



# News Release

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## Erickson, Saka, Atkinson, Schulz and Robertson Earn Track and Field Honors

Emma Erickson of South Dakota, Pinar Saka of Nebraska-Omaha and Eric Atkinson of Minnesota Duluth have been named the North Central Conference Indoor Track Athletes of the Week while Becky Schulz of Augustana and Josh Robertson of Minnesota State have been named the North Central Conference Indoor Field Athletes of the Week.

Erickson, a freshman from Gayville, S.D., recorded the best time in NCAA Division II competition this season with a DakotaDome record time of 2:10.29 in the 800-meter run. Erickson also anchored the Coyotes' 4x400 relay.

Saka, a junior from Istanbul, Turkey, posted the top time in NCAA Division II competition this season in winning the 200-meter dash with a time of :24.46 at the Graphic Edge Invitational.

Atkinson, a junior from Spooner, Wis., set a school record with a second-place time of 8:34.17 in the 3,000-meter run at the Blizzard Open. He was a mere .12-seconds behind former University of Minnesota standout Jeremy Polson.

Schulz, a senior from Westbrook, Minn., won the high jump at the Iowa State Open with a leap of 5-6, matching her season-best mark.

Robertson, a junior from Milwaukee, Wis., won the high jump at the Carleton Open with a jump of 6-6.

Others nominated: *Track Male*: Josh LaBlanc, North Dakota; Scott Hargens, South Dakota; Bart Johnson, Augustana; James Krajsa, Minnesota State. *Track Female*: Renee Aune, North Dakota; Greta Stangl, Minnesota Duluth; Brita Johnson, Minnesota State. *Field Male*: Carl Hanson, North Dakota; Preston Scott, South Dakota; Jason Beutz, Minnesota Duluth. *Field Female*: Nikki Dalstrom, Minnesota State; Natalie Stout, South Dakota; Brittany Henderson, Minnesota State.

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#### 2007-08 Male Indoor Track Honor Roll

Dec. 11 - Terry Liggins, South Dakota  
Jan. 15 - James Krajsa, Minnesota State  
Jan. 22 - Dominic Artis, South Dakota  
Jan. 29 - Eric Atkinson, Minnesota Duluth

#### 2007-08 Male Indoor Field Honor Roll

Dec. 11 - Ben Walters, South Dakota  
Jan. 15 - Josh Robertson, Minnesota State  
Jan. 22 - Jay Schroeder, North Dakota  
Jan. 29 - Josh Robertson, Minnesota State

#### 2007-08 Female Indoor Track Honor Roll

Dec. 11 - Emma Erickson, South Dakota  
Jan. 15 - Brittany Henderson, Minnesota State  
Jan. 22 - Pinar Saka, Nebraska-Omaha  
Jan. 29 - Emma Erickson, South Dakota  
Pinar Saka, Nebraska-Omaha

#### 2007-08 Female Indoor Field Honor Roll

Dec. 11 - Katelin Rains, Minnesota State  
Jan. 15 - Katelin Rains, Minnesota State  
Jan. 22 - Katelin Rains, Minnesota State  
Jan. 29 - Becky Schulz, Augustana