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Hillsdale College Awarded NCAA's President's Award for Academic Excellence National award recognizes colleges for high graduation rates among student-athletes

Hillsdale, Mich. – Hillsdale College received its eighth consecutive National Collegiate Athletic Association's President's Award for Academic Excellence. The award honors colleges and universities where student-athletes have the highest rates of on-time graduation.

"We are proud of our athletes for the dedication they exhibit on and off the field throughout the school year," said Don Brubacher, athletics director. "We strive to engage the whole student here at Hillsdale, and our unwavering commitment to excellence continues to attract students from all over the country who want to pursue both their athletic and academic goals."

Each year, the NCAA ranks member schools around the country according to their Academic Success Rate (ASR), which measures the percentage of all student-athletes that graduate within six years of their enrollment. Hillsdale College's NCAA-evaluated ASR is 96%, making it No. 4 of the top 32 Division II schools in the country and the highest-ranking school in the Great Midwest Athletic Conference.

For more information on Hillsdale College Athletics programs, visit Hillsdalechargers.com.

About Hillsdale College

Hillsdale College is an independent liberal arts college located in southern Michigan. Founded in 1844, the College has built a national reputation through its classical liberal arts core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies, even indirectly in the form of student grants or loans. It also conducts an outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 4.7 million. For more information, visit <u>hillsdale.edu</u>.

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