

Ohio State's Amari McMahon, Quinn Fike, Selina Vickery Receive Corwin A. Fergus Award



Ohio State student-athletes Amari McMahon, Quinn Fike and Selina Vickery received the Corwin A. Fergus Award. McMahon represents the Buckeye football team, Fike was a women's swimmer and Vickery played on the women's soccer team.

Fergus scholars are male or female student-athletes who have excelled in athletics and academics, including a minimum 3.00 GPA or higher, demonstrated positive qualities of character and citizenship and shown potential for success in a graduate or professional program.

The award is given in memory of Corwin A. Fergus, who was a member of the Ohio State football team from 1912-14, a graduate of the Ohio State School of Law and also a successful businessman.

Established in 1967, the award reflects his strong commitment to the pursuit of academic and athletic excellence and his positive contributions to society. The \$5,000 postgraduate scholarships, which are renewable for up to three years, can be utilized for graduate study or professional programs at Ohio State.

You the man, @amarimac!!

This scholarship is awarded to student-athletes who have excelled in athletics and academics (3.00 GPA minimum), demonstrated positive qualities of character and citizenship and shown potential for success in a graduate or professional program. #GoBucks pic.twitter.com/8YMscsyERU

— Ohio State Football (@OhioStateFB) May 22, 2020

"Couldn't have done it without the help from God, my family, and all the supportive coaches and staff that push me every single day!" McMahon posted to Twitter. "Appreciate everything you guys have done for me! #GoBucks"

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Ohio State running backs coach Tony Alford congratulated his former pupil on Twitter, writing “Man @amarimac what a great honor!! Extremely proud of you!!”

McMahon graciously thanked his former position coach in Alford, who is also Ohio State’s assistant head coach for offense.

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McMahon was one of the three student-athletes awarded the Corwin A. Fergus Award by the Ohio State Department of Athletics and he will continue to prepare for Ohio State’s College of Dentistry in the fall of 2020..

As a walk-on running back from Dublin, Ohio, Scioto, McMahon joined the Buckeyes in 2017 and became a three-time OSU Scholar-Athlete and Academic All-Big Ten honoree. He recently graduated with his degree in biology and was also a Big Ten Distinguished Scholar in the 2018-19 academic year for having a GPA of 3.7 or better.

On the field, McMahon was a member of three Big Ten championships teams and can forever boast a 38-4 combined record as a Buckeye. He played on teams that won the 2017 Cotton Bowl, 2019 Rose Bowl, earned three pairs of gold pants and appeared in the 2019 College Football Playoff.

Interestingly, McMahon took his one career carry for 10 yards against Miami (Ohio) in 2019, giving him a team-leading 10.0 yards-per-carry average for the season.

Also receiving the Corwin A. Fergus Award, Fike represented the Ohio State women’s swimming team. Like McMahon, Fike is also a native of Dublin, hailing from Dublin Jerome High School.



Fike was a three-time Ohio State Scholar-Athlete and two-time academic All-Big Ten honoree for the women's swimming team.

Representing the women's soccer team and also receiving the Corwin A. Fergus Award was Vickery, a midfielder from Texas. She was also a three-time OSU Scholar-Athlete and two-time Academic All-Big Ten recipient.

Vickery, a Friendswood, Texas native, was a Big Ten Distinguished Scholar in 2019.

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