



UCLA MEN'S TENNIS

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2021 UCLA MTEN SCHEDULE (11-4, 4-2 PAC-12)

January

Sat.	23	vs. California ¹	W	4-0
Mon.	25	at (1) USC ¹	L	1-4

February

Thu.	4	Boise State	Canceled	
Sat.	20	Loyola Marymount	W	4-1
Wed.	24	UC Santa Barbara	W	6-1
Sun.	28	(9) USC	L	3-4

March

Tue.	2	UNLV	W	6-1
Wed.	10	(27) Pepperdine	Postponed	
Fri.	12	Utah*	W	6-1
Mon.	22	Stanford	W	4-3
Tue.	23	UC Irvine	W	7-0
Fri.	26	at (17) Arizona State*	W	4-3
Sun.	28	at (19) Arizona*	L	1-4

April

Fri.	2	(49) Oregon*	W	5-2
Sat.	3	Washington*	W	7-0
Tue.	6	San Diego	W	6-1
Fri.	9	at (37/29) Stanford*	L	3-4
Sat.	10	at California*	Canceled	
Fri.	16	at (15/13) USC*	3:00 PM	
Wed.	21	(31/30) Pepperdine	2:00 PM	
Fri.	23	Pac-12 Championships ²	TBD	
Sat.	24	Pac-12 Championships ²	TBD	
Sun.	25	Pac-12 Championships ²	TBD	
Mon.	26	Pac-12 Championships ²	TBD	

May

7-9	NCAA First & Second Rounds ³	TBD
14 or 15	NCAA Third Round ⁴	TBD
20-23	NCAA Championships ⁵	TBD

NOTE: Number in parenthesis indicates position in that week's Oracle/ITA Top-25 Rankings (Starting April 7, rankings divided into computerized rankings/coaches poll)

KEY:

- ITA Kickoff Weekend (Los Angeles Tennis Center)
 - Pac-12 Championships (at Barnes Tennis Center, San Diego, Calif.)
 - NCAA First & Second Rounds (Location TBD)
 - NCAA Third Round (Location TBD)
 - NCAA Championships (at USTA National Campus - Collegiate Center, Orlando, Fla.)
- * Pac-12 matches

UCLA ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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UCLA Set to Wrap Pac-12 Slate at USC

Friday, April 16

Los Angeles, Calif. (David X. Marks Tennis Stadium)

MATCH INFORMATION

Date/Time:	Friday, April 16/3:00 PM PT
Live Stream/Live Stats:	USCTrojans.com
Series vs. USC:	UCLA leads, 84-52
Last Meeting vs. USC:	UCLA won 4-3 on Feb. 28



vs.



11-4, 4-2

16-6, 4-2

UP NEXT

The No. 33/27 UCLA men's tennis team will conclude its Pac-12 slate Friday, when it visits David X. Marks Tennis Stadium and No. 15/13 USC. First serve is scheduled for 3 p.m., PT. The Bruins (11-4, 4-2 in Pac-12 play) and Trojans (16-6, 4-2) are each looking to bounce back from a 4-3 road loss to conference-leading Stanford.

FOLLOW LIVE

Live streaming and live scoring for Friday's match will be available at USCTrojans.com.

Fans are not permitted to attend events at UCLA Athletics venues, including Los Angeles Tennis Center, in adherence to the latest COVID-19 guidelines set by the state of California and Los Angeles County. Live streaming and live scoring for all home UCLA men's tennis matches will be available at UCLABruins.com.

LAST TIME OUT

UCLA jumped out to a 3-0 lead before being overcome down the stretch by Stanford on April 9, falling by a 4-3 score in Pac-12 action at Taube Family Tennis Center. The Bruins captured the doubles point without a loss and received convincing wins from Govind Nanda and Keegan Smith to start the match. The Cardinal charged back, however, with the decision ultimately made by Timothy Sah on Court 5.

UCLA VS. USC

UCLA men's tennis holds a combined all-time record of 84-52 against USC. The Trojans have prevailed in each of the previous two 2021 meetings, including a 4-3 decision at Los Angeles Tennis Center on Feb. 28. The non-conference loss snapped a 68-match home winning streak the UCLA program had possessed since May 8, 2015. The Bruins dropped the doubles point and the first completed singles match before the front-court trio of Drew Baird, Ben Goldberg and Keegan Smith ran off consecutive singles wins against top-26 opponents to establish a 3-2 lead. Jake Sands and Lodewijk Weststrate turned in comeback, three-set wins for USC, however, making the difference in the nearly four-hour-long match.

SMITH EARNS NATIONAL POTW HONOR

Keegan Smith was named UTR ITA Division I Player of the Week for April 8-15, the Intercollegiate Tennis Association announced Wednesday. The award, a first for UCLA men's tennis, honors players based on increase in Universal Tennis Rating throughout the previous week. Smith went 4-0 across his singles and doubles matches as the Bruins registered a split with in-state rivals San Diego and Stanford. He started his week with a pair of ranked victories, including a 6-3, 7-5 singles triumph over No. 30 (Oracle ITA) August Holmgren of USD on the top court. Smith and partner Bryce Pereira also clinched the doubles point with a 7-5 result versus No. 61 Holmgren and David Norfeldt. Smith went on to deliver a 6-0, 6-2 performance against Axel Geller of the Cardinal, capping a perfect individual day. Smith and Pereira earlier beat Geller and Neel Rajesh, 7-5. All four decisions came on the top court. Smith's UTR rose from 13.75 to 13.88 with the wins.

IN THE RANKINGS

The UCLA men's tennis team checks in at No. 19 in the latest Tennis Channel/USTA Top 25, it was announced Wednesday. The most recent Oracle ITA team rankings, also released Wednesday, list the Bruins at No. 33 on its computerized list and No. 27 in the coaches poll. Oracle ITA also unveiled its newest player rankings the same day, with Bruins Keegan Smith (No. 37), Govind Nanda (62) and Drew Baird (108) on the singles list.

SMITH, NANDA COLLECT PAC-12 AWARDS

Fresh off his initial match play of the 2020-21 campaign, Govind Nanda was named Pac-12 Player of the Week for March 22-28, the conference announced March 31. The award is the second received by a Bruin this season, as Keegan Smith was recognized March 2. Nanda played the role of hero in UCLA's 4-3 home victory over Stanford March 22. Tasked with taking down the nation's then-No. 3 player, Alexandre Rotsaert, he did just that by a 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 score. The Court-2 showdown was the final match of the day and represented Nanda's first singles appearance of the season. He also earned singles victories against Bjorn Hoffmann of UC Irvine March 23 and Makey Rakotomalala of Arizona State March 26. Smith was honored after earning wins over a pair of top-30 singles opponents – including top-ranked Daniel Cukierman of USC Feb. 28 – and had a hand in clinching the doubles point versus UC Santa Barbara Feb. 24. He also beat No. 27 Joseph Guillin of the Gauchos.

LAK'D IN

Mathew Tsolakyan leads UCLA with three clinching wins this season, capturing the deciding points against Loyola Marymount (Feb. 15), UC Irvine (Feb. 20) and Arizona State (March 26). Since Feb. 15, 2020, Tsolakyan is 15-2 in singles matches. He has had just one match left unfinished during that time. This season has also seen Tsolakyan collect the first doubles win of his dual-match career. In an ITA Kickoff Weekend match Jan. 25, Tsolakyan and partner Ben Goldberg outlasted Stefan Dostanic and Ryder Jackson of USC, 7-5, to give UCLA the doubles point against the host and then-No. 1 Trojans.

MEDIA INFORMATION

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Media Availability

Head coach Billy Martin's weekly media availability typically takes place before the team's Tuesday practice, which usually runs from 1:45-4:15 p.m. at Los Angeles Tennis Center. Players are available to the media at the same time. Practices are not open to the public.

Credentials

Media admission to Los Angeles Tennis Center is by credential only. All credential requests should be made through email or by phone call or text to the UCLA women's tennis contact, Andrew Sinatra, at least 48 hours prior to the match. The same goes for photographers looking to capture action shots during competition. All inquiries must be made with names and affiliation provided, no exceptions.

Credential Pickup

Credentials are available at the check-in table stationed at the southeast corner of Los Angeles Tennis Center. Out of an abundance of caution, and to align with campus and department safety protocols and procedures, media members will be asked to complete a short screening process upon entry to Los Angeles Tennis Center.

Media Seating

A press pass enables entrance to the Los Angeles Tennis Center stands, distanced from any tested athletes and personnel and those who are deemed "essential" but not tested and not included in the team bench roster.

Postmatch Procedure

Head coach Billy Martin and selected players will be available to the media via Zoom or phone following the team's meeting and cool down (10 minutes after the conclusion of the match).

QUICK FACTS

Location	Los Angeles, CA
Athletic Dept. Address	325 Westwood Plaza Los Angeles, CA 90095
Athletics Phone	(310) 825-8699
Men's Tennis Office Phone	(310) 206-6787
Chancellor	Dr. Gene Block
Director of Athletics	Martin Jarmond
Assoc. Athletic Director (Tennis)	Chris Carlson
Faculty Athletic Rep.	Dr. Michael Teitell
Home Court (Capacity)	Los Angeles Tennis Center (10,000+)
Enrollment	43,239
Founded	1919
Colors	Blue and Gold
Nickname	Bruins
Conference	Pac-12
Conference WTEN Contact	TBD
Conference Phone	(415) 580-4200
Conference Fax	(415) 549-2828/549-2829
National Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Head Coach	Billy Martin
Career Record (Years)	615-132 (28)
Associate Head Coach	Rikus de Villiers
Volunteer Assistant Coach	Karue Sell
2020 Record	9-4
2020 Pac-12 Record (Finish)	2-0 (-)
2020 NCAA Tournament	Not played (COVID-19)
2020 Final National Ranking	25
NCAA Championships	16 (1950, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1956, 1960, 1961, 1965, 1970, 1971, 1975, 1976, 1979, 1982, 1984, 2005)
All-Time NCAA Tournament Appearances (Last)	43 (2019)
All-Time Conference Championships (Last)	44 (2019)

TOP-TIER TRIUMPHS

Drew Baird, Ben Goldberg and Keegan Smith defeated a trio of Oracle ITA then-top-26 players in the Bruins' narrow home loss to USC on Feb. 28. Each win represents a career best in terms of ranking. Baird dispatched of No. 19 Riley Smith, 6-3, 6-4, for his third straight-set victory in a row. Goldberg knocked off No. 26 Mor Bulis, 7-6(5), 6-2, for his second-career win on Court 3. And in a top-court showdown, Smith took down No. 1 Daniel Cukierman, 6-2, 7-5, evening their personal series at two wins apiece. Smith is now 28-15 versus nationally-ranked opponents for his career. Baird is 2-3 in those situations, while Goldberg holds a 5-7 mark.

SELL RETURNS TO WESTWOOD

The UCLA men's tennis program has hired former standout Karue Sell to the position of volunteer assistant coach, head coach Billy Martin announced Monday. A native of Jaragua do Sul, Brazil, Sell embarked on a professional career after posting records of 104-31 in singles matches and 90-41 in doubles play for the Bruins from 2013-16. He was an active tournament participant into 2019 before working with Naomi Osaka, the current WTA No. 2 singles player. Sell was by Osaka's side when she won her third Grand Slam singles championship at the 2020 US Open and continued to assist her as she took the top spot at the 2021 Australian Open. Sell also served as volunteer assistant coach for Pepperdine under head coach Marcelo Ferreira during the 2016-17 season.

SMITH BACK FOR MORE

Senior Keegan Smith possesses career records of 93-20 in singles play and 68-27 in doubles action. He captured the NCAA doubles championship with Maxime Cressy in 2019, the last time the tournament was played. The pair was undefeated in 21 matches and 26 sets. Smith is a three-time All-American and looks to join Brian Teacher (1973-76), Ferdi Taygan (1974-77) and Marcel Freeman (1979-82) in UCLA's exclusive club of four-timers.

MR. 600

With the Bruins' 4-0 ITA Indoors defeat of NC State on Feb. 16, 2020, head coach Billy Martin reached the 600-win plateau for his career.

MORE ON MARTIN - Martin, who became the program's all-time leader in head-coaching wins in 2019, is the longest-tenured active coach at UCLA. In his 28th year as head coach and 38th campaign on staff, Martin holds a record of 615-132 (.823) at the helm. He guided the 2005 Bruins to the program's 16th NCAA team title and just three Martin-led squads have finished outside the top five at the season-ending NCAA Championships. Benjamin Kohlloeffel (2006), Marcos Giron (2014) and Mackenzie McDonald (2016) have earned NCAA singles titles on Martin's watch, while UCLA has become a frequent landing spot for doubles champions of late. In addition to 1996 winners Justin Gimelstob and Srdjan Muskatirovic, three of the last four titleholders (McDonald/Martin Redlicki in 2016, Redlicki/Evan Zhu in 2018 and Maxime Cressy/Keegan Smith in 2019 have called Westwood home.

GLENN BASSETT

Legendary UCLA men's tennis head coach Glenn Bassett, who guided the Bruins to seven NCAA team championships as head coach, passed away August 18, 2020 at the age of 93. Bassett held a career record of 592-92-2 over 27 seasons (1967-93) as UCLA head coach. At the time of his retirement, he was the winningest men's tennis head coach, by percentage (.864), in NCAA Division I history. Bassett was also the first individual to collect NCAA tennis team championships as a player, an assistant coach and a head coach – all at UCLA. A co-captain under head coach Bill Ackerman, Bassett helped UCLA to its first-ever NCAA championship as a player in 1950. He went on to serve as assistant coach under JD Morgan and was part of five more team titles in that role. Bassett began his head coaching career at Santa Monica High School, where he guided his alma mater to five CIF Southern Section large-school crowns in a row (1962-66) before succeeding Morgan.

2020-21 UCLA ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/Last School)
Drew Baird	6-3	So.	Raleigh, N.C. (IMG Academy)
Lucas Bellamy	6-2	Sr.	Los Angeles, Calif. (Palisades Charter HS)
Roscoe Bellamy	6-5	Jr.	Pacific Palisades, Calif. (Laurel Springs School)
Sam Feit	6-0	Gr.	Los Angeles, Calif. (Milken Community School/Gonzaga)
Ben Goldberg	6-0	R-Sr.	Pacific Palisades, Calif. (Palisades Charter HS)
Eric Hahn	6-0	Jr.	Fullerton, Calif. (Sunny Hills HS)
Connor Hance	5-10	Sr.	Torrance, Calif. (Palos Verdes Peninsula HS)
Blaine Hovenier	6-4	R-So.	Los Angeles, Calif. (Campbell Hall)
Stefan Leustian	5-10	Fr.	Sacramento, Calif. (Connections Academy)
Timothy Li	5-11	Fr.	Valley Village, Calif. (Harvard-Westlake School)
Govind Nanda	5-9	Jr.	Redlands, Calif. (Laurel Springs School)
Bryce Pereira	6-0	Sr.	Arcadia, Calif. (San Marino HS)
Connor Rapp	6-2	R-Sr.	Rancho Mirage, Calif. (Palm Desert HS)
Keegan Smith	6-7	Sr.	San Diego, Calif. (Point Loma HS)
Mathew Tsolakyan	6-1	Jr.	Glendale, Calif. (Laurel Springs School)
Max Wild	6-2	Jr.	Murrieta, Calif. (Laurel Springs School)
Patrick Zahraj	6-2	Jr.	Frankfurt am Main, Germany (Kurfürst-Gymnasium Mannheim)

COACHING STAFF

Billy Martin	Head Coach (28th season)
Rikus de Villiers	Associate Head Coach (8th season)
Karue Sell	Volunteer Assistant Coach (1st season)

SUPPORT STAFF

Max Hammer	Director of Operations	Daniel Rivas	Assistant Athletic Performance Coach
Ariel Guldstrand	Assistant Athletic Trainer	Andrew Sinatra	Athletic Communications Contact

CLINCHING WINS

PLAYER	CLINCHING WINS
Mathew Tsolakyan	3 (AT ASU, UCI, LMU)
Drew Baird	2 (ORE, UCSB)
Sam Feit	2 (USD, UTAH)
Keegan Smith	2 (WASH, VS. CAL)
Roscoe Bellamy	1 (UNLV)
Govind Nanda	1 (STAN)

ORACLE/ITA TEAM RANKINGS - COMPUTERIZED (Top 25 - April 14)

RK	TEAM
1	Florida
2	Baylor
3	North Carolina
4	Tennessee
5	Virginia
6	TCU
7	Texas
8	Texas A&M
9	Georgia
10	Wake Forest
11	UCF
12	Ole Miss
13	South Carolina
14	Kentucky
15	USC
16	Illinois
17	Mississippi State
18	Alabama
19	Oklahoma
20	Tulane
21	Texas Tech
22	Oklahoma State
23	Arizona
24	Stanford
25	NC State

PAC-12 STANDINGS (April 13)

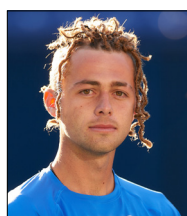
TEAMS	CONFERENCE	OVERALL
Stanford	5-0	8-3
Arizona	4-2	17-6
UCLA	4-2	11-4
USC	4-2	16-6
Arizona State	3-3	14-6
Utah	2-5	16-9
Oregon	1-5	14-5
Washington	1-5	10-9
California	0-0	2-1

CAREER RECORDS

PLAYER	SINGLES	DOUBLES
Keegan Smith	93-20	68-27
Sam Feit	83-41*	65-47*
Ben Goldberg	47-41	33-36
Govind Nanda	40-12	26-19
Connor Hance	32-18	10-9
Mathew Tsolakyan	25-17	8-10
Eric Hahn	20-20	5-12
Connor Rapp	19-25	37-27
Patrick Zahraj	17-11	25-19
Drew Baird	14-12	11-9
Roscoe Bellamy	10-5	5-5
Bryce Pereira	9-16	67-35
Max Wild	9-16	19-14
Blaine Hovenier	4-10	1-3
Stefan Leustian	2-0	1-0
Lucas Bellamy	1-5	4-5

* - at Gonzaga and UCLA

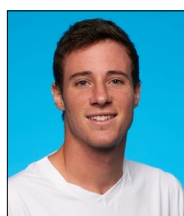
UCLA's RADIO/TV ROSTER



DREW BAIRD
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Doubles: 6-4



LUCAS BELLAMY
SR, 6-2
Singles: 0-0
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R-SR, 6-0
Singles: 8-6
Doubles: 3-0



ERIC HAHN
JR, 6-0
Singles: 0-1
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SR, 5-10
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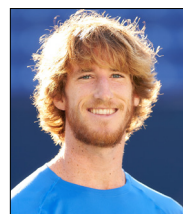
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CONNOR RAPP
R-SR, 6-2
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 3-2



KEEGAN SMITH
SR, 6-7
Singles: 13-2
Doubles: 8-6



MATHEW TSOLAKYAN
JR, 6-1
Singles: 10-2
Doubles: 5-2



MAX WILD
JR, 6-2
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 2-2



PATRICK ZAHRAJ
JR, 6-2
Singles: 1-1
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BILLY MARTIN
HEAD COACH
28th Year



RIKUS DE VILLIERS
ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH
8th Year



KARUE SELL
VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH
1st Year

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Sam Feit	like "fight"	Govind Nanda	GO-vin NON-duh
Blaine Hovenier	HO-veneer	Mathew Tsolakyan	so-LOCK-ian
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Timothy Li	like "Lee"	Rikus de Villiers	RICK-iss de VILL-yers

UCLA IN THE ORACLE/ITA PLAYER RANKINGS

Singles	1/13	3/24	3/30	4/14	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Drew Baird	--	57	81	108						
Keegan Smith	10	48	48	37						
Govind Nanda	22	--	116	62						
Sam Feit	109	--	--	--						
Doubles	1/13	3/24	3/30	4/14	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Nanda/Smith	13	--	--	--						
Pereira/Smith	--	--	75	--						