

## Allison Barwise Named USATF – New England’s Athlete of the Month for February 2013



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BOSTON – **Allison Barwise**, a senior at Boston University has been named USA Track & Field - New England’s Athlete of the Month for February 2013. At the New England Intercollegiate Indoor Track & Field Championships held at Boston University on February 22-23, Allison won the pentathlon with 3976 points, breaking a 23 year old championship meet record. Within the pentathlon, she high jumped 1.84m (6’ 0.5”), which ranked 9th in the US for the season as of the end of the month.

On February 17, she jumped 1.78m to win the high jump at the USATF-New England Championships held at Harvard, and on February 2, she was fourth in the New Balance Grand Prix.

Following her stellar performances in February, Allison went on to compete in the high jump at the NCAA Division I Indoor Championships held March 8-9 in Fayetteville, Ark. There, she placed 16<sup>th</sup> with a height of 1.73m and was named a second team All-American.

In June of 2012, Barwise competed in the high jump at the U.S. Olympic Trials at Hayward Field in Eugene, Oregon. She qualified for the finals which were held on June 30, and ultimately jumped 1.79m for 11<sup>th</sup> place.

Since graduating from Boston University in May 2013, Allison has continued at the university to pursue a masters degree in speech language pathology. With one season of NCAA eligibility left, Allison is looking forward to competing for the Terriers this spring. Looking ahead to her post-collegiate athletic career, Allison plans to continue training and competing in the high jump and aspires to compete at the international level.