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**COUGHLIN NAMED FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR
BY SPORTS ILLUSTRATED ON CAMPUS**

New York – Senior **Natalie Coughlin** was named *Sports Illustrated On Campus*' "Female Athlete of the Year," as part of the magazine's first annual U. Awards. The honor is *Sports Illustrated On Campus*' version of the *Sports Illustrated* Sportsman of the Year.

"I love Cal and I always will," Coughlin says in the cover story. *Sports Illustrated On Campus* will be available as an insert in *The Daily Californian* this week.

Coughlin holds 17 American, 11 Cal, seven NCAA and five current world records. She recently completed her senior season, leading Cal to a No. 6 NCAA finish in March while winning her 11th NCAA individual title, the second-most career NCAA titles ever won by a female swimmer. She finished her career undefeated in dual meets (61-0). Coughlin was a three-time NCAA Swimmer of the Year and three-time Pac-10 Swimmer of the Year. She was named 2003 Athlete of the Year by the Bay Area Sports Hall of Fame, alongside Cal football player Geoff McArthur and Giants baseball player Barry Bonds, 2003 Sportswoman of the Year by the Women's Sports Foundation, 2002 World Swimmer of the Year by *Swimming World* and a finalist for the Sullivan Award (given to the nation's top amateur athlete) in 2002 and 2003. Coughlin is currently preparing for the 2004 U.S. Olympic Trials.