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### **Crowder Soccer Players Earn National Recognition**

**Neosho, MO** – Crowder College Roughrider Soccer Players were nationally recognized for their efforts. Marlon Freitas (Sao Paula, Brazil) was named 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-American in Division I Men’s Soccer and NSCAA All-Region North 1<sup>st</sup> Team. Ivo Santos (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) was named NSCAA Scholar All-America.

Freitas started all 17 games for the Roughriders. He set many new records nationally as he was 1<sup>st</sup> in game-winning goals with 12, 3<sup>rd</sup> in goals scored 27, 5<sup>th</sup> in points with 56, and 8<sup>th</sup> in shots with 79.

Santos has a 3.4 gpa and started 15 of 17 matches for the Roughriders. Criteria to be eligible for the Scholar All-America is to have at least a 3.30 cumulative gpa, start more than 50 percent of all games, and be a sophomore in academic standing.

“Both of these players are deserving of these awards. They have been our leaders for the past two years and have worked hard both on the field and in the classroom. It is very satisfying when deserving players are rewarded and recognized for their efforts,” stated Coach Brad Smith

Crowder College’s Soccer program began in 2008 as an NJCAA Division I sport. This year’s season marked the most wins along with several record breaking statistics.

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**Marlon Freitas**

**Ivo Santos**