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1997-98 ITA Scholar-Athletes and All-Academic Teams Announced for NAIA Men

Princeton, N.J. -- The Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) has announced seven teams and 51 men have met its criteria for ITA All-Academic Teams and ITA Scholar-Athletes at the NAIA level for the 1997-98 season.

The ITA All-Academic Team award is open to any ITA program that has a cumulative team grade point average of 3.2 or above (on a 4.0 scale). All eligible student-athletes whose names appear on the NCAA eligibility form and have competed in one or more matches must be averaged into the cumulative grade point average.

In order to carn ITA Scholar-Athlete status at the NAIA level, a player must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Must be a junior or senior in school
- 2) Must be a varsity letterwinner
- 3) Must have a grade point average of at least 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale)

As the governing body of collegiate tennis, the ITA promotes both the athletic and academic achievements of the collegiate tennis community. The ITA administers the ITA Collegiate Grand Slam, the ITA Collegiate Summer Circuit, presented by the USTA, and the ITA Rankings for men's and women's tennis. The ITA also has a comprehensive awards program for players and coaches to honor excellence in academics, leadership and sportsmanship.

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