

2021 QUICK FACTS

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Sr. Women's Administrator	Dr. Christina Rivera
Assoc. Athletic Director (MWP, WWP, BVB)	Kenny Donaldson
Faculty Athletic Rep.	Dr. Michael Teitell
Home Pool	Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center
Enrollment	43,239
Founded	1919
Colors	Blue and Gold
Nickname	Bruins
Conference	Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF)
National Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Head Coach	Adam Wright (UCLA '01)
Record at UCLA (Years)	66-17 (3)
Career Record (Years)	66-17 (3)
Asst. Coach	Christopher Lee (Penn '04)
Asst. Coach	James Robinson (UCLA '17)
2020 Record	19-2
2020 MPSF Record (Finish)	2-0 (n/a)
2020 NCAA Tournament	n/a
2020 Final National Ranking	2nd (T)
NCAA Championships	11 (1996, 1997, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009)
All-Time NCAA Championship Appearances	24 (1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019)
All-Time Conference Championships	11 (1996, 1997, 1998, 2002, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2015, 2017)

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2021 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Location	Time (PT)	TV
Feb. 14	at Fresno State	Fresno, Calif.	12:00 pm	
Feb. 27	at Indiana*	Bloomington, Ind.	10:00 1m	
Feb. 28	at Indiana*	Bloomington, Ind.	10:00 1m	
Mar. 13	CALIFORNIA*	Spieker Aquatics Center	11:00 am	
Mar. 14	CALIFORNIA*	Spieker Aquatics Center	11:00 am	
Mar. 27	at Stanford*	Stanford, Calif.	TBD	
Mar. 28	at Stanford*	Stanford, Calif.	TBD	
Apr. 3	at San José State*	San Jose, Calif.	TBD	
Apr. 4	at San José State*	San Jose, Calif.	TBD	
Apr. 10	at Arizona State*	Tempe, Ariz.	1:00 pm	
Apr. 11	at Arizona State*	Tempe, Ariz.	10:00 am	
Apr. 11	at Arizona State	Tempe, Ariz.	2:00 pm	
Apr. 24	USC*	Spieker Aquatics Center	11:00 am	
Apr. 25	USC*	Spieker Aquatics Center	11:00 am	
Apr. 30-May 2	MPSF Championship ¹	Tempe, Ariz.	TBD	
May 14-16	NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS ²	Spieker Aquatics Center	TBD	

KEY: 1 - MPSF Championship (hosted by Arizona State); 2 - NCAA Championship (hosted by UCLA); * - MPSF Conference match; All home matches in **BOLD ALL CAPS**; All times listed as Pacific time.



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On the Cover: Senior defender Brooke Maxson.

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RADIO / TV ROSTER



#1 Jahmea BENT
6-0/Sr./GK
Los Angeles, Calif.



#1 Georgia PHILLIPS
5-11/R-/So./GK
Fresno, Calif.



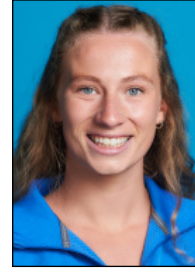
#1 Quinn WINTER
5-10/So./GK
Laguna Beach, Calif.



#1 Sydney CHIANG
5-7/Fr./GK
Temple City, Calif.



#2 Layne ANZALDO
5-10/So./CTR
Corona del Mar, Calif.



#3 Fiona KUESIS
5-8/So./ATK
Santa Barbara, Calif.



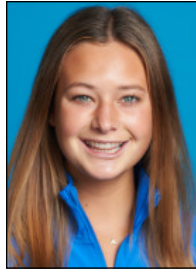
#4 Abbi HILL
6-0/So./UTL
Santa Barbara, Calif.



#5 Hannah PALMER
5-6/So./ATK
Irvine, Calif.



#6 Brooke DOTEN
5-10/So./ATK
Davis, Calif.



#7 Morgan ALPHEN
5-8/Fr./ATK
Laguna Beach, Calif.



#8 Bella WENTZEL
6-0/Jr./DEF
Lafayette, Calif.



#9 Bella BAI
5-5/Jr./ATK
Orange, Calif.



#11 Val AYALA
5-8/Jr./ATK
Anaheim, Calif.



#12 Izzy GAZZANIGA
6-0/Fr./CTR
Tustin, Calif.



#13 Ava JOHNSON
5-9/Jr./CTR
Walnut Creek, Calif.



#14 Kate MCCARTHY
5-10/So./ATK
San Anselmo, Calif.



#15 Anneliese MILLER
5-11/Fr./ATK
Danville, Calif.



#16 Malia ALLEN
5-8/Fr./ATK
Irvine, Calif.



#17 Myna SIMMONS
5-10/Sr./DEF
Orange, Calif.



#18 Claire KRONEN
5-10/Fr./ATK
Santa Barbara, Calif.



#19 Katrina DRAKE
5-11/Jr./UTL
Orinda, Calif.



#20 Brooke MAXSON
5-8/Sr./DEF
Santa Ana, Calif.



#21 Roxy WHEATON
5-9/Sr./ATK
Walnut Creek, Calif.



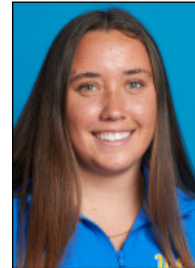
#22 Cassidy MILLER
5-7/Fr./ATK
Santa Barbara, Calif.



#23 Skylar SAVAR
6-1/Jr./DEF
Orinda, Calif.



#24 Lexi LIEBOWITZ
5-8/Sr./ATK
Danville, Calif.



#25 Sarah FELLNER
5-7/Fr./UTL
Orinda, Calif.



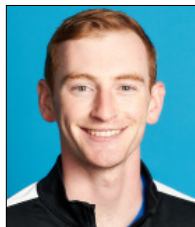
Adam
WRIGHT
Head Coach



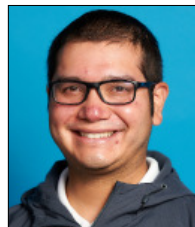
Christopher
LEE
Assistant Coach



James
ROBINSON
Assistant Coach



Michael
HULL
Director of Operations



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ORTIZ
Athletic Trainer

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown / High School
1	Jahmea Bent	GK	6-0	Sr.	Los Angeles, Calif. / Eagle Rock Senior HS
1	Sydney Chiang	GK	5-7	Fr.	Temple City, Calif. / Temple City HS
1	Georgia Phillips	GK	5-11	R-So.	Fresno, Calif. / Clovis North HS
1	Quinn Winter	GK	5-10	So.	Laguna Beach, Calif. / Laguna Beach HS
2	Layne Anzaldo	CTR	5-10	So.	Corona del Mar, Calif. / Corona del Mar HS
3	Fiona Kuesis	ATK	5-8	So.	Santa Barbara, Calif. / San Marcos HS
4	Abbi Hill	UTL	6-0	So.	Santa Barbara, Calif. / Dos Pueblos HS
5	Hannah Palmer	ATK	5-6	So.	Irvine, Calif. / Orange Lutheran HS
6	Brooke Doten	ATK	5-10	So.	Davis, Calif. / Davis Senior HS
7	Morgan Van Alphen	ATK	5-8	Fr.	Laguna Beach, Calif. / Laguna Beach HS
8	Bella Wentzel	DEF	6-0	Jr.	Lafayette, Calif. / Acalanes HS
9	Bella Baia	ATK	5-5	Jr.	Orange, Calif. / Mater Dei HS
11	Val Ayala	ATK	5-8	Jr.	Anaheim, Calif. / Foothill HS
12	Izzy Gazzaniga	CTR	6-0	Fr.	Tustin, Calif. / Orange Lutheran HS
13	Ava Johnson	CTR	5-9	Jr.	Walnut Creek, Calif. / Las Lomas HS
14	Kate McCarthy	ATK	5-10	So.	San Anselmo, Calif. / Sir Francis Drake HS
15	Anneliese Miller	ATK	5-11	Fr.	Danville, Calif. / Monte Vista HS
16	Malia Allen	ATK	5-8	Fr.	Irvine, Calif. / Foothill HS
17	Myna Simmons	DEF	5-10	Sr.	Orange, Calif. / Orange Lutheran HS
18	Claire Kronen	ATK	5-10	Fr.	Santa Barbara, Calif. / San Marcos HS
19	Katrina Drake	UTL	5-11	Jr.	Orinda, Calif. / Miramonte HS
20	Brooke Maxson	DEF	5-8	Sr.	Santa Ana, Calif. / Foothill HS
21	Roxy Wheaton	ATK	5-9	Sr.	Walnut Creek, Calif. / Las Lomas HS
22	Cassidy Miller	ATK	5-7	Fr.	Santa Barbara, Calif. / San Marcos HS
23	Skylar Savar	DEF	6-1	Jr.	Orinda, Calif. / Miramonte HS
24	Lexi Liebowitz	ATK	5-8	Sr.	Danville, Calif. / San Ramon Valley HS
25	Sarah Fellner	UTL	5-7	Fr.	Orinda, Calif. / Miramonte HS

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown / High School
16	Malia Allen	ATK	5-8	Fr.	Irvine, Calif. / Foothill HS
2	Layne Anzaldo	CTR	5-10	So.	Corona del Mar, Calif. / Corona del Mar HS
11	Val Ayala	ATK	5-8	Jr.	Anaheim, Calif. / Foothill HS
9	Bella Baia	ATK	5-5	Jr.	Orange, Calif. / Mater Dei HS
1	Jahmea Bent	GK	6-0	Sr.	Los Angeles, Calif. / Eagle Rock Senior HS
1	Sydney Chiang	GK	5-7	Fr.	Temple City, Calif. / Temple City HS
6	Brooke Doten	ATK	5-10	So.	Davis, Calif. / Davis Senior HS
19	Katrina Drake	UTL	5-11	Jr.	Orinda, Calif. / Miramonte HS
25	Sarah Fellner	UTL	5-7	Fr.	Orinda, Calif. / Miramonte HS
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24	Lexi Liebowitz	ATK	5-8	Sr.	Danville, Calif. / San Ramon Valley HS
20	Brooke Maxson	DEF	5-8	Sr.	Santa Ana, Calif. / Foothill HS
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TEAM STAFF

Head Coach: Adam Wright (4th Year at UCLA, UCLA '01)

Asst. Coach: Christopher Lee (3rd Year, Penn '04)

Asst. Coach: James Robinson (2nd Year, UCLA '17)

Dir. of Operations: Michael Hull (2nd Year, UCLA '19)

Athletic Performance Coach: Mike Linn

Staff Athletic Trainer: Tandi Hawkey

Athletic Communications Director: Ryan Finney

Director of Marketing: Dana Mayeron

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

By Height

6-1 Savar
 6-0 Bent
 Gazzaniga
 Hill
 Wentzel
 5-11 Drake
 A. Miller
 Phillips
 5-10 Anzaldo
 Doten
 Kronen
 McCarthy
 Simmons
 Winter
 5-9 Johnson
 Wheaton
 5-8 Allen
 Ayala
 Kuesis
 Liebowitz
 Liebowitz
 Maxson
 Van Alphen
 5-7 Chiang
 Fellner
 C. Miller
 5-6 Palmer
 5-5 Baia

By Position

Goalkeepers (4): Bent
 Chiang
 Phillips
 Winter.
Defenders (4): Maxson
 Savar
 Simmons
 Wentzel
Centers (3): Anzaldo
 Gazzaniga
 Johnson
Attackers (13): Allen
 Ayala
 Baia
 Bent
 Doten
 Kronen
 Kuesis
 Liebowitz
 Liebowitz
 A. Miller
 C. Miller
 Palmer
 Van Alphen
 Wheaton
Utility (3): Drake
 Fellner
 Hill

By Class

Freshmen (8): Allen, Chiang, Fellner, Gazzaniga, Kronen, A. Miller, C. Miller, and Van Alphen.

Sophomores (8): Anzaldo, Doten, Hill, Kuesis, McCarthy, Palmer, Phillips, and Winter.

Juniors (6): Ayala, Baia, Drake, Johnson, Savar, and Wentzel.

Seniors (5): Bent, Liebowitz, Maxson, Simmons, and Wheaton.

By State/Country

California (27): Allen, Anzaldo, Ayala, Baia, Bent, Chiang, Doten, Drake, Fellner, Gazzaniga, Hill, Johnson, Kronen, Kuesis, Liebowitz, Maxson, McCarthy, A. Miller, C. Miller, Palmer, Phillips, Savar, Simmons, Van Alphen, Wentzel, Wheaton, and Winter.

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Layne Anzaldo An-zull-doe
 Bella Baia Bye-uh
 Jahmea Bent JUH-me-uh
 Brooke Doten DOE-ten
 Fiona Kuesis CUE-sis
 Lexi Liebowitz LEE-boe-witz
 Skylar Savar Suh-var
 Myna Simmons My-nuh



Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center has served as the home for UCLA women's water polo since 2010.

Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center

The UCLA women's water polo team begins its 12th season playing at Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center in the spring of 2021. Over the past 11 seasons, UCLA has logged a 61-9 (.871) record at its state-of-the-art home facility. In 2021, UCLA is slated to play four regular-season games at Spieker Aquatics Center.

Spieker Aquatics Center opened in September 2009, in time for the start of the men's water polo season that fall. PCL Construction broke ground on the facility in July 2008. The athletics department officially opened Spieker Aquatics Center on Sept. 26, 2009, as the men's water polo team defeated UC Irvine, 10-4, after a dedication ceremony that evening.

In the spring of 2017, UCLA hosted the MPSF Tournament (April 28-30), using Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center. The Bruins took full advantage of their home court and won the Conference Tournament by beating second-ranked Stanford, 6-3, on April 30, 2017. The Bruins also hosted the MPSF Tournament in May 2009, taking advantage of the home setting to win the title at the three-day event.

UCLA's men's water polo team won its 10th NCAA title in school history at Spieker Aquatics Center in 2015.

The Bruins can also use the pool at Sunset Canyon Recreation Center when hosting larger events.

Entering its 12th full season as UCLA's home pool, Spieker Aquatics Center features a 52-meter by 25-yard all-deep water pool with a dividing bulkhead, allowing races to take place at varying distances (meters, versus yards). The pool also has four platforms on a diving tower, at heights of three, five, seven and one half, and 10-meter platforms, as well as one and three-

meter springboards. In addition, the aquatics center features a warming pool for divers directly behind the tower.

Adjacent to Sunset Canyon Recreation Center on the northwest portion of campus, the Spieker Aquatics Center was made possible thanks to a generous lead gift from former student-athlete Tod Spieker and his wife, Catherine. Tod, a 1971 UCLA graduate and All-American, swam for the Bruins from 1968-71 and still competes successfully in Master's Swimming.

The main pool, Dirks Pool, is named after Carolyn Dirks, who provided the lead gift for the swimming pool. Dirks Pool has also been used for special use events and Masters Swim meets. The signature feature of the Spieker Aquatics Center is the diving tower, which sits at the west end of the pool.

The east end of the pool houses the new scoreboard, an LED, state-of-the-art piece of electronics, making scores, statistics and messages easily visible to all in attendance.

Next to the scoreboard is the "Wall of Champions", showcasing all of UCLA's water polo, swimming and diving national championship teams, and individual student-athletes' achievements, record-holders and Olympians.

Separate men's and women's locker rooms house enough lockers for all team members, with shower space and bathroom stalls and sinks for each team. Equipment needed for meets and matches have storage capacity on the facility's south side.

When walking through the public entryway to the center, visitors first notice the Donor Wall. All donors who generously made gifts to the Spieker Aquatics Center are recognized on this wall. Additionally, over 50 former UCLA water polo players, swimmers and divers made gifts to "name" a locker. Those names will forever be part of the locker rooms in the new facility.

The state-of-the-art facility brings together all three of UCLA's intercollegiate aquatic sports – water polo, swimming and diving – to one venue. The aquatics center features event lighting and permanent seating with the possibility of additional temporary seating for larger events.

Win-Loss Record

2010	6-1
2011	5-2
2012	3-1
2013	8-1
2014	7-1
2015	6-0
2016	7-1
2017	6-0
2018	5-1
2019	6-1
2020	2-0
Overall	61-9