



NEW MEXICO CROSS COUNTRY

2015 NCAA Women's Team Champions

9 Straight Women's Mountain West Titles • 6 Men's Mountain West Titles since 2009

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2017 SCHEDULE

DATE	EVENT	PLACE/RESULTS
9/2	Lobo Invitational	W: 1st M: 1st
9/29	Notre Dame Invitational	W: 2nd M: 10th
10/13	Wisconsin Invitational	Madison, Wis.
10/27	Mountain West Championships	Albuquerque, N.M.
11/10	NCAA Mountain Region Championships	Logan, Utah
11/18	NCAA Div. I Cross Country Championships	Louisville, Ky.

INFORMATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of School	University of New Mexico
City/Zip	Albuquerque, N.M. 87106
Founded	1889 by Territorial Legislature
Enrollment	25,299 (Spring 2016)
Nickname	Lobos
School Colors	Cherry & Silver
Conference	Mountain West
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
President	Dr. Chaouki T. Abdallah (Interim)
Athletic Director	Eddie Nuñez

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Joe Franklin (Purdue, '91)
Year at New Mexico	11th
Assistant Coach	James Butler (Wake Forest, 2003)
Year at New Mexico	3rd
Assistant Coach	Dr. Richard Ceronie (Miami (OH))
Year at New Mexico	7th
Assistant Coach	Laura Bowerman (Florida State, 2008)
Year at New Mexico	3rd

PROGRAM HISTORY

First Year of Cross Country	Men: 1959 Women: 1976
Conference Titles	Men: 11 Women: 10
NCAA Championship Appearances	Men: 10 Women: 12
NCAA Team Titles	Women: 1

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**This Week:** At the Nuttycombe Wisconsin Invitational Presented by Under Armour**When:** October 13 | 11:20 a.m. MT (women) | 12 p.m. MT (men)**Where:** Thomas Zimmer Championship Cross Country Course | Madison, Wisconsin

NEW MEXICO HEADING TO ELITE WISCONSIN INVITATIONAL

New Mexico cross country team is looking to improve its credentials for the national championships as it heads to the Nuttycombe Wisconsin Invitational Presented by Under Armour this Friday in Madison, Wisconsin.

The Lobos, with the nation's third-ranked women's team and an improving men's squad, have design on capturing some wins against other teams in pursuit of perfecting their résumés for the NCAA Championships in November.

After the women took second and the men placed 10th at the Joe Piane Notre Dame Invitational two weeks ago, the Lobos started to compile their credentials for the NCAA's.

31 teams make the NCAA Championships, with two automatic bids from nine regions plus 13 at-large teams.

This week's exceptionally competitive meet at Thomas Zimmer Championship Cross Country Course gives Franklin and the Lobos quite the chance to claim some improvement

20 men's teams and 16 women's teams ranked in the USTFCCCA National Coaches' Poll will be making their case for the NCAA's Friday.

For the Lobo women, they'll look to it's new "core four" to lead the charge.

Ednah Kurgat, the USTFCCCA NCAA Division I Female Athlete of the Week two weeks ago, is the presumptive frontrunner for the UNM women, having torn apart the field at the Notre Dame Invitational two weeks ago.

However, Kurgat will have company on Friday, running alongside **Alice Wright**, **Weini Kelati** and **Charlotte Prouse**.

The key for UNM this week is to find a No. 5 runner.

On the men's side, they'll look to continue improving after posting a strong showing at Notre Dame.

Powered by superb races from **Alexander Palm** (seventh) and **Josh Kerr** (18th), UNM was 10th two weeks ago and will aim for a similar finish in Madison.

UNM can also turn to **Jonny Glen**, **Jacob Simonsen**, **Linton Taylor**, **Taylor Potter** and **Tyler Valdez** as they race against a stacked field.

THE TOP-TEN STREAK

Although the New Mexico women's cross country team won the NCAA title in 2015, the Lobos aren't a one-hit wonder.

During head coach Joe Franklin's tenure in Albuquerque, the UNM women have qualified to nine straight NCAA Championships. But since 2010, the Lobos have placed top-10 at every NCAA, too.

UNM's streak of top-10 finishes at the NCAA Championships is the longest active streak and is tied for the seventh-longest in NCAA history.

LONGEST STREAKS OF TOP-TEN FINISHERS BY A WOMEN'S TEAM AT THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rk.	SCHOOL	START YEAR	YEARS (No.)
1.	Georgetown	15	1988-2002
	Stanford	15	1994-2008
3.	Colorado	13	1994-2006
4.	BYU	12	1994-2005
5.	Providence	9	1989-1997
6.	Villanova	8	1989-96
7.	Wisconsin	7	1982-88
	Wisconsin	7	1994-2000
	Florida State	7	2007-13
	New Mexico	7	2010-16
10.	Providence	6	1999-2004
12.	NC State	5	1981-85
	Arkansas	5	1990-94

STAT TO KNOW

20/16

Number of ranked men's/women's teams competing at Wisconsin

Two-third of all ranked men's teams and over half of all ranked women's teams will be in action at the Nuttycombe Wisconsin Invite.

KURGAT NAMED NATIONAL, MW ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

New Mexico cross country athlete **Ednah Kurgat** was named the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) NCAA Division I Women's Athlete of the Week, the organization announced Monday, October 2.

She also earned Mountain West Women's Cross Country Athlete of the Week honor on

2017 ROSTERS

Women's Roster

ATHLETE	CLASS	HOMETOWN	PREVIOUS SCHOOL
Natasha Bernal	Jr.	Albuquerque, N.M.	La Cueva HS
Johanna Briscoe	Fr.	West Linn, Ore.	West Linn HS
Alex Buck	So.	Pendleton, Ind.	Pendleton Heights HS
Kieran Casey	Sr.	Indianapolis, Ind.	University of Indianapolis
Emily Crall	Fr.	Phoenix, Ariz.	Desert Vista HS
Samantha Dicker	So.	Albuquerque, N.M.	Eldorado HS
Sophie Eckel	Fr.	Adelaide, Australia	Immanuel College
Mackenzie Everett	R-So.	Albuquerque, N.M.	La Cueva HS
Kaitlin Franklin	So.	Powder Springs, Ga.	Kennesaw State
Juanita Johnson	Fr.	Albuquerque, N.M.	Cibola HS
Weini Kelati	Fr.	Leesburg, Va.	Heritage HS
Kendall Kelly	R-Jr.	Albuquerque, N.M.	Bosque School
Ednah Kurgat	So.	Eldoret, Kenya	Liberty University
Sarah Laverly	Jr.	Edinburgh, Scotland	Currie HS
Tessa McCormick	Sr.	Cheshire, England	University of Birmingham
Alondra Negrón Texidor	Fr.	Aibonito, Puerto Rico	Universidad del Turabo
Charlotte Prouse	Jr.	London, Ontario, Canada	University of Washington
Elizabeth Reyes	Fr.	Taos, N.M.	Taos HS
Elizabeth Weiler	R-Sr.	Chester Springs, Pa.	Lehigh University
Alice Wright	R-Sr.	Worcester, England	The King's School, Worcester

Men's Roster

ATHLETE	CLASS	HOMETOWN	LAST SCHOOL
Ian Crowe-Wright	Jr.	Brighton, England	University of Birmingham
Jared Garcia	R-So.	Belen, N.M.	Belen HS
Jonny Glen	Jr.	Greenock, Scotland	Clydeview Academy
Chris Graham	R-Sr.	Albuquerque, N.M.	St. Pius X HS
Kristian Uldbjerg Hansen	R-Fr.	Aalborg, Denmark	Aalborg Katedralskole
Iolo Hughes	So.	Llanfechell, Wales	Ysgol Syr Thomas Jones
Josh Kerr	R-So.	Edinburgh, Scotland	George Watson's College
Adam Monroe	R-Sr.	Albuquerque, N.M.	Eldorado HS
Alexander Palm	Sr.	Norrköping, Sweden	Stockholms universitet
Brandon Parrado	So.	Weehawken, N.J.	Manhattan College
Taylor Potter	R-Jr.	Albuquerque, N.M.	Eldorado HS
Jacob Simonsen	So.	Aarhus, Denmark	Marselisborg Gymnasium
Gavin Sleeter	R-Fr.	Albuquerque, N.M.	Eldorado HS
Linton Taylor	Sr.	Lincoln, England	University of Leeds
Tyler Valdez	R-Sr.	Albuquerque, N.M.	Belen HS
Michael Wilson	Jr.	Sunderland, England	University of Birmingham

Coaching Staff

Head Coach: Joe Franklin (Purdue '91) – 11th year
 Assistant Coach: James Butler (Wake Forest, '03) – 3rd year
 Assistant Coach: Rich Ceronie (Miami (OH)) – 7th year
 Assistant Coach: Laura Bowerman (Florida State, '08) – 3rd year

Pronunciations

Iolo Hughes.....Yo-low	Ednah Kurgat.....Ed-nah Kurr-gat
Natasha Bernal.....Berr-nahl	Charlotte Prouse.....Rhymes with "mouse"
Kieran Casey.....Keer-in	Elizabeth Weiler.....Why-ler
Weini Kelati.....Wayne-ee Keh-lah-tee	

LOBO QUICK HITS

2016 MOUNTAIN WEST FINISH

Men: 5th/8 (138 pts.) | Women: 1st/11 (42 pts.)

2016 NCAA REGIONAL FINISH

Men: 9th/17 (237 pts.) | Women: 2nd/20 (109 pts.)

2016 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS FINISH

Men: N/A | Women: 7th/31 (310 pts.)

RUNNERS RETURNING/LOST

Men: 11/6 | Women: 9/8

CONFERENCE RUNNERS RETURNING/LOST

Men: 4/5 | Women: 5/4

NCAA RUNNERS RETURNING/LOST

Men: N/A | Women: 4/3

NEWCOMERS (OVERALL)/TRANSFER/FRESHMAN

Men: 4/4/0 | Women: 11/3/8

NOTABLE WOMEN VETERANS

Natasha Bernal
 62nd at 2016 Notre Dame Invitational
 11th at 2016 Mountain West Championships
 27th at 2016 NCAA Mountain Regionals
 167th at 2016 NCAA Championships

Alex Buck
 60th at 2016 Notre Dame Invitational
 36th at 2016 NCAA Mountain Regionals
 105th at 2016 NCAA Championships

Kendall Kelly
 18th at 2016 Mountain West Championships

Ednah Kurgat
 2nd at 2015 Pre-Nationals Invitational (at Liberty)
 2nd at 2015 Big South Championships (at Liberty)
 2nd at 2015 NCAA Southeast Regionals (at Liberty)
 12th at 2015 NCAA Championships (at Liberty)

Charlotte Prouse
 5th at 2016 Wisconsin Invitational (at Washington)
 6th at 2016 Pac-12 Championships (at Washington)
 10th at 2016 NCAA West Regionals (at Washington)

Alice Wright
 2nd at 2016 Notre Dame Invitational
 2nd at 2016 Wisconsin Invitational
 1st at 2016 Mountain West Championships
 1st at 2016 NCAA Mountain Regionals
 19th at 2016 NCAA Championships
 5th at 2015 Notre Dame Invitational
 7th at 2015 Wisconsin Invitational
 4th at 2015 Mountain West Championships
 5th at 2015 NCAA Championships
 8th at 2014 Notre Dame Invitational
 42nd at 2014 Wisconsin Invitational
 4th at 2014 Mountain West Championships
 1st at 2014 NCAA Mountain Regionals
 20th at 2014 NCAA Championships
 157th at 2013 Notre Dame Invitational

NOTABLE MEN VETERANS

Josh Kerr
 71st at 2015 Notre Dame Invitational

Alexander Palm
 32nd at 2016 Mountain West Championships
 45th at 2016 NCAA Mountain Regionals

Jacob Simonsen
 72nd at 2016 Notre Dame Invitational
 42nd at 2016 NCAA Mountain Regionals

USTFCCCA RANKINGS

MOUNTAIN REGION MEN'S POLL (OCT. 2)

RANK	SCHOOL	CONFERENCE	LAST WEEK
1	Northern Arizona	Big Sky	1
2	BYU	West Coast	3
3	Southern Utah	Big Sky	4
4	Colorado	Pac-12	2
5	Colorado State	Mountain West	5
6	Air Force	Mountain West	6
7	Utah State	Mountain West	7
8	New Mexico	Mountain West	8
9	Wyoming	Mountain West	9
10	Weber State	Big Sky	10
11	Utah Valley	WAC	12
12	Montana State	Big Sky	13
13	New Mexico State	WAC	14
14	Texas Tech	Big 12	15
15	UTEP	Conference USA	11

MOUNTAIN REGION WOMEN'S POLL (OCT. 2)

RANK	SCHOOL	CONFERENCE	LAST WEEK
1	Colorado	Pac-12	1
2	New Mexico	Mountain West	2
3	Utah State	Mountain West	3
4	BYU	West Coast	4
5	Utah	Pac-12	5
6	Air Force	Mountain West	7
7	Colorado State	Mountain West	6
8	Northern Arizona	Big Sky	11
9	Montana State	Big Sky	8
10	Nevada	Mountain West	9
11	Montana	Big Sky	15
12	UTEP	Conference USA	12
13	Weber State	Big Sky	10
14	Wyoming	Mountain West	14
15	Utah Valley	WAC	13

NATIONAL MEN'S POLL (OCT. 3)

RANK	SCHOOL (FPV)	VOTES	LAST WEEK
1	Northern Arizona (11)	358	1
2	BYU (1)	340	6
3	Syracuse	336	3
4	Stanford	321	5
5	Arkansas	309	2
6	Southern Utah	298	13
7	Colorado	289	4
8	Oregon	264	8
9	Oklahoma State	261	9
10	Furman	256	12
11	Colorado State	223	15
12	Virginia Tech	212	24
13	Iona	197	10
14	Iowa State	179	14
15	Boise State	171	26
16	Illinois	166	19
17	Michigan State	163	21
18	Virginia	152	16
19	Georgetown	119	17
20	UCLA	112	23
21	Indiana	104	27
22	Middle Tennessee	99	20
23	Air Force	95	RV
24	Ole Miss	84	25
25	Michigan	72	RV
	Portland	72	18
27	Utah State	65	NR
28	Wisconsin	53	7
29	Washington State	48	11
30	Columbia	46	28

Others Receiving Votes: Washington 30, Eastern Kentucky 25, Tulsa 24, Eastern Michigan 10, Texas 10, Penn 7, Campbell 4, Purdue 4, Minnesota 2, California 1

Dropped Out: No. 22 Tulsa, No. 29 Eastern Michigan, No. 30 NC State

NATIONAL WOMEN'S POLL (OCT. 3)

RANK	SCHOOL (FPV)	VOTES	LAST WEEK
1	Colorado (10)	358	1
2	Oregon (1)	344	2
3	New Mexico	339	3
4	Michigan (1)	321	4
5	Stanford	307	5
6	San Francisco	301	6
7	NC State	292	7
8	Providence	276	8
9	Arkansas	247	9
10	Penn State	226	9
11	Washington	218	11
12	Ole Miss	211	16
13	Boise State	206	13
14	Indiana	199	14
15	Villanova	191	15
16	BYU	186	19
17	Wisconsin	172	18
18	Iowa State	170	17
19	Utah State	148	21
20	Minnesota	129	20
21	Furman	106	29
22	Utah	93	27
	Georgetown	93	23
24	Missouri	73	RV
25	Georgia	71	NR
26	Oklahoma State	59	22
27	Yale	58	28
28	Virginia	27	RV
29	Mississippi State	22	24
	West Virginia	22	RV

Others Receiving Votes: Ohio State 21, Columbia 16, Air Force 15, Northern Arizona 13, Baylor 12, Portland 12, Michigan State 11, Vanderbilt 11, Notre Dame 8, Florida State 5, SMU 4, Eastern Kentucky 3, Eastern Michigan 2, Cal 1, Texas 1

Dropped Out: No. 12 Notre Dame, No. 25 Vanderbilt, No. 26 Ohio State, No. 30 Michigan State

Tuesday, October 3, completing the weekly award sweep.

Running her first competitive cross country race as an attached collegian since the 2015 NCAA Championships, Kurgat won the Women's Blue Race last Friday at the Joe Plane Notre Dame Invitational in a time of 16 minutes, 1.8 seconds.

Kurgat, a sophomore from Eldoret, Kenya, by way of Liberty University, helped lead the No. 3 New Mexico women to a second-place finish, just four points behind No. 1 Colorado (51-47).

The Lobos earned four wins over other teams ranked in the USTFCCCA poll as they earned their eighth-straight top-four performance at Notre Dame.

She won by 10.2 seconds over teammate and runner up Alice Wright and beat seven runners ranked in FloTrack's FloXC Women's Individual Rankings

Kurgat lead for essentially the entire race, owning the lead at one mile (5:02.1) and at four kilometers (12:43.9)

Kurgat's final time also set a new race record over a full five-kilometer course, eclipsing Notre Dame's Anna Rohrer's best of 16:11.7, which Rohrer ran last year.

New Mexico's Charlotte Arter had the race's all-time, all-conditions best of 16:09.3, but that race was shortened by about 150 meters due to poor conditions. Arter was also the last Lobo to win at Notre Dame, and she was the last Lobo to earn National Athlete of the Week in cross country.

POLL POSITION

New Mexico women's cross country is ranked No. 3 in the fourth regular-season National Coaches Poll, the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) announced Tuesday, October 3.

The Lobos have been ranked third in all four regular-season polls this season.

UNM, which has placed top-10 at the NCAA Championships each of the last seven years for the nation's longest active streak, logged its 17th straight top-five ranking in the USTFCCCA poll.

Additionally, the UNM women have been ranked or receiving votes for 44 consecutive polls overall.

Colorado claimed the top spot in the poll for the fifth-straight poll with 10 first-place votes and 358 points overall. 2016 NCAA team champion Oregon is ranked second with one first-place vote and 344 points, just ahead of the Lobos' 339 points. No. 4 Michigan owns the final first-place vote and 321 points.

Additionally, the Lobo women were ranked second in the women's USTFCCCA Mountain Region's preseason rankings that were released Monday, October 2.

MEN 10TH AT NOTRE DAME

In the program's first major competition of the 2017 season, the New Mexico women's cross country team placed second overall at the Joe Plane Notre Dame Invitational on Friday, while the Lobo men's team placed 10th.

Behind four runners placing in the top eight, the third-ranked Lobo women logged their eighth-straight top-four performance at the Burke Golf Course, finishing just four points behind team champion and top-ranked Colorado.

The New Mexico men also posted a promising showing, finishing in the top 10 with a 10th-place showing.

Ednah Kurgat, in her first race in a Lobo uniform, led the way over the five-kilometer course, charging to the individual win in 16:01.8. Her time marked the fastest time in the history of the women's race at the Notre Dame Invitational.

Alice Wright added a runner-up finish of 16:12.0. It's Wright's second-straight second-place finish and her fourth-straight top-10 finish at the meet.

Freshman Weini Kelati and transfer Charlotte Prouse also scored for the UNM women in their first races for the Lobos, crossing the line in sixth and eighth place, respectively. Kelati clocked a time of 16:23.9, while Prouse crossed the line in 16:33.0.

Kieran Casey came in as New Mexico's final scorer, finishing 34th in 17:04.5.

Alondra Negrón Texidor (37th place, time of 17:09.8) and Alex Buck (38th, 17:10.0) were close behind, with Sophie Eckel (75th, 17:45.2) and Sarah Laverty (83rd, 17:47.8) rounding out the Lobos' runners.

As a team, New Mexico registered 51 points in the women's race, just behind Colorado's tally of 47 points in the low-score-wins format.

On the men's side, the Lobos returned to the top 10 at the meet, coming in right at 10th. It's a significant improvement over last season's youth-driven 23rd-place finish.

Senior Alexander Palm spearheaded the men's efforts over the five-mile race, posting a seventh-place time of 23:58.8.

Josh Kerr, took 18th in 24:09.1. Rounding out the men's scoring were Jonny Glen (65th, 24:45.5), Jacob Simonsen (92nd, 25:05.8) and Linton Taylor (112th, 25:19.1). As a team, the Lobos finished 279 points.

Taylor Potter (154th, 26:13.2) and Michael Wilson (159th, 26:26.5) also ran the men.

PUTTING NINE STRAIGHT NCAA QUALIFICATIONS IN PERSPECTIVE

The Lobo women have qualified to nine straight NCAA Championships, dating back to 2008. It's one of six active streaks in the NCAA that has reached at least eight years.

UNM's run is also one of just 22 streaks in

LAST TIME OUT: WOMEN 2ND,

Division I history to reach at least eight years, and ranks as the sixth longest current streak in Division I history

LONGEST ACTIVE STREAK OF QUALIFYING WOMEN'S TEAMS TO THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rk.	SCHOOL	START YEAR	YEARS (No.)
1	Stanford	1993	24
2	Michigan State	2001	16
3	Michigan	2002	15
4	Oregon	2007	10
	Washington	2007	10
6	New Mexico	2008	8

NINE STRAIGHT

When the New Mexico women's cross country team won the 2016 Mountain West Cross Country Championships in Kuna, Idaho, on October 28, 2016, it was the team's ninth straight such title.

That victory broke a tie with former MW member BYU for the conference record for most team titles in women's cross country.

It's also the third longest run of consecutive titles in Mountain West history. Out of the 15 sports the league sponsors, the Lobo women's streak of nine straight is virtually unparalleled.

BYU owns the record with 12 straight titles in outdoor track & field (2000-11), while also sitting with a nine-year streak in indoor track & field (2003-11).

However, the UNM women own the longest streak in any women's sport sponsored by the MW and the longest active streak in any league sport.

The Lobos' run of nine straight is also quite impressive in regards to the entire nation. UNM's streak is the longest active streak in the NCAA, with Alabama State's string of six straight titles in the SWAC closest.

GREAT ON THE GRASS, GREAT IN THE CLASSROOM

New Mexico men's and women's cross country were named Division I All-Academic teams by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA).

Additionally, a pair of All-American from the women's team, Alice Wright and Calli Thackery, were accorded individual All-Academic honors.

After a strong 2016 cross country season last fall, which culminated in the UNM women's seventh-straight top-10 finish at the NCAA Championships, the Lobos are now being recognized for their work in the classroom.

The first honor, the USTFCCCA All-Academic Team award, recognizes teams that registered a cumulative team GPA of 3.00 or higher during the academic year.

The UNM women, with a team GPA of 3.71, were one of eight Mountain West schools to earn the honor, and were tops in the conference.

The women also tied for the eighth-best GPA out of the 242 Division I institutions that were recognized.

The men's team, which combined for a 3.59 GPA, also claimed the highest GPA among the six MW men's teams that were honored. The Lobo men finished with the sixth-best GPA out of the 189 DI teams that were recognized.

Individually, the Lobos also produced strong academic results, as Wright and Thackery, 2016 cross country All-Americans, earned USTFCCCA All-Academic honors for their combined efforts in competition and in the classroom.

The individual award is awarded to student-athletes who posted a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25 on a 4.0 scale and finished in the top 25 finishers (or 10 percent) at regionals or as an All-American at the national meet.

LOBO WOMEN PICKED AS MW PRESEASON FAVORITES, MEN 4TH

New Mexico women's cross country was selected as the favorite to win the 2016 Mountain West women's cross country title, as voted by the league's coaches in the women's preseason coaches' poll.

The Lobo men were tied for fourth place in the men's poll, which the MW released in conjunction with the women's poll on Thursday, August 31.

It's the seventh straight year that the Lobo women were picked as the preseason favorite, mirroring the team's seven-straight top-10 finishes at the NCAA Championships.

The New Mexico women, who debuted at No. 4 in Tuesday's preseason USTFCCCA National Coaches' Poll, have also won nine straight MW cross country titles, while the men have won six of the last eight men's championships.

The New Mexico women captured the top spot in the preseason poll by earning 100 points and 10 of the 11 first-place votes. The women return All-American Alice Wright and key pieces in Natasha Bernal, Alex Buck and Kendall Kelly while adding a number of talented newcomers.

The Boise State women scored the other first-place vote and 89 total points to place second, while Air Force registered 81 total points to place third. Colorado State (71 points), Utah

STAT TO KNOW

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Number of consecutive top-six finishes by Lobo women at Wisco

Since 2013, New Mexico is the only school to have its women's team place top-six every year at the Wisconsin Invitational.

JOE FRANKLIN FILE NEW MEXICO HEAD COACH

AGE: 49 (born March 1, 1968)

BIRTHPLACE: Greencastle, Ind.

ALMA MATER: Purdue '91

COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC EXPERIENCE:

Purdue (mid-distance: 1986-91)

ALL-AMERICANS COACHED (35):

- Josh Kerr (UNM): 2017 Mile, 2017 1500
- Sam Trigg (UNM): 2017 Triple Jump
- Sophie Connor (UNM): 2016 Mile
- Courtney Frerichs (UNM): 2015 Cross Country, 2016 Steeplechase
- Molly Renfer (UNM): 2015 Cross Country
- Rhona Auckland (UNM): 2015 Cross Country
- Calli Thackery (UNM): 2015 Outdoor 5000, 2015 & 2016 Cross Country, 2016 3000
- Logan Pfihsen (UNM): 2015 Outdoor Pole Vault
- Adam Bitchell (UNM): 2015 Indoor 3000
- Allan Hamilton (UNM): 2015 Indoor Long Jump
- Alice Wright (UNM): 2014 & 2015 & 2016 Cross Country, 2015 & 2016 & 2017 10000
- Peter Callahan (UNM): 2014 & 2015 Outdoor 1500
- Charlotte Arter (UNM): 2013 & 2014 Cross Country
- Sammy Silva (UNM): 2013 Cross Country, 2015 Indoor Mile
- Josephine Moultrie (UNM): 2012 Cross Country
- Luke Caldwell (UNM): 2012 & 2013 Cross Country/2013-14 Indoor 5000/2013 Outdoor 5000
- Floyd Ross (UNM): 2012 & 2013 Indoor Triple Jump/2012 & 2013 Outdoor Triple Jump
- Sarah Waldron (UNM): 2012 Indoor/Outdoor 5000
- Kendall Spencer (UNM): 2012, 2014 Indoor Long Jump
- Ruth Senior (UNM): 2010 Cross Country
- Natalie Gray (UNM): 2010 Cross Country
- Keith Gerrard (UNM): 2010 Cross Country, 2011 10,000
- Rory Fraser (UNM): 2010 3,000; 2011 5000
- Jacob Kirwa (UNM): 2009 Cross Country
- Chris Barnicle (UNM): 2009 10,000; 2010 indoor 5,000
- Michelle Corrigan (UNM): 2009 10,000
- Lee Emanuel (UNM): 2009 & 2010 Mile; 2009 1,500
- Jeremy Johnson (UNM): 2008 10,000; 2007 Cross Country
- Scott Overall (Butler): 2007 mile
- Victoria Mitchell (Butler): 2005 Cross Country; 2005 3,000 SC
- Olly Laws (Butler): 2004 Cross Country
- Becky Lyne (Butler): 2003 800
- Mark Tucker (Butler): 2002 Cross Country
- Fraser Thompson (Butler): 1999 outdoor 5,000
- Julius Mwangi (Butler): 1998 Cross Country

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

2007-current: 7th men's and 5th women's Head Cross Country and Track & Field Coach, New Mexico

- 2015 USTFCCCA National Women's XC Coach of the Year
- 2008 & 2015 Mountain West Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year
- 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 & 2014 Mountain West Men's & Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year
- 2010 NCAA Mountain Region Men's & Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year
- 2011 & 2015 NCAA Mountain Region Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year
- 2013, 2014 & 2015 MW Men's Indoor Coach of the Year
- 2014 & 2015 Mountain West Women's Indoor Coach of the Year
- 2012, 2014 & 2015 USTFCCCA Mountain Region Women's Coach of the Year
- 2014 USTFCCCA Mountain Region Men's Coach of the Year

1994-07: Head Men's and Women's Cross Country and Track & Field Coach, Butler

- National cross country coach of the year
- NCAA regional cross country coach of the year
- Conference cross country coach of the year 17 times
- 2-time conference indoor track and field coach of the year

1992-94: Asst. Men's Cross Country/Track & Field Coach, Purdue

1991-92: Head Cross Country Coach, DePauw

- Conference coach of the year

MOUNTAIN WEST COACHES' POLLS

MEN'S PRESEASON COACHES' POLL (AUG. 31)

RK.	TEAM (1ST-PLACE VOTES)	POINTS
1.	Colorado State (5)	46
2.	Boise State (3)	45
3.	Air Force	36
4.	New Mexico	28
	Utah State	28
6.	Wyoming	20
7.	San José State	12
8.	Fresno State	9

WOMEN'S PRESEASON COACHES' POLL (AUG. 31)

RK.	TEAM (1ST-PLACE VOTES)	POINTS
1.	New Mexico (10)	100
2.	Boise State (1)	89
3.	Air Force	81
4.	Colorado State	71
5.	Utah State	61
6.	Nevada	56
7.	Wyoming	53
8.	San José State	33
9.	Fresno State	25
10.	San Diego State	20
11.	UNLV	16

MEN'S MIDSEASON COACHES' POLL (OCT. 5)

RK.	TEAM (1ST-PLACE VOTES)	POINTS
1	Colorado State (7)	49
2	Boise State (1)	43
3	Air Force	36
4	Utah State	29
5	New Mexico	26
6	Wyoming	17
7	San Jose State	13
8	Fresno State	9

WOMEN'S MIDSEASON COACHES' POLL (OCT. 5)

RK.	TEAM (1ST-PLACE VOTES)	POINTS
1	New Mexico (10)	100
2	Boise State (1)	88
3	Utah State	70
4	Colorado State	69
5	Air Force	63
6	Nevada	59
7	Wyoming	55
8	San Jose State	54
9	San Diego State	45
10	Fresno State	41
11	UNLV	40

State (61), Nevada (56), Wyoming (53), San José State (33), Fresno State (25), San Diego State (20) and UNLV (16) claimed fourth place through 11th, respectively.

In the men's poll, the Lobos tallied 28 points to tie Utah State for fourth place. The men bring back Jacob Simonsen, Alexander Palm, Jared Garcia and Josh Kerr, and add a number of new runners into the mix.

Colorado State earned the top spot in the poll with five first-place votes and 46 points, with Boise State in a close second place in the poll with the other three first-place votes and 45 points. Air Force was tabbed third with 36 points.

Wyoming (20 points), San José State (12) and Fresno State (9) rounded out the eight-team poll, placing sixth-to-eighth, respectively.

LOBO WOMEN PICKED AS MW PRESEASON FAVORITES, MEN 4TH

New Mexico women's cross country team claimed the top spot in the Mountain West Midseason Women's Cross Country Coaches' poll, as voted by the league's coaches in the women's preseason coaches' poll.

The Lobo men placed fifth place in the men's poll, which the MW released in conjunction with the women's poll on Thursday, October 5.

The New Mexico women have won nine straight MW cross country titles, while the men have won six of the last eight men's championships.

The No. 3 New Mexico women, who have placed top-10 at the NCAA Championships each of the last seven years for the nation's longest active streak, maintain their spot atop the league's rankings with 10 first-place votes and 100 total points. The women were also the preseason No. 1 pick, as selected August 31.

The No. 13 Boise State women came in second in the poll with the other first-place vote and 88 points, with No. 19 Utah State third with 70 points. Colorado State (fourth place, 69 points), Air Force (fifth, 63), Nevada (sixth, 59), Wyoming (seventh, 55), San José State (eighth, 54), San Diego State (ninth, 45), Fresno State (10th, 41) and UNLV (11th, 40) round out the poll.

In the men's poll, the Lobos rank fifth with 26 points, falling out of the tie for fourth they logged in the preseason poll.

No. 11 Colorado State leads the poll with seven first-place votes and 49 points, followed by No. 15 Boise State (second place, 43 points/1 first-place vote), No. 23 Air Force (third, 36) and No. 27 Utah State (fourth, 29). Wyoming (sixth, 17), San José State (seventh, 13) and Fresno State (eighth, 9) were the final three teams ranked in the eight-team poll.

2017 WOMEN'S TIME CHART

	Lobo Invite (5K)	Notre Dame Invitational (5K)	Wisconsin Invitational (6K)	MW Champs. (6K)	NCAA Regionals (6K)	NCAA Champs. (6K)
Natasha Bernal Jr • Albuquerque, N.M. La Cueva High School	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Johanna Briscoe Fr • West Linn, Ore. West Linn HS	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Alex Buck So • Pendleton, Ind. Pendleton Heights HS	17:51.10 5th (U/A)	17:10.0 38th (UNM 7th)				
Kieran Casey Sr • Indianapolis, Ind. University of Indianapolis	18:48.80 9th (UNM 4th)	17:04.5 34th (UNM 5th)				
Emily Crall Fr • Phoenix, Ariz. Desert Vista HS	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Sam Dicker Fr-HS • Albuquerque, N.M. Eldorado High School	19:38.00 16th (UNM 7th)	Did Not Compete				
Sophie Eckel Fr • Adelaide, Australia Immanuel College	18:29.80 7th (UNM 3rd)	17:45.2 75th (UNM 8th)				
Mackenzie Everett RS So • Albuquerque, N.M. La Cueva High School	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Kaitlin Franklin So • Powder Springs, Ga. Kennesaw State	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Juanita Johnson Fr • Albuquerque, N.M. Cibola HS	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Weini Kelati Fr • Leesburg, Va. Heritage HS	16:59.80 1st (U/A)	16:23.9 6th (UNM 3rd)				
Kendall Kelly RS Jr • Albuquerque, N.M. Bosque School	19:01.00 11th (UNM 5th)	18:01.2 2nd (Open Race)				
Ednah Kurgat So • Eldoret, Kenya Liberty University	Did Not Compete	16:01.8 1st (UNM 1st)				
Sarah Laverty Jr • Edinburgh, Scotland Currie HS	17:43.90 4th (UNM 2nd)	17:47.8 83rd (UNM 9th)				
Tessa McCormick Sr • Cheshire, England University of Birmingham	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Alondra Negrón Texidor Fr • Aibonito, Puerto Rico Universidad del Turabo	Did Not Compete	17:09.8 37th (UNM 6th)				
Charlotte Prouse Jr • London, Ontario University of Washington	Did Not Compete	16:33.0 8th (UNM 4th)				
Elizabeth Reyes Fr • Taos, N.M. Taos HS	19:05.60 12th (UNM 6th)	Did Not Compete				
Elizabeth Weiler RS Sr • Chester Springs, Pa. Lehigh University	17:36.20 3rd (UNM 1st)	Did Not Compete				
Alice Wright RS Sr • Worcester, England The King's School, Worcester	Did Not Compete	16:12.0 2nd (UNM 2nd)				
TEAM FINISH	1st/6	2nd/20				
POINTS	23	51				
PACK SPREAD	1:24.9	1:02.7				

2017 MEN'S TIME CHART

	Lobo Invite (5K)	Notre Dame Invite (5 miles)	Wisconsin Invitational (8K)	MW Champs. (8K)	NCAA Regionals (10K)	NCAA Champs. (10K)
Ian Crowe-Wright Jr • Brighton, England University of Birmingham	15:34.70 4th (UNM 1st)	Did Not Compete				
Jared Garcia RS So • Belen, N.M. Belen HS	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Jonny Glen Jr • Greenock, Scotland Clydeview Academy	15:45.20 5th (UNM 2nd)	24:45.5 65th (UNM 3rd)				
Chris Graham RS Sr • Albuquerque, N.M. St. Pius X HS	16:41.80 13th (UNM 6th)	Did Not Compete				
Kristian Hansen RS Fr • Aalborg, Denmark Aalborg Katedralskole	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Iolo Hughes So • Llanfechell, Wales Ysgol Syr Thomas Jones	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Josh Kerr RS So • Edinburgh, Scotland George Watson's College	Did Not Compete	24:09.1 18th (UNM 2nd)				
Adam Monroe RS Sr • Albuquerque, N.M. Eldorado HS	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Alexander Palm Sr • Norrköping, Sweden Stockholms universitet	15:19.50 1st (U/A)	23:58.8 7th (UNM 1st)				
Brandon Parrado So • Weehawken, N.J. Manhattan College	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete				
Taylor Potter RS Jr • Albuquerque, N.M. Eldorado HS	15:49.80 6th (UNM 3rd)	26:13.2 154th (UNM 6th)				
Jacob Simonsen So • Aarhus, Denmark Marselisborg Gymnasium	Did Not Compete	25:05.8 92nd (UNM 4th)				
Gavin Sleeter RS Fr • Albuquerque, N.M. Eldorado HS	16:38.20 12th (UNM 5th)	Did Not Compete				
Linton Taylor Sr • Lincoln, England University of Leeds	Did Not Compete	25:19.1 112th (UNM 5th)				
Tyler Valdez RS Sr • Albuquerque, N.M. Belen HS	16:09.00 9th (UNM 4th)	Did Not Compete				
Michael Wilson Jr • Sunderland, England University of Birmingham	Did Not Compete	26:26.5 159th (UNM 7th)				
TEAM FINISH	1st/4	10th/21				
POINTS	24	279				
PACK SPREAD	1:03.5	1:20.3				

2016 WOMEN'S TIME CHART

	Lobo Invite (5K)	Notre Dame Invitational (5K)	Wisconsin Invitational (6K)	MW Champs. (6K)	NCAA Regionals (6K)	NCAA Champs. (6K)
Rhona Auckland Sr-1L • Torphins, Scotland University of Endinburg	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Natasha Bernal So-1L • Albuquerque, N.M. La Cueva High School	Did Not Compete	17:17.3 62nd (UNM 5th)	21:04.8 63rd (UNM 4th)	20:56.20 11th (UNM 4th)	20:56.70 27th (UNM 3rd)	21:10.3 167th (UNM 5th)
Alex Buck Fr-HS • Pendleton, Ind. Pendleton Heights HS	Did Not Compete	17:16.5 60th (UNM 4th)	21:20.7 93rd (UNM 5th)	21:40.20 33rd (UNM 7th)	21:14.20 36th (UNM 5th)	20:52.0 105th (UNM 4th)
Kieran Casey Jr-TR • Indianapolis, Ind. University of Indianapolis	Did Not Compete	17:41.7 96th (UNM 8th)	22:32.9 64th (Open Race)	21:51.80 42nd (UNM 8th)	22:15.70 82nd (UNM 7th)	Did Not Compete
Sophie Connor Sr-2L • Hertfordshire, England University of Warwick	Did Not Compete	16:59.8 37th (UNM 3rd)	20:53.6 40th (UNM 3rd)	20:52.10 10th (UNM 3rd)	21:13.50 34th (UNM 4th)	20:42.1 75th (UNM 3rd)
Sam Dicker Fr-HS • Albuquerque, N.M. Eldorado High School	20:13.2 17th (UNM 5th)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Mackenzie Everett Fr-HS • Albuquerque, N.M. La Cueva High School	19:58.0 15th (UNM 4th)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Kathryn Fluehr Sr-TR • Naples, Fla. Harvard University	Did Not Compete	17:23.1 71st (UNM 6th)	21:32.1 110th (UNM 5th)	21:35.60 30th (UNM 6th)	Did Not Compete	21:34.0 207th (UNM 7th)
Toni-Marie Gonzales Fr-HS • Albuquerque, N.M. Volcano Vista HS	19:13.7 5th (U/A)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Ruth Haynes Sr-RS • Surrey, England Birmingham University	19:44.3 13th (UNM 3rd)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Kendall Kelly RS So-1L • Albuquerque, N.M. Bosque School	18:34.7 3rd (UNM 1st)	17:41.0 93rd (UNM 7th)	21:48.7 135th (UNM 6th)	21:15.80 18th (UNM 5th)	21:40.30 58th (UNM 6th)	21:23.5 192nd (UNM 6th)
Reiley Kelly RS So-1L • Albuquerque, N.M. Bosque School	19:37.0 12th (UNM 2nd)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Kyoko Koyama Jr-TR • Sapporo, Japan Hokkaido Sapporo Intercultural & Tech. HS	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	22:14.0 34th (Open Race)	22:17.60 58th (UNM 9th)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Ednah Kurgat So-TR • Eldoret, Kenya Liberty University	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Calli Thackery Jr-1L • Yorkshire, England Leeds Metropolitan University	Did Not Compete	16:30.9 5th (UNM 2nd)	20:19.8 9th (UNM 2nd)	20:11.30 2nd (UNM 2nd)	20:26.90 11th (UNM 2nd)	20:17.4 28th (UNM 2nd)
Elizabeth Weiler Sr-TR • Chester Springs, Pa. Lehigh University	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Alice Wright RS Jr-2L • Worcester, England The King's School, Worcester	Did Not Compete	16:16.0 2nd (UNM 1st)	20:01.9 2th (UNM 1st)	20:02.70 1st (UNM 1st)	19:59.9 1st (UNM 1st)	20:13.2 19th (UNM 1st)
TEAM FINISH POINTS PACK SPREAD	Not Team Scored	4th/23 166 1:01.4	4th/31 207 1:18.8	1st/11 42 1:13.1	2nd/20 109 1:14.3	7th/31 310 0:57.1

2016 MEN'S TIME CHART

	Lobo Invitational (5K)	Notre Dame Invite (5 mile)	Wisconsin Invitational (8K)	MW Champs. (8K)	NCAA Regionals (10K)
Zac Castillo RS Jr-2L • Albuquerque, N.M. Volcano Vista HS	Did Not Compete	25:19.6 136th (UNM 3rd)	25:30.0 16th (UNM 4th)	25:08.70 33rd (UNM 5th)	32:33.80 61st (UNM 5th)
Adam Cotton Sr-TR • Penkridge, England Harvard University	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	26:06.7 43rd (UNM 7th)	25:06.50 31st (UNM 3rd)	33:45.00 87th (UNM 7th)
Emil Danielsson Fr-HS • Dala-Järna, Sweden Rudbeck	Did Not Compete	25:22.9 141st (UNM 4th)	26:29.3 55th (UNM 8th)	25:35.80 49th (UNM 7th)	33:05.20 75th (UNM 6th)
Jared Garcia RS Fr-HS • Belen, N.M. Belen HS	16:12.0 13th (UNM 2nd)	25:33.8 153rd (UNM 5th)	25:51.7 36th (UNM 6th)	25:44.60 50th (UNM 8th)	Did Not Compete
Jonny Glen So-TR • Greenock, Scotland Clydeview Academy	15:44.1 6th (U/A)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Chris Graham RS Jr-2L • Albuquerque, N.M. St. Pius X HS	16:35.7 19th (UNM 5th)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Kristian Hansen Fr-HS • Aalborg, Denmark Aalborg Katedralskole	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Ryan Jones Fr-HS • San Diego, Calif. Great Oak HS	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Josh Kerr So-1L • Edinburgh, Scotland George Watson's College	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Jesús Mendoza RS Sr-2L • Albuquerque, N.M. New Mexico Highlands	15:53.0 9th (UNM 1st)	24:57.2 105th (UNM 2nd)	25:15.7 10th (UNM 2nd)	25:00.10 28th (UNM 2nd)	32:15.80 50th (UNM 4th)
Adam Monroe RS So-1L • Albuquerque, N.M. Eldorado HS	16:37.5 21st (UNM 6th)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Alexander Palm RS Fr-HS • Norrköping, Sweden Stockholms universitet	Did Not Compete	26:06.8 180th (UNM 6th)	25:31.9 17th (UNM 5th)	25:06.70 32nd (UNM 4th)	32:05.20 45th (UNM 3rd)
Taylor Potter RS So-1L • Albuquerque, N.M. Eldorado HS	16:22.2 16th (UNM 3rd)	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Jacob Simonsen Fr-HS • Aarhus, Denmark Marselisborg Gymnasium	Did Not Compete	24:41.7 72nd (UNM 1st)	25:26.3 15th (UNM 3rd)	25:22.00 40th (UNM 6th)	31:59.50 42nd (UNM 2nd)
Gavin Sleeter Fr-HS • Albuquerque, N.M. Eldorado HS	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete
Graham Thomas RS Sr-3L • Dulce, N.M. Dulce HS	Did Not Compete	Did Not Compete	25:06.8 7th (UNM 1st)	24:36.70 18th (UNM 1st)	31:55.50 39th (UNM 1st)
Tyler Valdez Sr-2L • Albuquerque, N.M. Belen HS	16:26.0 18th (UNM 4th)	26:16.3 188th (UNM 7th)	Did Not Compete	26:50.60 62nd (UNM 9th)	Did Not Compete
TEAM FINISH POINTS PACK SPREAD	Not Team Scored	23rd/25 575 1:19.0	1st/8 (Open) 24 0:25.1	5th/8 138 0:32.0	9th/17 237 0:38.3