NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BASEBALL WRITERS ASSOCIATION
2010 DIVISION II PRESEASON ALL-AMERICA TEAMS

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DURAN HEADLINES BASEBALL WRITERS' DIVISION II PRESEASON ALL-AMERICA TEAM

SLIPPERY ROCK, Pa. – Dowling College senior pitcher Gabriel Duran headlines the list of NCAA Division II baseball players named today to the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Division II Preseason All-America teams.

The 2009 NCBWA Division II national "Pitcher of the Year," Duran was one of four players named to the Preseason All-America team who also earned first-team All-NCBWA All-America honors last spring. He was joined in that group by Mesa State outfielder Kevin Becker, who earned All-America honors as a second baseman in 2009, South Carolina Aiken designated hitter Travis Howard and Lynn University starting pitcher Dan Wright.

The 2010 Division II Preseason All-America teams include 20 student-athletes who earned All-America honors last spring.

A total of 40 schools had at least one representative on the Division II Preseason All-America teams. Angelo State led the way with six representatives on the teams, one first-team selection, one second-team selection and four third-team selections.

Three schools (Ashland, Florida Southern and Southwest Minnesota State) each had four student-athletes honored, while eight other schools had three student-athletes selected and 12 schools had two representatives on the Preseason All-America teams.

Schools with more than one student-athlete named to NCBWA Division II Preseason All-America honors included: Angelo State 6; Ashland, Florida Southern and Southwest Minnesota State 4 each; Emporia State, Felician, Harding, Indiana (Pa.), Slippery Rock, UC San Diego, Upper Iowa and West Chester 3 each; and Assumption, Augustana (S.D.), Georgia College & State University, defending national champion Lynn, Mesa State, Millersville, Molloy, Nebraska-Kearney, Regis, Southern Indiana, St. Cloud State and West Florida 2 each.

Schools with one student-athlete named to NCBWA Division II Preseason All-America status included Adelphi, Alabama Huntsville, California (Pa.), Concordia-St. Paul, Dowling, East Stroudsburg, Lewis, Minnesota State, 2008 national champion Mount Olive, Nova Southeastern, Ouachita Baptist, Rockhurst, Seton Hill, Shippensburg, USC Aiken and Southern Connecticut State.

The association's Division II national poll voters and members of the association's board of directors selected the NCBWA Division II Preseason All-America teams from nominations submitted by sports information directors at NCAA Division II baseball-playing institutions.

The complete 2010 Division II Preseason All-America team lists can be found on the following pages. NOTE: * 2009 NCBWA All-America first team; # 2009 NCBWA All-America second team; + 2009 NCBWA All-America third team; & 2009 NCBWA All-America honorable mention)

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FIRST TEAM
Catcher: T.J. Nichols, sr., Indiana (Pa.)
First Baseman: Kenny Burkhead, sr., Emporia State
Second Baseman: Jason Morriss, sr., Angelo State
Third Baseman: Matt Bauer, sr., Southwest Minnesota State
Shortstop: Jesus Arzaga, sr., Regis
Outfielder: *Kevin Becker, sr., Mesa State; +Sam DiMatteo, sr., California (Pa.); &J.J. Putt, sr., Regis
Designated Hitter: *Travis Howard, sr., USC Aiken
Utility Player: +Will Gowdy, sr., Ouachita Baptist
Starting Pitcher: Keith Couch, jr., Adelphi; *Gabriel Duran, jr., Dowling; &Ajay Meyer, sr., Ashland; &Max Russell, jr., Florida Southern; *Dan Wright, sr., Lynn
Relief Pitcher: Tim Dupuis, sr., Assumption; Trevor Leach, jr., Southern Indiana

SECOND TEAM
Catcher: Pat Trettel, sr., Seton Hill
First Baseman: +Keith Towne, sr., Angelo State
Second Baseman: Seth Fox, sr., Upper Iowa
Third Baseman: Blake Cover, sr., Nebraska-Kearney
Shortstop: &Vance Albitz, sr., UC San Diego
Outfielder: Nate Baumann, jr., Augustana (S.D.); Sean Harrell, sr., Georgia College & State U.; Derek Migrants, sr., Assumption
Designated Hitter: &Jason Carr, sr., Mesa State
Utility Player: &Tyler Choate, sr., Southern Indiana
Starting Pitcher: &Logan Birr, so., St. Cloud State; Vince Lloyd, sr., Slippery Rock; Ben Minard, sr., Ashland; Matt Rossman, sr., UC San Diego; &Tim Shibuya, jr., UC San Diego.
Relief Pitcher: &Martin Dewald, sr., Georgia College & State U.; Daniel Tillman, jr., Florida Southern

THIRD TEAM
Catcher: Zach Maggard, jr., Florida Southern
First Baseman: &Andrew Kinney, sr., Southwest Minnesota State
Second Baseman: Billy Messer, sr., Slippery Rock
Third Baseman: &Jacob Petkac, sr., Ashland
Shortstop: Nick Spisak, sr., West Chester
Outfielder: Isaac Garcia, sr., Angelo State; Jesse Lancaster, sr., Mount Olive; Jacob Oswalt, sr., Slippery Rock; Brayan Valencia, sr., Nova Southeastern
Designated Hitter: #Chris Adamson, sr., Angelo State
Utility Player: Brenden Furrow, sr., Concordia-St. Paul
Starting Pitcher: David Deminsky, sr., St. Cloud State; Jeremy Gigliotti, sr., East Stroudsburg; Ben Graham, sr. Emporia State; Colby Killian, sr., Emporia State; Joe Scumaci, sr., Lewis
Relief Pitcher: Jeffrey Asby, sr., Angelo State; Craig Blair, so., Angelo State; Bret Severtson, sr., Augustana (S.D.)

HONORABLE MENTION
Catcher: Bob Stumpo, sr., West Chester; Marcos Torres, sr., Felician. **First Baseman:** Ryan Geffert, so., Southern Connecticut State; Ryan McCrory, sr., Alabama-Huntsville; Ben Minard, sr., Ashland; Kyle Orensky, sr., West Chester. **Second Baseman:** Ryan McCormick, jr., Millersville; Chase Presley, so., Harding; Mickey Zudonyi, jr., Felician. **Third Baseman:** None. **Shortstop:** Paul Bingham, sr., Indiana (Pa.); Wade Kirkland, jr., Florida Southern. **Outfielder:** T.J. Greig, sr., Molloy; Cody Kulp, so., Shippensburg; Tom Longoni, sr., Upper Iowa; Greg Pron, jr., West Florida. **Designated Hitter:** Mike Walczak, sr., Rockhurst. **Utility Player:** Derek Kline, sr., Millersville; Lucas Wilsing, sr., Upper Iowa. **Pitcher:** Colby Betz, sr., Indiana (Pa.); Brodie Brumley, sr., Harding; Kyle Cline, so., Harding; Kevin Johnson, sr., West Florida; Tommy Kahnle, Lynn; Patrick Lenton, sr., Minnesota State; Jared Loschen, sr., Nebraska-Kearney; &Phil Messerian, sr., Felician; Adam Schrader, sr., Southwest Minnesota State; Steven Stewart, sr., Molloy.

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