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**APPLE VALLEY NATIVE GAINS NFCA ALL-AMERICA STATUS**

St. Cloud, Minn. -- St. Cloud State University's Jenny Gensch adds yet another accolade to her Husky career after having been named to the 2008 Louisville Slugger/National Fastpitch Coaches' Association Division II All-America First Team for the first time in her career. The senior shortstop is well deserving of the at-large bid after having a dream season and becomes just the fifth Husky in school history to receive such an honor.

Originally from Apple Valley, Minn., the two-time All-North Central Conference performer began her magical season with a stretch where she twice hit two home runs in a game and had 10 home runs after the first 11 contests. Her impressive numbers included a three-for-three, four run, five RBI day in the second game of the season, and 24 total RBIs to go along with a .536 average after those same 11 games.

Also named to the 2008 Daktronics, Inc. All-North Central Region First Team, Gensch recorded 21 multi-hit games and seven games with three hits to finish the season with a career high .406 average, the fifth best season in school history. Her average hovered around the .400 mark all season, never falling below .392. In her final two games as a Husky, Gensch went five-for-seven at the plate scoring four runs and knocking in another. The four runs gave her 50 on the season, making her the first Husky to ever reach the half-century mark crossing the plate. Also, her final RBI was her 62nd of the season, to give her a total eight better than any player in school history. The record came on April 15th when Gensch went one-for-two with three RBIs to give her 55 on the season and break the five-year-old record of 54 set in 2003 by former Husky Brooke Gentzler. Just three days later on April 18th the senior infielder hit her 17th home run, which put her in a first place tie for the most home runs in a single season in school history.

Her power numbers quickly earned the respect of her opponents as she was intentionally walked a school record four times in 2008. The four free passes were part of a school record 36 total walks in 2008, as she surpassed her own school record of 28 set just last season. Not to be overlooked is her ability in the field, where she made just nine errors in 254 chances at the shortstop position. Her 141 assists led the team while her .965 fielding percentage was a career high.

Gensch was also recently invited to the Philadelphia Force professional softball team tryout on May 1st, and will fly out to Allentown, Pa., on May 19th for her two-hour session with the Force. On the 20th, Gensch will be one of just 15 players asked to convene at ECTB Stadium at Bicentennial Park with hopes of earning a pro contract.

The Huskies charted a 130-100 (.565) overall record during Gensch's four-year stint under the helm of 11-year Head Coach Paula U'Ren. Of note, Gensch started in all 230 career games that she appeared in at shortstop.

An NCAA Division II affiliate, St. Cloud State is a member of the North Central Conference. Founded in 1869, St. Cloud State University is the second largest college in the state of Minnesota with 16,000 students. SCSU's main campus is located on the banks of the Mississippi River in the city of St. Cloud, Minn. - which is located approximately one hour north of Minneapolis-St. Paul.

To view the complete list of 2008 NFCA All-America teams, see Page 2.

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<u>FIRST TEAM</u>		
Pos.	Name	School
P	Kristin Erb #&	Lock Haven
P	Amber Jack	Barry
P	Kari Galm ^	Angelo State
C	Jessica Shiery	Abilene Christian
C	Heather Walker	Georgian Court
1B	Natalle Galletly ^	Humboldt State
2B	Gina Capardi	Caldwell
3B	Leslie Svoboda #	Nebraska-Omaha
SS	Jessie Howard	Carson Newman
OF	Rachel Lynn	Southeastern Oklahoma
OF	Casie Hanson	North Dakota
OF	Brittany Berrier	UNC-Pembroke
DP	Sara Loete	Southern Indiana
UT/Pitcher	Sarah Reed	LeMoyn
UT/Pitcher	Michaela Wolf	Francis Marion
UT/Non-Pitcher	Ashley Fitzgerald ^	Kutztown
At Large/Pitcher	Lizzy Prescott +&	Humboldt State
<b>At Large/SS</b>	<b>Jennifer Gensch</b>	<b>St. Cloud State</b>



**SCSU'S Jenny Gensch**

<u>SECOND TEAM</u>		
Pos.	Name	School
P	Samantha Sheeley	Emporia State
P	Malissa Magee ~^	St. Mary's (Texas)
P	Samantha Yodowitz ^	LIU-C.W. Post
C	Amanda Roosa	Lock Haven
C	Jessica Strickland %	USC-Aiken
1B	Monica Wofford	Francis Marion
2B	Ashley Likens	Barry
3B	Miranda Campbell	Emporia State
SS	Macy Baker	Angelo State
OF	Christina DeTagle	Barry
OF	Taras Wallace	Dowling
OF	Sherquita Bostick	Georgia College & State
DP	Megan Young	Barry
UT/Pitcher	Ashley Urbanik	St. Leo
UT/Non-Pitcher	Sara Lovestrang	Florida Southern
At-Large/OF	Kristina Prater	Alabama-Huntsville

<u>THIRD TEAM</u>		
Pos.	Name	School
P	Molly Yetman %	Wayne State
C	Krystal Johnson	Alabama Huntsville
1B	Robin Williams	Valdosta State
2B	Alley Roberts	Central Oklahoma
3B	Amy Harris	Alabama-Huntsville
SS	Alex Acosta %	Valdosta State
OF	Nikki Ketteringham	Humboldt State
At-Large/UT-P	Tara Reed	Bloomsburg
At-Large/OF	Christen Belcher	Truman State
At-Large/P	Sage Woodham	Alabama-Huntsville
At-Large/3B	Sarah Norris	Lock Haven
At-Large/3B	Jalena Shaw	UNC-Pembroke
At-Large/2B	Laura Voyles	North Georgia College & State

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