

## Cashion Named Third-Team Academic All-American

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Appalachian State University softball's Allie Cashion earned third-team 2012 Capital One Academic All-America® Division I Softball Team, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) on Thursday.

The junior outfielder was not only the only Southern Conference student-athlete to receive Academic All-America® Softball Team but was the only North Carolina native to earn the honor. Cashion, an Actuarial Science major with a 3.74 GPA, recently was named first-team All-Mideast region by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association. She also garnered her second-straight first-team all-SoCon honor earlier this month. The Waxhaw, N.C. native, was one of the most feared hitters in the conference as she led the Mountaineers in batting average (.396), triples (2), homeruns (16), runs batted in (51), slugging percentage (.836), walks (24) and on base percentage (.494). She is also ASU's all-time career RBI leader with 140 and broke her own single season record of 46 with 51 RBIs. The center fielder ranks in the nations' top-30 in home runs per game (13th - 0.34), runs batted in per game (16th - 1.09), slugging percentage (17th - .836) and home runs (29th - 16). Cashion is the daughter of Dennis Cashion and Pat Cooper. The Capital One Division I Academic All-America® program is being financially supported by the NCAA Division III national governance structure to assist CoSIDA with handling the awards fulfillment aspects for the 2011-12 D-III Academic All-America® teams program.

To be eligible for Academic All-America® consideration, a student-athlete must be a varsity starter or key reserve, maintain a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.30 on a scale of 4.00, have reached sophomore athletic and academic standings at his/her current institution and be nominated by his/her sports information director.

Since the program's inception in 1952, CoSIDA has bestowed Academic All-America honors on more than 14,000 student-athletes in Divisions I, II, III and NAIA, covering all NCAA championship sports.

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