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Temple junior GK Chloe Johnson is the Philafieldhockey Student-Athlete of the Week.

Prior to this season, Johnson (Conestoga '15) had spent two years relegated to backup goalkeeper for Temple, seeing limited minutes in a handful of games. This year, Johnson has worked her way up to a starting spot and has a record of 3-2 for the Owls as of early October. She boasts an impressive .712 save percentage.

"It has meant a lot to me to be able to play more," said Johnson. "Before, I'd get to go into games that were pretty much already decided. No nail-biters. The UConn game – I was a little nervous because that was my second career start and I had never played against a top-10 team from the beginning. I just had to be confident and trust that I had the necessary skills."

Johnson's confidence is also evident in the classroom and off the field in her extracurricular involvement. As an advertising major with a focus in art direction, Johnson is a stand-out student.

"Graphic design has legs," Johnson said. "You can do a variety of things. I like the flexibility and the grit of it. You get to create things instead of just painting something. I think the advertising side of it would be a great combination of a lot of my skill sets. If you're working as part of a team, you do ad campaigns from scratch, and I think working in a creative team is something I'd be really good at."

Johnson works with two other "teams" at Temple. She is one of field hockey's representatives on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and is also the President of the Student-Athlete Safe Space (SASS), a group dedicated to addressing, voicing and solving issues that involve the LGBTQA community and athletics.

"Chloe has displayed a tremendous amount of growth on the field and off within the last year," said Head Coach Marybeth Freeman. "She is very academically driven and her success and confidence in the classroom has transcended onto the field. As much as she is a student in the classroom, she is equally focused on increasing her hockey IQ in cage. Her decision making on the field and her communication to the defense in front of her has set our team up for success. I'm excited to see how far Chloe can go academically and for the continual impact I know she can make between the posts."

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