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Wildcat Track Update: June 9, 2011

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## **9 STUDENT-ATHLETES NAMED TO ALL-AMERICAN TEAM 24 EARN WESTERN STATE ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM HONORS**

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Nine West Los Angeles College track & field student-athletes were honored as members of the United States Community College Track Coaches Association (USCCTCA) All-American team for Community College. Five ladies and four men were among the national honorees, and marks the most All-American selections in one year ever for the Wildcat track and field program.

Sophomore West LA Student athlete of the year, Dyneeca Adams earned honors in multiple events as she was named to the All-American team in the 4x400m relay and the 800 meter run. Sophomore, Johnathan Kelly earned honors in multiple events as well as he was named to the All-American team in the 4x400m relay and the 400 meter hurdles. What makes the honor even more impressive is that neither athlete ever participated in their new specialty until they entered college. Both athletes were named 1<sup>st</sup> team all-conference last week as well, as 24 West LA College track and field athletes were named to the Western State All-Conference team.

Freshman multi-event standout, Kemi Olonade earned All-American honors as well in the triple jump event. Freshman sprinter Selina Collins joined Adams as a member of the 4x400m All-American relay team along with sophomores Keshawna Fisher and Reanna Davison. West LA co-student athlete of the year, Jonathan Byrd along with Terrence Conway and Jevoni Buchanan were named to the All-American team as members of the men's 4x400 meter relay team along with Kelly.

All nine All-American honorees for the West LA were also named to the All-Conference 1<sup>st</sup> Team. Other 1<sup>st</sup> team selections for the Wildcats included 400 meter runner Cydney Graham, hurdler Brittney McKinley, and throwers Nijah Leshaw and Ryan Richardson. For the men's squad, 800 meter specialist Miguel Ruiz and jumpers Patrick Hunter and Franz Palacio earned 1<sup>st</sup> team honors. Sophomores, Toni Cooper and Cortney McCoy were selected to the 2<sup>nd</sup> team for their success in the jumps this season. Rounding out the Wildcat honorees were hurdlers Summer Griffin, Tunsia Cobbins, and Tanqueray Towns, along with jumpers Donetta Rye, Raven Rhone, and distance runner Jose Gonzalez who earned honorable mention all-conference honors.

The honors cap a great season for the Wildcats. In 2011, the Wildcats won both the men's and women's conference title. This marks the 1<sup>st</sup> time in school history, that both programs won the title in the same year. For more information on Wildcats track & field, contact the track and field/cross country office at (310) 287-4587 or log on to [www.wlac.edu/athletics/](http://www.wlac.edu/athletics/).

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