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**2008-09 Quick Facts**

Location .....	Cincinnati, OH 45221
Founded .....	1819
Enrollment .....	36,518
Affiliation .....	NCAA Division I
Conference .....	BIG EAST
Nickname .....	Bearcats
Colors .....	Red & Black
Home Court .....	Fifth Third Arena
Capacity .....	13,176
President .....	Dr. Nancy L. Zimpher
Alma Mater, Year .....	Ohio State, 1968
Athletic Director .....	Mike Thomas
Alma Mater, Year .....	Colorado State, 1983
Faculty Representative .....	Dr. Fritz Russ

**History**

First year of basketball .....	1901-02
All-time record .....	1,544-906 (.630)
NCAA appearances/last .....	24/2005
All-time record .....	40-21 (.656)
Postseason NIT appearances/last .....	9/2006
All-time record .....	7-9
Last postseason opponent .....	Bradley
(College Basketball Invitational, 2008)	
Result .....	Bradley 70, UC 67 (1st Round)

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**2008-09 Information**

2007-08 Record.....	13-19
BIG EAST Record.....	8-10 (10th)
Starters returning/lost.....	2/3
Letterwinners returning/lost.....	8/5
Percent of scoring returning.....	.513
Percent of rebounding returning.....	.282

**Coach Information**

Head Coach .....	Mick Cronin (Cincinnati '97)
Record at UC .....	24-38 (2 years)
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Best time to reach coach .....	Weekday mornings
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**On the Covers**

**Front:** Branden Miller, Deonta Vaughn, Mike  
Williams.

**Back:** UC's sophomore class: Rashad Bishop,  
Anthony McClain, Kenny Belton, Alvin Mitchell,  
Darnell Wilks, Larry Davis.

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# big time SCHEDULE

## 2008-09 UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
11.1	CARLETON UNIVERSITY (Exh.)	1 p.m.
11.11	NORTHERN KENTUCKY (Exh.)	7:30 p.m.
11.16	SOUTH DAKOTA	Noon
11.18	TEXAS SOUTHERN	7:30 p.m.

*Global Sports Classic*  
(1st and 2nd Rounds - Cincinnati, Ohio; 3rd and 4th Rounds - Las Vegas, Nev.)

11.22	WESTERN ILLINOIS	TBA
11.24	COASTAL CAROLINA	7:30 p.m.
11.28	vs. Florida State (Thomas & Mack Center)	10:30 p.m.
11.29	vs. UNLV or Cal (Thomas & Mack Center)	TBA

12.6	UAB	Noon
12.13	XAVIER	8 p.m.
12.15	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	7:30 p.m.

### SEC/BIG EAST Invitational (Cincinnati, Ohio)

12.18	vs. Mississippi State (U.S. Bank Arena)	6:30 p.m.
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12.20	EASTERN KENTUCKY	6:30 p.m.
12.22	ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF	7:30 p.m.

12.29	at Memphis	9 p.m.
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1.4	at Marquette *	2 p.m.
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1.7	PROVIDENCE *	7 p.m.
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1.10	CONNECTICUT *	4:30 p.m.
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1.14	RUTGERS *	7:30 p.m.
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1.17	at DePaul *	2 p.m.
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1.19	at Providence *	8 p.m.
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1.22	at St. John's *	9 p.m.
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1.28	GEORGETOWN *	7:30 p.m.
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2.1	at Villanova *	Noon
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2.4	NOTRE DAME * (U.S. Bank Arena)	7:30 p.m.
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2.7	at Georgetown *	Noon
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2.11	ST. JOHN'S *	7:30 p.m.
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2.14	at Pittsburgh *	4 p.m.
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2.21	LOUISVILLE * (RING OF RED)	2 p.m.
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2.26	WEST VIRGINIA *	7 p.m.
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3.1	at Syracuse *	2 p.m.
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3.3	at USF *	7 p.m.
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3.7	SETON HALL *	Noon
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3.10-14	BIG EAST Conference Championship (New York, N.Y.)	
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3.19-22	NCAA First/Second Round Games	
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3.26-29	NCAA Regionals	
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4.4-6	Final Four (Ford Field, Detroit, Mich.)	
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Home games are **BOLD CAPS**. \* - BIG EAST Conference game. All game times are Eastern and subject to change.





*Head coach Mick Cronin, who won his first Skyline Chili Crosstown Shootout at home in 2006, will look to defend Fifth Third Arena vs. Xavier University on Dec. 13 on ESPN.*

*Cincinnati will take part in its first BIG EAST/ SEC Invitational presented by ESPN on Dec. 18 at U.S. Bank Arena vs. Mississippi State.*

*The Bearcats host 2007-08 BIG EAST regular-season champion Georgetown on Jan. 28.*

*After knocking off nationally-ranked opponents Villanova and Pittsburgh in the regular season last year in Fifth Third Arena, the Bearcats travel to Philadelphia and Pittsburgh during the final month of the season for rematches.*



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# coaching **LEGACY**

*"If you like to work hard, get better, and win, you'll love playing for Mick Cronin."*

*— Jay Bilas, ESPN*

The University of Cincinnati has a rich coaching legacy, and Mick Cronin is the next chapter in that proud history.

George Smith piloted UC to four postseason tournament appearances, three conference titles, and 154 victories during his eight seasons as head coach.

Ed Jucker directed the Bearcats to back-to-back NCAA championships and established the record for highest winning percentage in NCAA Tournament play. Jucker, who became the first head coach to reach the NCAA Tournament championship game in three consecutive seasons, compiled a school-best .801 winning percentage during his five seasons at UC.

Bob Huggins was one of the five winningest active head coaches during his tenure with the Bearcats. Cincinnati reached postseason play in each of his 16 seasons as head coach.

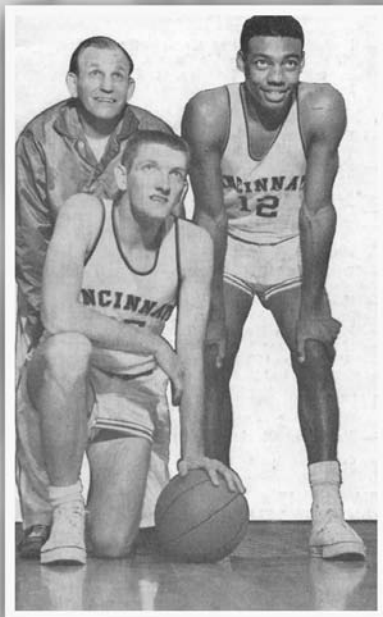
Like Smith and Jucker, Cronin is a home-grown head coach and UC graduate. He launched his coaching career under Huggins and honed it as an associate head coach to Rick Pitino at Louisville.

That upbringing helped Cronin debut as head coach at Murray State in 2003-04 with a 28-win season, the sixth-highest win total in NCAA history by a first-year head coach.

Last year, just his second at UC, Cronin continued to retool the Bearcats and saw his team make significant strides as it quadrupled its BIG EAST win total and made it to the postseason, playing in the inaugural College Basketball Invitational.







**George Smith** (pictured with Ralph Davis and Oscar Robertson) directed the Bearcats to back-to-back Final Four appearances. Smith coached UC to five postseason tourney berths.



**Ed Jucker** directed UC to NCAA Championships in his first two seasons as Bearcats head coach. His .917 winning percentage in tournament play remains an NCAA record.



**Bob Huggins** compiled a .759 winning percentage and directed UC to 16 straight postseason tournaments.



*The Sporting News* named Mick Cronin "The Top Recruiting Assistant in the Nation" during his tenures at Louisville and Cincinnati. His talents as a recruiter continue to make a difference for the Bearcats as this year's incoming class was ranked the 18th-best in the nation by *Rivals.com*.

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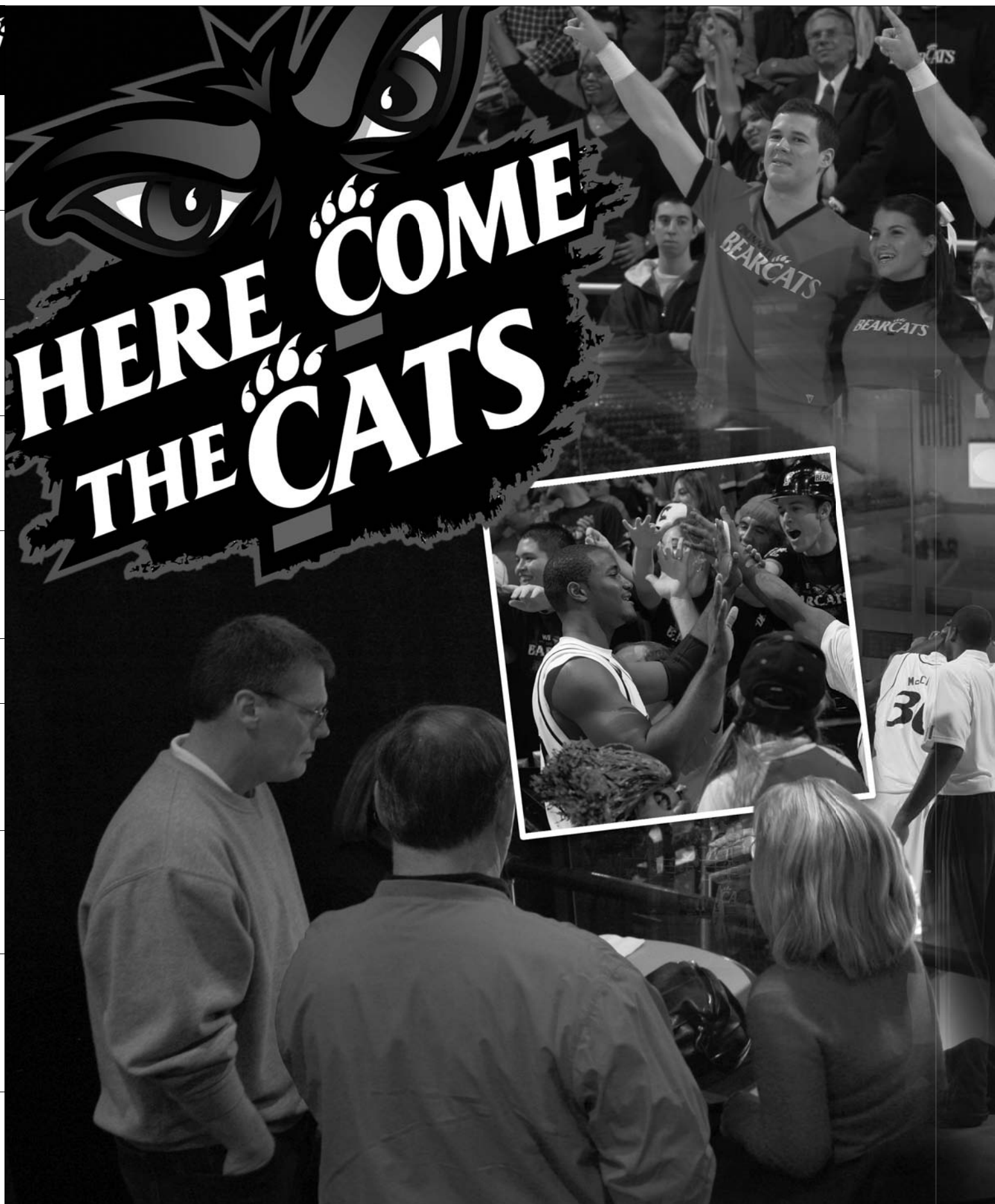
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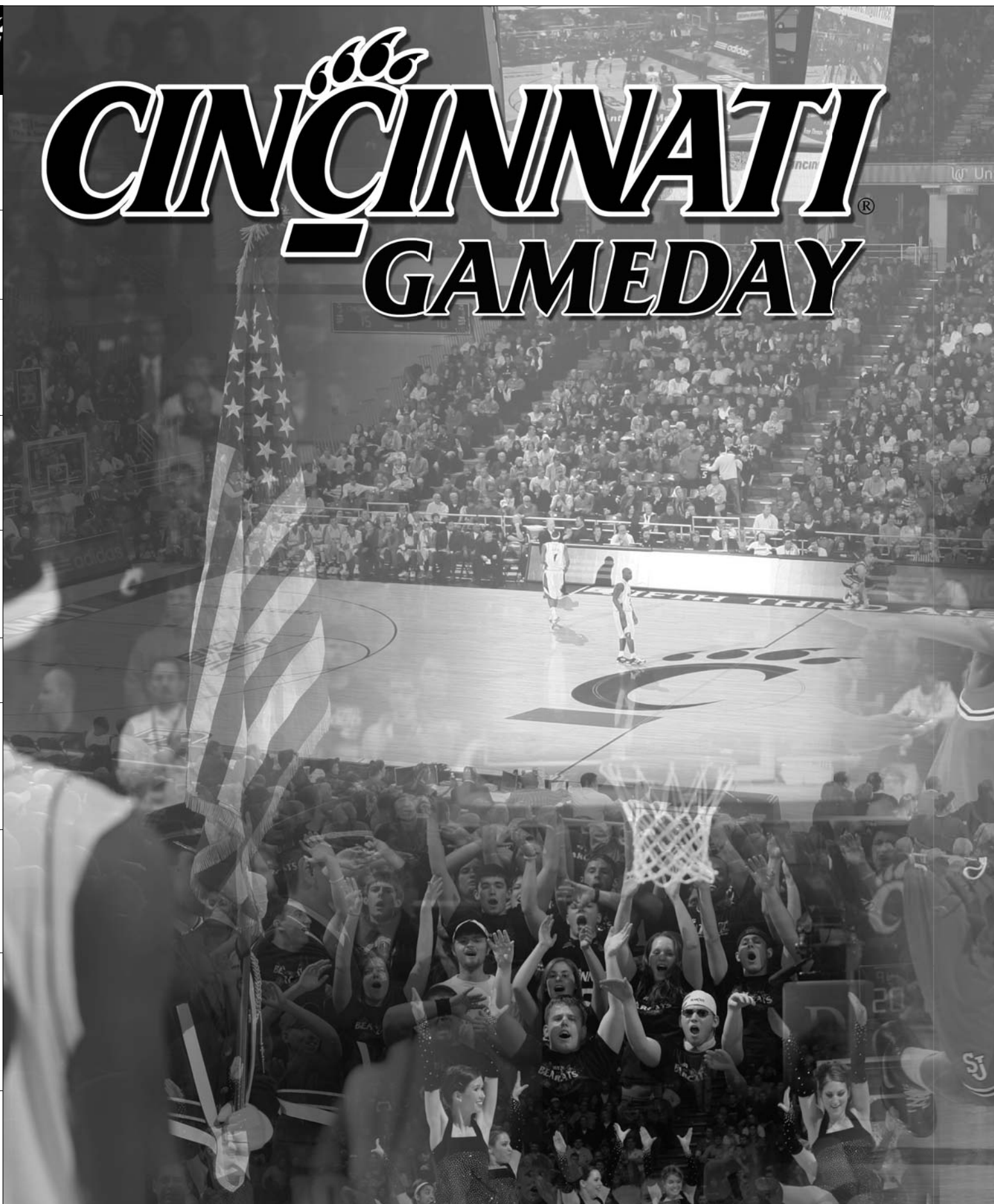
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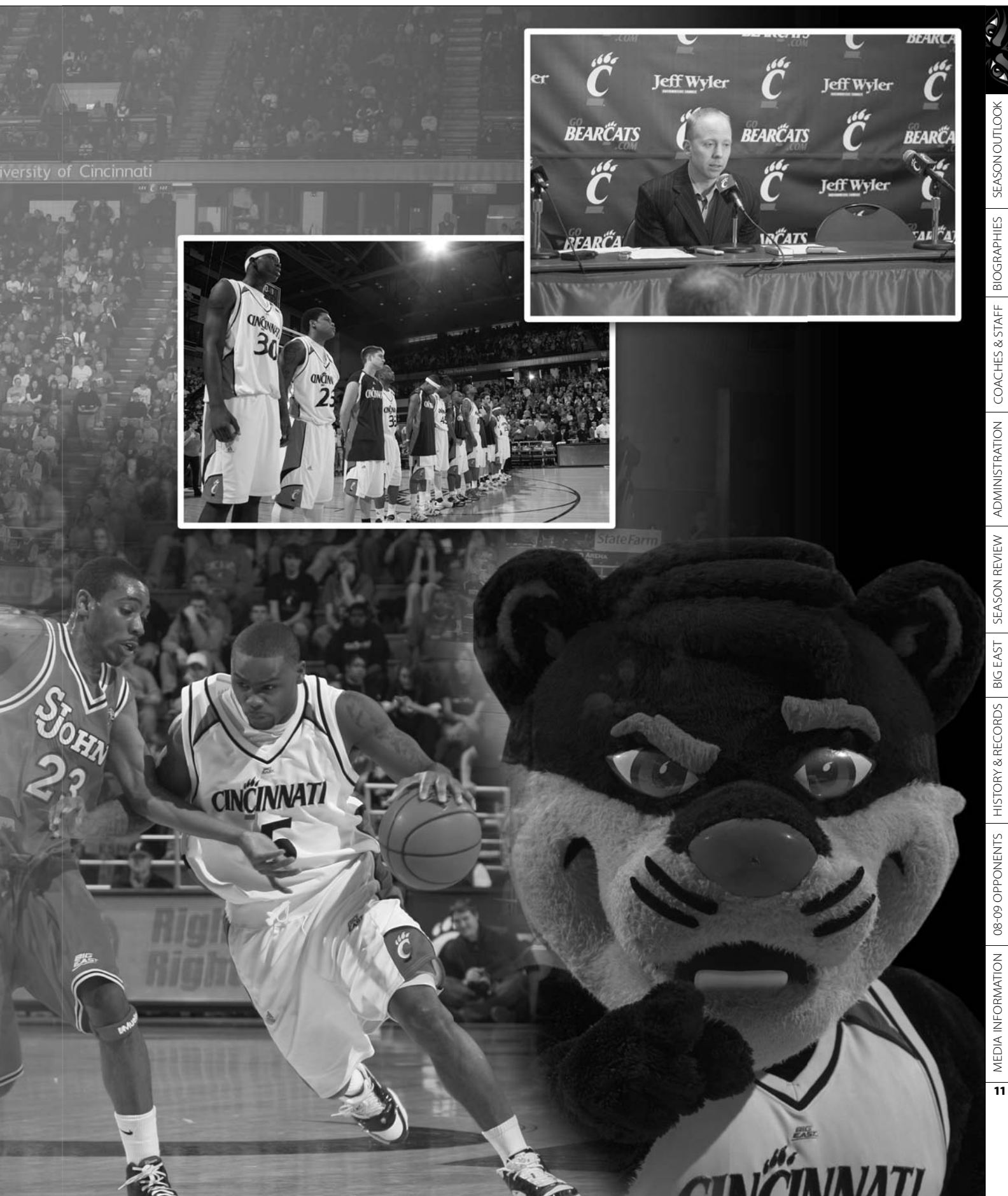
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The Mick Cronin style of basketball is fun for the players and entertaining for the fans.

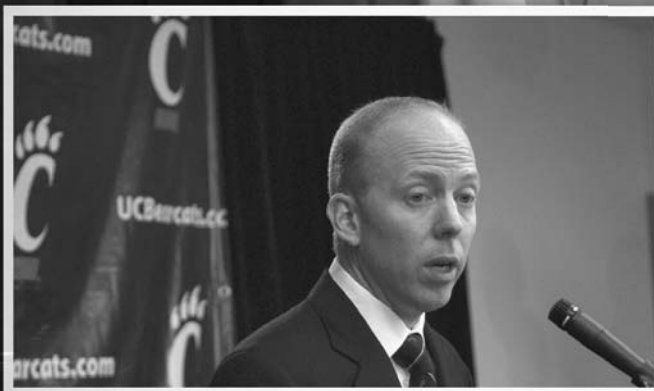
Cronin-coached teams force the action on both ends of the court. On offense, he employs the NBA Spread, the system used by most of the successful professional teams, which maximizes the individual talents of the five players on the floor. In the unselfish style, every player gets as much of a thrill from passing for an assist as they do from scoring a basket.

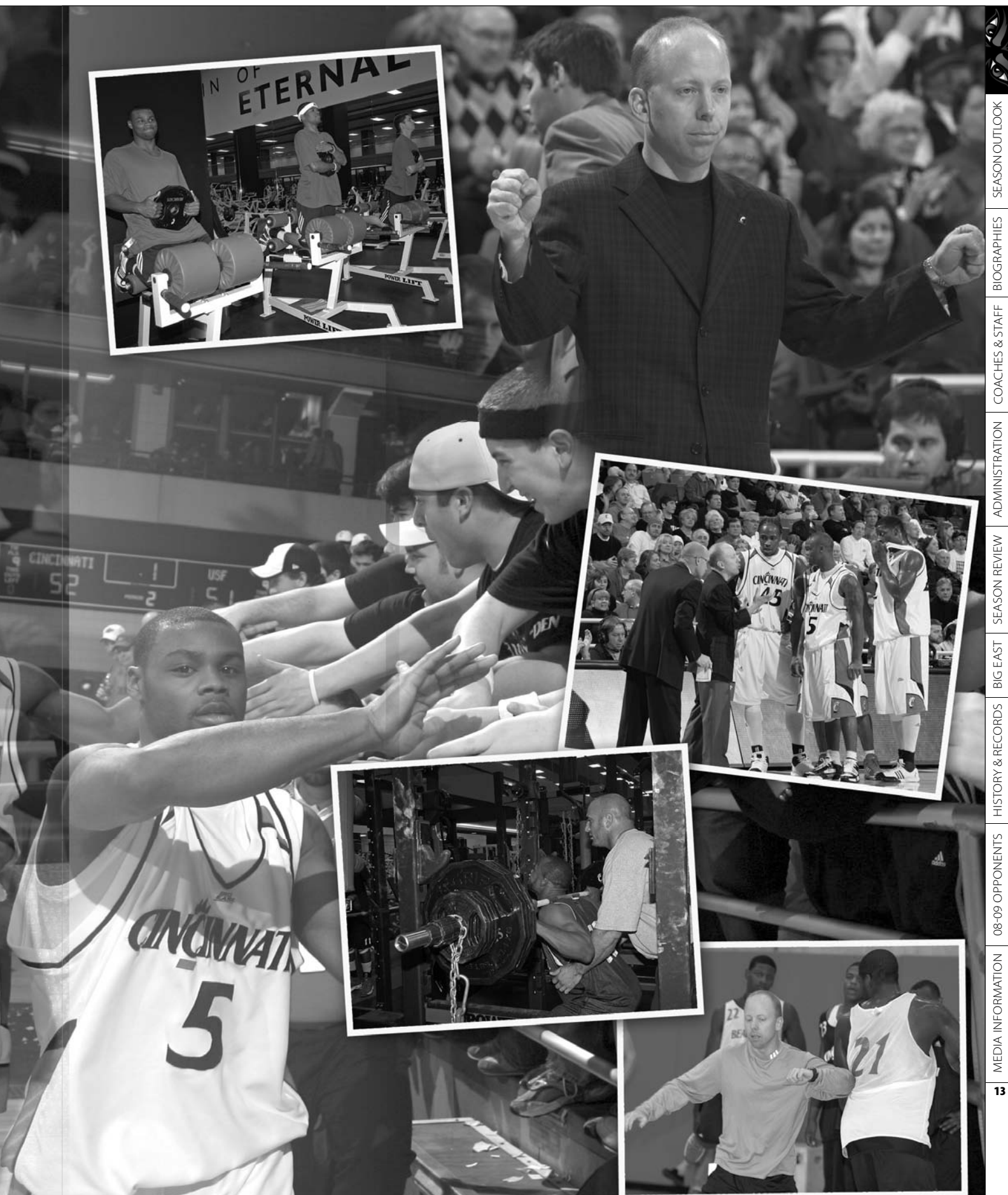
At the other end of the court, Cronin favors an aggressive man-to-man defensive play. When Cronin teams kick their defense into high gear, it may seem to opponents that they have six players on the floor instead of five. The coach likes to deploy three-quarters and full-court pressure aimed not just at disrupting opponents' play, but toward producing points in the transition game.

The Bearcats, under Cronin, will look to run on every possession in their up-tempo attack, which turns the game into a 40-minute track meet.

In order to implement this style of play, a lot of work must be done in the weight room. The UC conditioning program focuses on improving quickness and increasing strength and stamina.

While practice time is spent on teaching and sharpening the team concepts used in the Cronin style of play, individual workouts perfect each player's skills. Dramatic improvements are witnessed through this coaching system.





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# strength and **CONDITIONING**

**S**trength and conditioning is one of the most important ingredients of any successful college basketball program. To help the Bearcats' student-athletes maximize their athletic potential, UC combines a modern, comprehensive facility with the latest techniques in strength training.

No area of the basketball program is given greater attention and emphasis than strength and conditioning.

With the opening of the Richard E. Lindner Athletics Center, the Bearcats utilize an 18,000-square foot strength training facility. The new center includes over \$1 million in Hammer Strength equipment and a five-lane running track.

The mirror-covered room is trimmed in red and black and features a tuflex floor made especially for weight training facilities. The modernized weight facility is highlighted by a quadraphonic sound system.

Dave Andrews is the head men's basketball strength and conditioning coach. Recognized as one of the leaders in the profession, Andrews has a proven record of success developing student-athletes and helping them achieve their full potential.

Strength and conditioning is on-going. Programs are tailored to enable athletes to maintain strength during the peak physical demands of a playing season and increase strength through more extensive training during the off-season.





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# big east CONFERENCE

The 2008-09 academic year will be the 30th for The BIG EAST Conference. While the league has gone through membership changes since its birth, it has never been stronger. This academic year will mark the conference's fourth year as the nation's largest Division I-A conference.

The goals of the BIG EAST have never changed. The league aims and expects to compete at the highest level and does so with integrity and sportsmanship. The student-athletes of the member schools continue to maintain the league's proud tradition of success.

BIG EAST teams earned their share of recognition at the highest levels in 2007-08. Four women's teams advanced to their respective NCAA Final Fours: Connecticut field hockey and women's basketball, Notre Dame soccer and Syracuse lacrosse.

Individually in men's sports, Villanova's Bobby Curtis was the NCAA outdoor track champion in the 5,000 meters. Connecticut's O'Brian White won the M.A.C. Hermann Trophy, the highest individual honor in soccer. Two years ago, BIG EAST male and female student-athletes were Hermann Trophy winners.

In men's basketball, the BIG EAST tied its own record set in 2006 by earning eight NCAA Championship bids. BIG EAST women's teams have received eight NCAA invitations in each of the past two years. The combined 16 men's and women's berths in 2008 was an NCAA first.

The quality of BIG EAST football has never been more balanced. Six of the league's eight squads were nationally ranked in 2007. For the third straight year, the BIG EAST representative in the Bowl Championship Series won its BCS bowl game.

The BIG EAST continued to produce student-athletes who were at the forefront of athletic and academic achievement. Nineteen BIG EAST players were chosen to their respective ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Teams, including eight first-team selections.

The BIG EAST became the nation's largest Division I-A group in 2005-06 when five new members began competing. The new schools were: University of Cincinnati, DePaul University, University of Louisville, Marquette University and the University of South Florida.

BIG EAST institutions reside in nine of the nation's top 34 largest media markets, including New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., Tampa, Pittsburgh, Hartford, Milwaukee and Cincinnati. With its newest members, BIG EAST markets contain almost one fourth of all television households in the U.S.

Since opening its doors in 1979, the league has won 25 national championships in six different sports and 125 student-athletes have won individual national titles.

The BIG EAST has always been able to boast that some of its best students are also some of its best athletes. More than 370 student-athletes have earned academic all-America honors. Last year in football, Louisville

quarterback Brian Brohm, who finished his career as the BIG EAST's career passing leader, was one of the league's eight first-team ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America team picks.

Also, Connecticut's Rebecca Lobo, one of the most heralded women's basketball players in the history of the sport, was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-America Hall of Fame in 2008. Lobo, a two-time BIG EAST Player of the Year, led the Huskies to the 1995 NCAA national championship.

The BIG EAST has enjoyed tremendous basketball success, especially in this decade. In 2003-04, Connecticut became the first school in NCAA history to win the men's and women's NCAA titles in the same season. In '02-03, the BIG EAST became the first conference in NCAA history to win the men's and women's titles in the same year when the Syracuse men and the Connecticut women captured their respective national championships. In men's basketball, BIG EAST squads have won three of the last 10 NCAA championships. BIG EAST women's teams have taken five of the last nine NCAA titles.

Proactive movement has been a signature strategy for the conference that was born in 1979. The BIG EAST continually turns challenges into opportunities to become stronger.

In the spring of 2001, the BIG EAST added women's lacrosse and rowing to its growing list of sports. The first women's golf championship was held in the spring of 2003. In 2007, the league conducted its first women's lacrosse championship tournament. In 2009-10, the BIG EAST will begin sponsorship of men's lacrosse, its 24th sport.

The BIG EAST became a reality on May 31, 1979, following a meeting of athletics directors from Providence College, St. John's, Georgetown and Syracuse Universities. Seton Hall, Connecticut and Boston College completed the original seven-school alliance.



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Madison Square Garden

While the membership has both increased and changed, the focus of the BIG EAST has not wavered. The conference reflects a tradition of broad based programs, led by administrators and coaches who place a constant emphasis on academic integrity. Its student-athletes own significantly high graduation rates and their record of scholastic achievement notably shows a balance between intercollegiate athletics and academics.

Any successful organization needs outstanding leadership. Michael Tranghese, the league's first full-time employee, and for 11 years the associate to Dave Gavitt, became Commissioner in 1990. In his first year, he administered the formation of The BIG EAST Football Conference.

For 2009-10, the BIG EAST will undergo one significant change. Tranghese has announced that he will step down from his position on June 30, 2009.

The league has long been considered a leader in innovative concepts in promotion and publicity, particularly regarding television. Those efforts have resulted in unparalleled visibility for BIG EAST student-athletes. The conference has enjoyed long-standing relationships with CBS, ESPN, Inc., and ABC.

While BIG EAST basketball games are regular sellouts at campus and major public arenas, including the annual men's BIG EAST Championship in Madison Square Garden, attendance figures also are significant in soccer, women's basketball, and baseball games.

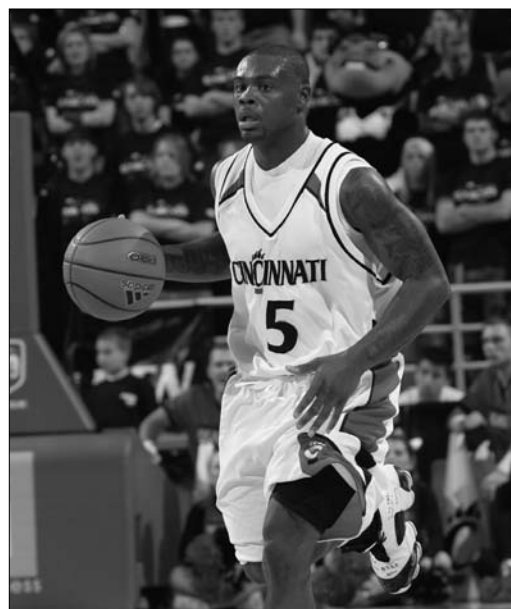
More than 550 BIG EAST student-athletes have earned all-America recognition and dozens have won individual NCAA national championships. The BIG EAST has been well represented in U.S. or foreign national and Olympic teams. Several athletes earned gold medals in each of the last six summer Olympiads.

The BIG EAST has its headquarters in Providence where the conference administers to more than 5,500 athletes.



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2007-08 first-team all-BIG EAST selection, Deonta Vaughn

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# postseason **PLAY**

Cincinnati won back-to-back NCAA Championships in 1961 and 1962 in the midst of five-straight Final Four appearances. The Bearcats made it back to the Final Four in 1992, losing in the semifinals to Chris Webber and Michigan. In 33 trips to the NCAA Tournament or the NIT, UC has a 47-32 record.

The Bearcats have won 10 conference tournament championships, including four Conference USA titles in 10 years.

Last year, the Bearcats returned to the postseason for the 18th time in 19 years, earning a spot in the inaugural College Basketball Invitational.

## UC IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT

1958	1-1	Midwest Regional—3rd place
1959	3-1	Midwest Regional—Champs; Final Four—3rd place
1960	3-1	Midwest Regional—Champs; Final Four—3rd place
1961	4-0	Midwest Regional—Champs; Final Four—National Champs
1962	4-0	Midwest Regional—Champs; Final Four—National Champs
1963	3-1	Midwest Regional—Champs; Final Four—Runner-Up
1966	0-2	Midwest Regional—4th place
1975	2-1	Midwest Regional—3rd place
1976	0-1	Midwest Pre-Regional
1977	0-1	Midwest Pre-Regional
1992	4-1	Midwest Regional (No. 4 seed), Regional Champs, Final Four—Semifinalist
1993	3-1	East Regional (No. 2 seed), Regional Runner-up
1994	0-1	West Regional (No. 8 seed)
1995	1-1	West Regional (No. 7 seed)
1996	3-1	Southeast Regional (No. 2 seed), Regional Runner-up
1997	1-1	Midwest Regional (No. 3 seed)
1998	1-1	West Regional (No. 2 seed)
1999	1-1	East Regional (No. 3 seed)
2000	1-1	South Regional (No. 2 seed)
2001	2-1	West Regional (No. 5 seed)
2002	1-1	West Regional (No. 1 seed)
2003	0-1	West Regional (No. 8 seed)
2004	1-1	Atlanta Regional (No. 4 seed)
2005	1-1	Austin Regional (No. 7 seed)



# media **EXPOSURE**

## TELEVISION

The media exposure afforded University of Cincinnati basketball makes the Bearcats one of the most recognizable teams in the country. UC has averaged 21 regional or national television exposures annually over the last nine seasons. In 2007-08, the Bearcats appeared on the ESPN networks 17 times.

The combination of the regional and national telecasts, and the games televised locally by Fox Sports Net Ohio (FSN Ohio), means that essentially all Cincinnati men's basketball games are on TV.

The BIG EAST produces a weekly television show, Inside the BIG EAST, which is distributed regionally. The Bearcats also enjoy local and regional exposure via Bearcats Sports Weekly with Mick Cronin Show, the weekly half-hour show featuring the Bearcats' head coach.

## FSN OHIO

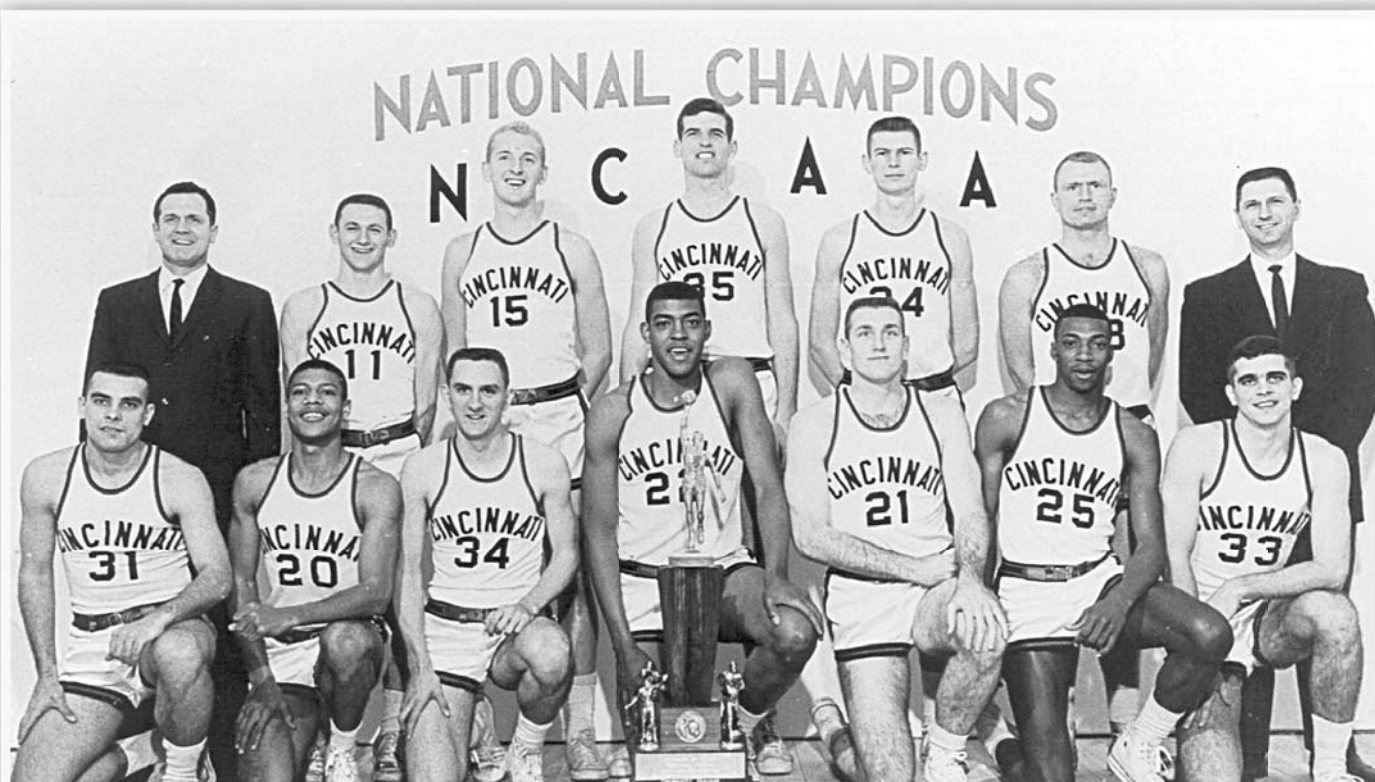
FSN Ohio and the University of Cincinnati reached a multi-year agreement this past summer that will make FSN Ohio the exclusive regional cable home of UC football and men's and women's basketball. UC programming in 2008-09 will include a minimum of 12 men's basketball games; two women's basketball games; preseason and postseason specials for football and basketball; season-long football and basketball coaches' shows; plus an extensive schedule of BIG EAST football and basketball games.

## RADIO

Bearcats games can be heard in 38 states via the 50,000-watt signal of WLW-AM 700. The ClearChannel station broadcasts every UC basketball game and hosts a weekly telephone call-in show featuring head coach Mick Cronin. Additionally, all of the broadcasts are available worldwide on WLW's XM Satellite Radio channel 173.



# final four **TEAMS**



## ▲ 1961: NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

Front—Jim Calhoun, Tony Yates, Carl Bouldin, Paul Hogue, Bob Wiesenbahn, Tom Thacker, Tom Sizer. Back—Head coach Ed Jucker, Larry Shingleton, Fred Dierking, Ron Ries, Dale Heidotting, Mark Altenau, assistant coach Tay Baker.



## 1960: THIRD PLACE ▶

Front—Sandy Pomerantz, Jim Calhoun, John Bryant, Oscar Robertson, Ralph Davis, Tom Sizer, Carl Bouldin, Fred Dierking. Back—Assistant coaches Ed Jucker and Tay Baker, Larry Willey, Mel Landfried, Ron Ries, Paul Hogue, Bob Wiesenbahn, trainer Joe Keefe, head coach George Smith.

## ◀ 1959: THIRD PLACE

Front—Bill Whitaker, Dave Tenwick, Mike Mendenhall, Oscar Robertson, Rod Nall, Dick Cetrone.  
Back—Larry Willey, John Bryant, Ron Dykes, Ralph Davis, Carl Bouldin, Bob Wiesenbahn, Mel Landfried.







### ▲ 1962: NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

Front—Larry Shingleton, Tony Yates, Larry Elsasser, Tom Thacker, Tom Sizer, Jim Calhoun. Back—Assistant coach Tay Baker, Bill Abernethy, Fred Dierking, George Wilson, Ron Reis, Paul Hogue, Dale Heidotting, Ron Bonham, head coach Ed Jucker.

### 1963: SECOND PLACE ▶

Front—Larry Shingleton, Larry Elsasser, Tony Yates, Tom Thacker, Fritz Meyer, Ken Cunningham. Back—Assistant coach Tay Baker, Bill Abernethy, Dale Heidotting, Ron Krick, George Wilson, Gene Smith, Ron Bonham, head coach Ed Jucker.



### ◀ 1992: NATIONAL SEMIFINALIST

Front—Erik Martin, B.J. Ward, Allen Jackson, Jeff Scott, Mike Reicheneker, head coach Bob Huggins, Herb Jones, Anthony Buford, Curtis Bostic, Nick Van Exel, Tarrence Gibson.

Back—Trainer Tom Lemley, managers Dave Luther and Mike Krispli, assistant coaches Steve Moeller and Larry Harrison, Shane Komives, John Jacobs, Corie Blount, Terry Nelson, assistant coaches John Loyer and Chuck Machock, managers Jeff Horner and Aaron Savage.

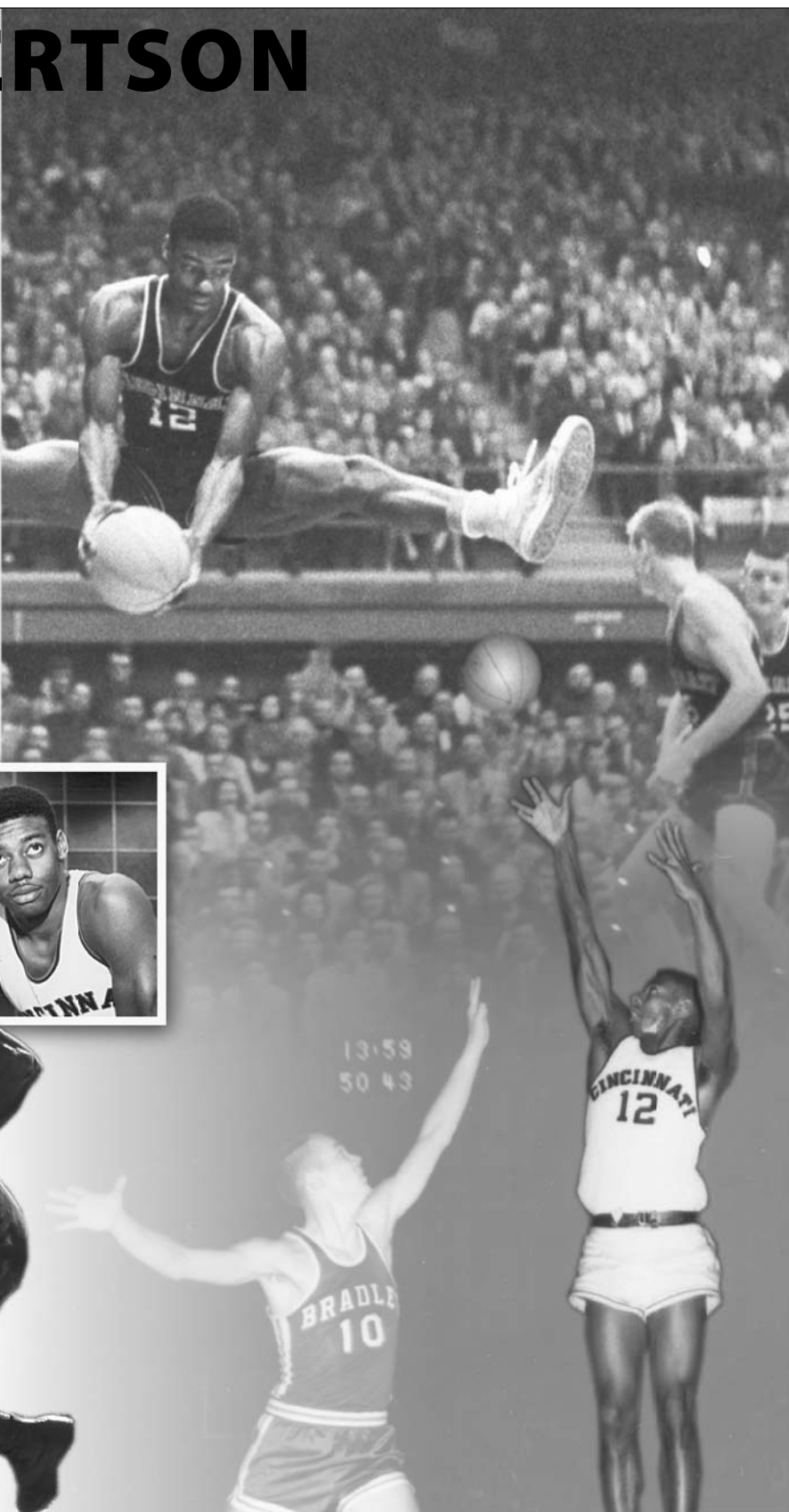


# oscar ROBERTSON

A player like no other—that might be the best description of Oscar Robertson. The Bearcats great clearly was the greatest college performer of his time and today is recognized as one of the game's all-time bests on both the pro and college levels.

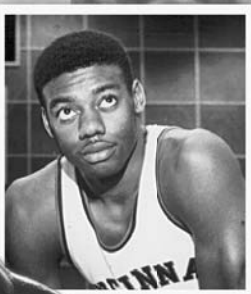
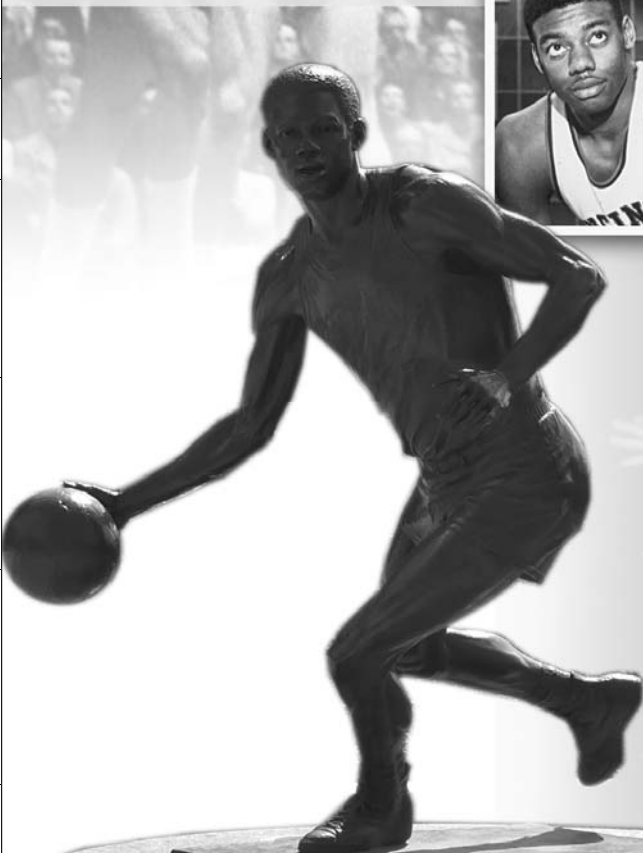
Robertson was the first player to lead the nation in scoring for three straight seasons (LSU's Pete Maravich is the only player since to match that feat), and closed his career as the NCAA's all-time scoring leader. His 2,973 points currently ranks seventh on the NCAA career scoring list while his 33.8 scoring average is the third-highest of all-time.

Robertson was a three-time consensus national Player of the Year, before embarking on his 14-year pro career. He was inducted into the National Basketball Hall of Fame in 1979.



ROBERTSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb	Avg	Ast	Avg	Pts	Avg
1959-60	30	369-701	.526	273-361	.756	424	14.1	219	7.3	1011	33.7
1958-59	30	331-650	.509	316-398	.794	489	16.3	206	6.9	978	32.6
1957-58	28	352-617	.571	280-355	.789	425	15.2	—	—	984	35.1
Totals	88	1052-1968	.535	869-1114	.780	1338	15.2	425	7.1	2973	33.8



# retired **NUMBERS**



## **JACK TWYMAN, 1952-55**

- Led UC in scoring and rebounding in his final three seasons.
- Averaged 24.6 points and 16.5 rebounds as a senior to earn all-America honors.
- Still ranks eighth in UC annals in scoring and second in rebounding.
- Six-time NBA all-star who led the league in scoring in the 1959-60 seasons.

## **OSCAR ROBERTSON, 1958-60**

- Concluded his career as the NCAA's career scoring leader.
- Career 33.8 scoring average is still third-best in NCAA history.
- Three-time consensus all-American and three-time national Player of the Year.
- 12-time NBA all-star, retiring as the career assist leader.

## **KENYON MARTIN, 1997-2000**

- Three-time Conference USA Defensive Player of the Year.
- UC's career blocked shots leader.
- Unanimous choice as Conference USA Player of the Year.
- Consensus all-America as a senior and national Player of the Year.
- No. 1 pick in the 2000 NBA Draft.

# nba BEARCATS

Bearcats were part of history in the 2000 National Basketball Association draft.

Kenyon Martin was the No. 1 pick of the entire draft, selected by the New Jersey Nets. When DerMarr Johnson was taken with the No. 6 pick by the Atlanta Hawks, it marked the highest that two college teammates had been selected since the beginning of the NBA Draft Lottery.

A total of 13 Bearcats have been selected in the NBA drafts over the last 16 years:

Year		Round	Pick	Team
1993	Corie Blount	1st	(25)	Chicago
	Nick Van Exel	2nd	(37)	Los Angeles Lakers
1994	Dontonio Wingfield	2nd	(37)	Seattle
1997	Danny Fortson	1st	(10)	Milwaukee
1998	Ruben Patterson	2nd	(31)	Los Angeles Lakers
1999	Melvin Levett	2nd	(54)	Detroit
2000	Kenyon Martin	1st	(1)	New Jersey
	DerMarr Johnson	1st	(6)	Atlanta
	Pete Mickeal	2nd	(58)	Dallas
2001	Kenny Satterfield	2nd	(54)	Dallas
2002	Steve Logan	2nd	(30)	Golden State
2005	Jason Maxiell	1st	(26)	Detroit
2006	James White	2nd	(31)	Portland



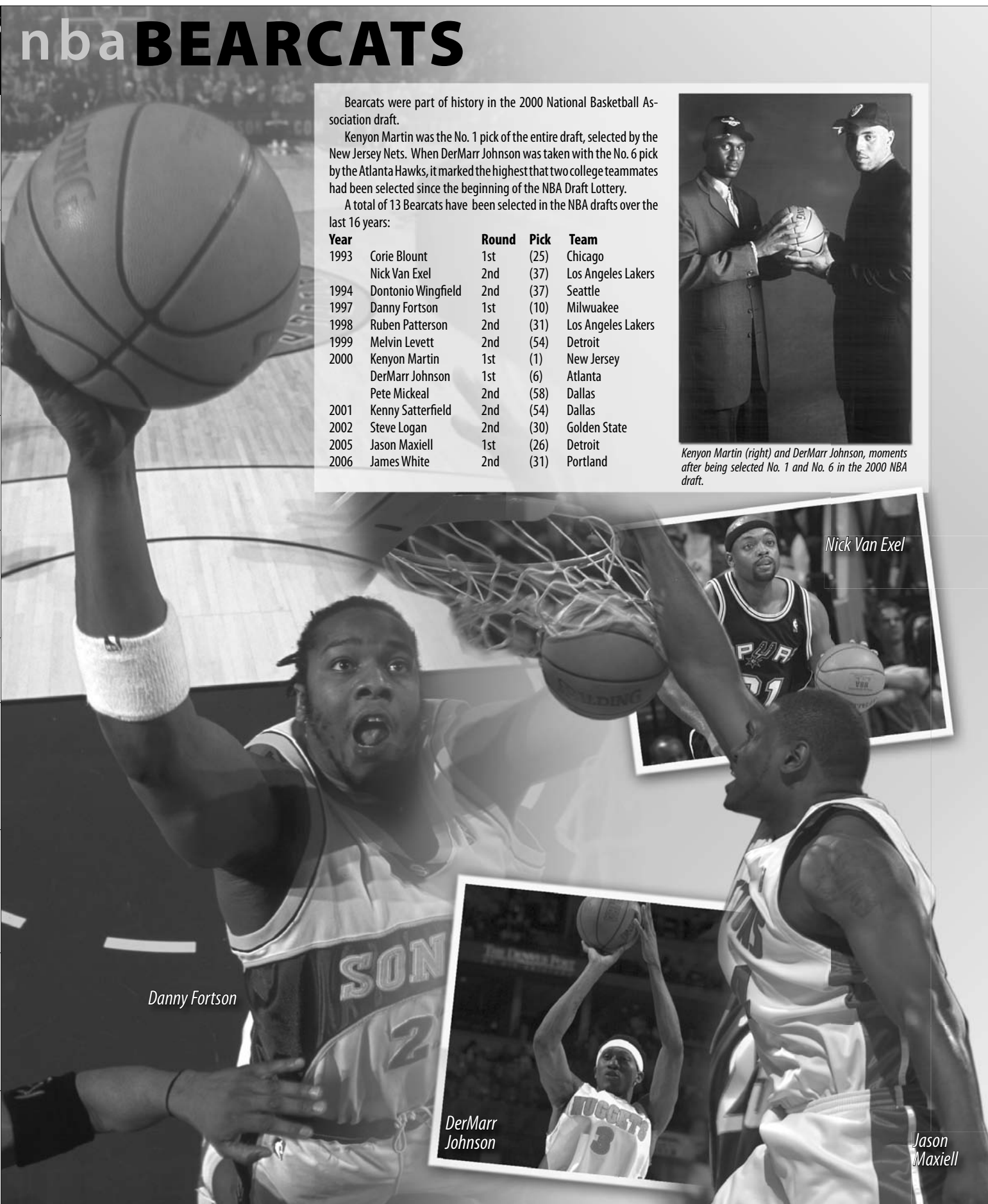
Kenyon Martin (right) and DerMarr Johnson, moments after being selected No. 1 and No. 6 in the 2000 NBA draft.

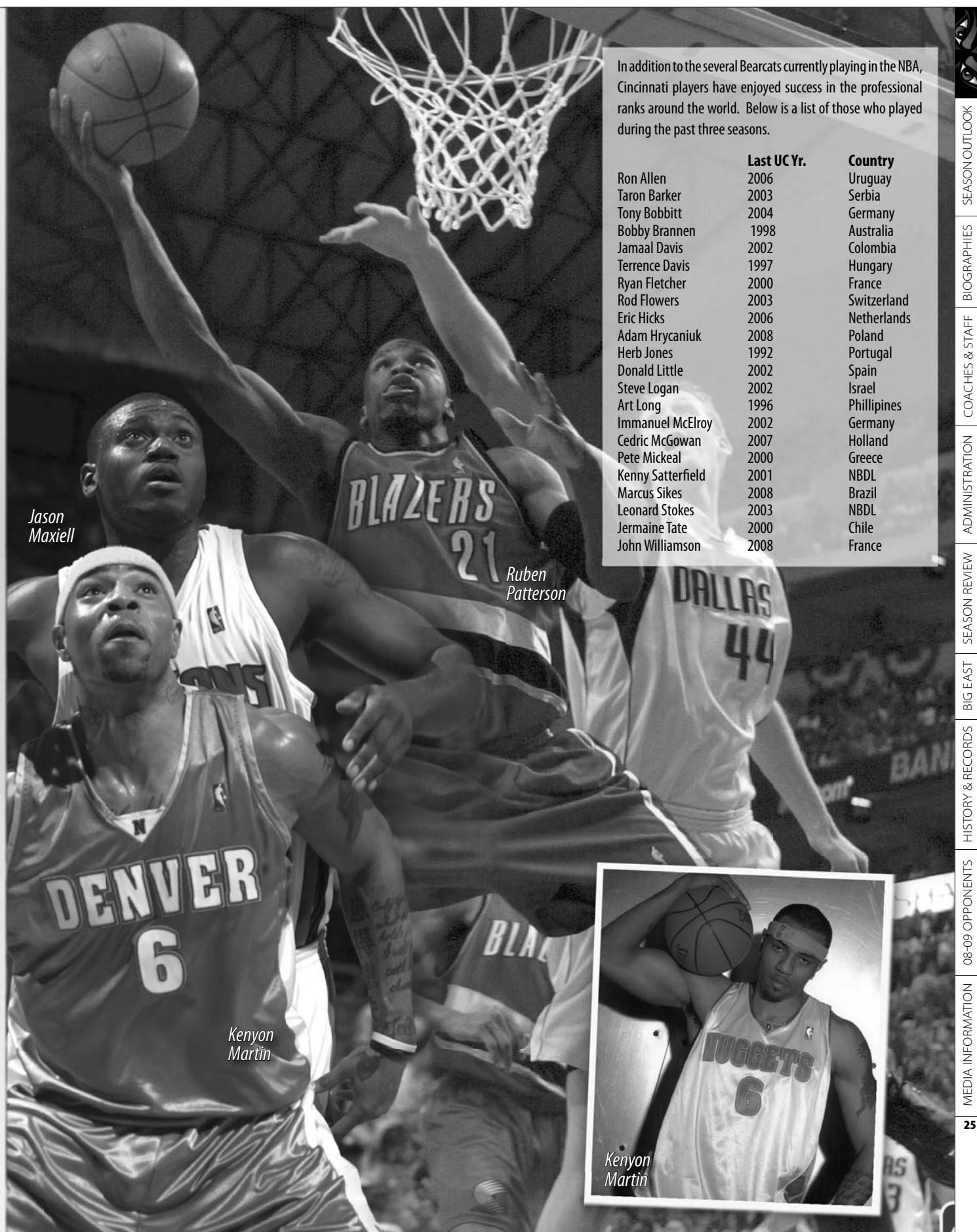
Nick Van Exel

Danny Fortson

DerMarr Johnson

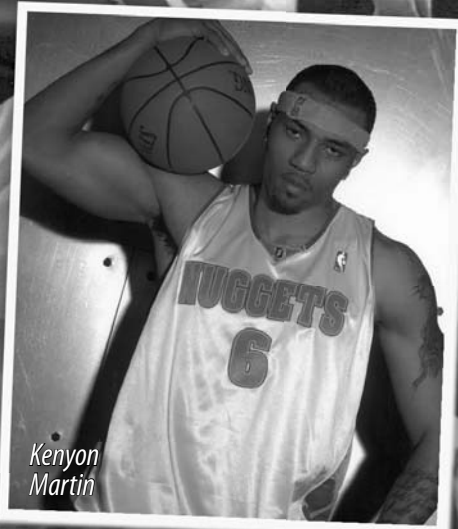
Jason Maxiell



Jason  
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PattersonKenyon  
Martin

In addition to the several Bearcats currently playing in the NBA, Cincinnati players have enjoyed success in the professional ranks around the world. Below is a list of those who played during the past three seasons.

	Last UC Yr.	Country
Ron Allen	2006	Uruguay
Taron Barker	2003	Serbia
Tony Bobbitt	2004	Germany
Bobby Brannen	1998	Australia
Jamaal Davis	2002	Colombia
Terrence Davis	1997	Hungary
Ryan Fletcher	2000	France
Rod Flowers	2003	Switzerland
Eric Hicks	2006	Netherlands
Adam Hrycaniuk	2008	Poland
Herb Jones	1992	Portugal
Donald Little	2002	Spain
Steve Logan	2002	Israel
Art Long	1996	Philippines
Immanuel McElroy	2002	Germany
Cedric McGowan	2007	Holland
Pete Miceal	2000	Greece
Kenny Satterfield	2001	NBDL
Marcus Sikes	2008	Brazil
Leonard Stokes	2003	NBDL
Jermaine Tate	2000	Chile
John Williamson	2008	France

Kenyon  
Martin



# fifth third ARENA

Fifth Third Arena at Shoemaker Center has provided a home court advantage for the Bearcats for the past 19 seasons.

UC's 13,176-seat playing venue, renamed to recognize Fifth Third Bank's generous support of the athletic facilities improvement campaign, has served as a sixth man for Bearcats basketball since it opened its doors originally as the Shoemaker Center in 1989. Cincinnati has compiled a 254-50 record and a hefty .836 winning percentage since its opening, and a 148-32 ledger over the past 10 years.

Moreover, it has brought out Bearcat fans in droves. Attendance records were set in five of the last 14 seasons. In 1999-2000, every Bearcat home game was a complete sellout as the team established a new attendance record with per-game crowd of 13,176.

The festive arena, with 16 private executive suites, new Daktronics video display boards, and restaurant and lounge areas overlooking the court, is as good as any college facility in the nation.

A new portable playing surface, the All-Star Plus which is used by several NBA teams, was installed for the 2003-04 season.

UC's proud basketball history and tradition are well-represented in Fifth Third Arena. Fans entering from the west side pass by a statue of Oscar Robertson. The playing surface is named Ed Jucker Court in honor of the coach who directed the Bearcats to two national championships. UC's All-Americans are recognized by photo banners hanging in the concourses.

The south wall of the arena is decorated with the numerous championship banners and the retired jerseys of Bearcats greats Oscar Robertson, Jack Twyman, and Kenyon Martin, while UC's All-Americans are recognized on the north wall in addition to the concourse banners.

The arena is housed in the Myrl H. Shoemaker Center and is adjacent to the new Richard E. Lindner Center, which houses all of the administrative and coaching offices as well as the support services for student-athletes.

In its proud history, Fifth Third Arena has served as host of the 1994 Great Midwest Men's and Women's Basketball Tournament, the 1998 Conference USA Men's Basketball Tournament, the 1998 Conference USA Volleyball Tournament, the 1999 NCAA Midwest Women's Basketball Regional, the 2003 NCAA Women's Basketball West Sub-Regional, and the 2007 BIG EAST Volleyball Tournament.

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# basketball FACILITIES

The men's basketball locker room, located just off the court in Fifth Third Arena, features leather couches, flat-panel televisions, Play Station and Xbox gaming systems, Gatorade dispensers, and a dedicated training room. Just prior to the 2008-09 season, the locker room went under a transformation as the program replaced the lockers with new wooden lockers to supply the players with more personal space.

The staff offices look out over Nippert Stadium and Victory Plaza. Couches and trophy cases decorate the entrance to the suite.

In 2007-08, UC added new rooms in Fifth Third Arena for the Bearcats basketball teams to use for film study or team meetings.



# the best in **EQUIPMENT**



## adidas – The Best in Equipment

The Bearcats basketball team will be well-dressed and well-equipped through UC's long-term agreement with adidas. UC basketball is exclusively outfitted in adidas footwear, uniforms, training apparel, and accessories. Cincinnati is part of a select group of universities that have similar agreements with adidas, including Notre Dame, UCLA, Tennessee, Indiana, Nebraska, Michigan, and Wisconsin among others. adidas also has marketing agreements with the NFL, MLS and an 11-year exclusive all-league partnership with the NBA.

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# richard e. lindner VARSITY VILLAGE

The future arrived for the University of Cincinnati athletics program in May, 2006 with the completion of the Richard E. Lindner Varsity Village.

The extensive renovation and upgrade of all of UC's athletics facilities, and the construction of some new venues, positions the Bearcats' sports programs to compete among the nation's best.

The term "village" aptly applies because the close proximal location and interconnection of the facilities provides ease of use and access to services for all of the sports teams and their student-athletes, similar to that of a small town.

There was nothing small about the vision for Varsity Village, a \$105 million project, over half of which was privately financed.

The centerpiece of the project was the construction of the Richard E. Lindner Center. Its purpose is to serve as the home for all of the sports programs as well as the centralized support services.

Located between Nippert Stadium and Fifth Third Arena, the Lindner Center is a futuristic eight-story structure which houses offices, locker rooms, and reception and meeting space for each of the sport programs. The administrative services and support areas are also housed in the building.

The emphasis of the Lindner Center programming is on the student-athlete. One entire floor of the building is devoted to the Nancy Hamant Academics Center, which contains study facilities for UC's 560 student-athletes, including over 80 computer stations.

A new athletics training center, equipped with state-of-the-art diagnostic and treatment equipment, including three hydrotherapy pools, is included in the Lindner Center. The University Health Services for students has been relocated to the Lindner Center and provides expanded medical coverage conveniently located for UC student-athletes. An MRI diagnostic center is also part of the building, making UC the first school in the country to have one in its athletics facilities.

Space for strength and conditioning training in the adjacent Fifth Third Arena has been doubled to 18,000 square feet and has been furnished with the latest in weight training equipment. A new 12,000-square foot practice gymnasium will ease the scheduling of workouts and practices.

While the Lindner Center provides for the present and future of UC athletics, it also recognizes and celebrates UC's proud past. The ground level of the five-story atrium features the George and Helen Smith Museum detailing the history of both the athletics program and the University. Sports histories are portrayed in graphic murals and on video screens. A five-story trophy case, making it one of the world's largest, houses the Bearcats championship memorabilia.

The unique building was designed by signature architect Bernard Tschumi. UC graduate Eva Maddox (DAAP 1966) orchestrated the design of the museum.

Varsity Village created three new sports venues and made significant upgrades and enhancements to two others.

The new baseball stadium, named for late Cincinnati Reds owner and area philanthropist Marge Schott, opened late in the 2004 season. UC's tennis program benefits from a new on-campus tennis center. The swimming and diving teams have a new training





and competition home, the Keating Aquatics Center, in the nearby new student recreation center.

UC's track and soccer complex was totally renovated and permanent seating for 1,400 was added, along with a press box, and reopened as Ben and Dee Gettler Stadium.

Nippert Stadium, which has been the home to UC football and the activities of just about every other outdoor sport since 1902, has undergone significant improvements in seating and other accoutrements for the spectators, such as expanded concourses and concessions areas, and a new video board. Teams benefit from field-level game day locker rooms and a grass-like FieldTurf artificial playing surface.

Even UC's Marching Band benefited with the creation of the Rockwren Band Center.

Landscaping has created a major walkway, O'Varsity Way, that leads visitors through the heart of Varsity Village. The Raymond D. Sheakley Lawn and Victory Plaza provide gathering and activities space for UC fans attending events.

# varsity VILLAGE

## FIFTH THIRD ARENA

**Opened:** November, 1989

**Capacity:** 13,176

**Surface:** All-Star Plus

**Varsity Village Improvements:**

- State-of-the-art Daktronics videoboard
- New playing surface

## GETTLER STADIUM

**Opened:** September, 2005

(play began on site in 1991)

**Playing Surface:** FieldTurf

**Varsity Village Improvements:**

- Permanent bleachers
- Press box, concessions, and restrooms
- New FieldTurf installation
- Eight-lane resurfaced track

## KEATING AQUATICS CENTER

**Opened:** January, 2006

**Capacity:** 300

**Surface:** 12,000 cubic feet of water

**Facility Highlights:**

- Eight-lane, 50-meter course
- Integrated diving well
- Movable bulkhead

## MARGE SCHOTT STADIUM

**Opened:** May, 2004

**Playing Surface:** FieldTurf

**Facility Highlights:**

- Second collegiate field to use FieldTurf in U.S.
- Daktronics videoboard
- Spacious locker rooms and team lounge
- Indoor batting cages and pitching mounds

## NIPPERT STADIUM

**Opened:** September, 1924

(play began on site in 1902)

**Capacity:** 35,000

**Playing Surface:** FieldTurf

**Varsity Village Improvements:**

- State-of-the-art scoreboard
- Installation of new FieldTurf
- Endzone bleachers and game day locker rooms

## TRABERT-TALBERT CENTER

**Opened:** May, 2006

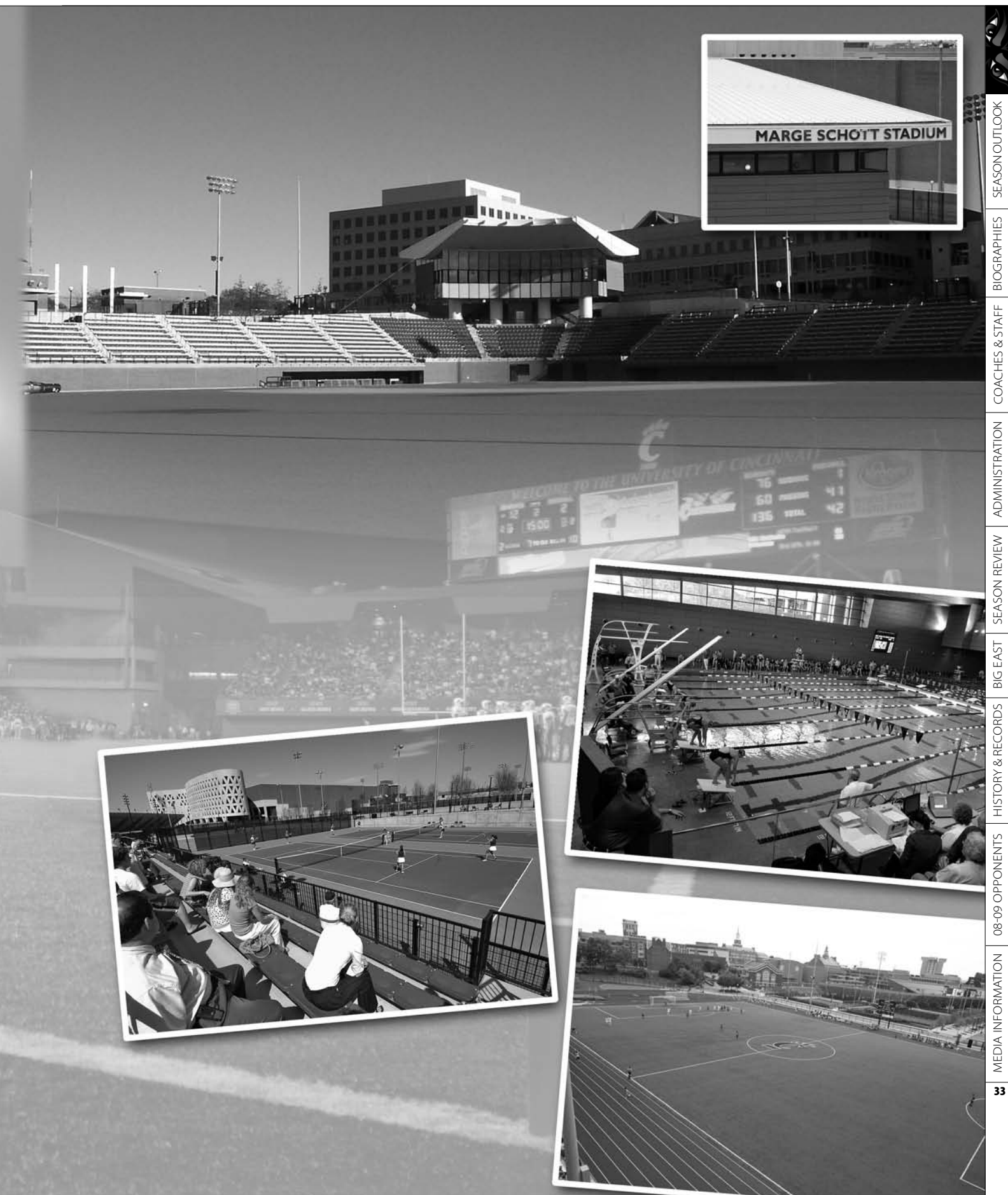
**Capacity:** 500

**Playing Surface:** Hardcourts

**Facility Highlights:**

- Six professional quality courts
- Lighted playing surfaces
- Two sets of grandstands







# sports **MEDICINE**

The University of Cincinnati's sports medicine program is responsible not only for helping student-athletes make speedy recoveries from injuries, but in preventing injuries from occurring.

UC's sports medicine program is a comprehensive approach to injury care and the wellness of the University's over 560 student-athletes, utilizing state-of-the-art diagnostic and treatment equipment with the latest methods in the care and prevention of injuries. Its objectives are simple: to prevent injuries, to rehabilitate injuries, to adjust to the stress following injuries, and to educate student-athletes about various wellness issues. The goal is to get UC's athletes back in the classroom and back on the playing field functioning at 100 percent capacity. The goal is attained in several ways. New student-athletes are carefully examined before they participate to detect potential problems. Student-athletes are afforded state-of-the-art therapeutic care.

The opening of the Richard E. Lindner Athletics Center in May 2006 provides a new, state-of-the-art sports medicine facility that caters to the needs of UC's student-athletes. Features of the facility include over 4,000 square feet of space for treatment and taping, spacious office suites for training staff and physicians, a physicians exam area, pharmacy, and x-ray facilities.

A highlight is the hydrotherapy facility which has a three-level, 5,000-gallon, two-treadmill exercise pool, and two 12-person whirlpools (one for hot and one for cold therapy). The

sports medicine facility is located one floor below the new University Health Services Center, providing easy access to physicians and services. University Radiology has a MRI diagnostic center as part of the new complex.

Under the direction of Assistant Director of Athletics for Sports Medicine Jeff Carrico and men's basketball trainer David Fluker, UC's athletics training staff is the backbone of the sports medicine program. Trainers are present at every practice and event to monitor the health of the student-athletes and respond to injuries.

Dr. W. Kenneth Stephens, a fellow in the American College of Sports Medicine and member of the American Medical Society for Sports Medicine, has served as the Bearcats' team physician for the past 30 years. UC's University Health Service provides a staff of medical professionals accessible to student-athletes 24 hours a day.

Dr. Angelo Colosimo and the staff of the University Orthopedics Associates of Cincinnati are on call to address orthopedic injuries, perform all orthopedic surgeries, and supervise post-operation rehabilitation programs.

The UC Medical College provides nationally-recognized specialists who are immediately accessible. University Hospital, a nationally-recognized medical center, is immediately adjacent to the campus, providing UC student-athletes the absolute best in health and medical care.





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**Angelo Colosimo, M.D.**  
Team Orthopedic Surgeon



**W. Kenneth Stephens, M.D.**  
Team Physician



**Keith Kenter, M.D.**  
Team Orthopedic Surgeon



**Jim Ellis, O.D.**  
Team Optometrist



**Jerome McMahon, D.D.S.**  
Team Dentist

# bearcats SPIRIT

## Dance Team

An important aspect of the excitement and pageantry of the University of Cincinnati is the UC Dance Team. Along with performing at all home football and basketball games, the team can be seen performing at several community events. Consisting of 36 members that make up both the Varsity and Junior Varsity teams, they average a GPA of a 3.2. This dedicated group of individuals provides more than just entertainment. Like all Bearcats athletics teams, the Dance Team has brought national recognition to the University.

In its 18th year of existence, the UC dance team has distinguished itself among the nation's elite. This year the UC Dance Team returned from the UDA College National Championship placing second in the nation in the Hip-Hop Category and fifth in the Dance Category in Division 1A. UC is one of only two Division 1A teams (Cincinnati and Tennessee) that placed in the top 5 of both categories this year. The UC Dance Team has advanced to the finals of the College Dance Team National Championship 14 times, 11 of which resulted in top 10 finishes. The team holds three consecutive national titles in the Hip-Hop Category in 2004, 2005 and 2006. The College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship will be televised over 50 times throughout the year on ESPN/ESPN2.

Lisa Spears enters her 10th year as the team's head coach.

## Cheerleaders

The UC cheerleaders have consistently proven themselves to be one of the elite squads in the nation. They have posted 11 Top 10 finishes at the College National Cheerleading Championships and have made 16 appearances in the finals.

Cincinnati has finished as high as second place in 2007, and has a third and a pair of fourth-place finishes as well. Between 1990 and 1997, the cheerleaders ran off a streak of eight straight Top-10 finishes.

UC cheerleaders have been selected to perform at international events. In 1994, they made a 10-day tour of Taiwan and performed in the opening ceremonies of the 1996 Olympics.

Tabby Fagan enters her 16th year as cheerleading coach. A 1993 Cincinnati graduate, Fagan was a member of the varsity cheerleading team for five years and cheered on three squads which advanced to the national finals.

## Bearcats Marching Bands

The Bearcats Marching Band is known for its contemporary approach to both music and drill design. It has been a fixture at UC home football games and selected UC road contests for the past 84 years. Over 200 students are involved in the band as instrumentalists or as members of the Bearcats Guard, Twirlers and Drum Majors.

The Bearcats' varsity Band, a smaller pep-band unit, performs at all Cincinnati home basketball games and other selected events, providing the spark for the crowd in Fifth Third Arena.

Dr. Terren L. Frenz, who has compiled 43 years of success in music education and performance, is director of the bands. Nationally known as a conductor, lecturer, and marching drill writer, Frenz has directed previous bands or drum and bugle corps to five national championships.

## Lucy the Binturong

In April 2008, the University of Cincinnati and the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens brought the Bearcat back to Cincinnati. The baby binturong was born January 17, 2008. In a public naming contest held by the Cincinnati Zoo, the young Bearcat was named Lucy.

Alice, the former Zoo bearcat, cheered for the University of Cincinnati from the mid-'80s to late '90s. Alice lived at the Cincinnati Zoo and was a regular attraction at UC's home football and basketball games for nearly 13 years. In her time at the Cincinnati Zoo, Alice was somewhat of a star herself. She met a number of celebrities including David Letterman, Johnny Carson, Prince Charles, and Newt Gingrich.





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# academic SERVICES

The Cincinnati men's basketball team works as hard off the court in the classroom as they do on the court preparing for each game. To accomplish that, the student-athletes have to have all the tools and the University of Cincinnati provides that with state-of-the art study lounges, computer labs, and a personal academic advisor.

The men's basketball program's academic advisor Sara Piepho and the Academic Services Office works with coaches, faculty, and administrators to help make the student-athlete's academic and athletic experience as enriching and rewarding as possible. In a one-on-one setting, Piepho helps the student-athletes stay abreast of the eligibility requirements of their particular colleges, assists with the coordination of class schedules, and monitors their progress in their respective programs and toward graduation.

Piepho meets weekly with all first-year basketball players to better monitor their academic progress and assist with adjustment to college. Tutoring and educational assistance are also readily accessible.





UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI  
DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS  
Nancy Hamant Academic Center



## SERVICES PROVIDED FOR STUDENT-ATHLETES

**Academic Advising:** The UC Academic Services staff provides information regarding policies, procedures, course selection, selection of major and minor areas of study as well as NCAA and university guidelines for adequate academic progress.

**Priority Registration:** Student-athletes meet with an advisor in their college in order to obtain a check sheet and a graduation plan. The student-athlete then meets with an athletic academic advisor during priority registration in order to register for the quarter. Priority registration allows student-athletes to register for classes around practice and competition schedules.

**Counseling:** Individual work is done with student-athletes with specific concerns such as decision-making, adjustment to college, communications, relationships, test-anxiety and necessary study skills. Appropriate referrals are made to other campus resources.

**Monitoring Academic Progress:** Progress reports are used to gather classroom performance information from professors. This information is shared with the student-athlete and his/her coach so everyone can keep abreast of the current academic progress.

**Tutorials:** Services are provided for one-on-one and small group tutoring. Student-athletes may submit requests for a tutor assignment in most courses.

**Career Development and Placement:** The interests and strengths of each student-athlete are continually measured to prepare the student-athlete for a career beyond college. In addition to aiding career exploration and placement, this program provides assistance in securing summer employment opportunities and internships opportunities and post-graduate scholarships.

## NANCY HAMANT ACADEMIC CENTER

The opening of the Richard E. Lindner Center pays huge dividends for student-athletes in terms of academics as the building houses the spacious Nancy Hamant Academic Center on the entire fifth floor.

The center, named in honor of the longtime faculty athletics representative, the Hamant Academic Center gives student-athletes a variety of ways to fulfill their study needs. The large study room is furnished to accommodate a variety of study habits and features 71 computer stations, a 50-person study room, five group meeting rooms and over 14 individual tutor rooms.

# uc's CATAPULT

## CATAPULT

### CHAMPIONSHIPS ... ACADEMICS ... TOGETHER

BIG EAST Championships in every sport within the next five years, continued leadership by UC student-athletes in academics, and community engagement are the main goals of CATAPULT, an action plan for University of Cincinnati athletics unveiled by Director of Athletics Mike Thomas.

Thomas' five-year vision for UC's 18-sport intercollegiate program was launched six months into his tenure at UC. The plan focuses on three main initiatives: winning BIG EAST team championships, high-level academic achievement, and a comprehensive integration with the Greater Cincinnati Community.

"It is critically important for our student-athletes, past, present and future, along with our coaches, staff, alumni, and fans to know that we are 100 percent committed to being a championship program within the BIG EAST," said Thomas. "Setting specific goals will keep all of our stakeholders focused on where we need to go. The title of the program, CATAPULT, is truly symbolic of what our department is poised to do over the next five years, which is to leap over the rest of the BIG EAST, and go all the way to the top."

The basic components of CATAPULT are:

**CHAMPIONSHIPS:** UC will win a BIG EAST championship in every sport within the next five years. The Bearcats picked up their first BIG EAST championship in 2006 as the men's soccer team captured the regular-season title.

**ACADEMICS:** UC student-athletes will set the pace academically by continuing to lead the general student body in graduation rates and over a five-year period outperform the general student body in grade-point average. UC student-athletes are graduating at a 59 percent rate, which exceeds the 49 percent rate of school's general student body and is on par with the national student-athlete rate of 62 percent. In the most recent compilation of the grade-point averages, UC student-athletes posted an accumulated grade point average of 3.07 while the overall GPA of the UC student body was 2.969.

**TOGETHER:** UC student-athletes, coaches, and staff will respect and honor the privilege of competing as Cincinnati Bearcats. All participants recognize that UC's goals cannot be achieved without engaging the UC family and the Cincinnati community.



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# athletics HALL OF FAME

Since the inaugural class of Oscar Robertson, Jack Twyman, Ethan Allen, Eddie Coons, and Ray Nolting were introduced as charter members of the University of Cincinnati Athletics Hall of Fame in 1976, a total of 153 former UC standouts

have been inducted. In 33 years, 46 former basketball greats have been selected. Following is the complete list of inductees.

Name	Sports/Final Year	Inducted	Name	Sports/Final Year	Inducted	Name	Sports/Final Year	Inducted
Butch Alberts	Football, Baseball, 1972	1991	Paul Hogue	Basketball, 1962	1982	Thurman Owens	Football, 1950	1987
Ethan Allen	Baseball, Basketball, 1929	1976	Jim Holstein	Basketball, Football, Baseball, 1952	1980	John Pease	Football, 1926	1980
William Anderson	Football, Basketball, Tennis, 1949	1986	John Howard	Basketball, 1968	2004	John Peckskamp	Tennis, 1974	1993
Jim Ard	Basketball, 1970	1996	Miller Huggins	Baseball, 1902	1977	Dan Rains	Football, 1977	1997
L. K. "Teddy" Baehr	Football, 1916	1980	Bob Hynes	Football, Baseball, 1925	2001	Alkie Richards	Football, Basketball, Baseball, 1949	1985
Tay Baker	Basketball, 1950, Coach	1996	Sonja Jackson	Volleyball, 1987	2002	Ralph Richter	Basketball, 1950	1989
Clark Ballard	Basketball, Football, 1936	1988	Barb Jaksa	Basketball, 1983	1992	Bob Ritter	Swimming & Diving, 1981	1996
Danny Barrett	Football, 1983	2001	Albert Johnson	Football, 1971	2004	Rick Roberson	Basketball, 1969	1997
Mike Barrett	Football, 1927	1988	Jeff Johnson	Track & Field, 1984	1997	Joy Roberts Bachman	Basketball, 1983	1993
Lloyd Batts	Basketball, 1974	1993	Lewis Johnson	Track & Field, 1987	1999	Oscar Robertson	Basketball, 1960	1976
John Bedway	Football, 1942	1995	Rodney Van Johnson	Track & Field, 1985	2000	Gene Rossi	Football, 1957	1984
Bob Bell	Football, 1971	1990	Ed Jucker	Basketball, Baseball, 1940, Coach	1978	Al Rubenstein	Basketball, 1950	1995
Tom Blake	Football, 1949	1998	Charles Keating	Swimming, 1948	1979	Paulette Angilecchia	Soccer, 1996	2007
Ron Bonham	Basketball, 1964	1986	William Keating, Sr.	Swimming, 1950	1981	Becky Reuhl Amann	Swimming, 2000	2005
Carl Bouldin	Basketball, Baseball, 1960	1982	William Keating, Jr.	Swimming, 1976	1992	Gene Ruehlmann	Football, 1948	1995
Ray Bradley	Booster, 1927	1982	Jim Kelly	Football, 1951, Coach, Admin	1978	Glenn Sample	Football, Baseball, 1953, Coach	1982
Carol Brestel	Tennis, 1941	1980	Scottie Kolp	Trainer	2003	Hal Schneider	Football, Basketball, Baseball, 1946	1995
Richard Bryant	Football, Basketball, Track, 1928	1984	Ron Kostelnik	Football, 1961	1985	Jim Schnur	Track & Field, 1978	1991
Ralph Bursiek	Football, Track, 1931	1978	Howie Kurnick	Football, 1979	1996	Bill Schwarberg	Football, Baseball, 1936 Coach, Admin	1985
Ken Byers	Football, 1962	1983	Roy Lagaly	Swimming & Diving, 1948	1983	Bill Shalosky	Football, Track, 1953	1984
Dave Canary	Football, 1959	2005	Bill Lammert	Basketball, 1955	1988	Frank Shaut	Wrestling, 1964	1988
Arch Carson	Football, 1887, Admin	2000	Al Lanier	Track & Field, 1973	1988	Nick Shundich	Football, 1952	1988
Charlie Casuto	Coach, 1970	1997	Jack Lee	Football, 1961	1985	Nick Skorch	Football, 1943	1977
Boyd Chambers	Admin/Coach	1977	Jim Leo	Football, 1960	1992	George Smith	Football, 1935, Coach, Athletics Director	1978
Steve Collier	Basketball, 1978	2000	Joe Linneman	Football, Basketball, Baseball, 1923	1990	Helen Norman Smith	Admin	1979
Cheryl Cook	Basketball, 1985	1995	Michelle MacPherson	Hojnacki		Will Stargel	Football, Basketball, 1953	1979
Greg Cook	Football, 1968	1986	Bud Maynard	Swimming & Diving, 1989	2000	Roger Stephens	Football, 1948	1986
Eddie Coons	Baseball, Basketball, Football, Track, 1923	1976	Admin		1998	Ike Stewart	Football, Swimming, Basketball, Gym, Tennis, Baseball, 1914	1982
Caroline Cooper	Swimming, 1988	1999	Roger McClelland	Basketball, 1988	1998	Roy Stickney	Swimming & Diving, 1951	1998
Ted Corbitt	Track and Field, 1942	1981	Danny McCoin	Football, 1988	2003	Bob Stratton	Football, 1952	1989
Steve Cowan	Football, 1972	2001	Deb McKinney	Soccer, 1982	2001	Bill Talbert	Tennis, 1939	1979
Pat Cummings	Basketball, 1979	1990	Don McMillan	Football, 1950	1995	Reggie Taylor	Football, 1987	1997
Dick Dallmer	Basketball, 1950	1984	Bob Meier	Football, Track & Field, 1943	1992	Tom Thacker	Basketball, 1963	1981
Chase Davies	Booster, 1921	1980	Phil Meyers	Football, 1922	1977	Tony Trabert	Tennis, Basketball, 1952	1977
Ralph Davis	Basketball, 1960	1981	Frank Middendorf	Football, 1952	1992	Angie Trostel	Swimming, 1999	2006
Derrek Dickey	Basketball, 1973	1988	Charles Mileham	Athletics Director	1978	Jack Twyman	Basketball, 1955	1976
Connie Dierking	Basketball, 1958	1986	Joe Miller	Football, Basketball, 1956	1991	Bev Ventura	Basketball, 1978	1997
Larry Elsasser	Baseball, Basketball, 1965	1989	Robert Miller	Basketball, 1978	1999	Jill Webster McCambridge	Swimming & Diving, 1981	1991
Pat Evans	Swimming & Diving, 1989	1999	Joe Morrison	Football, 1959	1978	Olga Weil	Basketball, Field Hockey, Rifle, Swimming, Track, Tennis, 1925	1982
Erma Farrell	Field Hockey, Swimming, Baseball, Basketball, 1929	1983	Dottie Mueller Braun	Basketball, Swimming, Rifle, Archery, Volleyball, Bowling, 1950	1981	Bill Westerfeld	Basketball, 1949	1990
Keely Feeman	Basketball, 1986	1996	Pat Shibinski	Basketball, Field Hockey, Softball, Volleyball, 1953	1989	Phil Wheeler	Basketball, 1956	1989
Mike Gates	Football, 1983	2000	Al Nelson	Football, 1965	1987	Mike Whiting	Soccer, 1981	1990
Sid Gillman	Coach	1981	Elbie Nickel	Football, Basketball, Baseball, 1947	1982	Bob Wiesenhahn	Basketball, 1961	1987
Hap Glasser	Basketball, Softball, Tennis, Volleyball, 1943	1990	Vicki Nieman Englehart	Soccer, 1985	1998	John Wiethe	Coach	2006
Bob Goin	Athletics Director	2005	Monica Nolan	Tennis, Field Hockey, 1938	1979	George Wilson	Basketball, 1964	1983
Richard Goist	Football, 1955	1986	Ray Nolting	Football, Basketball, Track, 1936	1976	Billy Wolff	Baseball, 1966	1987
Cliff Goldmeyer	Football, 1933	1987	Linda Norwell	Basketball, 1977	1987	Tony Yates	Basketball, 1963, Coach	1985
Alex Gordon	Football, 1987	1998	Jim O'Brien	Football, 1970	1983	Kari Yli-Renko	Football, Track & Field, 1981	1993
Fred Heinrich	Football, 1921	1985	Bev Obringer	Basketball, 1989	1999	Gary Yoder	Basketball, 1977	1999
Gary Heinrich	Swimming & Diving, 1963	1989	Tom O'Malley	Football, 1949	2006	Kevin Youkilis	Baseball, 2001	2007
Geoff Hensley	Golf, 1971	1991	Brig Owens	Football, 1965	1979			
Robert Heuck	Football, 1913	1981						





# the UNIVERSITY

The University of Cincinnati traces its origins to 1819, the year in which Cincinnati College and the Medical College of Ohio were chartered. In 1870, the City of Cincinnati established the University of Cincinnati, which later absorbed the earlier institutions. In 1906, the University of Cincinnati created the first cooperative education program in the United States through its College of Engineering. For many years, the University was the second-oldest and second-largest municipal university in the country. In 1968, UC became a "municipally sponsored, state affiliated" institution, entering a transitional period culminating on July 1, 1977 when UC became one of Ohio's state universities. The University of Cincinnati is classified as a Research Extensive University by the Carnegie Commission, and is ranked as one of America's Top 25 public research universities.

## Academic Excellence

At the University of Cincinnati, excellence is a hallmark of the academic programs. *U.S. News and World Report* ranks 12 UC programs among the Top 10 in the country, while another 26 programs are listed among the Top 50 in the nation.

*Money Magazine's Elite Values in Higher Education, Kaplan's Unofficial, Unbiased Insider's Guide to the 320 Most Interesting Colleges, Octamer's College Match: A Blueprint for Choosing the Best School for You and Yahoo's Internet Life* have all ranked the University of Cincinnati's programs among the best in the nation.

Undergraduate students in any college may apply to the University Honors Scholars Program. If selected as an Honors student, the rewards for being an outstanding student include smaller classes, honors housing, special advising, and scholarships worth up to \$60,000 over four years.

UC's cornerstone scholarship program is Cincinnatus, which awards more than 1,400 scholarships totaling over \$11 million.

## Cincinnati Firsts

UC has been the source of many contributions to society, including:

- the first electric organ
- the first oral polio vaccine
- the first observations of the National Weather Service
- the first safe anti-knock gasoline
- the first antihistamine
- the first use of lasers to remove brain tumors
- the first bachelor's degree program in nursing and first emergency medicine residency program
- the first degree program offered via satellite

## Cincinnati Sports Firsts

- Cincinnati hosted one of the first night football games in the United States in 1923.
- George Smith, captain of the 1934 football team, wore a device to protect a facial injury, a fore-runner of the facemask.
- In 1961, Hank Hartong became college football's first soccer-style kicker.
- UC was the first school to make five consecutive appearances in the men's basketball Final Four, 1959-63.

## A Look at the University

- In fiscal year 2006, UC earned more than \$332 million in grants and contracts. Research funding has quadrupled in the past 20 years, and the University's National Science Foundation ranking has climbed from a placement of 76th to 45th in the nation.
- UC's annual endowment is \$1.185 billion, ranking 54th in the U.S. and 17th among public institutions.
- UC offers 98 doctoral degree programs, 170 master's degree programs, 167 bachelor's degree programs, and 139 associate degree programs.
- The Carnegie Commission has designated UC as a Research Extensive University.
- The University of Cincinnati has an economic impact of over \$2 billion annually on the state's economy.
- The University of Cincinnati is the home of cooperative education. The first co-op program in America was offered at UC in 1906, and UC's co-op program is now the second largest in the country.
- The University of Cincinnati is the Greater Cincinnati area's second-largest employer with 9,000 employees and ranks seventh in the state of Ohio.
- UC's library system contains over three million books and subscriptions to 39,787 periodicals — ranking it among the top research libraries in the country.



## Mission Statement

The University of Cincinnati is a public comprehensive system of learning and research. The excellent faculty have distinguished themselves world wide for their creative pedagogy and research especially in problem solving and the application of their discoveries. The University system is designed to serve a diverse student body with a broad range of interests and goals. It is a place of opportunity. In support of this mission, the University of Cincinnati strives to provide the highest quality learning environment, world renowned scholarship, innovation and community service, and to serve as a place where freedom of intellectual interchange flourishes.

University of Cincinnati



## Famous UC Alumni and Faculty

Cleveland Abbe	Founder of the U.S. National Weather Service
Kathleen Battle	Operatic Diva
Thomas Berger	Author ("Little Big Man," "Neighbors")
Eula Bingham	Environmental Scientist, head of OSHA
David Canary	Actor
Barbara Daniels	Soprano
Charles Dawes	U.S. Vice President, Nobel Peace Prize
Suzanne Farrell	Ballet Director
Heather Renee French	Miss America, 2000
Marilyn Gaston	U.S. Assistant Surgeon General
Michael Graves	Architect
Kirsten Haglund	Miss America, 2008
Mark Oswald	Baritone
Michelle Pawk	Broadway Star
Faith Prince	Tony Award Winner
Lee Roy Reams	Broadway Star
Albert Sabin	Developer of Polio Vaccine
Joseph B. Strauss	Designer of Golden Gate Bridge
William Howard Taft	President, Supreme Court Chief Justice
Doris Twitchell	Founder of Children's Int. Summer Village
Jonathan Valin	Author ("The Lime Pit," "Final Notice")
Tom Wesselman	Artist

## Sports Greats

Ted Corbitt	Olympic Marathoner
Miller Huggins	Yankees Manager, Baseball Hall of Fame
Sandy Koufax	Los Angeles Dodgers, Baseball Hall of Fame
David Payne	Track and Field Olympic Silver Medalist
Oscar Robertson	Basketball Hall of Fame
Becky Ruehl	Olympic Diver
Jack Twyman	Basketball Hall of Fame
Mary Wineberg	Track and Field Olympic Gold Medalist



William Howard Taft



Charles Dawes



Albert Sabin



## University of Cincinnati National Rankings

### National Science Foundation

Research and Development Rank: 45th

### Association of University Technology Managers

Income on Patents and Licenses: 28th in U.S., 1st in Ohio

### U.S. News and World Report

College of Law: 52nd  
Cooperative Education: 4th  
College of Pharmacy: 32nd  
College of Medicine: 40th  
College of Nursing: 48th  
Opera/Voice: 3rd  
Musical Conducting: 5th  
Music: 6th  
Music Composition: 9th  
Orchestra/Symphony: 9th  
Drama: 37th  
Creative Writing: 46th  
Paleontology: 7th  
Environmental Engineering: 20th  
Aerospace Engineering: 31st  
Industrial Engineering: 37th  
Civil Engineering: 48th

Criminal Justice: 3rd

Pediatrics: 4th

Otolaryngology: 18th

AIDS Center: 26th

Neurology: 28th

Geriatrics: 29th

Pulmonary Disease: 32nd

Cancer Center: 33rd

Rheumatology: 35th

Endocrinology: 39th

Speech and Language Pathology: 39th

Cardiology: 43rd

Audiology: 44th

### Design Intelligence

For nine straight years, professionals across the nation have ranked UC's interior design program as the nation's best. UC's undergraduate architecture program is ranked No. 2 in the United States



# all-american CITY

The City of Cincinnati provides the perfect complement to the UC educational experience.

Cincinnati and the surrounding area provides recreational and leisure time activities to meet about every interest — from rock climbing, canoeing and camping for outdoor enthusiasts to theatre and arts for the culturally inclined.

Cincinnati is truly a major league city. Fans flock to the waterfront to attend games and events at a pair of new venues — the Bengals' Paul Brown Stadium, opened in 2001, and the Reds' Great American Ballpark, opened in 2003.

The variety of museums and galleries, fine dining, festivals and events, attractions and sports, parks, recreation facilities, and shopping are the reasons millions visit the Queen City year after year.

Kings Island theme park and the world-renowned Cincinnati Zoo are just two major attractions that are on the list of "must see" items on any trip to Greater Cincinnati.

Numerous concert facilities attract big-name entertainers and acts to the Cincinnati area. The Ohio River offers a variety of scenic views and entertainment options.

Five-star dining, revolving circular restaurants, and riverboat dining are just a few of the succulent options that Cincinnati offers. Its visitors find themselves coming back for classic "Cincinnati-style" chili, tasty barbecue ribs, and local homemade ice cream.

Annual surveys of the area's quality of life resulted in Cincinnati being listed as the most livable city in North America.

Cincinnati and the tri-state area are the corporate headquarters of 10 Fortune 500 companies. Major corporations, such as Proctor and Gamble, Chiquita Brands, and Kroger, make Cincinnati their home while carrying the city's trademark to worldwide marketplaces.

The corporate community has strong ties to UC and provide a wealth of employment opportunities.

Cincinnati is one of America's truly spectacular cities. Its character provides a prime place to enjoy all the best in life. It is a great place to visit, an even better place to live and learn.





## Cincinnati at a Glance

**City Population:** 332,252   **Metropolitan Area Population:** 2.1 million   **U.S. CMSA Rank:** 24th

**Television Market:** 32nd

**Fortune 500 Company Headquarters:** 10

**Corporate Headquarters:** More than 1,000

- Cincinnati is ranked in the Top 10 by *Fortune Magazine* as a great place to live and work due to its variety of cultural, recreational, entertainment and sports activities, its excellent and affordable housing and its low crime rate.

- *Esquire Magazine* ranked Cincinnati No. 7 on its list of "Cities that Rock."

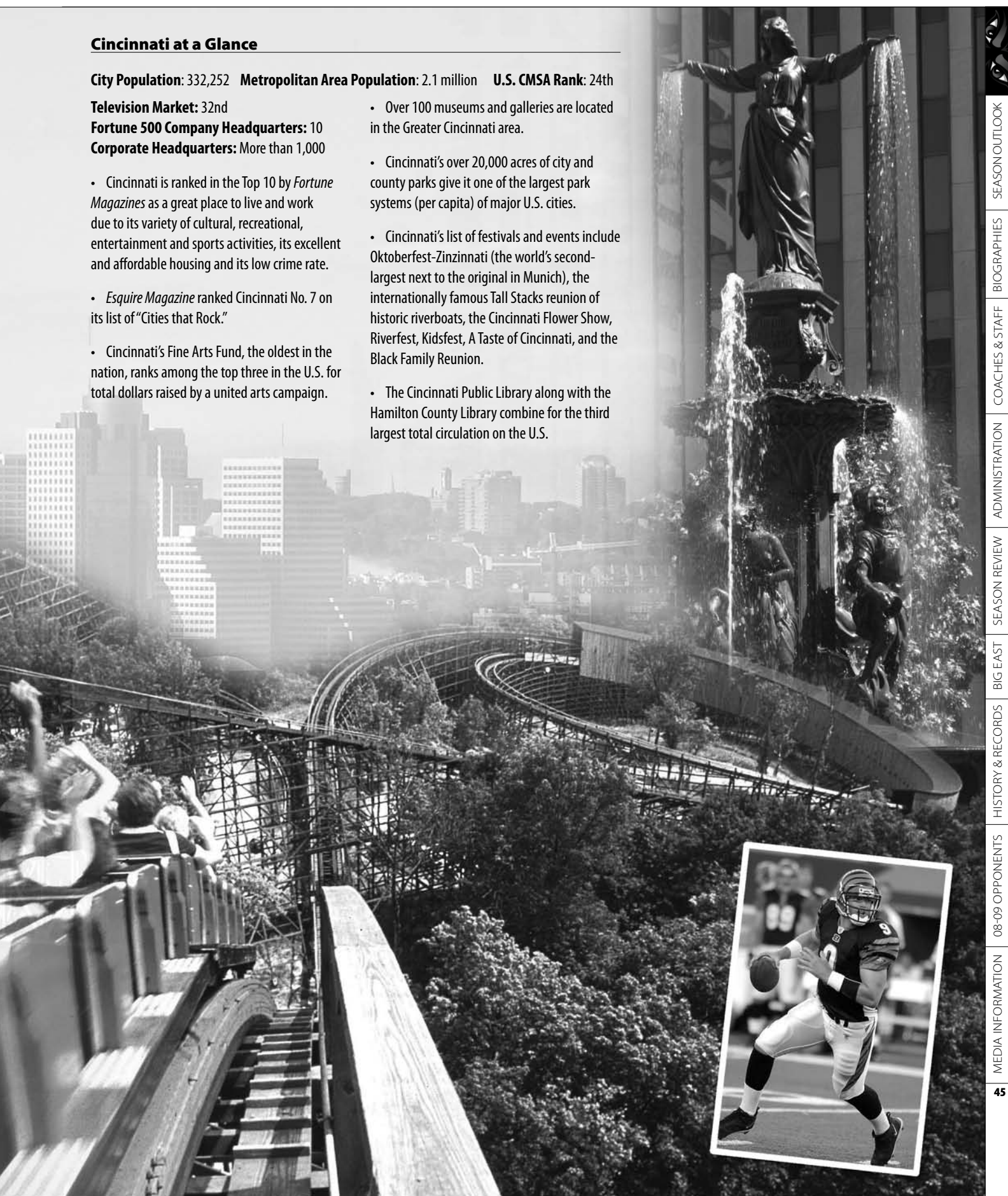
- Cincinnati's Fine Arts Fund, the oldest in the nation, ranks among the top three in the U.S. for total dollars raised by a united arts campaign.

- Over 100 museums and galleries are located in the Greater Cincinnati area.

- Cincinnati's over 20,000 acres of city and county parks give it one of the largest park systems (per capita) of major U.S. cities.

- Cincinnati's list of festivals and events include Oktoberfest-Zinzinnati (the world's second-largest next to the original in Munich), the internationally famous Tall Stacks reunion of historic riverboats, the Cincinnati Flower Show, Riverfest, Kidsfest, A Taste of Cincinnati, and the Black Family Reunion.

- The Cincinnati Public Library along with the Hamilton County Library combine for the third largest total circulation on the U.S.





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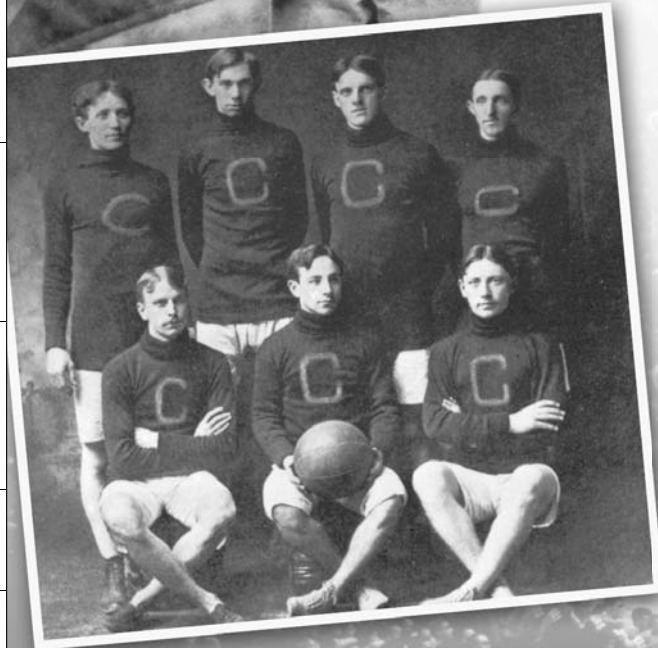
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The University of Cincinnati stands among the nation's elite in college basketball.

Six Final Four appearances, and back-to-back national championships, are accomplishments only a handful of programs can boast.

In fact, UC is one of the winningest teams in NCAA Tournament history. The Bearcats have compiled a 40-23 record in NCAA play for a .635 percentage.

Cincinnati's 1,554-906 record (.630), compiled over 107 seasons, places the school among the top 30 winningest programs. Since post-World

War II, the beginning of modern day college basketball, UC has a 1,174-552 ledger (.680), an average of 19 wins per year. The Bearcats have advanced to postseason play 33 times and have been conference champions in 30 seasons.

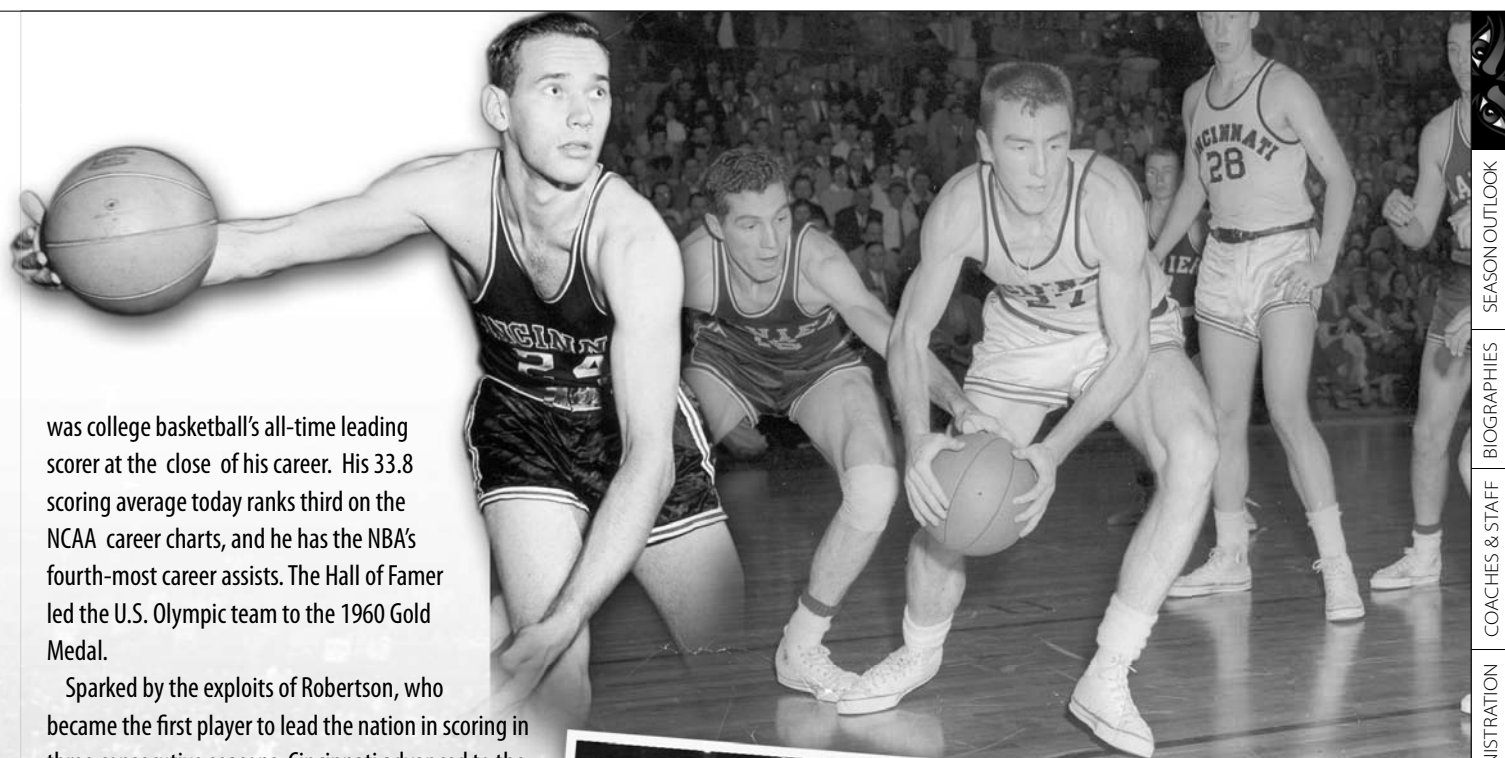
The Bearcats' excellence is not portrayed in numbers alone. UC is the alma mater of several of college basketball's greats — 29 Bearcats have earned all-America honors, two went on to become Olympic Gold Medalists, and two are enshrined in the National Basketball Hall of Fame.

One of the first of Cincinnati's long list of standouts was Jack Twyman, who earned all-America status in 1954-55. He went on to NBA stardom and is in the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Oscar Robertson is still widely-recognized as one of the greatest to ever play the sport — college or professional. A unanimous three-time all-American, he

## BEARCAT BASKETBALL TIMELINE

- » **1900-01** » After several unsuccessful attempts to organize the sport, basketball became an established part of Cincinnati's intercollegiate program with the hiring of its first head coach, Henry S. Pratt. No games were played that year.
- » **1901-02** » Basketball formally debuted as a selected varsity team playing nine games. Cincinnati lost to Yale but defeated a team from the University of Kentucky while compiling a 5-4 record, the remaining games against non-collegiate teams. Home games were played in a gym in the basement of McMicken Hall. Pillars on the court gave UC a home court advantage.
- » **1907-08** » Cincinnati completed the season with an unblemished 9-0 record, claiming the mythical Ohio Collegiate Championship.
- » **1910-11** » Cincinnati joined the Ohio Athletic Conference, an alliance of Ohio colleges.
- » **1911-12** » Schmidlapp Gym was opened as UC's new home court.
- » **1918-19** » Boyd Chambers began his 10-season coaching tenure.
- » **1925-26** » Cincinnati and five other Ohio schools bolted the Ohio Athletic Conference to form the Buckeye Athletic Association, also known as the Buckeye Conference. The Bearcats compiled a 17-2 record to capture the first Buckeye cage title.
- » **1927-28** » Cincinnati garnered its second Buckeye Conference crown. At the close of the season, UC played Xavier in a game to dedicate the latter's new gym, a modest beginning for what later developed into a heated crosstown rivalry. Boyd Chambers stepped down as head coach to become Cincinnati's first full-time athletic director at season's end, capping a 10-year career during which he compiled a 106-81 record.
- » **1928-29** » Frank Rice debuted as Cincinnati's new head coach and promptly directed UC to the first of two straight Buckeye championships.
- » **1931-32** » Chester Smith became the first African-American to play basketball at Cincinnati. After serving as a reserve, he was a regular on the front line for the 1932-33 and 1933-34 seasons.
- » **1942-43** » Cincinnati appeared in two doubleheaders at Xavier's Schmidt Fieldhouse. UC and Xavier played each other for the first time since 1927-28.



was college basketball's all-time leading scorer at the close of his career. His 33.8 scoring average today ranks third on the NCAA career charts, and he has the NBA's fourth-most career assists. The Hall of Famer led the U.S. Olympic team to the 1960 Gold Medal.

Sparked by the exploits of Robertson, who became the first player to lead the nation in scoring in three consecutive seasons, Cincinnati advanced to the Final Four in 1958-59 and 1959-60, settling for third place both years.

With a rookie head coach and without Robertson, the Bearcats won their first national title in 1960-61. Then to prove that its 1961 championship was no fluke, UC repeated as champion in 1961-62.

Cincinnati made a then-unprecedented fifth-straight trip to the Final Four in 1962-63, and

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- » **1946-47** » Fiery John Wiethe was hired as UC's 17th head coach. Cincinnati, without a conference since the disbanding of the Buckeye Athletic Association in the mid-1930's, joined the Mid-American Conference and claimed the league's cage crown in that initial season. The Bearcats played half of their home games in a basketball arena constructed at Music Hall. Dick Dallmer became Cincinnati's first all-American.
- » **1948-49** » The Bearcats won their third straight Mid-American Conference title. A 23-8 season was capped by a championship in the first Cincinnati Invitational, played in the city's newest sports arena, Cincinnati Gardens. Bill Westerfeld became UC's first 1,000-point scorer, capping his career with 1,092 points.
- » **1949-50** » Cincinnati posted a 20-6 ledger en route to a fourth straight MAC crown and another Cincinnati Invitational trophy. Dick Dallmer and Jim Holstein each topped the 1,000-point plateau in career scoring, Dallmer closed his career as the school's all-time scoring leader with 1,098 points. Cincinnati Gardens became the Bearcats' playing home.
- » **1950-51** » Sophomore Larry Imburgia scored a school-record 40 points in his first game as a Bearcat. After claiming its fifth straight Mid-American Conference title, Cincinnati made its first venture into postseason play with selection to the National Invitation Tournament. UC lost in double overtime to St. Bonaventure in the tourney opener.
- » **1952-53** » George Smith succeeded John Wiethe, who was 106-47 in six seasons, as head coach. Cincinnati departed the Mid-American Conference and began national scheduling, appearing in the prestigious Holiday Festival in New York. Jack Twyman made his debut as a Bearcat.
- » **1954-55** » Cincinnati opened its new on-campus arena, Armory Fieldhouse, with a 97-65 win over Indiana in the mid-December dedication game. Jack Twyman scored a UC season record 712 points, highlighted by a 49-point outing vs. Western Kentucky. He closed his career owning all of the Bearcat scoring records, including the career mark with 1,598 points, earning second-team all-America honors. Frank Nimmo took the spotlight in the Bearcats' venture in the NIT, earning a berth on the all-tournament team. Cincinnati closed the season with a 21-8 record.

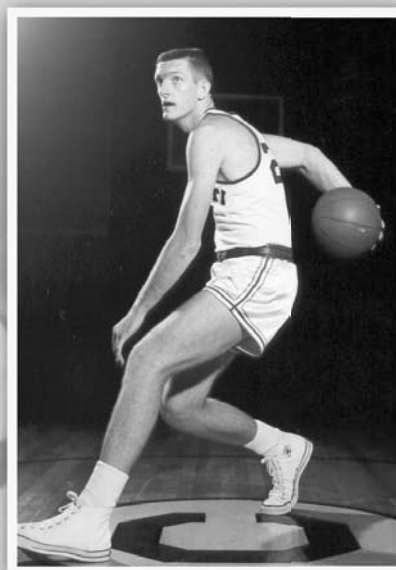
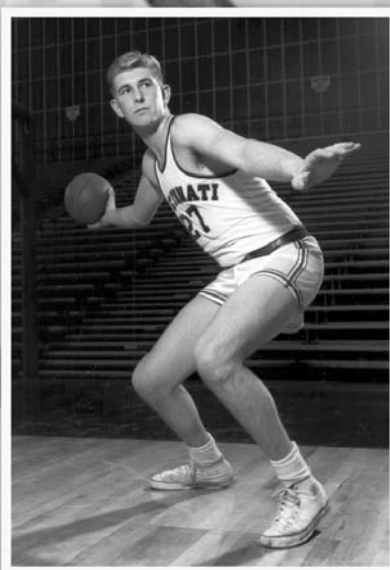
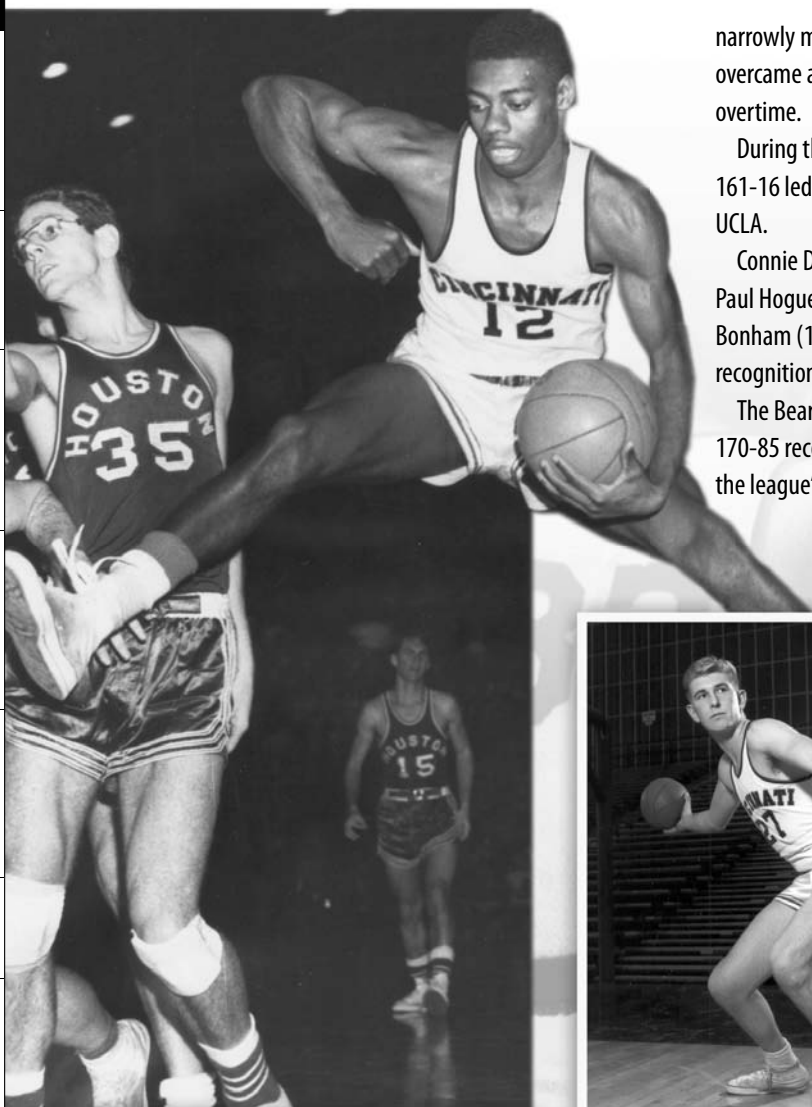
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narrowly missed capturing a third-straight national crown when Loyola (Ill.) overcame a 15-point deficit and defeated the Bearcats by a basket, 60-58, in overtime.

During those five seasons, UC recorded a 37-game win streak and posted a 161-16 ledger. The five straight Final Four appearances is a feat topped only by UCLA.

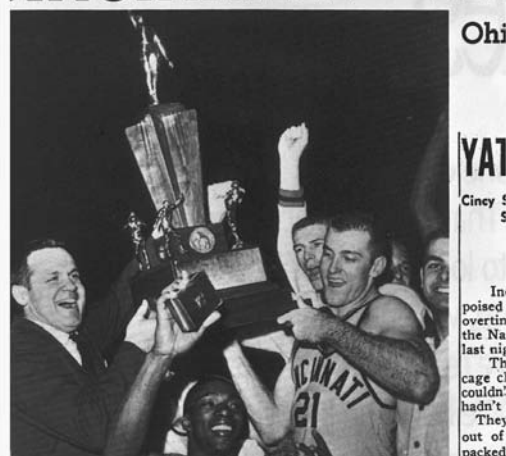
Connie Dierking (1958), Ralph Davis (1960), Bob Wiesenhahn (1961), Paul Hogue (1961, 1962), Tom Thacker (1963), Tony Yates (1963), Ron Bonham (1963, 1964), and George Wilson (1963) were accorded all-American recognition with Wilson playing on the U.S. 1964 Olympic gold medal team.

The Bearcats success continued in the 1970's, during which UC compiled a 170-85 record (.667). Cincinnati inaugurated the Metro Conference by winning the league's first two tournament championships and made four postseason



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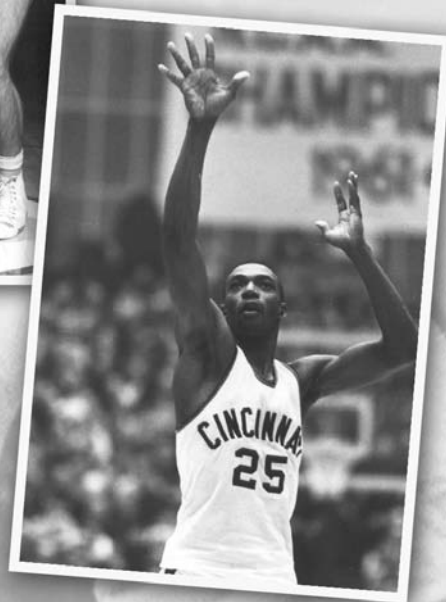
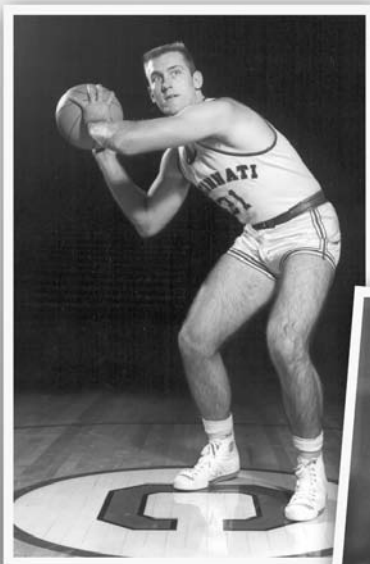
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- » **1957-58** » Oscar Robertson made his debut, and quickly emerged as one of the top college players in the country. He scored over 50 points in three different games and was the nation's leading scorer with a school season-record 984 points. The Bearcats celebrated their entry into the Missouri Valley Conference by winning the league title. Cincinnati made its first NCAA tournament appearance, losing to Kansas State in overtime at the Midwest Regional.
- » **1958-59** » Buoyed by the offense of Oscar Robertson—the junior repeated as national scoring champ—Cincinnati compiled a 26-4 ledger and a second straight Missouri Valley crown. UC breezed through the Midwest Regional to make its first appearance in the NCAA Final Four. The Bearcats lost to eventual champion California, but rebounded with a win over Louisville in the consolation game for a third-place finish.
- » **1959-60** » Oscar Robertson scored a school-record 62 points in an early-February game vs. North Texas State and in the process became the NCAA's all-time leading career scorer. Robertson claimed national player of the year honors for the third straight year while Cincinnati won its third straight Missouri Valley title. The Bearcats made their second trip to the Final Four. California again turned back UC's title hopes as UC finished third. George Smith stepped down as head coach to become athletic director, capping a career in which he posted a 154-56 record in eight years.
- » **1960-61** » Largely an unknown team, without Robertson, and with a new head coach, Ed Jucker, in command, Cincinnati stumbled to a 5-3 start. The Bearcats then won their next 22 contests, garnering a league title, a then-unprecedented third straight trip to the Final Four, and a national championship. In the first-ever championship game matchup of two teams from the same state, UC defeated Ohio State in overtime, 70-65.

appearances. Jim Ard (1970), Lloyd Batts (1973), Steve Collier (1976), Gary Yoder (1977), Bob Miller (1978), and Pat Cummings (1979) earned all-America recognition.

Cummings closed his illustrious career as UC's No. 2 leading scorer of all-time. The 1980's saw Roger McClendon, capitalizing on the new 3-point field goal rule, take over as the No. 2 career scorer.

While UC made only one postseason appearance, groundwork was laid which would make Cincinnati a dominant team in the 1990's.



- » **1961-62** » Cincinnati fashioned a 28-2 record, but the Bearcats had to defeat Bradley in a league playoff game to defend their national title. UC won the Midwest Regional to earn its fourth straight trip to the Final Four. After edging UCLA, 72-70, in the semifinals, Cincinnati became a repeat champion with a 71-59 win over Ohio State. Paul Hogue was the tournament's Most Outstanding Player.
- » **1962-63** » UC breezed to its fifth straight Missouri Valley Conference crown and, after winning the Midwest Regional, a fifth straight trip to the Final Four. An 80-46 win over Oregon in the semifinals put the Bearcats in position to win a then-unprecedented third straight national title. Cincinnati held a 15-point lead over Loyola (Ill.) in the second half of the championship game, only to have the Ramblers come back to win, 60-58, in overtime. Cincinnati led the nation in defense.
- » **1963-64** » One of the longest home winning streaks in college basketball history was snapped when Kansas defeated Cincinnati in Armory Fieldhouse in early December. During the streak, UC won 72 straight games in Armory Fieldhouse plus 18 in Cincinnati Gardens for a home win streak of 90 games.
- » **1964-65** » Ed Jucker announced his retirement as head coach in February, and the Bearcats won their final three games to send their mentor out with a winning record. Jucker's six-season ledger of 113-28 gave him the school's best winning percentage (.801).
- » **1965-66** » Tay Baker succeeded Ed Jucker as head coach and directed Cincinnati to a 21-7 campaign, a Missouri Valley Conference title and an NCAA tourney berth. The Bearcats were defeated by Texas-El Paso, the eventual tourney champion, in the Midwest Regional.



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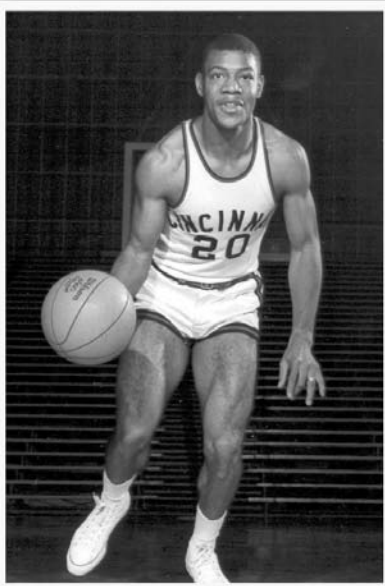
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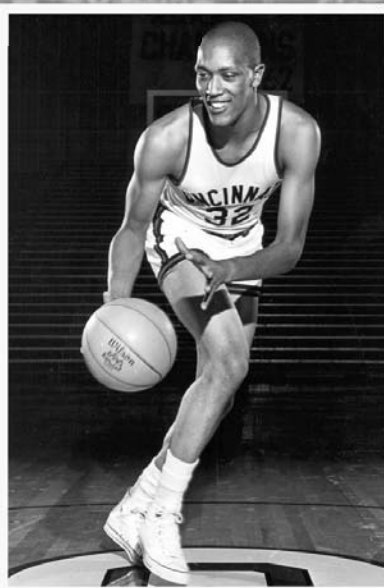
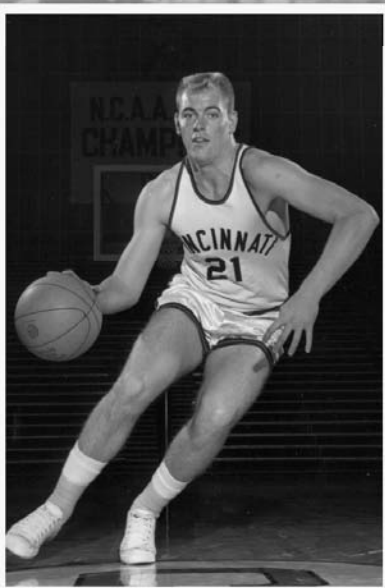
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- » **1969-70** » Cincinnati compiled a 21-6 record and was selected to the NIT. Jim Ard earned all-America honors.
- » **1972-73** » Gale Catlett succeeded Tay Baker as head coach. Lloyd Batts was a first-team all-America pick.
- » **1973-74** » Cincinnati, which finished with a 19-8 record, advanced to the NIT.
- » **1974-75** » Buoyed by the recruitment of five high school all-Americans, the Bearcats compiled a 23-6 record to return to the NCAA Tournament.
- » **1975-76** » Cincinnati joined six other schools in forming the Metro Conference, then won the league's initial tournament. The title advanced the Bearcats to their second straight NCAA tourney appearance.
- » **1976-77** » Riverfront Coliseum became the new home of the Bearcats, and UC celebrated by winning its first 23 games in the new arena. Cincinnati posted a 25-5 ledger and won its second straight Metro tourney crown to advance to the NCAA Midwest Regional. The Bearcats lost to Marquette, which went on to win the national title.



- » **1979-80** » Eddie Lee broke a 20-year old Oscar Robertson UC record by dishing out 15 assists in a win over Seton Hall at Madison Square Garden. Pat Cummings concluded his career with 1,762 points, second only to Robertson.
- » **1980-81** » The Bearcats rebounded from a 3-5 start to post a 16-13 ledger. After finishing third in the Metro regular season race, UC advanced to the championship game of the conference tournament, where the Bearcats finished on the short end of a 42-31 slowdown contest with Louisville.
- » **1981-82** » Cincinnati and Bradley battled for seven overtimes, an NCAA record, before the Bearcats prevailed, 75-73, in the longest NCAA Division I basketball game ever.
- » **1983-84** » Tony Yates, who had been part of Cincinnati's NCAA championship success as a player, returned as head coach.
- » **1984-85** » Cincinnati, 3-25 the season before, posted a 17-14 ledger. Tony Wilson fired in a 54-foot shot at the buzzer to defeat UAB, 69-67, in early December, one of five games won with a basket in the final minute. UC advanced to the second round of the NIT.
- » **1985-86** » Roger McClendon scored 35 points, the most by a Bearcat in seven years, to spark an 84-82 win over Louisville.
- » **1986-87** » Joe Stiffend's 15-foot jumper at the buzzer boosted UC to a 75-73 win over crosstown rival Xavier.
- » **1987-88** » With the completion of its new on-campus arena two years away, Cincinnati moved its home games from Riverfront Coliseum to Cincinnati Gardens. Roger McClendon, benefiting from college basketball's adoption of the 3-point field goal a year earlier, finished his career as the No. 2 Bearcat career scorer with 1,789 points.
- » **1989-90** » Bob Huggins debuted as head coach. Huggins directed a team, whose fifth starter was a walk-on from the football team, to a 20-14 ledger and the NIT. That football player, Steve Sanders, sank a 3-pointer at the buzzer to lift UC to a 66-64 win over nationally ranked Minnesota in the inaugural game in the new Shoemaker Center. Cincinnati advanced to the second round of the NIT, losing to DePaul on a buzzer-beater.
- » **1990-91** » Cincinnati had a 15-7 record in mid-February, but injuries contributed to a 2-5 ledger in the final three weeks of the season and the Bearcats settled for a return trip to the NIT.



- » **1991-92** » The Bearcats opened play in the Great Midwest Conference and marked their debut in this new league by sharing the regular season title and winning the tournament crown. Cincinnati made its first appearance in two decades in the Top 20 rankings. The Bearcats were seeded fourth in the Midwest Regional. UC defeated its four regional foes by an average margin of 20.8 points to make its sixth appearance in the Final Four. Michigan edged UC, 76-72, in the semifinal.
- » **1992-93** » Cincinnati picked up where it left off, winning 17 of its first 18 games to earn a No. 4 national ranking. UC claimed the Great Midwest regular season outright, then won its second straight league tournament. The Bearcats were seeded No. 3 in the East Regional. UC handily won its first three NCAA tourney contests by an average margin of 27 points. An overtime loss to eventual NCAA champ North Carolina prevented UC from making a second straight trip to the Final Four. Nick Van Exel earned third-team all-America honors.

# winning **TRADITION** returns

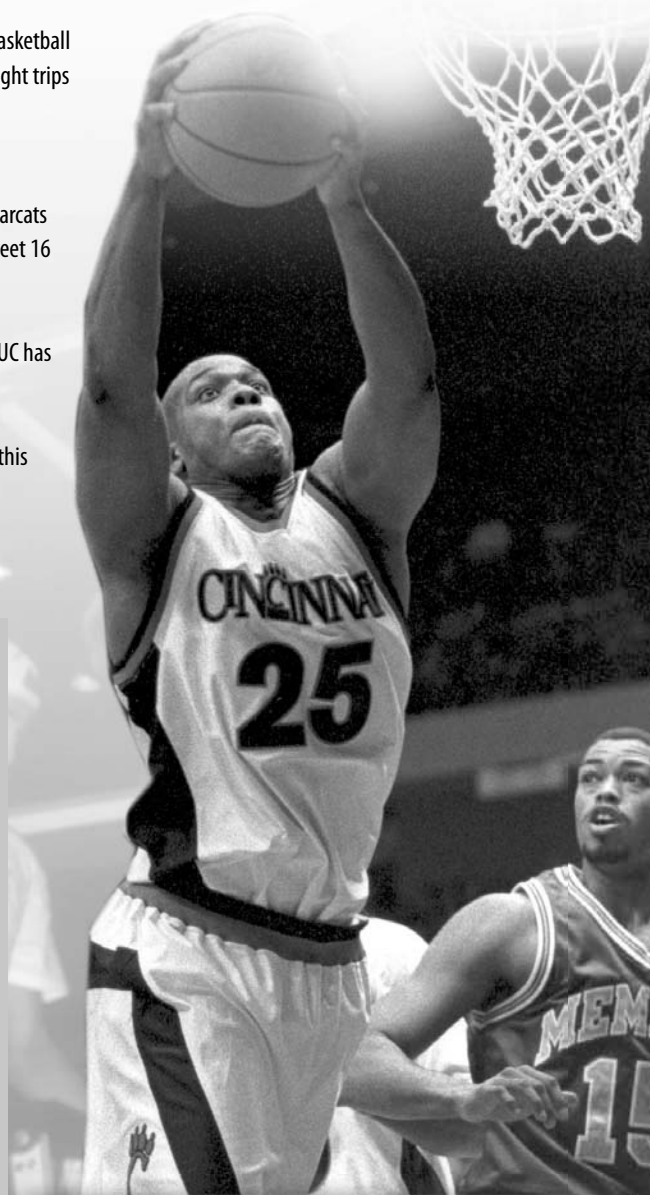
The last 19 seasons has been one of the brightest periods in the University of Cincinnati's rich basketball history. In fact, only the late 1950's and early 1960's, during which the Bearcats made five straight trips to the Final Four and won back-to-back national championships, shines brighter.

Bob Huggins, who was named head coach in 1989, rekindled those national championship expectations in only his third season at the helm when he directed UC to the Final Four. The Bearcats have advanced to the Elite Eight of the NCAA tournament three times and have reached the Sweet 16 four times.

Cincinnati has won its conference season and/or tournament title in 12 of the last 16 seasons. UC has claimed eight league tournament titles and 10 regular-season crowns during this span.

The Bearcats have finished in the Top 10 of the final polls in seven of the past 14 years. During this time, Cincinnati has ranked among the nation's winningest programs both in terms of winning percentage and victories.

- » **1993-94** » After finishing fourth in the regular season race, Cincinnati won its third straight Great Midwest tournament and advanced to the West Regional, where UC suffered a first-round loss. Dontonio Wingfield, who earned freshman all-America honors, declared himself eligible for the NBA draft that spring.
- » **1994-95** » UC closed out the Great Midwest Conference with a fourth straight tournament championship. LaZelle Durden fired in the game-winning shot with 1.2 seconds to play in the championship game win over Saint Louis. Durden had scored 45 points, the most by a Bearcat in 34 years, in a mid-December win over Wyoming, clinching the 81-80 victory with three free throws after time expired. UC made its second straight trip to the West Regional, advancing to the second round.
- » **1995-96** » The Bearcats captured both the regular season and tournament titles in the debut season of Conference USA. Seeded No. 2 in the Southeast Regional, Cincinnati made its third appearance in the NCAA tourney Elite Eight in the past five years. Danny Fortson, who garnered C-USA Most Outstanding Player honors and was tournament MVP, was a first-team all-America selection by *Basketball Weekly* and *College Sports*, and earned second-team all-America honors by five other polls. UC finished ranked No. 7 by AP and No. 6 by USA Today/CNN.
- » **1996-97** » The Bearcats began the season as the consensus No. 1-ranked team and junior Danny Fortson was a consensus preseason all-American. UC rolled to a 26-8 season, capturing the Conference USA regular season title, and made its sixth straight NCAA appearance. Fortson, who elected to turn pro following the season, finished as the school's No. 2 scorer (1,881 points) and first consensus first-team all-American in 34 years.
- » **1997-98** » With but one returning starter the Bearcats posted a 27-6 record, claimed both the C-USA regular season and tournament titles, and garnered a No. 2 seed in the NCAA tournament. Kenyon Martin recorded UC's first triple-double in 31 years with 24 points, 23 rebounds and 10 blocks in a late-February win over DePaul. Martin was MVP of the C-USA tournament, Ruben Patterson was named third-team all-American, while Cincinnati posted its third straight Top-10 poll finish.
- » **1998-99** » Cincinnati won its first 15 games, including an upset of No. 1-ranked Duke, en route to a fourth straight C-USA regular season crown. The Bearcats earned a No. 3 seed in the NCAA East Regional. Melvin Levett and Kenyon Martin earned honorable mention all-America recognition.
- » **1999-00** » Cincinnati was the nation's top team and Kenyon Martin was college basketball's top player. UC was ranked No. 1 in the national polls for 12 of 18 weeks and Martin made a clean sweep of the national player of the year awards (Naismith, Wooden, Rupp, Robertson, NABC). The Bearcats tied a school record for victories with a 29-4 record and won their fifth straight Conference USA regular season title. UC seemed poised for a run for the national title until Martin suffered a broken leg in the Conference USA Tournament. Martin was a unanimous first-team all-American with Pete Mickeal earning honorable mention honors.
- » **2000-01** » With but one returning starter, Cincinnati got off to a 12-6 start and a meager 3-3 ledger in Conference USA play. The Bearcats won nine of their final 11 regular season games to claim their sixth straight C-USA season crown. After finishing runner-up in the C-USA tournament, UC was seeded No. 5 in the West Regional and parlayed that position to advance to the Sweet 16. Steve Logan, who hiked his scoring output by 50 percent during the Bearcats' final 21 games, was named C-USA Player of the Year.



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Seventeen Bearcats have garnered first-team all-conference honors during this era with three of those, Danny Fortson, Kenyon Martin and Steve Logan, picking up a total of four C-USA Most Outstanding Player Awards.

Fortson, Nick Van Exel, Ruben Patterson, Bobby Brannen, Melvin Levett, Logan, Martin, and Pete Miceal have joined Cincinnati's list of all-Americans. Fortson was a consensus first-team all-American in 1996-97 after receiving second-team recognition in 1995-96. Martin was college basketball's top player of the 1999-2000 season, making a clean sweep of the national Player of the Year awards. Logan was a consensus all-American in 2001-02 and a finalist for every national Player of the Year award.

As further evidence of Cincinnati's excellence, 13 Bearcats have been selected in the NBA draft, three of whom were Top 10 picks. The headliner of this list is Martin who was the No. 1 pick of the entire 2000 draft by the New Jersey Nets. DerMarr Johnson was the No. 6 pick of the 2000 draft by the Atlanta Hawks.

## BEARCATS SINCE 1990

Won 444, Lost 178 (.714)

17 postseason tourney appearances

14 NCAA Tournament appearances

NCAA Final Four in 1992

NCAA Elite Eight in 1992, 1993 and 1996

Eight conference tournament championships

Ten conference regular-season titles

Seven Top-10 Final Poll Rankings

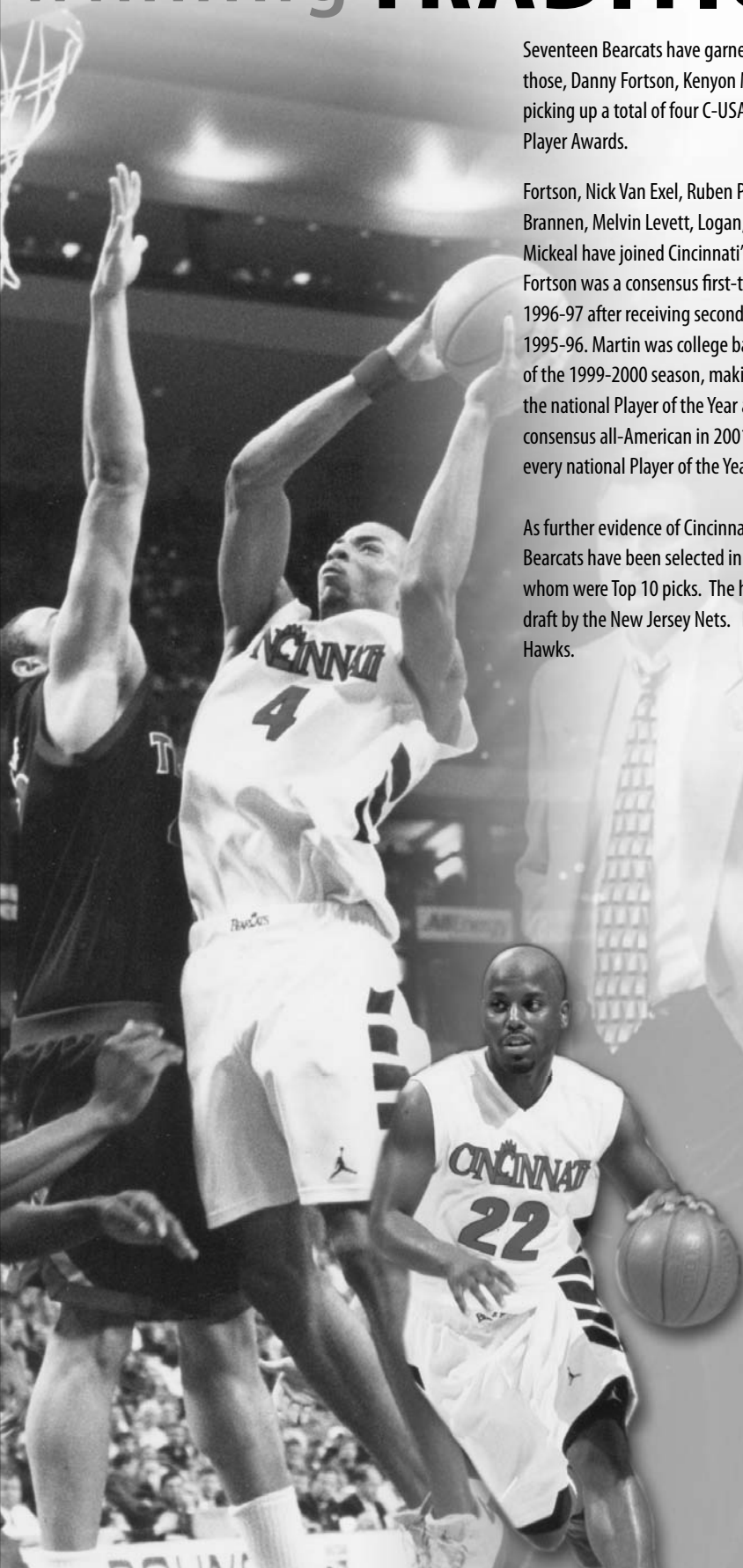
One Consensus National Player of the Year

11 all-America Selections

Three freshman all-America selections

17 first team all-conference selections and five league Player of the Year picks.

- » **2001-02** » Unranked in the major polls at the start of the season, the Bearcats posted a 31-4 record — setting a new standard for victories — won a seventh consecutive Conference USA regular season championship, captured the C-USA tournament crown and earned their first-ever No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament. Steve Logan earned his second straight Conference USA Player of the Year award, was a consensus all-American and a finalist for every national player of the year honor.
- » **2002-03** » Though the Bearcats had but one returning starter, they nonetheless were in contention for an eighth straight C-USA title and made a 12th consecutive appearance in the NCAA Tournament. And though Bob Huggins suffered a major heart attack in late September, the coach was with the team for its first practice two weeks later and continued to direct UC with his intensity.
- » **2003-04** » Cincinnati returned to the Top 25, raising as high as No. 5 in the weekly polls en route to a 25-7 campaign. The Bearcats finished in a five-way tie for the Conference USA regular season title, then swept up the league's tournament crown and made its 13th straight NCAA Tournament appearance
- » **2004-05** » The Bearcats finished second in their final season in Conference USA, but made their 14th straight appearance in the NCAA Tournament, the third-longest active streak in the nation. UC also finished in the Top 25 in the final polls. Jason Maxiell, who concluded his career as the No. 11 all-time UC scorer and No. 2 in blocked shots, was drafted in the first round of the NBA Draft by the Detroit Pistons.
- » **2005-06** » In UC's first season in the BIG EAST, interim head coach Andy Kennedy guided the Bearcats to a 21-13 record and reached the NIT quarterfinals, despite finishing the season with just seven scholarship players. Eric Hicks broke Kenyon Martin's single-season blocks record and James White was drafted in the second round by the Portland Trailblazers.
- » **2006-07** » Mick Cronin, a UC graduate and former assistant coach, takes over as the 26th head coach in Bearcats basketball history.
- » **2007-08** » Sophomore guard Deonta Vaughn earned first-team all-BIG EAST honors, scoring 17.3 points per game and leading the Bearcats to their first postseason appearance under Mick Cronin, playing in the inaugural College Basketball Invitational.



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