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CLEVELAND, Ohio (EMUeagles.com) – The Eastern Michigan University football team landed three Eagles on the Academic All-Mid-American Conference list, the conference announced Friday, Jan. 24. Senior Cy Maughmer (Glendale, Ariz.-Apache Junction (Glendale C.C.)), sophomore Dylan Mulder (Saline, Mich.-Saline) and redshirt-freshman Jake Hurcombe (Lincolnshire, Ill.-Stevenson) were all recognized for their success on the field and in the classroom.

The Academic All-MAC honor is for a student-athlete who has excelled in athletics and academics. To qualify, a student-athlete must have at least a 3.20 cumulative GPA and have participated in at least 50 percent of the contests for that particular sport. First-year students and junior college transfers in their first year of residence are not eligible for the award.

In his final season donning the Green and White, Maughmer was the anchor of the EMU defense, starting all 11 games he appeared in for the Eagles. The defensive lineman made 32 tackles on the year, including 1.5 sacks and 2.5 tackles-for-loss in EMU's victory over Howard, Aug. 31. In his final season with the Eagles, Maughmer helped the Green and White to 22 sacks, the most by an EMU squad since 2000 and the ninth-most all-time. Throughout his two year career at Eastern, the junior college transfer recorded 63 tackles in 23 games, including a forced fumble and fumble recovery against Ohio (Nov. 1, 2012). Last season, he tallied two tackles behind the line of scrimmage as well as a forced fumble and a fumble recovery. The senior defensive lineman boasts a 3.98 as a secondary education major, allowing him to capture the Elton J. Rynearson Scholar-Athlete Award as well as Capital One Academic All-
America® Division I Football Second Team honors. Maughmer is the second EMU player to earn the award and the first since Cory Annett was a second team Academic All-American in 2001.

Mulder, who was ranked as the 61st best player in the Mid-American Conference according to HustleBelt.com, made six out of his 11 attempted field goals and converted 24-of-26 point-after-touchdown attempts on the season, including his last 18 tries. The sophomore place kicker's longest field goal make came against Toledo (Nov. 2, 2013) when he drilled a 41-yard field goal. The Saline, Mich. native had a perfect outing against Northern Illinois (Oct. 26, 2013) as he was 2-for-2 with a 32-yard field goals against the Huskies. Finding his place on the all-academic team for the first time in his career, Mulder currently holds a 3.88 GPA as an accounting major.

Hurcombe started 11 games this season on the offensive line, including the final seven games as the center. The Lincolnshire, Ill. native helped the Eagles rush for 1,896 yards and 13 touchdowns on 445 carries, the 6th-best ground attack in the MAC. The redshirt-freshman helped the team to the 51st best time-of-possession ranking.

Nine Eagles also received honorable mention Academic All-MAC: Tyler Allen (Lansing, Mich.-Eastern), Tyler Benz (Park Ridge, Ill.-Maine Township South), Dustin Cree (Industry, Pa.-Western Beaver), Cole Gardner (Batavia, Ill.-Batavia), Lincoln Hansen (Omaha, Neb.-Millard North), Mark Ionnotti (Schaumburg, Ill.- Schaumburg), Kevin Johnson (McKeesport, Pa.-McKeesport), Hunter Matt (Wyandotte, Mich.-Roosevelt) and Pat O'Connor (Chicago, Ill.-Saint Rita).

2013 Academic All-MAC
Jake Hurcombe, Eastern Michigan, Sophomore, 3.73 GPA, General Business (Lincolnshire, Ill.)
Cy Maughmer, Eastern Michigan, Junior, 3.98 GPA, Secondary Education (Glendale, Ariz.)
Dylan Mulder, Eastern Michigan, Sophomore, 3.88 GPA, Accounting (Saline, Mich.)
Nico Caponi, Akron, Senior, 3.51 GPA, Exercise Science (Sandusky, Ohio)
Kyle Pohl, Akron, Sophomore, 3.51 GPA, Exercise Science (Farmersville, Ohio)
^Robert Stein, Akron, Sophomore, 3.82 GPA, Mechanical Engineering (Cincinnati, Ohio)
^Zane Fakes, Ball State, Senior, 3.57 GPA, Exercise Science (Plainfield, Ind.)
^Jacob Richard, Ball State, Senior, 3.63 GPA, Business (Carmel, Ind.)
^Tyler Beck, Bowling Green, Senior, 3.78 GPA, Accounting (Wyomissing, Pa.)
Ronnie Goble, Bowling Green, Senior, 3.68 GPA, Exercise Science (Plymouth, Mich.)
David 'Chief' Kekuewa, Bowling Green, Senior, 3.56 GPA, Indiv. Planned Program (Keaau, Hawaii)
Chris Pohlman, Bowling Green, Junior, 3.84 GPA, Engineering Technology (Delphos, Ohio)
^Tyler Tate, Bowling Green, Sophomore, 4.00 GPA, Exercise Science (Carroll, Ohio)
Tyler Grassman, Buffalo, Sophomore, 3.80 GPA, Business Administration (Columbus, Ohio)
^# Alex Neutz, Buffalo, Senior, 3.50 GPA, Business Administration (Grand Island, N.Y.)
^# Colby Way, Buffalo, Senior, 3.50 GPA, Computer Engineering (State College, Pa.)
Connor Collins, Central Michigan, Redshirt Freshman, 4.00 GPA, Computer Science (Millington, Mich.)
^Richie Hogan, Central Michigan, Senior, 3.47 GPA, Heath and Fitness (Laguna Hills, Calif.)
Connor Odykirk, Central Michigan, Senior, 3.66 GPA, Master's in Sport Management (Mt. Pleasant, Mich.)
Cooper Rush, Central Michigan, Redshirt Freshman, 3.93 GPA, Actuarial Science (Charlotte, Mich.)
Matt Dellinger, Kent State, Sophomore, 3.72 GPA, Applied Conflict Management (Clarkston, Mich.)
Jordan Italiano, Kent State, Sophomore, 3.96 GPA, Chemistry/Pre-Med (Canfield, Ohio)
^Anthony Meray, Kent State, Junior, 3.82 GPA, Exercise Specialist (Spanaway, Wash.)
Nate Vance, Kent State, Junior, 3.66 GPA, Sports Administration (Stow, Ohio)
Kent Kern, Miami, Sophomore, 3.64 GPA, Kinesiology (Toledo, Ohio)
^# Mason Krysinski, Miami, Senior, 3.96 GPA, Biochemistry (Shelby Township, Mich.)
Jacob Brinlee, Northern Illinois, Sophomore, 3.80 GPA, Mechanical Engineering (Lake Zurich, Ill.)
Ricky Connors, Northern Illinois, Junior, 3.73 GPA, Sociology/International Politics (Powder Springs, Ga.)  
^ Rob Sterling, Northern Illinois, Junior, 3.60 GPA, Accountancy (Lansing, Ill.)  
Dominique Ware, Northern Illinois, Senior, 3.59 GPA, Business Administration (Grad) (Bolingbrook, Ill.)  
Travis Carrie, Ohio, Senior, 3.43 GPA, Masters of Coaching (Antioch, Calif.)  
Josh Kristoff, Ohio, Junior, 3.60 GPA, Masters of Coaching Education (Pickerington, Ohio)  
Kurt Laseak, Ohio, Redshirt Freshman, 3.76 GPA, Mechanical Engineering (Mentor, Ohio)  
^ Jeremiah Detmer, Toledo, Junior, 3.76 GPA, Education (Hilliard, Ohio)  
^# Zac Kerin, Toledo, Senior, 3.58 GPA, Civil Engineering (Delaware, Ohio)  
^ Greg Manicz, Toledo, Junior, 3.54 GPA, Finance (Cincinnati, Ohio)  
^ Matt Wall, Toledo, Senior, 3.85 GPA, Mechanical Engineering (Centerville, Ohio)  
Devin Brown, UMass, Senior, 3.80 GPA, Psychology (Piedmont, Calif.)  
Matt Sparks, UMass, Senior, 3.88 GPA, Civil Engineering (Miliili, Hawaii)  
Jeff Strait, UMass, Senior, 3.93 GPA, Biology (Manheim, Pa.)  
Kyle Lark, Western Michigan, Senior, 3.54 GPA, Biomedical Sciences (Alma, Mich.)  

^2012 Academic All-MAC selection  
#2011 Academic All-MAC selection

**Honorable Mention**

*Tyler Allen, Eastern Michigan*  
*Tyler Benz, Eastern Michigan*  
*Dustin Creel, Eastern Michigan*  
*Cole Gardner, Eastern Michigan*  
*Lincoln Hansen, Eastern Michigan*  
*Mark Iannotti, Eastern Michigan*  
*Kevin Johnson, Eastern Michigan*  
*Hunter Matt, Eastern Michigan*  
*Pat O'Connor, Eastern Michigan*

Bill Alexander, Akron  
Andrew Bohan, Akron  
Zach D'Orazio, Akron  
Sean Graves, Akron  
Micah Lio, Akron  
Joe Petrides, Akron  
Nick Rossi, Akron  
Connor Seeman, Akron  
Steven Bell, Ball State  
Joel Cox, Ball State  
Nick Miles, Ball State  
Terrance Bush, Bowling Green  
Logan Dietz, Bowling Green  
Anthony Farinella, Bowling Green  
Gabe Martin, Bowling Green  
Christian Piazza, Bowling Green  
Jake Silas, Buffalo  
Lee Skinner, Buffalo  
Matt Weiser, Buffalo  
Joe Bacci, Central Michigan
Jarret Chapman, Central Michigan
Winslow Chapman, Central Michigan
Ron Coluzzi, Central Michigan
Kavon Frazier, Central Michigan
Mike Kinville, Central Michigan
Matt Losiniecki, Central Michigan
Kenny McClendon, Central Michigan
Joe Ostman, Central Michigan
Anthony Rice, Central Michigan
A.J. Westendorp, Central Michigan
Chad Bushley, Kent State
Chris Humphrey, Kent State
Joe Ziccardi, Kent State
Austin Boucher, Miami
Wes Williams, Miami
Luke Eakes, Northern Illinois
Matt Krempel, Northern Illinois
Jason Meehan, Northern Illinois
Jared Volk, Northern Illinois
Chase Cochran, Ohio
Keith Moore, Ohio
Ben Russell, Ohio
Kendrick Smith, Ohio
Josiah Yazdani, Ohio
Mike Ebert, Toledo
Vladimir Emilien, Toledo
Ethan Kagy, Toledo
Chase Nelson, Toledo
Zac Rosenbauer, Toledo
Alex Zmolik, Toledo
Ricardo Miller, UMass
David Osei, UMass
Leo Alba, Western Michigan
Andrew Aurand, Western Michigan
Justin Currie, Western Michigan
Darrin Duncan, Western Michigan
Brian Fields, Western Michigan
Jon Hoffing, Western Michigan
Taylor Moton, Western Michigan
Alec Moulton, Western Michigan
Clark Mussman, Western Michigan
Kirk Nakama, Western Michigan
J. Schroeder, Western Michigan
Cory Sueing, Western Michigan
Zach Terrell, Western Michigan
Tyler Van Tubbergen, Western Michigan
Zack Wynn, Western Michigan