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## **WESTERN OREGON WINS TOP PITCHER, COACH AWARDS**

***Three players from Western Oregon squad earn spot on All-West Region First Team***

**DALLAS** – The National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA) released the 2012 All-West Region honors Wednesday and the announcement of accolades featured plenty of Western Oregon.

The Wolves, with an overall mark of 40-9 and a No. 1 ranking in the West, are set to host the NCAA Division II regional championships starting Thursday. In the NCBWA announcement Wednesday, WOU collected top honors as Grady Wood was named Pitcher of the Year and Jeremiah Robbins received the Coach of the Year recognition. The Player of the Year selection went to Cal State L.A.'s Daniel Duran.

Wood, tied for the national lead in victories, is just one of two Division II pitchers to own a perfect 12-0 record. Robbins guided the Wolves to a 29-3 league record in 2012 en route to their 11th-straight Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) title. Duran owns the fourth-best batting average among D-II hitters with a .451 mark.

Bo Folkinga and Blake Miller proved to be the two other WOU selections on the NCBWA All-West Region First Team at their respective first baseman and shortstop positions. Other West Region Championships participants featured among the First Team picks were UC San Diego outfielder Danny Susdorf and Chico State reliever Mike Botelho.

The NCBWA All-American Teams are expected to be announced on Thursday, May 24 or Friday, May 25.

Founded in 1962, the NCBWA is dedicated to the advancement of college baseball. Membership is open to writers, broadcasters and publicists of the sport. For more information about the NCBWA, visit the association's official Web site, [www.ncbwa.com](http://www.ncbwa.com).

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## 2012 NCAA DIVISION II NCBWA ALL-WEST REGION TEAMS

**NCBWA West Region Player of the Year:** Daniel Duran, Cal State L.A., 3B

**NCBWA West Region Pitcher of the Year:** Grady Wood, Western Oregon, SP

**NCBWA West Region Coach of the Year:** Jeremiah Robbins, Western Oregon

### All-West Region First Team

Catcher: Chandler Tracy, Saint Martin's  
First Baseman: Bo Folkinga, Western Oregon  
Second Baseman: Kevin Odom, Cal Baptist  
Third Baseman: Daniel Duran, Cal State L.A.  
Shortstop: Blake Miller, Western Oregon  
Outfielder: Eli Davis, Cal State Stanislaus  
Outfielder: Derek Mendoza, Grand Canyon  
Outfielder: Danny Susdorf, UC San Diego  
Utility/DH: Matt Marnati, Cal Baptist  
Starting Pitcher: Grady Wood, Western Oregon  
Starting Pitcher: Geoff Broussard, Cal Poly Pomona  
Starting Pitcher: Thomas Lee, Sonoma State  
Relief Pitcher: Mike Botelho, Chico State

### All-West Region Second Team

Catcher: Joe Andrade, Dixie State  
First Baseman: Michael Pomeroy, Grand Canyon  
Second Baseman: Jackson Stogner, Sonoma State  
Third Baseman: Griff Boyd, Western Oregon  
Shortstop: Garrett Tuck, UC San Diego  
Outfielder: Matthew Young, Cal State Dominguez Hills  
Outfielder: Blake Gibbs, Chico State  
Outfielder: Andy Crowley, Cal Baptist  
Utility/DH: Charlie Gorzo, Northwest Nazarene  
Starting Pitcher: Ryan Goodbrand, UC San Diego  
Starting Pitcher: Erick Ruvalcaba, Cal Poly Pomona  
Starting Pitcher: Michael Murray, Hawaii Pacific  
Relief Pitcher: Tony York, UC San Diego

### All-West Region Honorable Mention

Catcher: Jenzen Torres, Cal Poly Pomona  
First Baseman: Chris Miller, Cal Poly Pomona  
Second Baseman: Brandon Wang, Central Washington  
Third Baseman: Blaire Moore, Cal Baptist  
Shortstop: Jason Merjano, Cal State Monterey Bay  
Outfielder: Zach Esquerra, Cal Baptist  
Outfielder: Blake Amaral, Hawaii Pacific  
Outfielder: Sean McDonald, Northwest Nazarene  
Utility/DH: Devon Zenn, Sonoma State  
Starting Pitcher: Jeff Owen, Cal State Monterey Bay  
Starting Pitcher: Mike Dedrick, Dixie State  
Starting Pitcher: Jon Bengard, Cal Baptist  
Relief Pitcher: Kerry Kelley, Cal State San Bernardino