

IOWA HAWKEYES

University of Iowa Athletic Communications



WOMEN'S ROWING WEEKLY RELEASE

May 15, 2019

2019 SCHEDULE

All times are Central and subject to change

2/14	ODU & SMU Scrimmage	All Day
2/15	ODU & SMU Scrimmage	All Day
3/30	PAC 12 Invitational	All Day
3/31	PAC 12 Invitational	All Day
4/13	Minnesota / Wisconsin	All Day
4/19	Harvard / Brown	All Day
4/21	Harvard / Brown	All Day
4/27	Longhorn Invitational	All Day
5/19	Big Ten Championship*	All Day
5/31-6/2	NCAA Championships ^	All Day

*Devils Lake, Wisc.

^Indianapolis, Ind.

CRCA/US ROWING COACHES RANKINGS

Rank	Team (First Place Votes)	Points
1	University of Washington (21)	472
2	University of California, Berkeley	462
3	Stanford University (4)	455
4	University of Texas	398
5	University of Michigan	375
6	Ohio State University	348
7	Brown University	337
8	Princeton University	335
9	Yale University	326
10	University of Virginia	285
11	University of Wisconsin	217
12	University of Iowa	179
13	Rutgers University	156
14	Harvard University	150
15	University of Southern California	149
16	Indiana University	146
17	Duke University	94
18	Syracuse University	88
19	Oregon State University	84
20	University of Oklahoma	82

*Updated May 8, 2019

Other receiving votes: University of Minnesota (27), University of California, Los Angeles (24), Michigan State University (13), University of Louisville (12), University of Notre Dame (10), U.S. Naval Academy (5), Southern Methodist University (5), University of Alabama (5), Cornell University (3), Washington State University (3)

THIS WEEK

The 12th-ranked University of Iowa women's rowing team will travel to Devil's Lake, Wisconsin, to take part in the Big Ten Rowing Championships on Sunday at 9 a.m. (CT). The Hawkeyes will face off against Indiana, Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Ohio State, Rutgers, and Wisconsin for a Big Ten title.

FOLLOW ALONG

A live stream of the competition is available on BTN2Go with live results provided by HereNOW.com. Links to follow along are available on the team's schedule page at hawkeyesports.com.

Live results will also be posted on Twitter @lowarowing following each event.

PARKING INFORMATION

Vehicle admission tickets will be scanned and registration information confirmed on-site with vehicle information provided during purchase. Three lots are available for on-site fan parking in the north, south, and west ends of the complex.

Limited parking is available onsite, with additional over-flow parking available within walking distance to the South Shore in a newly opened overflow parking area. One vehicle is granted park admission per transaction.

TENTATIVE RACE SCHEDULE (CT)

9:00	A.M.	II Novice Eights
9:20	A.M.	I Novice Eights
9:40	A.M.	III Fours
10:00	A.M.	II Fours
10:20	A.M.	I Fours
10:40	A.M.	II Eights
11:00	A.M.	I Eights

BIG TEN SEEDS

The Hawkeyes' I Varsity Eight leads the team as the second seed in the conference. Iowa has wins over then-No. 11 Wisconsin, No. 20 Minnesota, No. 11 USC, and No. 10 Virginia.

Iowa seeds:

- I Varsity 8: Seed #2
- II Varsity 8: Seed #8
- I Varsity 4: Seed #5
- II Varsity 4: Seed #7
- III Varsity 4: Seed #7
- I Novice 8: Seed #6
- II Novice 8: Seed #7

HITTING THE WATER

This marks the third time Wisconsin will host to the Big Ten rowing championships, and the first time since 2007 on Lake Wingra in Devil's Lake State Park. The Badgers also hosted the inaugural 2000 championships on Lake Wingra.

This year also marks the first time since 2010 that the Big Ten championships will be held outside of Indianapolis.

The winner of the 2019 Big Ten Rowing Championships will receive an automatic bid into the 22-team NCAA championships to take place May 31 – June 2 in Indianapolis.

Additional Big Ten squads have the ability to earn NCAA bids as an at-large team.

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HEAD COACH ANDREW CARTER



Andrew Carter was named the third head coach in program history for the University of Iowa rowing program in July 2013.

Carter has led Iowa to the NCAA Championships in each of the last two seasons, securing just the second and third championship appearances in school history.

The Hawkeyes have improved one spot in the conference standings in each of Carter's five years at the Big Ten Championships.

The 2018 crews finished fourth with a school-record 111 points. This finish matches the best finish in program history.

In 2018, then sophomore Contessa Harold was named Big Ten Conference Co-Athlete of the Year. Harold is the first Hawkeye in program history to earn the conference honor. Harold was named to the All-Big Ten first team, and senior Kaelynn Heiberg and sophomore Hunter Koenigsfeld were named to the second team.

In 2017, Carter ended Iowa's 16-year postseason drought by leading the Hawkeyes to the NCAA Championships for the first time since 2001. The Hawkeyes tied for fourth at the Big Ten Championship and scored 106 points at the conference meet, a then-program record. Cristy Hartman earned first team All-Big Ten honors and Ashley Duda earned second team All-Big Ten honors. Morgan Grastorf and Cristy Hartman were named All-Region athletes and Victoria Bricker, Kaelynn Heiberg, Gemma Kerr, and Rachel Canon were selected as CRCA Scholar Athletes. Carter led the Hawkeyes to their highest national ranking in program history, coming in at No. 7 in the April 18, 2018, CRCA/USRowing poll.

During his coaching career, Carter has earned more than 50 championship medals, and over the last 15 years, he has coached nine All-Americans and 41 National Scholar-Athletes. Before becoming a Hawkeye, he turned Miami into a nationally-ranked program, and led Clemson to its first-ever Atlantic Coast Conference title and NCAA Championship appearance.

That announcement will come on Tuesday, May 20 at 4 p.m. (CT) via a streamed selection show at NCAA.com.

RANKINGS

The Hawkeyes have been ranked for 26 consecutive weeks—the program's longest streak in school history. The streak peaked last season at No. 7 on April 18, 2018. This season, Iowa has been ranked at No. 12, 13, and 14.

LAST TIME OUT

The Hawkeyes faced No. 4 Texas, No. 10 UVA, No. 11 USC, No. 16 Indiana, No. 18 Oregon State, No. 20 Oklahoma, and Notre Dame at the Longhorn Invitational on April 26 and 27.

RECAP: I VARSITY EIGHT - Iowa got off to a good start and led the field at the 500m mark with Texas trailing by only two seats. Texas pulled to about a 4-second lead by 1500m. That lead didn't grow in the closing quarter with the Hawkeyes' and Longhorns' speed quite even in the finishing sprint. The final margin was open water to Texas with just over five seconds back to Virginia and just over 10 seconds to Indiana.

RECAP: II VARSITY EIGHT - The 2V8 was evenly contested out front with Virginia topping Texas in the top two spots. The two front-runners left Iowa and Indiana behind early with Indiana outpacing the Hawkeyes. Iowa was more consistent in their A-Final effort but still couldn't match the speed of the Hoosiers or the leading two crews.

RECAP: I VARSITY FOUR - The Hawkeyes held an early lead for more than 1000m but Texas was able to sneak through after the 1250m mark. It wasn't until 1600-1700m that Virginia was able to scramble back on terms with Iowa. It was a back and forth battle between the two for the 2nd and 3rd spots behind Texas. Only 0.58 seconds separated the two with Iowa settling for third.

RECAP: II VARSITY FOUR - The Hawkeyes struggled to find their footing among a strong entry of crews at the Longhorn Invite. They hinted at being in the hunt during the preliminary heats but were unable to follow-through with the needed intensity in the B-Final on Saturday.

RECAP: I NOVICE EIGHT - The 1N8 opened competition for the Hawkeyes with a third-place finish behind No. 4 Texas' orange and white crews. Iowa defeated Notre Dame and No. 20 Oklahoma on Saturday after a strong start. The Hawkeyes consistently built on their lead over the entire 2000m course, stretching the margin out to more than seven seconds by the finish.

BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

Iowa set a school record with 111 points and matched its best finish in program history with a fourth-place finish at the 2018 Big Ten Championships on May 13, 2018.

The Hawkeyes have improved one spot in the conference standings the past five seasons under Andrew Carter. In his first season as Iowa's head coach, Carter and the Hawkeyes placed seventh with 39 points. In 2015, Iowa moved up one spot to sixth with 79 points, continuing the trend to 2016 after placing fifth with 95 points. In 2017, the team set a then-school record with 106 points, tying for fourth place. The Hawkeyes' 2017 Big Ten Conference Championships performance led to the second NCAA Championships berth in school history. The team would qualify again in 2018.

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