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(Courtesy of ACU Sports)

Former Wildcat Allie Hackett qualifies for Olympic trials

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ACU cross country alumna Allie Hackett qualified for Olympic trials after posting a time of 2:42:43 at the California International Marathon in Sacramento, California on Dec. 2.

Hackett finished her cross-country career by making the Southland Conference Women's cross-country Student-Athlete of the Year. She also made the First Team All-Southland Conference and All-Academic Southland team, the All-South-Central

Region Team and USTFCCCA All-Academic team.

For the second time in three years running, Hackett earned the top spot on the podium at the Southland Conference Championships. She finished her career with 24 career victories, eight of those came at the Southland conference level.

She has competed in numerous competitions since graduating. She ran a 59:51 (10K) in late July placing third in Rhode Island. She placed in the top three back-to-back in Providence (17:24) 5K and Gloucester (35:20) 10K. In the Race that led up to the CIM, she was the top finisher at the Ashworth Awards Baystate Half Marathon finishing it in 1:17:30.

Lance Bingham, ACU cross country coach, said he's not at all shocked Allie is running like this even after college.

"Allie's qualifying for the Olympic trials is certainly a great accomplishment, but not really a surprise to me," Bingham said. " She is a young lady of great dedication, perseverance and determination both on and off the track. We knew she was better at the longer distances and she has certainly proven this with her last performance. It is certainly exciting as I think about what she could accomplish in running, but more importantly, I know that she is going to be successful in all the Lord has for her in her future."

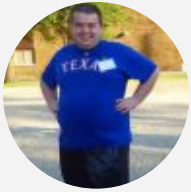
The Olympic trial marathon will take place on Feb. 29, 2020. The top three finishers for the men and women's races will earn a spot on the 2020 Olympic team and compete in Tokyo during the summer.

We reached out to Hackett, but she was unavailable for a comment.

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