

West Division

Concordia University at Austin
 Hardin-Simmons University
 Howard Payne University
 University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
 McMurry University
 Schreiner University
 Sul Ross State University
 Texas Lutheran University

**East Division**

Austin College
 East Texas Baptist University
 LeTourneau University
 Louisiana College
 Mississippi College
 University of the Ozarks
 University of Texas at Dallas
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ASC Women's Basketball Preseason Coaches Polls

Richardson, Texas – Two-time defending East Division Champion Mississippi College is picked to win a third consecutive divisional title in the 2001-02 Women's Basketball East Division Preseason Coaches Poll. The Lady Chocs are a unanimous choice, edging out the University of the Ozarks, which finished tied for third in last season's final East Division standings.

University of the Ozarks senior center Christie Shuffield is the pick for East Division Preseason Player of the Year honors. Shuffield was a first-team All-East pick as a sophomore a second-team East selection as a junior. She led the ASC last season with 40 blocked shots.

2001-02 East Division Preseason Coaches Poll

Rank	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total Points
1. Mississippi College	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
2. Univ. Ozarks	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	41
3. Austin College	-	1	4	2	-	-	-	34
4. East Texas Baptist	-	-	1	4	2	-	-	27
5. Louisiana College	-	-	1	-	3	3	-	20
6. LeTourneau	-	-	-	-	2	3	2	14
7. UT-Dallas	-	-	-	1	-	1	5	11

Three-time defending ASC Tournament champion Hardin-Simmons is the unanimous pick to win the West Division by the coaches. The Cowgirls defeated Guilford in the second round of the NCAA Tournament last season before losing a road game to Baldwin-Wallace in Sectional competition. Mary Hardin-Baylor, which faced HSU in last year's ASC Tournament finals, is picked to finish second.

HSU junior post Kendra Anderson has been tabbed as the West Division's Preseason Player of the Year. She was the division's postseason player of the year in 2000-01 after finishing third in the final ASC rankings in scoring (17.1 ppg) and tied for fifth in rebounding (8.5 rpg).

2001-02 West Division Preseason Coaches Poll

Rank	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total Points
1. Hardin-Simmons	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	64
2. Mary Hardin-Baylor	-	4	1	2	1	-	-	-	48
3. Howard Payne	-	2	3	2	1	-	-	-	46
4. McMurry	-	1	3	1	3	-	-	-	42
5. Concordia	-	1	1	2	2	1	-	1	35
6. Sul Ross State	-	-	-	1	-	4	2	1	22
7. Texas Lutheran	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	-	19
8. Schreiner	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	6	12

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