For the second year in a row, senior back Jennifer Buscher (Oakville, Mo./Notre Dame) was selected to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-America Team. Buscher was named to the second team after earning third team All-America status last year.

Buscher advanced to the all-America ballot after earning first-team all-region honors this year. In addition, she was also a first-team all-Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association pick in 2002 and was named to the Verizon Academic All-District Second Team.

Buscher was a regular among the defenders as a freshman, scoring her first collegiate goal against Minnesota State, Mankato. That year, she was named rookie of the year by her teammates and was a member of two all-tournament teams. In 1999, Buscher earned honorable mention all-MIAA honors as a full-time starter for the ‘Dogs. She scored the game-winning goal that year against Southwest Baptist.

Buscher redshirted on 2000, but came back the following year to be named to the third NSCAA/adidas all-America team, the first NSCAA/adidas all-Central region team, as well as earned second-team all-MIAA honors.

She helped the ‘Dogs lead the nation with a 0.38 goals against average and shared save of the year honors in 2001 for the NCAA second-round game against Northern Colorado. Buscher will be a three-time academic all-MIAA honoree and member of the MIAA commissioner’s academic honor roll. She has a career total of two goals and seven assists for 11 points, and is tied for second in career games played at Truman with 79.

Buscher served as a captain this past year and is pursuing a degree in communications.

The NSCAA/adidas All-America teams are determined through voting by NSCAA member coaches from across the nation. The teams, from youth to NCAA Division I, will be honored at the NSCAA/adidas All-America Luncheon, to be held Saturday, Jan. 18, as part of the 2003 NSCAA Convention in Kansas City, Mo.

The Bulldogs completed the 2002 campaign with a 16-3-2 record and by making their second straight trip to the NCAA Division II postseason tournament. The ‘Dogs also posted an 11-0-1 record in MIAA play, claiming their fourth straight league crown.

THE COMPLETE LIST OF THIS YEAR’S HONOREES FOLLOWS.

First Team
D-Lindsay Blose, Jr., Mesa State College, Albuquerque, N.M.
D-Nicole Meyer*, Sr., Regis, Thornton, Colo.
D-Nicole Cheadle, Sr., Franklin Pierce College, West Chester, Pa.
D-Katherine Slattery, So., Barry, Nashua, N.H.
M-Jenelle Brandt, Sr., Metro State College, Littleton, Colo.
M-Anumari Ylesmaki, Sr., Franklin Pierce College, Vantaa, Finland
M-Stephanie Kirby, Jr., Nebraska-Omaha, Elkhorn, Neb.
F-Kristen Geyer, So., Regis, Fort Collins, Colo.
F-Stephanie Kruse, Sr., Nebraska-Omaha, Columbus, Neb.
F-Meghan Welcome, So., Franklin Pierce College, Haoverhill, Mass.
F-Missy Gregg*, Sr., Christian Brothers, Centerville, Ohio

Second Team
G-Amy Price, Fr., Nebraska-Omaha, Omaha, Neb.
D-Jennifer Buscher*, Sr., Truman State, St. Louis, Mo.
D-Shauna Kruger, Jr., San Francisco State, San Francisco, Calif.
D-Jill Docherty, Fr., Bloomsburg, Allentown, Pa.
D-Carly Broadus, Sr., UC-Davis, Reno, Nev.
M-Naomi Clarke*, Jr., Lock Haven, Cambridge, New Zealand
M-Megan Graham, Fr., Wheeling Jesuit, Pleasant Hill, Calif.
M-Patty Cronin*, Sr., Merrimack College, Norfork, Mass.
F-Joanna Silva, Jr., Wheeling Jesuit, Sao Paulo, Brazil
F-Katie Roberts, Jr., Francis Marion, Frederick, Md.
F-Annette Laursen, Sr., Concord College, Aarhus, Denmark

Third Team
G-Johanna Fischer, Jr., Barry, Verum, Sweden
D-Ashley Suarez, Jr., West Virginia Wesleyan College, Monroe, N.Y.
D-Jill Docherty, Fr., Bloomsburg, Allentown, Pa.
D- Colleen Fellin, Jr., Metro State College, Tempe, Ariz.
D-Carly Broadus, Sr., UC-Davis, Reno, Nev.
M- Naomi Clarke*, Jr., Lock Haven, Cambridge, New Zealand
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