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BOONE, N.C. — Already a two-time NCAA Championships qualifier, Appalachian State wrestler Matt Zovistoski is now a two-time NWCA Division I Scholar All-American.

Majoring in Cell/Molecular Biology, Zovistoski was also honored in 2017. He redshirted last year and returned to the NCAA Championships as a redshirt junior who finished the season 27-15 to improve his career record to 73-39.

Both of Zovistoski's appearances at the NCAA Championships have occurred at 149 pounds, as he posted two NCAA wins during a 28-10 season in 2017.

App State has had at least one wrestler earn a Division I Scholar All-American Award in eight of head coach JohnMark Bentley's 10 seasons.

"Honoring individuals and teams who have set themselves apart in the classroom is one of the greatest ways we can preserve and grow our sport," National Wrestling Coaches Association Executive Director Mike Moyer said in a release from the NWCA. "Wrestling is one of the top collegiate sports having first-generation college attendees, and it's great to see so many student-athletes taking advantage of the opportunity the sport has given them by pursuing excellence in the classroom as well as on the mat."

Zovistoski joins Forrest Przybysz (three times from 2016-18), Denzel Dejournette (2016-17) and current App State assistant Dominic Parisi (2013-14) as multi-year honorees from App State.

To be eligible, a wrestler must have:

- Achieved a cumulative GPA Average of 3.2
- Won 60 percent of his/her total schedule (must have competed in 60 percent of team schedule) and/or was a 2019 NCAA Qualifier

OR

- Achieved a cumulative GPA Average of 3.0
- 2018 NCAA All-American Honors

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