

Lenoir-Rhyne Softball Ranked Tenth In Final National Poll

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The Lenoir-Rhyne University Softball Team ended the season ranked tenth in the country according to the final 2011 NFCA NCAA Division II Top 25 Poll. NFCA is the National Fastpitch Coaches Association.

UC San Diego received all 16 first-place votes and finished the year ranked No. 1 after winning the 2011 NCAA Division II National Championship, the first in school history. L-R concluded the season with a 45-10 record (16-2 in league play) and won both the South Atlantic Conference Regular Season and Tournament Championships for the second straight year.

The Bears also punched a ticket to the playoffs for the sixth consecutive season and earned back-to-back berths to the NCAA Division II Southeast Super Regional Tournament. Since 2000, Lenoir-Rhyne has also won seven conference regular season championships and six league tournament titles.

2011 NFCA NCAA Division II Top 25 Final Poll

1. UC San Diego (16) 45-13
2. Alabama-Huntsville 48-6-1
3. Midwestern State 54-14
4. North Georgia 53-12
5. Minnesota State Mankato 54-16
6. Saginaw Valley 42-18
7. Indiana (Pa.) 38-8
8. West Texas A&M 50-17
9. C.W. Post 41-16
- 10. Lenoir-Rhyne 45-10**
11. Bloomsburg 33-9
12. Valdosta State 41-11
13. Augustana (S.D.) 50-11

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14. West Alabama 38-19
15. California State San Bernardino 35-24
16. Rollins 45-4
17. Nebraska-Omaha 47-11
18. Grand Valley State 41-16
19. Hawai'i Pacific 38-12
20. West Virginia Wesleyan 48-8
21. Angelo State 45-14
22. Emporia State 42-16
23. Tampa 39-9
24. Arkansas-Monticello 46-16
25. Merrimack 31-23