

Griewisch Earns All-Academic Honors In Track and Field

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Lenoir-Rhyne University's Kate Griewisch has earned 2011 USTFCCCA All-Academic accolades for NCAA Division II Track and Field. USTFCCCA is the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association.

Griewisch, a rising senior from Banner Elk, N.C., earned All-American honors this past May as she finished sixth with a school-record 34:21 in the 10,000-meter women's final at the 2011 NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field National Championships in Turlock, Calif. Griewisch was also one place off of garnering All-American accolades at the indoor finals in March in Albuquerque, N.M., in the 5K and in the finals of the outdoor 10,000-meter run in 2010. Griewisch is a two-time NCAA Division II All-American in women's cross country (2009 and 2010) and has won the NCAA Division II Southeast Regional race the past two years. Griewisch, a three-time All-South Atlantic Conference First-Team honoree (2008-10), won the 2009 league championship meet and led Lenoir-Rhyne to back-to-back SAC Women's Cross Country Championships (2008 and 2009). An outstanding student as well, Griewisch is a two-time South Atlantic Conference Women's Cross Country Scholar-Athlete Of The Year (2009-10) and earned CoSIDA/Capital One Second-Team Academic All-America accolades in June. Griewisch is also the 2010-11 female recipient of the President's Award. The award is the most prestigious honor the South Atlantic Conference awards to its student-athletes. The award exemplifies the finest combined qualities of excellence in athletics, academics and community leadership. Griewisch carries a 3.81 grade point average while majoring in biology. To qualify for the USTFCCCA All-Academic Track and Field Team, the student-athlete must have compiled a cumulative grade point average of 3.25 and have met an NCAA automatic or provisional qualifying mark in an individual or relay event at some point in either indoor or outdoor seasons. The group represents collegiate track & field's best in both athletics and academics. In all, 311 were tapped as USTFCCCA All-Academic honorees.