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Junior Jamal Jackson of Appalachian State University has been named the Southern Conference Player of the Month in football. Jackson led the Southern Conference and ranked eighth nationally

with 1,510 yards of total offense over the first month of the season (302.0 ypg), helping Appalachian State to a 3-2 record.

The junior quarterback leads the SoCon and ranks 11th nationally with 1,277 total passing yards and completed 66.3 percent of his passes on the month. He threw eight touchdowns against just four interceptions and had at least 200 passing yards and 250 yards of total offense in four of the Mountaineers' five games. Jackson notched the 40th 300-yard passing game in school history in the season opener at East Carolina and became the 13th 3,000-yard passer in Appalachian State history on Sept. 22 at Chattanooga in only the 11th start of his career. He was the SoCon's offensive player of the week on Sept. 10. Other nominees: Darien Robinson (The Citadel), Aaron Mellette (Elon), Dominique Swope (Georgia Southern), Fabian Truss (Samford), Jacob Huesman (Chattanooga), Jacoby Mitchell (Western Carolina) and Eric Breitenstein (Wofford).

Southern Conference September Athletes of the Month

Football – Offense Jamal Jackson, Appalachian State

Football – Defense Jaquiski Tartt, Samford Men's Cross Country Paul Chelimo, UNCG

Women's Cross Country Amanda Hamilton, Appalachian State

Men's Soccer Chris Thomas, Elon

Women's Soccer Stephanie DeVita, Furman Volleyball – Offense Natalie Braun, Furman

Volleyball – Defense Paula Passmore, Chattanooga

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