2025 MEET NOTES

DEU MERICO GROSS COUNTRY

MOUNTAIN WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS • OCT. 31ST



2015 & 2017 NCAA WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

20 WOMEN'S NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP APPEARANCES
12 MEN'S NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP APPEARANCES



24 MOUNTAIN WEST XC CHAMPIONSHIPS

16-TIME MW WOMEN'S CHAMPIONS (2008-2022, 2024) 8-TIME MW MEN'S CHAMPIONS (2009-2014, 2023-24)

UNM 2025 XC SCHEDULE

		- Harriston III (Black Harriston III)
DATE Aug. 30	MEET Lori Fitzgerald Open Las Cruces, N.M. (New Mexico	RESULT M: 1st W: 3rd
Sept. 13	Lobo XC Invitational Albuquerque, N.M. (New Mexi	Individuals Only
Sept. 26	Cowboy Jamboree Stillwater, Okla. (Oklahoma St	M: 2nd W: 3rd tate)
Oct. 17	Nuttycombe Invitational Madison, Wisc. (Wisconsin)	M: 1st W: 9th
Oct. 31	MW Championships Fresno, Calif. (Fresno State)	
Nov. 14	Mountain Regionals Salt Lake, City Utah (Utah)	
Nov. 22	NCAA Championships Columbia, Mo. (Missouri)	

UNM COACHING STAFF



DARREN GAUSON

Head Coach / Director of Track & Field and Cross Country (3rd season)
Alma Mater: Butler

JARED BERRYMAN Director of Operations (3rd season)

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LOBOS TO WATCH



PAMELA KOSGEI

- NCAA Outdoor 5K and 10K Champ; 2024 MW XC Champ -#2 in the nation in FloTrack's individual rankings - Making season debut



NICOLA JANSEN
- 2023 NCAA All-American; Redshirted in 2024
- Lobos' second finisher at Cowboy Jamboree; 2023 MW Runner-Up



HABTOM SAMUEL
- NCAA Runner-Up in XC, indoor 5K, outdoor 5K & 10K
- NCAA runner-up in '24, MW Champion in 23-24
- #1 in the nation in FloTrack's individual rankings



COLLINS KIPROTICH
- UNM's top finisher in
Samuel's absence at Cowboy
Jamboree (3rd place); 6th at
Nuttvcombe

2025 NEWS

Reigning conference champions and preseason favorites, New Mexico Men's & Women's Cross Country head to Fresno to defend their titles Friday at Mountain West Cross Country Championships – the first race of postseason competition for a pair of squads poised to make noise on the national level next month.

The Men's 8K Championship race is set for 10 a.m. MT on Friday, with the Women's 6K following at 10:45. Friday's competition will be free to stream via the MW Network with live results available at GoLobos.com/XCResults.

In their final regular-season racing of the year at the prestigious Nuttycombe Invitational, the UNM men reaffirmed their push for a national podium with the first

HOW TO FOLLOW

Results will be posted to all Lobo XC social accounts @UNMLoboXCTF, as well at GoLobos.com/XCResults.

men's team title in program history, with Habtom Samuel winning with a new meet record to lead a 51-point team effort. The women finished ninth in a field of 19 ranked teams, holding their own against the nation's best with a 16th-place finish from Marion Jepngetich

leading the way. Samuel earned National Athlete of the Week honors from the USTFCCCA following his big season debut, with Jepngetich being named women's MW Freshman of the Week.

Pamela Kosgei will also make her much-anticipated season debut on Friday – the sophomore is the reigning national champion in the outdoor 5,000m and 10,000m and is ranked No. 2 among the nation's individual cross country athletes this season by FloTrack after finishing as national runner-up as a true freshman in 2024. Kosgei competed for the Kenyan senior national team in the 3,000m steeplechase at World Athletics Championships in Tokyo last month, delaying her first race until now.

Even with a women's program that won two NCAA Championships and finished among the Top 10 in the nation 13 years in a row under former coach Joe Franklin, the Lobos have only sent both men's and women's squads to NCAA Championships in the same season seven times in their history (2009-2014, 2024). Last season was the first time both teams finished in the Top 10 in the team score at the same NCAA Championships in program history.

Currently ranked No. 1 for men in the region and No. 2 for women, both teams are projected to qualify for Nationals once more, with MW XC Championships as their final outing before they vie for automatic qualifying spots at NCAA Mountain Regionals in Salt Lake City on Nov. 14.

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UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

LOCATION Albuquerque, N.M. **FOUNDED** 1889 **ENROLLMENT** 8.800 **NICKNAME** Lobos COLORS Cherry and Silver **AFFILIATION** NCAA Division I CONFERENCE Mountain West **PRESIDENT Garnett Stokes** DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS Fernando Lovo **FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE** Karen Gaudreault ATHLETIC DEPT. PHONE (505) 925-5521

MOUNTAIN REGION RANKINGS

MEN'S TEAM

2. Colorado

9. Utah Valley

23. North Carolina

27. Virginia Tech

25. Michigan

26. Ole Miss

27. Stanford

29. Oklahoma

30. Georgetown

10. Wyoming

1. NEW MEXICO

USTFCCCA: WEEK 4 RANKINGS

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MOUNTAIN WEST

LAST WEEK

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3. N. Arizona	Big Sky	4 (+1)
4. BYU	Big 12	3 (-1)
5. Air Force	Mountain West	
6. Utah State	Mountain West	
7. Utah Valley	WAC	8 (+1)
8. Weber State	Big Sky	9 (+1)
9. Montana State	Big Sky	11 (+2)
10. Wyoming	Mountain West	7 (-3)
WOMEN'S TEAM	CONF. LAST	WEEK
WOMEN'S TEAM 1. BYU	Big 12	WEEK
1. BYU	Big 12	
1. BYU 2. NEW MEXICO	Big 12 MOUNTAIN WEST	
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Mountain West

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USTFCCCA: WE	EK 3 RANKINGS
MEN	WOMEN
1. Iowa State	1. BYU
2. Oklahoma State	2. NC State
3. New Mexico	3. Florida
4. Virginia	4. Oregon
5. Colorado	Notre Dame
6. Syracuse	6. lowa State
7. Northern Arizona	7. West Virginia
8. BYU	Northwestern
8. Alabama	9. New Mexico
10. Oregon	10. Georgetown
11. Washington St.	11. Oklahoma State
12. Wake Forest	12. Penn State
13. Michigan State	13. Stanford
14. Butler	14. Villanova
15. Wisconsin	15. Virginia
16. Notre Dame	16. Colorado
17. Cal Baptist	17. N. Arizona
18. Tulane	18. Utah
19. Princeton	19. Wisconsin
20. Georgia	20. South Carolina
21. Harvard	20. Washington
22. Missouri	22. Washington St
23. Air Force	23. Missouri

24. Michigan State

25. Alabama

26. Gonzaga

29. Tulane

27. Tennessee

28. Wake Forest

30. Boston College

2025 USTFCCCA NATIONAL XC RANKINGS					and the			
	PRESEASON	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6	NCAA
MEN	#2	#2	#3	#3	#3			
WOMEN	#4	#3	#5	#5	#9			

RANKINGS UPDATE

- The UNM men's No. 3 ranking comes courtesy of a wealth of proven returners - the Lobos return 2023 and 2024 individual runner-up Habtom Samuel as well as fellow XC All-Americans Collins Kiprotich and Evans Kiplagat. One of the favorites to win an individual titles in 2025, Samuel hit another level on the track in the spring, lowering his PRs to 13:04.92 for 5k and 26:51.06 for 10K while finishing as national runner-up in both at NCAA Outdoor Championships.
- · UNM also touts five other men's returners that ran below 13:40 for 5K during the track season and brings in steeplechase All-American Mathew Kosgei for an even deeper squad than in 2024-25, when they finished ninth in the nation in 2024 at XC Championships and fifth in the team score at Outdoor Championships.
- · Sitting at No. 9 after finishing ninth as a team at Nuttycombe, the Lobo women stayed put in this week's poll. Their ambitions of a return to the team podium rest largely on Pamela Kosgei, who finished as national runner-up as a true freshman before winning both the outdoor 5,000m and 10,000m titles over an undefeated outdoor season. UNM also returns 2024 All-American Mercy Kirarei (35th in the nation) and 2023 All-American Nicola Jansen among four athletes from last year's squad that competed at nationals. Outdoor 5,000m All-American Marion Jepngetich is also running cross country for the first time, leading the Lobos with a thirdplace individual finish in her collegiate debut at Cowboy Jamboree and earning MW Freshman & Athlete of the Week honors.
- Week 2's No. 2 rank was the highest ranking in program history for the men - the women's peak of No. 3 in Week 2 was the highest for the women since the final poll of 2022, when they were ranked No. 2 in the nation. For the third week in a row, the two squads were both projected as automatic team qualifiers for NCAA Championships, with the men at No. 1 in the Mountain Region for the first time in program history and the women at No. 2.

PAMELA'S LONG-AWAITED DEBUT

Friday will be the first race of the season for UNM's top woman Pamela Kosgei - in her freshman season alone, Kosgei racked up two national titles, five All-American trophies and six Mountain West individual titles across cross country, indoor and outdoor track. She went on to be named Mountain West Female Athlete of the Year for all sports after a historic sweep of the 5,000m and 10,000m titles at NCAA Outdoor Championships in Eugene.

HABTOM SAMUEL: NATIONAL ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

After his loud season debut - and team title - at Nuttycombe, Habtom Samuel earned the second USTFCCCA National Athlete of the Week honors of his collegiate career the following Monday. The last time he was named National Athlete of the Week was exactly a year prior, when he won Wisconsin Pre-Nationals on the same course to lead a fourth-place finish for the Lobo men.

MOUNTAIN WEST DOMINANCE

The Lobos have now won either a Mountain West women's and/or men's title in cross country in 17 consecutive seasons, with 24 team championships in that span in total. At last year's MW Championships hosted at Air Force, both UNM men and women swept the men's and women's team for the first time since 2014 and seventh time in program history, also winning both individual titles for only the third time (2011, 2012).

The Lobo women have won all but one of the last 17 Mountain West team titles in cross country since 2008 - their lone blemish in that span is a fourth-place team finish in Gauson's first year as head coach in 2023. Under Joe Franklin, UNM's 15-year conference title streak on the women's side was one of the longest of any program in NCAA D-I history - their perfect 15-point team score in 2021 stands as the lowest in conference history.

On the women's side, UNM athletes have won 10 conference individual titles, with Pamela Kosgei looking to become the third Lobo – and first since Amelia Mazza-Downie in 2022 - to win individual gold in back-to-back years.

The UNM men have won back-to-back MW titles under Gauson for the first time since they won six in a row from 2009-2014. In 2024, the Lobos' top five finishers went 1-5 to secure the first perfect 15-point score in conference history. The Lobo men have taken home seven individual conference titles since joining the league, with Habtom Samuel being the only man to win the individual race twice.

LAST YEAR AT MW CHAMPION-**SHIPS**

New Mexico Men's and Women's Cross Country completed its first sweep of the conference team and individual titles since 2012 at the 2024 Mountain West Championships hosted at Air Force, with Pamela Kosgei becoming the first freshman to win an individual championship and



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Habtom Samuel becoming the first man from New Mexico to win back-to-back individual titles since 2006.

With 32 points in total in the team score, the UNM women returned to the top of the podium after a 15-year streak of conference titles was snapped last season. The UNM men finished 1-5 as individuals — the first time in conference championship history a men's team has done so — for a perfect 15-point team score to win back-to-back conference titles for the first time since 2014.

It was the first time since 2014 and seventh time in program history that UNM has won both the men's and women's conference championships in the same year — it's only the third time they've done so with Lobos winning both individual titles (2011, 2012). The Lobos have now won either a Mountain West women's and/or men's title in cross country in 17 consecutive seasons, with 24 team championships in that span in total.

Following the completion of both races, Kosgei was named MW Athlete & Freshman of the Year, with Samuel earning his second cross country MW Athlete of the Year honors in as many tries and Vincent Chirchir named Men's Freshman of the Year for his runner-up finish. Darren Gauson was named both Men's and Women's Coach of the Year — his second and third conference COTY honors after being named Men's Coach of the Year in 2023 and the first time a Mountain West coach has won both awards since former UNM Head Coach Joe Franklin did so in 2014.

WOMEN'S 6K CHAMPIONSHIP RECAP Kosgei took the lead a kilometer into the race and never looked back, outrunning the rest of the field by 47.8 seconds with a 19:36.2 time that anchored a 32-point outing for the Lobo women to finish ahead of Mercy Kirarei (4th, 20.27), Christina Nisoli (6th, 20:43.4), Natalie Bitetti (10th, 21:00.1) and Sophia McDonnell (11th, 21:00.4) and secure the Lobos' 16th MW women's cross country championship. The Lobos finished 22 points ahead of second-place Boise State (54 points) –holding the top position in the team score from start to finish — with Colorado State (79 points), Air Force (84 points) and Wyoming (103 points) rounding out the top five in the team score.

Even at above 7,000 feet in elevation at the Eisenhower Golf Course, Kosgei's time was the second-fastest in Mountain West Championship history behind former Lobo NCAA Champion and 2024 Olympian Weini Kelati's 19:11.2 finish in 2019. Kirarei never fell out of the top four as she became the second Lobo to cross the finish line for the first time this season, adding First

Team All-MW honors to her MW Indoor 3,000m and 5,000m titles from last semester.

A 42nd-place finisher at the 2023 MW Championship with a time of 21:36.9, Nisoli showed up in a big way with a new personal best (20:43.4) and the first All-MW First Team honors of her career. After finishing fourth overall in the Women's Open race at Pre-Nats on Oct. 19 as part of the Lobos' "B" Team with a 20:43.8 finish, she shaved 0.4 off that time even with an increase of 7,258 feet in elevation from Madison as the Lobos' third overall finisher.

MEN'S 8K CHAMPIONSHIP RECAP Up next in the men's 8K, Samuel finished in 23:20 - the fourth-fastest time in MW Championship history behind his conference record of 22:57.7 in 2023 - and was followed by four Lobos in succession to seal a team title immediately. Vincent Chirchir (23:41.5) finished as runner-up in his first cross country conference championship race to secure Freshman of the Year honors, with fellow freshman Collins Kiprotich (23:52.6) just behind. The trio took the 1-3 spots early at the 1.1-kilometer mark and held them through the duration of the race. Behind them, 2023 Freshman of the Year Evans Kiplagat crossed in 24:09.9 and Lukas Kiprop (24:16.6) moved from seventh to fifth over the final kilometer to complete UNM's perfect 15-point outing.

The previous season, Samuel, Kiplagat and Kiprop finished 1-2-3 to lead the Lobos to their first conference title since 2014 after the Lobos were picked to finish sixth in the preseason polls — but they needed a strong showing from their fourth and fifth scorers to close the gap late and narrowly beat out second-place Air Force by two points. This time around as preseason favorites to repeat, UNM went 1-2-3-4-5 and left nothing to chance, beating second-place Colorado State (70 points) by 55 points. Behind the Rams, Wyoming (80 points) finished third, Boise State (85 points) finished fourth and Air Force (127 points) finished fifth.

DARREN GAUSON'S LENGTHY RESUME

- 2025 USTFCCCA Men's & Women's Mountain Region Coach Of The Year
- 5-Time Mountain West Coach Of The Year
- 5 Mountain West Team Titles (2023 MXC, 2024 MXC, 2024 WXC, 2025 WITF, 2025 WOTF)
- 25 Program Records
- 29 All-American Trophies (1st or 2nd Team)
- 4 Mountain Region Athletes of The Year
- o Habtom Samuel (XC 2023 + 2024)
- o Pamela Kosgei (XC 2024 + Outdoor 2025)
- 4 National Champions
- o Habtom Samuel (10k 2024)
- o Pamela Kosgei (10k + 5k 2025)

MEN'S COMPETI	TORS	
ATHLETE	YR./EXP.	8K XC PR
Habtom Samuel	Jr. / 2V	22:33.8
Vincent Chirchir	So. / 1V	23:06.5
Collins Kiprotich	So. / 1V	23:15.7
Evans Kiplagat	Jr. / 2V	23:15.7
Lukas Kiprop	Jr. / 2V	23:23.3
Mathew Kosgei	Fr. / HS	23:39.7
Iker Sanchez	So. / 1V	23:59.8
Jayden Hernandez	So. / 1V	24:32.2
Joshua Abraham	Fr. / HS	24:26.3
Dylan Maloney	Fr. / HS	24:39.9
Matthew Giardina	Fr. / HS	25:19.7

WOMEN'S COMP	ETITORS	
ATHLETE	YR./EXP.	6K XC PR
Pamela Kosgei	So. / 1V	18:59.1
Nicola Jansen	Sr. / 1V	19:25.1
Mercy Kirarei	So. / 1V	19:57.7
Marion Jepngetich	Fr. / HS	20:10.6
Judy Rono	Fr. / HS	20:30.9
Tilly Simpson	Sr. / 1V	20:39.8
Jasmine Wood	Sr. / 1V	20:41.7
Alice Seguin	Fr. / HS	20:59.7
Li-Mari Dekker	Fr. / HS	21:19.5
M. McClelland-Brooks	Fr. / HS	21:31.7

- o Ishmael Kipkurui (10k 2025)
- Only Program in NCAA D-1 To finish in the Top 10 for both Men & Women at XC + NCAA Outdoor Championships In 2024-25
- o Women 7th XC, 9th Outdoors
- o Men 9th XC, 5th Outdoors

2025 RESULTS & SCORERS 4



2025 MEN'S RESULTS

AUG. 30 • LORI FITZGERALD OPEN LAS CRUCES, N.M. (NEW MEXICO STATE)

Iker Sanchez Lopez (14:37.47) 9. Dylan Maloney (14:54.76) Matthew Endrody (15:01.71) 11. Joshua Abraham (15:03.65) <u>14.</u> <u>Jayden Hernandez (15:06.35)</u>

15. Matthew Giardina (15:07.81)

MEN'S 5K TEAM SCORE

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FINISH	TEAM	POINTS
1st	No. 2 New Mexico	42
2nd	Texas Tech	47
3rd	UTEP	91
4th	New Mexico JC	94
5th	New Mexico St.	131

SEPT. 26 • COWBOY JAMBOREE

STILLWATER, OKLA. (OKLAHOMA STATE) Collins Kiprotich (23:38.0)

4.	Vincent Chirchir (23:39.8)
5.	Evans Kiplagat (23:42.4)
11.	Iker Sanchez (24:02.8)
<u>18.</u>	Mathew Kosgei (24:13.7)
22.	Lukas Kiprop (24:25.3)
25.	Jayden Hernandez (24:32.2)
30.	Joshua Abraham (24:36.5)
46.	Dylan Maloney (24:59.9)
61.	Matthew Endrody (25:20.6)
66	Matthew Giardina (25:23.3)

MEN'S 8K TEAM SCORE

FINISH	TEAM	POINT
1st	No. 3 Oklahoma St.	36
2nd	No. 2 New Mexico	41
3rd	No. 29 Tulsa	107
4th	RV Oklahoma	108
5th	Kentucky	147

OCT. 17 • NUTTYCOMBE INVITE

MADISON, WISC. (WISCONSIN)

1. Habtom Samuel (22:58.0) 6. Collins Kiprotich (23:27.Ó) 9. Evans Kiplagat (23:32.6) 13. Vincent Chirchir (23:35.4) 22. Mathew Kosgei (23:39.7)

56. Iker Sanchez Lopez (23:59.8) 178. Jayden Hernandez (25:15.7)

MEN'S 8K TEAM SCORE (TOP 10 ONLY)

FINISH	TEAM	POINT
1st	No. 3 New Mexico	51
2nd	No. 5 Colorado	149
3rd	No. 11 Syracuse	152
4th	No. 13 Northern Arizona	203
5th	No. 6 BYU	218
6th	No. 21 Washington St.	228
7th	No. 16 Michigan State	242
8th	No. 12 Butler	257
9th	No. 7 Wisconsin	272
10th	No. 9 Notre Dame	274



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2025 RESULTS & SCORERS

2025 WOMEN'S RESULTS

AUG. 30 • LORI FITZGERALD OPEN LAS CRUCES, N.M. (NEW MEXICO STATE)

Christina Nisoli 17:22.00 9. Anya Belisle 18:08.76 Stefana Purkovic 18:51.76 Maleah Goldie 19:06.84 25. 29. <u>33</u>. Hannah Taylor 19:19.81 34. Sylvia Schwedler 19:21.35 39. Lyla Fedio 19:43.71

WOMEN'S 5K TEAM SCORE

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FINISH	TEAM	POINTS
1st	Texas Tech	22
2nd	Arizona	61
3rd	New Mexico St.	76
4th	No. 20 New Mexico	98
5th	New Mexico JC	143
6th	UTEP	175

Fiona Holloway 19:57.45

SEPT. 14 · LOBO XC INVITATIONAL ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (UNM NORTH COURSE)

Meadow Drebert (18:16.46) 4. Anya Belisle (18:29.72) 5. Semira Mebrahtu Firezghi (18:34.73) 8. Katrina Endres (18:48.64)

SEPT. 26 · COWBOY JAMBOREE STILLWATER, OKLA. (OKLAHOMA STATE)

3.	Marion Jepngetich (20:15.8)
13.	Nicola Jansen (20:46.7)
14.	Tilly Simpson (20:52.6)
17.	Alice Seguin (20:58.7)
<u>18.</u>	Jasmine Wood (21:01.8)
32.	Mercy Kirarei (21:29.3)
42.	Li-Mari Dekker (21:41.9)
49.	Millie McClelland-Brooks (21:54.2)
62.	Millie Robinson (22:15.0)
65.	Anya Belisle (22:17.5)
76.	Mia Torrecillas (22:35.1)

WOMEN'S	6K TEAM SCORE
FINISH	TEAM

FINISH	TEAM	POINTS
1st	No. 1 BYU .	34
2nd	No. 13 Oklahoma St.	57
3rd	No. 3 New Mexico	65
3rd	Kentucky	127
4th	SMU	134
5th	W. Colorado (D2)	188

OCT. 17 • NUTTYCOMBE INVITE

MADISON, WISC. (WISCONSIN)

16. Marion Jepngetich (20:10.6) 37. Judy Rono (20:30.9) 52. Jasmine Wood (20:41.7) 93. Mercy Kirarei (21:06.7) 111. Alice Seguin (21:14.1)

117. Li-Mari Dekker (21:19.5) 190. Nicola Jansen (22:14.3)

WOMEN	'S 6K TEAM SCORE (TO	P 10 ONLY)
FINISH	TEAM	POINTS
1st	No. 2 NC State	41
2nd	No. 7 Notre Dame	125
3rd	No. 16 Iowa State	176
4th	No. 9 West Virginia	190

No. 18 Northwestern 225 5th No. 22 Georgetown 243 6th No. 14 Penn State 247 7th 8th No. 11 Stanford 250 9th No. 5 New Mexico 312 10th No. 14 Utah 316

LOBO XC HISTORY



MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

MEN'S ALL-TIME CONFERENCE RESULTS

CONFERENCE RESULTS			
Year	Finish	Points	Conf.
1999	6th/6	153	MWC
2000	6th/6	153	MWC
2001	5th/6	87	MWC
2002	3rd/6	72	MWC
2003	4th/6	123	MWC
2004	3rd/6	69	MWC
2005	5th/6	119	MWC
2006	4th/6	89	MWC
2007	2nd/6	51	MWC
2008	3rd/6	64	MWC
2009	1st/6	29	MWC
2010	1st/6	40	MWC
2011	1st/6	51	MWC
2012	1st/6	22	MWC
2013	1st/8	32	MWC
2014	1st/8	26	MWC
2015	5th/8	120	MWC
2016	5th/8	138	MWC
2017	5th/8	97	MWC
2018	6th/8	144	MWC
2019	6th/9	111	MWC
2020*	5th/8	132	MWC
2021	7th/9	175	MWC
2022	6th/9	140	MWC
2023	1st/9	34	MWC
2024	1st/9	15*	MWC
*Lowest men's point total in conf. championship			

MEN'S ALL-TIME NCAA REGIONAL RESULTS

race in MW history

Year Finish Points 1977 7th 200 1978 9th 260 1979 10th 256 1980 Did Not Compete 1981 7th 1982 4th 125 1983 4th 144 1984 7th 166 1985 10th 280 1986 9th 230 1987 12th N/A 1988 2nd 103 1989 7th 201 1990 18th 374 1991 7th 175 1992 16th 424			
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1990 18th 374 1991 7th 175	1988	2nd	103
1991 7th 175	1989	7th	201
	1990	18th	374
1992 16th 424	1991	7th	175
	1992	16th	424
1993 12th 307	1993	12th	307
1994 12th 319	1994	12th	319
1995 15th 402	1995	15th	402

Year	Finish	Points
1996	Did Not	Compete
1997	Did Not	Compete
1998	14th	420
1999	16th	403
2000	12th	298
2001	9th	189
2002	7th	186
2003	13th	313
2004	4th	136
2005	8th	222
2006	11th	243
2007	5th	125
2008	4th	93
2009	3rd	77
2010	1st	45*
2011	4th	178
2012 2013	4th 3rd	108 79
2013	7th	158
2014	9th	254
2015	9th	237
2017	8th	260
2017	10th	256
2019	12th	329
2020*		(Covid-19)
2021	14th	368
2022	9th	227
2023	3rd	97
2024	2nd	61
*Lowest UNM men's point total in Regional		
Championship race in program history		

MEN'S ALL-TIME NCAA CHAMPI-

ONSHIP TEAM RESULTS

TEAM	RESULTS		
Year	Finish	Points	
1966	11th	311	
1975	14th	352	
1988	T-20th	462	
2004	9th	330	
2009	T-8th	350	
2010	16th	376	
2011	31st	885	
2012	21st	473	
2013	11th	334	
2014	14th	394	
2023	18th	465	
2024	9th	272*	
*Lowest UNM women's point total in NCAA			
Champio	onship race in	program history	

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

WOMEN'S ALL-TIME CONFERENCE RESULTS

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Year	Finish	Points	Conf.
1999	8th/8	185	MWC
2000	7th/8	173	MWC
2001	5th/8	159	MWC
2002	6th/8	173	MWC
2003	5th/8	141	MWC
2004	6th/8	163	MWC
2005	2nd/9	74	MWC
2006	3rd/9	94	MWC
2007	3rd/9	94	MWC
2008	1st/9	31	MWC
2009	1st/9	24	MWC
2010	1st/9	20	MWC
2011	1st/8	30	MWC
2012	1st/9	35	MWC
2013	1st/11	31	MWC
2014	1st/11	33	MWC
2015	1st/11	24	MWC
2016	1st/11	42	MWC
2017	1st/11	22	MWC
2018	1st/11	33	MWC
2019	1st/11	31	MWC
2020*	1st/9	29	MWC
2021	1st/11	15*	MWC
2022	1st/11	24	MWC
2023	4th/11	111	MWC
2024	1st/11	32	MWC

*Lowest women's point total in conf. championship race in MW history

WOMEN'S ALL-TIME

NCAA REGIONAL RESULTS			
Year	Finish	Points	
1977	3rd	N/A	
1978	2nd	68	
1979	6th	163	
1980	7th	N/A	
1981	1st	N/A	
1982	5th	131	
1983	5th	123	
1984	2nd	79	
1985	2nd	88	
1986	4th	113	
1987	5th	139	
1988	5th	158	
1989	14th	338	
1990	11th	281	
1991	10th	289	
1992	13th	277	
1993	16th	390	
1994	16th	405	
1995	11th	287	

Year	Finish	Points	
1996	10th	264	
1997	16th	394	
1998	13th	318	
1999	16th	412	
2000	14th	344	
2001	12th	332	
2002	15th	417	
2003	13th	317	
2004	12th	306	
2005	6th	163	
2006	7th	179	
2007	6th	202	
2008	2nd	70	
2009	5th	120	
2010	1st	53	
2011	T-1st	84	
2012	2nd	95	
2013	2nd	64	
2014	2nd	56	
2015	2nd	50	
2016	2nd	109	
2017	2nd	70	
2018	1st	41*	
2019	2nd	83	
		(Covid-19)	
2021	1st	62	
2022	1st	56	
2023	7th	178	
2024	3rd	111	
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WOMEN'S ALL-TIME NCAA CHAM-PIONSHIP

TEAM RESULTS

Year	Finish	Points		
1976!	9th	N/A		
1978!	19th	506		
1981	11th	284		
1985	14th	296		
2008	18th	475		
2009	13th	368		
2010	5th	227		
2011	9th	322		
2012	10th	341		
2013	10th	301		
2014	3rd	188		
2015	1st	49*		
2016	7th	310		
2017	1st	90		
2018	2nd	103		
2019	4th	168		
2020*	6th	274		
2021	3rd	130		
2022	2nd	140		
2024	7th	244		
*Lowest UNM women's point total in NCAA				
Champio	Championship race in program history			

MEN'S ALL-AMERICANS

Year	Athlete Fi	nish
1975	Lionel Ortega	24th
1979	Kip Koskei	3rd
1981	Ibrihim Hussein	21st
1982	Ibrahim Kivina	25th
2001	Matt Gonzales	30th
2004	Matt Gonzales	2nd
2004	Shadrack Kiptoo-Biwott	14th
2007	Jeremy Johnson	20th
2009	Jacob Kirwa	11th
2010	Keith Gerrard	40th
2012	Luke Caldwell	27th
2013	Luke Caldwell	10th
2020*	Abdirizak Ibrahim	35th
2021	Abdirizak Ibrahim	33rd
2023	Habtom Samuel	2nd
	Evans Kiplagat	33rd
2024	Habtom Samuel	2nd
	Collins Kiprotich	35th
	Evans Kiplagat	40th

WOMEN'S ALL-AMERICANS

Year	Athlete	Finish
1976!	Karen Cramond	17th
1984	Carole Roybal	19th
1985	Carole Roybal	13th
1986	Carole Roybal	28th
1988	Gwen Willink	36th
2010	Natalie Gray	15th
	Ruth Senior	33rd
2012	Josephine Moultrie	30th
2013	Sammy Silva	12th
	Charlotte Arter	18th
2014	Alice Wright	20th
	Charlotte Arter	22nd
2015	Courtney Frerichs	4th
	Alice Wright	5th
	Rhona Auckland	13th
	Calli Thackery	15th
2015	Molly Renfer	24th
2016	Alice Wright	19th
	Calli Thackery	28th

Year	Athlete F	inish
2017	Ednah Kurgat	1st
	Weini Kelati	7th
2017	Charlotte Prouse	12th
	Alice Wright	14th
2018	Weini Kelati	2nd
	Ednah Kurgat	5th
	Charlotte Prouse	9th
2019	Weini Kelati	1st
	Ednah Kurgat	9th
	Hannah Nuttall	35th
2020*	Adva Cohen	22nd
	Gracelyn Larkin	25th
2021	Emma Heckel	18th
	Gracelyn Larkin	21st
	Stefanie Parsons	36th
2022	Amelia Mazza-Downie	22nd
2022	Gracelyn Larkin	26th
	Samree Dishon	37th
	Emma Heckel	38th
	Elise Thorner	40th
2023	Nicola Jansen	36t

2024 Pamela Kosgei 2nd Mercy Kirarei 35th !AIAW National Championships

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NATIONAL POLLS

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Year	PS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	NCAA
2025	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	3	3	3							
2024	8	8	8	8	6	6	5					9
2023			RV	RV	18	19	13					18
2015	21	20	19	17	RV	RV						
2014	17	17	17	15	16	18	13	26				14
2013	19	17	17	21	25	9	11	6				11
2012	24	24	24	21	28	12	16	21				21
2011	21	21	20	21	25	25			RV	RV	28	31
2010	14	14	11	16	10	10	12	12	10	10	5	16
2009	26	24	21	21	19	19	12	12				8
2008	15	29	RV	RV				RV				
2007								RV				
2005	RV											
2004	RV	RV	RV	RV	23	20	19					9
2003	RV											
2002	RV	29	30	27								28

WOMEN'S USTFCCCA RANKINGS & NCAA FINISHES ALL-TIME

Year	PS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	NCAA
2025	4	3	5	5	9							
2024	20	21	17	17	8	10	10					7
2023	21	19	23	26			RV					
2022	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2				2
2021	4	4	3	3	3	<u>1</u>	2	2				3
2020	2	2	4	5	4	3	3					6
2019	2	2	2	2	4	11	10	7				4
2018	1	1	1	1	3	3	1	1				2
2017	4	3	3	3	3	2	2	2				1
2016	1	1	1	2	11	7	6	6				7
2015	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				1
2014	11	12	12	12	11	10	9	9				3
2013	15	16	16	15	7	9	8	11				10
2012	RV	24	20	19	19	17	17	17				10
2011	2	2	2	2	7	7	20	20	19	19	11	9
2010	18	18	18	12	8	8	10	10	10	10	5	5
2009	22	25	21	21	20	20	20	25				13
2008	RV	18	27	27	23	23	21	21				18

BOLD denotes highest-ever ranking

ROSTER / PRONUNCIATIONS

2025 NEW MEXICO MEN'S XC ROSTER

NAME	YR.	HOMETOWN	PREV. SCHOOL(S)
Joshua Abraham	Fr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Toulouse, France Lycée Jean	Pierre Vernant / Universités Paul Sabatier
Vincent Chirchir	Fr. (XC) / Fr. (I) / So. (O)	Keringet, Kenya	Keringet Boys School
Matthew Endrödy	Fr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Johannesburg, South Africa	Afrikaanse Hoër Seunskool
Jayden Hernandez	So. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Santa Ana, Calif.	Dana Hills HS
Kipruto Koech	Fr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Las Vegas, Nev.	Desert Oasis HS
Mathew Kosgei	Fr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Tambach, Kenya	St. Francis Kimuron Secondary School
Evans Kiplagat	Jr. (XC) / Jr. (I) / Jr. (O)	Eldoret, Kenya	Friends Bwake Boys HS
Lukas Kiprop	Jr. (XC) / Jr. (I) / So. (O)	Baringo County, Kenya	A.I.C Moi Academy Esageri
Habtom Samuel	Jr. (XC) / Jr. (I) / Jr. (O)	Keren, Eritrea	Al Selef Al Salih
Iker Sanchez	So. (XC) / Sr. (I) / Sr. (O)	Aguascalientes, Mexico	CNAR Mexico City / Arizona
Dylan Maloney	Fr. (XC) / Fr. (I) / Fr. (O)	Planfield, III.	Plainfield South HS
Matthew Giardina	Fr. (XC) / Fr. (I) / Fr. (O)	Tyngsboro, Mass.	Bishop Guertin HS

PRONUNCIATIONS

Vincent Chirchir- Cheer-cheer Lukas Kiprop - Key-prop Matthew Giardina - Jar-deena Matthew Endrödy - En-droe-dee Habtom Samuel - Hob-tum Sam-yul Evans Kiplagat - Kipla-got Iker Sanchez - Eeker

2025 NEW MEXICO WOMEN'S XC ROSTER

NAME	YR.	HOMETOWN	PREV. SCHOOL(S)
Anya Belisle	So. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Saratoga Springs, N.Y.	Saratoga Springs HS
Li-Mari Dekker	Fr. (XC) / Fr. (I) / So. (O)	Pretoria, South Africa	Zwartkop HS
Nicola Jansen	Sr. (XC) / Sr. (I) / Sr. (O)	Pretoria, South Africa	Waterkloof HS / Bradley
Marion Jepngetich	Fr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Uasin Gishu County, Kenya	Kimwogo Mixed Day Secondary
Mercy Kirarei	So. (XC) / Jr. (I) / So. (O)	Eldoret, Kenya	Saramek Secondary School
Pamela Kosgei	So. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Elgeyo-Marakwet County, Kenya	St. Agatha Mokpo Girls School
Tina Nisoli	Sr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Los Alamos, N.M.	Los Alamos HS
Judy Rono	Fr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Eldama Ravine, Kenya	A.I.C. Cheptonon Secondary School
Peyton Schieppe	Jr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	O'Fallon, III.	O'Fallon Township HS / Bradley
Alice Seguin	Fr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Rouen, France	Lycée Pierre Corneille / IFMK de Rouen
Tilly Simpson	Sr. (XC) / Sr. (I) / Sr. (O)	Sheffield, England	Eckington School / Michigan
Rilyn Stevens	Fr. (XC) / So. (I) / Fr. (O)	Boise, Idaho	Mountain View HS
Mia Torrecillas	Fr. (XC) / So. (I) / So. (O)	Bakersfield, Calif.	Highland HS
Jasmine Wood	Sr. (XC) / Jr. (I) / Sr.(O)	Buckinghamshire, England	St. Clement Danes / Durham University
Millie McClelland-Brooks	Fr. (XC) / Fr. (I) / Fr. (O)	Aberdeen, Scotland	Plainfield South HS
Charlotte O'Meara	Fr. (XC) / Fr. (I) / Fr. (O)	Bethlehem, N.Y.	Bethlehem Central HS
Millie Robinson	Fr. (XC) / Fr. (I) / Fr. (O)	Saratoga Springs, Utah	Westlake HS

Anya Belisle - On-ya Belile Meadow Drebert - Dree-bert Christina Nisoli - Ni-sole-ee

PRONUNCIATIONS

Li-Mari Dekker - Lee-Marie Mercy Kirarei - Keyraray Mia Torrecillas - Torre-seeyas Marion Jepngetich - Jepingetich Pamela Kosgei - Coss-guy



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DARREN GAUSON HEAD COACH / DIRECTOR OF TRACK & FIELD / CROSS COUNTRY

Darren Gauson was named UNM's Head Coach for Track & Field / Cross Country on June 30, 2023. In his first two seasons at the helm in Albuquerque, Gauson has led the Lobos to three individual national

titles, five Mountain West team titles and six national individual runners-up, producing 26 All-American finishes. In the 2024-25 academic year, New Mexico was the only program in the nation to finish in the Top 10 in the team score at both NCAA Cross Country & Outdoor Track & Field Championships — the Lobo women finished seventh in the nation in XC and ninth outdoors, while the men finished ninth in cross country and fifth outdoors.

2024-25

In Gauson's second year at the helm, the Lobos reached new heights on the national stage for both men and women. They won four Mountain West titles – including the first sweep of women's cross country, indoor and outdoor track & field team titles in program history – and finished in the Top 10 nationally for men & women at both NCAA XC and Outdoor Track & Field Championships, with Ishmael Kipkurui (10,000m) and Pamela Kosgei (5,000m & 10,000m) winning individual national titles outdoors.

At NCAA Cross Country Championships, the Lobo women finished 7th and the men finished 9th, making UNM one of just three schools in the nation with both teams finishing in the Top 10 alongside NAU and BYU. Habtom Samuel repeated as national runner-up despite losing a shoe halfway through the race and Pamela Kosgei finished as national runner-up on the women's side – both earned USTFCCCA Mountain Region Athlete of the Year honors following the conclusion of the season.

At the conclusion of the indoor season, UNM qualified five athletes for NCAA Indoor Championships – Brodie Young (400m), Collins Kiprotich (Mile), Ishmael Kipkurui (3,000m; 5,000m), Habtom Samuel (3,000m; 5,000m) and Pamela Kosgei (3,000m; 5,000m). Samuel (2nd, 5,000m) and Kosgei (3rd, 5,000m) both took home First Team All-America honors.

During the outdoor regular season, Ishmael Kipkurui broke the NCAA collegiate record in the 10,000m at Sound Running's THE TEN (26:50.21), Habtom Samuel broke the collegiate 5,000m record (13:05.87) and Pamela Kosgei ran the second-fastest 5,000m (14:52.45) and 10,000m performances (31:02.73) in NCAA history.

At NCAA West Region Preliminaries, 11 Lobos qualified for NCAA Outdoor Championships – the second-most in program history and most since a 28-athlete showing in 2011.

In addition to national titles from Pamela Kosgei (5,000m,10,000m) and Ishmael Kipkurui (10,000m), Mathew Kosgei (6th, 3,000m Steeplechase), Habtom Samuel (2nd, 5,000m & 10,000m) and Marion Jepngetich (4th, 5,000m) all earned First Team All-America honors. With Kosgei and Kipkurui's 10,000m victories, UNM became the first D-I institution to sweep both men's and women's 10K titles at the same NCAA Outdoor Championships.

The UNM men finished 5th in the team score – their highest finish ever – with the most points in program

history (31 points). The women placed ninth with 25 points – their second-best finish in history. The two squads' 56 points combined were the most in any single season at UNM, more than twice the previous highest combined of 22 points (2018).

After outdoor championships, Gauson was named

After outdoor championships, Gauson was named USTFCCA Mountain Region Coach of the Year for both men and women, with Pamela Kosgei named Regional Athlete of the Year and becoming the first finalist for The Bowerman in program history.

2023-24

In his first season at UNM, the Lobo men won their first Mountain West Championship since 2014, and Gauson was named MW Men's Coach of the Year. Led by a Mountain Region individual title by freshman Habtom Samuel, the Lobos finished third at regionals—their best finish since 2013—and qualified for the NCAA Championship race as a team for the first time since 2014. They went on to finish 18th in the nation, with Samuel finishing as a national runner-up and Evans Kiplagat also earning All-American honors. Nicola Jansen, a Bradley transfer who followed Gauson to Albuquerque, qualified as an individual and finished 36th at the National Championship race to become the third XC All-American of Gauson's tenure.

In the first meet of the 2023-24 indoor season, Samuel broke the indoor 5,000m record and Lukas Kiprop broke the 3,000m record at the Sharon Danville-Colyear Season Opener.

In the 2023-24 indoor season, UNM athletes produced 33 marks that rank among the Top 10 in program history in their respective events. The women finished 4th and the men finished 5th at MW Indoor Championships, with Habtom Samuel and Mercy Kirarei sweeping the men's and women's 3,000m and 5,000m titles — the first time in program history that UNM won all four races at the same indoor championships. 10 Lobos earned indoor All-MW honors following the meet, with Habtom Samuel named Performer of the Meet and Indoor Track Athlete of the Year. Samuel and Kiplagat both qualified for NCAA Indoor Championships, with Samuel finishing 4th in the 5,000m and 7th in the 3,000m for his second and third All-American awards and Kiplagat finishing 15th in the

The UNM women finished 6th and the men finished 5th at Gauson's first MW Outdoor Championships in Clovis, with 11 All-MW honorees. Samuel won both the 1,500m and 5,000m races — his 4th and 5th conference individual titles — to join Gebauer as at the top of the podium, later being named MW Outdoor Track Athlete of the Year to complete the season sweep of conference yearly awards.

5 000m for 2nd Team honors

At 2024 NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships in Eugene, Ore., Samuel scored 13 points in total for the Lobos with his first- and sixth-place finishes – the most points the UNM men have scored as a team at NCAA Outdoor Championships since 1967 (24) – to help the Lobos finish tied for 23rd in the men's team score with Northern Arizona. It's only the fifth time UNM has produced 13 or more points in the men's team score in program history and the highest the Lobo men have finished in the team score since 2017. UNM concluded the week as the second-highest placing non-P5 team in the men's field behind Harvard (T-16th), outscoring 113 of 137 teams competing.

PRIOR TO UNM

Gauson has spent the last eight years as the head coach of the track and field and cross country programs at Bradley University in Illinois. He led the

Braves to 10 Missouri Valley cross country titles, six by the men and four by the women, including this past year when Bradley swept both the men's and women's titles at the 2022 Missouri Valley Championships. Prior to arriving in Peoria, Gauson was the cross country coach and assistant track and field coach at Lamar University, where he guided the Cardinals to back-to-back Southland Conference men's and women's cross country titles in 2013 and 2014.

"It's an incredible honor to join a storied program and become the next head track & field and cross country coach at the University of New Mexico," said Gauson. "UNM has developed into a championship program and I am excited to build on the tradition established at the school. Albuquerque is a place where athletes dream of coming to train and develop into national champions and Olympians. I want to thank Athletic Director Eddie Nuñez, Deputy Athletic Director David Williams and Senior Woman Administrator Amy Beggin for their faith in me and their desire to continue to elevate the program to new heights. I also want to thank Bradley University for all that they've done for me in my career. I can't wait to get to work at New Mexico and develop high-character student-athletes in the classroom and on the track.'

During his time at Bradley and Lamar, in addition to the 14 team conference titles, Gauson has coached 75 conference champions, 14 conference athletes of the year and 15 conference freshman of the year. He has mentored four All-Americans and six conference outstanding track performers.

A 10-time Missouri Valley Coach of the Year and the 2018 USTFCCCA Midwest Region Men's Coach of the Year, Gauson build Bradley into a powerhouse. His teams included a record-setting performance by the men's cross country team in 2019, when the Braves had the top four finishers at the conference meet to set the modern-day Missouri Valley scoring record with 17 points. A year earlier, Bradley qualified for the NCAA Men's Cross Country Championship for the first time in program history, finishing 24th at the 2018 meet. The Bradley women's team had the second-lowest score in MVC history in 2017, when it had five runners in the top eight en route to the conference title.

On the track, Gauson coached the first individual outdoor and indoor MVC champions for the BU men in 30 and 34 years, respectively, during the 2016 and 2017 championships. Additionally, the Bradley women won their first distance medley relay crown in school history in 2019. Bradley set school records for points scored at the MVC Indoor and Outdoor Championships by both the men and women over the past five seasons. In 2017, Daniel Gagne became the first BU man to qualify for the NCAA Track and Field Championship in 42 years, where he earned second-team All-America honors in the 1,500m run in 2017. In 2021, Wilma Nielsen became the first Bradley freshman to qualify for the NCAA Championship and finished the campaign as the nation's third-ranked rookie in the 800m. Earlier this month, Tiana LoStracco earned honorable mention All-America honors as she qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Championship in the 1500m.

In addition to success on the course and on the track, Bradley also had success in the classroom under Gauson. He has coached seven Academic All-Americans and 11 MVC Elite 17 Award winners. Bradley has earned USTFCCCA All-Academic Team honors in each of year of his tenure. The men ranked as high as fourth nationally in team GPA (2019 and 2021), while the women peaked at fifth in 2017.

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BRIAN MATYASSISTANT COACH: DISTANCE

A native of Palos Heights, Illinois, Maty joined the UNM staff in the Summer of 2023. Maty assists with all facets of all six programs, focusing on distance running with both indoor and outdoor teams as well as serving as the assistant cross country coach. In 2022, Maty was part of the staff that led Bradley to a sweep of Missouri Valley Conference titles in men's and women's cross country. Bradley's women basically lapped the field, scoring 22 points to outpace second place Belmont by 53 points. He also coached Wilma Nielsen, who turned in the NCAA's No. 2 time all-time in the 1,000m (2:38.95)

at the Dr. Sander Invitational in New York City. She also earned first team All-American 800m indoor honors. He also coached Tiana LoStracco and honorable mention All American Tiana LoStracco 1500m in Austin. TX

That came after a 2021 season that saw Bradley runners claim nine conference track titles in his first season on campus, while the Bradley women also set school records for most points at the Missouri Valley Conference meet, tallying 70 at the 2022 Indoor Championship

and 84 points at the 2022 Outdoor Championship.

Prior to joining the Braves, Maty spent the 2021 fall semester as a graduate assistant at Eastern Illinois. The EIU men's and women's cross country teams both posted record-setting seasons with Maty's assistance, highlighted by sweeping the Ohio Valley Conference individual cross country titles. The Panthers boasted a total of nine All-OVC performers (six men & three women) in addition to setting school records in the women's 6K and men's 8K. The EIU men's team also claimed the OVC title, with Dustin Hatfield going on to become the first NCAA Championship qualifier from Eastern Illinois in 20 years. On the women's side Lindsey Carlson became the first female all-region performer in school history, following a 20th-place individual finish at the NCAA Midwest Regional Championship.

Maty graduated from Loras College in 2021. He spent the 2020 indoor track & field season

as an intern at the University of Portland where he assisted with videography, recruiting, coaching, social media management and home meet setup. Maty's indoor season with the Pilots was highlighted by a school record in the men's mile (3:59.61).

In January 2019, Maty completed an externship under Danny Mackey and the Brooks Beasts Track Club in Seattle, Washington, that featured instruction on running physiology and biomechanics, along with focusing on the facets of marketing such as brand advertising and social media management.



JENNA SCHWARTZ ASSISTANT COACH: DISTANCE

Jenna Schwartz joined the Lobo XC/T&F staff as an assistant coach in August of 2024.

Originally from Waterloo III. Schwartz joins the

Originally from Waterloo, Ill., Schwartz joins the Lobos after a four-year career at Missouri, where she recently completed her Graduate Certificate in Positive Coaching and Athletic Leadership along with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with an emphasis in management. Competing in cross country and track for the Tigers from from 2019 to 2024, Schwartz ranks No. 4 in program history in the Indoor 5000m (16:25.20), No. 6 in the

Outdoor 10,000m (33:56.58) and No. 9 in the Outdoor 5000m, earning a spot on the SEC Academic Honor Roll in every semester during her time in Columbia.

"I'm incredibly excited to join such a historic program and work with an incredible staff," Schwartz said. "Albuquerque is an outstanding place to train at an elite level and I'm humbled and grateful to do whatever I can to keep our successes going."



JARED BERRYMAN ASSISTANT COACH / DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Berryman came to UNM in the Summer of 2023 from Bradley, where he was a part of Darren Gauson's staff as an assistant coach. Among various duties as director of operations for both XC and track, Berryman is UNM's co-meet director along with Kyra Mohns.

During his season in Peoria, the Braves won the Missouri Valley women's cross country championship and had individuals qualify for the NCAA Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field Championships. Berryman spent the 2021-22 season as an

intern at his alma mater, Cal State East Bay, assisting with the program's recruiting, meet management and social media.

A native of Long Beach, Calif., Berryman is a 2022 graduate of CSUEB, where he earned a bachelor's degree in kinesiology with an emphasis in sport nutrition and wellness. He ran three seasons for the Pioneers and was a two-year captain of the Cal State East Bay track & field team.