	22,844

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