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LCC's Hoopii-Haslam signs with Oklahoma Baptist University

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Today Ridge Hoopii-Haslam is going to school and hitting home runs for Luna Community College. Soon he will be doing the same at Oklahoma Baptist University.

Hoopii-Haslam, a sports performance major, signed a national letter of intent to play baseball for Oklahoma Baptist University next season. More importantly, Oklahoma Baptist University, is considered one of the best in the entire nation by *The Princeton Review*.

"I feel great and humble about this achievement," said Hoopi-Haslam. "Coming from the islands in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, this has been a big change of environment. Luna Community College will always be in my roots. I will always consider Luna Community College my home."

Hoopii-Haslam is a native of Hilo, Hawaii. He made his way to Luna Community College in August of 2011.

"A lot of coaches recommended my name and Luna Community College came up," said Hoopii-Haslam. "A lot of my high school teammates attended west coast schools and paid a lot in tuition. I thought it would be good to play in New Mexico and make a name for myself and help build a foundation here."

As of Thursday, April 11, Hoopii-Haslam's .504 batting average is second in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) and his six home runs places him at 17th.

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Changing math anxiety to math confidence

Students at Luna Community College have a unique opportunity to complete basic math requirements this summer by enrolling in algebra with applications with instructor Betsy Sanchez. The Accelerate Algebra with Application-Math Camp will run from Monday, June 3 to Friday July 26. Registration started on Tuesday, April 2 and runs through Friday, June 7. In order to register all students must be pre-approved by instructor.

Math camp is taught in a unique, supportive and interactive environment. The purpose of Math Camp is to accelerate a student's progress through basic math requirements during the summer so they can begin degree-related course-

work in the fall. In addition, a dedicated tutor will be available 20 hours a week to help students during class time and outside class hours.

Accelerate Math Camp uses online curriculum and works with robots to illustrate the connection between math learned in the classroom and the application of math concepts in technology fields. Math Camp students work in small interactive groups and will gain valuable math proficiency and experience in basic robotics. No matter what field a student is studying, a basic understanding of robotics will come in handy when it comes time to find a job.

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