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Jamie Zimmerer, CSM student athlete, named to the Red Cross/NAIA Collegiate Leadership Program

Omaha, NE -- The College of Saint Mary (CSM) congratulates Jamie Zimmerer on being named to the Red Cross/NAIA Collegiate Leadership Program. Zimmerer, from Plattsmouth, Neb., is a sophomore, occupational therapy major and plays softball at College of Saint Mary. She was voted team MVP by her peers in softball and also received the awards of CSM Scholar Athlete and Midlands Collegiate Athletic Conference (MCAC) All-Conference Honorable Mention. Her volunteer activities include the Teammates mentoring program, the Make a Wish Foundation, her local animal shelter, her high school's Big Pal program, church service projects and donating blood.

Each year the Red Cross/NAIA Collegiate Leadership Program kicks off with a two-week energetic training, for 13 student athletes from across the country, at Red Cross National Headquarters in Washington, D.C. They acquire first-hand coaching, mentoring and professional leadership training presented by senior Red Cross leadership and NAIA representatives. They learn to organize and market successful campus blood drives in order to increase blood donations in their communities. Student-athletes also receive a $2,000 scholarship support provided by the Red Cross and State Farm Insurance and the privilege to sit on the Board of their local Red Cross.

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