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### **Liberty's Serena Barr Named Zag Field Hockey/NFHCA Division I National Scholar Athlete**

**CHANDLER, Ariz.** – Liberty senior Serena Barr has been honored as the Zag Field Hockey/National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Division I National Scholar Athlete, it was announced Wednesday.

Barr claims the award given to the first, second or third-team All-American in Division I who maintains the highest cumulative grade-point average through the first semester of the 2016-17 academic year.

Barr completed an outstanding senior season for the Flames in 2016, leading her squad with 27 points by recording eight goals and 11 assists. She earned Longstreth/NFHCA Second-Team All-America status after previously being named an All-South Region pick and the BIG EAST Co-Defensive Player of the Year. She competed in the Victory Sports Tours/NFHCA Division I Senior Game and finished her career as Liberty's all-time leader in assists (38) while placing third in points (96) and fourth in goals (29).

Barr was also recognized for her success in the classroom during her time at Liberty. She was named to the Zag Sport/NFHCA Division I National Academic Squad and Scholars of Distinction lists in each of her four seasons.

Barr becomes the third winner of the Zag Sport/NFHCA Division I National Scholar Athlete Award, following Duke's Lauren Blazing (2015) and Old Dominion's Kelsey Smither (2014).

