Cam Newton was awarded the 76th Heisman Trophy in 2010 as well as the Davey O'Brien Award (nation's top QB) and the Maxwell Award (nation's top player). This Auburn War Eagle was named Coaches' SEC Offensive Player of the Year, Associated Press SEC Offensive Player of the Year, Rivals.com National Player of the Year, and Walter Camp National Player of the Year. He was selected for the Walter Camp All-America Team. Cam has also been recognized as Sporting News National Player of the Year and First-Team All-America, SI.com First-Team All-America, Associated Press First-Team All-America, CBSSports.com First-Team All-America, Rivals.com First-Team All-America, AFCA Coaches' All-America, Coaches' First-Team All-SEC, Associated Press Unanimous First-Team All-SEC, ESPN.com All-SEC, Phil Steel First-Team All-SEC, SEC Championship Game Offensive MVP, Phil Steele's Midseason All-America First-Team, CBSsports.com Midseason All-America, and Manning Award Watch List. Cam Newton was a Maxwell Award finalist for 2010. He is the only player in NCAA with five 170+ yard rushing games. In SEC Championship Game vs. South Carolina, Cam was named MVP after throwing for a career-high 335 yards and accounting for a career-best six touchdowns (4 passing, 2 rushing); he ran for a team-high 73 yards on 14 carries to account for 408 yards total offense. Against Oregon in the BCS National Championship Game, Newton set a career high in completions and pass attempts, going 20-of-34 for 265 yards and a pair of TDs.

Though he was only at Auburn for one year, Cam had a tremendous impact both on the football team and in the community during that short time. In the locker room, Cam quickly gained the trust and confidence of his teammates. He assumed a leadership role on the squad, as the other members of the team were drawn to his engaging personality, hard work, dedication and lead-by-example attitude. As popular as he became with his teammates, he was equally popular with student managers, trainers and other staff members who he always treated with respect and dignity. He was quick to credit his teammates and coaches for his success, and despite being under intense media scrutiny as the season wore on, he always conducted himself with class and grace.

Off the field, Cam became a mentor and role model for a number of young students at a local elementary school. He met with a number of the students every week, even during the season as the demands on his time became enormous. He has spoken often of his desire to one day open a day care center to continue his work with children. He has also volunteered his time to assist at camps and fund-raisers, as well as a number of speaking engagements.