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EMU sophomore earns third weekly award of her career

CLEVELAND, Ohio (EMUEagles.com) -- Eastern Michigan University sophomore gymnast Khadijah Hudson (Hebron, Ky.-Conner) has been named the Mid-American Conference Co-Specialist of the Week, the conference announced Jan. 21. The EMU sophomore shares the weekly honor with Central Michigan's Halle Moraw.

In order to be eligible for MAC Specialist of the Week, a gymnast cannot compete in more than two events during a meet.

Hudson won the floor exercise while placing third in the vault as the EMU gymnastics team opened up the 2014 campaign with a fourth-place showing at a quadrangular meet hosted by Kent State University, Jan. 17. After qualifying on the floor for the NCAA Regionals last season as a freshman, Hudson didn't skip a beat in the 2014 season opener. Her score of 9.875 was enough to claim the floor title, tying a personal-best as well as the 10th-highest floor exercise score in EMU history. The Hebron, Ky. native also led the Eagles on the vault, recording a career-high 9.850 to take third. Both marks currently lead the all MAC gymnasts.

The 2013 All-MAC Second Team gymnast collects the third weekly award of her career after earning two during her freshman campaign a season ago. She was named MAC Specialist of the Week for her performance against Western Michigan, Jan. 19, 2013, tallying scores of 9.800 for second-place finishes on both the floor as well as the vault. The Eagle recorded her first conference award by securing MAC Gymnast of the Week, March 6, 2013, with a
39.175 all around score at Southeast Missouri State, the third-highest mark in program history.

Hudson and the rest of the Eagles will remain on the road for their next meet, heading south to face the Falcons of Bowling Green State University, Jan. 25, in a conference dual. The meet is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. inside Anderson Arena.