

2022 QUICK FACTS

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Home Pool	Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center
Enrollment	43,239
Founded	1919
Colors	Blue and Gold
Nickname	Bruins
Conference	Mountain Pacific Sports Federation
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National Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Head Coach	Adam Wright (UCLA '01)
Record at UCLA (Years complete)	296-58 (13)
Coach's Phone	(310) 267-4912
Associate Head Coach	Jason Falitz (L.A. Valley College '06)
Assistant Coach	Joey Fuentes (UCLA '17)
2021 Record	20-4
2021 MPSF Record (Finish)	1-2 (3rd)
2021 MPSF Championship	1st
2021 NCAA Championship	T-3rd
2021 Final National Ranking	3rd
NCAA Championships	12 (1969, 1971, 1972, 1995, 1996, 1999, 2000, 2004, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2020)
All-Time NCAA Championship Appearances	36 (1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1979, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1990, 1991, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2004, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2020, 2021)
All-Time Conference Championships	6 (1999, 2000, 2009, 2011, 2015, 2021)
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2022 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME (PT)	TV
Sept. 3	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps ¹	San Diego, Calif.	8:00 AM	
Sept. 3	UC Santa Barbara ¹	San Diego, Calif.	4:15 PM	
Sept. 4	UC Davis ¹	San Diego, Calif.	9:30 AM	
Sept. 4	USC ¹	San Diego, Calif.	2:45 PM	
Sept. 9	Long Beach State	Los Angeles, Calif.	7:00 PM	
Sept. 10	at UC Irvine	Irvine, Calif.	2:00 PM	
Sept. 16	San José State ²	Davis, Calif.	1:15 PM	
Sept. 16	California Baptist University ²	Davis, Calif.	4:45 PM	
Sept. 17	Princeton ²	Davis, Calif.	10:30 AM	
Sept. 17	Harvard ²	Davis, Calif.	2:15 PM	
Sept. 23	TBD ³	Stanford, Calif.	TBD	
Sept. 24	TBD ³	Stanford, Calif.	TBD	
Sept. 25	TBD ³	Stanford, Calif.	TBD	
Sept. 30	Pacific	Los Angeles, Calif.	7:00 PM	
Oct. 2	at Pepperdine	Malibu, Calif.	1:00 PM	
Oct. 8	UC San Diego	Los Angeles, Calif.	1:40 PM	
Oct. 15	Stanford*	Stanford, Calif.	1:00 PM	Pac-12 Los Angeles
Oct. 20	UC Santa Barbara	Los Angeles, Calif.	4:00 PM	Pac-12 Los Angeles
Oct. 22	UC Davis	Los Angeles, Calif.	1:00 PM	
Oct. 29	California*	Los Angeles, Calif.	TBD	Pac-12 Networks
Oct. 29	Alumni Game	Los Angeles, Calif.	TBD	
Nov. 5	at Loyola Marymount	Los Angeles, Calif.	12:00 PM	
Nov. 11	USC*	Los Angeles, Calif.	1:00 PM	Pac-12 Networks
Nov. 18	MPSF Tournament ⁴	Stanford, Calif.	All Day	
Nov. 19	MPSF Tournament ⁴	Stanford, Calif.	All Day	
Nov. 20	MPSF Tournament ⁴	Stanford, Calif.	All Day	
Dec. 1	NCAA Tournament ⁵	Berkeley, Calif.	All Day	
Dec. 3	NCAA Tournament ⁵	Berkeley, Calif.	All Day	
Dec. 4	NCAA Tournament ⁵	Berkeley, Calif.	All Day	

KEY: 1 - Triton Invitational (hosted by UC San Diego); 2 - Aggie Roundup (hosted by UC Davis); 3 - MPSF Invitational (hosted by Stanford); 4 - MPSF Championship (hosted by USC); 5 - NCAA Championship (hosted by California); * MPSF game; **BOLD** - Home game.

RADIO / TV ROSTER



1

Bernardo Maurizi
Sr., GK, 6-2
Florence, Italy
Salesiani Firenze



1A

Garret Griggs
Jr., GK, 6-9
Riverside, Calif.
Riverside Poly HS



1B

Chase Honaker
RS-Jr., GK, 6-4
Plano, Texas
St. Mark's School of Texas



1C

Eli Wirth
RS-Fr., GK, 6-4
Irvine, Calif.
University HS



2

Evan Rosenfeld
Gr., UTL, 6-3
Thousand Oaks, Calif.
Harvard-Westlake School



3

Gabe Discipulo
Sr., CTR, 6-3
Santa Cruz, Calif.
Bellarmine College Preparatory



4

Jake Cavano
Gr., ATK/UTL, 6-4
Huntington Beach, Calif.
Huntington Beach HS



5

Gianpiero Di Martire
RS-So., ATK, 6-1
Naples, Italy
Liceo Scientifico Francesco
Saverio Nitti



6

Andy Rodgers
Sr., ATK, 6-2
Coronado, Calif.
Coronado HS



7

Jack White
RS-Jr., ATK, 6-3
Newport Beach, Calif.
Newport Harbor HS



8

Cameron Reagan
Sr., DEF/UTL, 6-3
Huntington Beach, Calif.
Mater Dei HS



9

Gray Carson
Fr., UTL, 6-4
Long Beach, Calif.
Woodrow Wilson HS



10

Jack Larsen
RS-Jr., ATK, 6-7
Orinda, Calif.
Campolindo HS



11

Noah Rowe
Fr., ATK, 6-4
North Tustin, Calif.
Foothill HS



12

Eli Liechty
So., CTR, 6-6
Newport Beach, Calif.
Newport Harbor HS



14

Max Berg
RS-Jr., ATK, 5-11
Seal Beach, Calif.
Long Beach Wilson HS



15

Chase Dodd
So., ATK, 6-3
Long Beach, Calif.
Huntington Beach HS



16

Guillermo Ocasio
Jr., UTL, 6-2
Tustin, Calif.
Servite HS



17

Anthony Gross
RS-Fr., ATK, 6-4
Granite Bay, Calif.
Granite Bay HS



18

Luke Makshanoff
RS-So., DEF, 6-7
San Clemente, Calif.
San Clemente HS



19

Maximo Rossi
RS-So., UTL, 6-6
Laguna Beach, Calif.
Mater Dei HS



20

Hayden Nightingale
Jr., ATK, 6-1
Vista, Calif.
Vista HS



21

Grant Loth
RS-Fr., CTR, 6-4
Newport Beach, Calif.
Mater Dei HS



22

Makoto Kenney
Jr., ATK, 6-3
Costa Mesa, Calif.
Newport Harbor HS



23

Trey Doten
RS-Fr., ATK, 6-4
Davis, Calif.
Davis Senior HS



24

Tommy Gruwell
Sr., ATK, 6-5
San Diego, Calif.
Cathedral Catholic HS



25

Giorgio Alessandria
RS-Jr., UTL, 6-3
Lafayette, Calif.
Campolindo HS



Adam Wright
Head Coach (14th year)
Alma Mater - UCLA '01



Jason Falitz
Assoc. Head Coach (8th year)
Alma Mater - L.A. Valley
College '06



Joey Fuentes
Assistant Coach (1st year)
Alma Mater - UCLA '17

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown / Last School
1	Bernardo Maurizi	GK	6-2	Sr.	Florence, Italy / Salesiani Firenze
1A	Garret Griggs	GK	6-9	Jr.	Riverside, Calif. / Riverside Poly HS
1B	Chase Honaker	GK	6-4	R-Jr.	Plano, Texas / St. Mark's School of Texas
1C	Eli Wirth	GK	6-4	R-Fr.	Irvine, Calif. / University HS
2	Evan Rosenfeld	UTL	6-3	Gr.	Thousand Oaks, Calif. / Harvard-Westlake School
3	Gabe Discipulo	CTR	6-3	Sr.	Santa Cruz, Calif. / Bellarmine College Preparatory
4	Jake Cavano	ATK/UTL	6-4	Gr.	Huntington Beach, Calif. / Huntington Beach HS
5	Gianpiero Di Martire	ATK	6-1	R-So.	Naples, Italy / Liceo Scientifico Francesco Saverio Nitti
6	Andy Rodgers	ATK	6-2	Sr.	Coronado, Calif. / Coronado HS
7	Jack White	ATK	6-3	R-Jr.	Newport Beach, Calif. / Newport Harbor HS
8	Cameron Reagan	DEF/UTL	6-3	Sr.	Huntington Beach, Calif. / Mater Dei HS
9	Gray Carson	UTL	6-4	Fr.	Long Beach, Calif. / Woodrow Wilson HS
10	Jack Larsen	ATK	6-7	R-Jr.	Orinda, Calif. / Campolindo HS
11	Noah Rowe	ATK	6-4	Fr.	North Tustin, Calif. / Foothill HS
12	Eli Liechty	CTR	6-6	So.	Newport Beach, Calif. / Newport Harbor HS
14	Max Berg	ATK	5-11	R-Jr.	Seal Beach, Calif. / Long Beach Wilson HS
15	Chase Dodd	ATK	6-3	So.	Long Beach, Calif. / Huntington Beach HS
16	Guillermo Ocasio	UTL	6-2	Jr.	Tustin, Calif. / Servite HS
17	Anthony Gross	ATK	6-4	R-Fr.	Granite Bay, Calif. / Granite Bay HS
18	Luke Makshanoff	DEF	6-7	R-So.	San Clemente, Calif. / San Clemente HS
19	Maximo Rossi	UTL	6-6	R-So.	Laguna Beach, Calif. / Mater Dei HS
20	Hayden Nightingale	ATK	6-1	Jr.	Vista, Calif. / Vista HS
21	Grant Loth	CTR	6-4	R-Fr.	Newport Beach, Calif. / Mater Dei HS
22	Makoto Kenney	ATK	6-3	Jr.	Costa Mesa, Calif. / Newport Harbor HS
23	Trey Doten	ATK	6-4	R-Fr.	Davis, Calif. / Davis Senior HS
24	Tommy Gruwell	ATK	6-5	Sr.	San Diego, Calif. / Cathedral Catholic HS
25	Giorgio Alessandria	UTL	6-3	R-Jr.	Lafayette, Calif. / Campolindo HS
	Frederico Jucá Carsalade	ATK	5-11	Fr.	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil / Escola Nova
	Ethan Crooks	ATK	6-0	R-Fr.	Huntington Beach, Calif. / Huntington Beach HS
	Griffin Engstrom	UTL	6-5	R-Fr.	Pasadena, Calif. / Loyola HS
	Jack Hilinski	ATK	5-10	Fr.	Coronado, Calif. / Coronado HS
	Brett Honaker	CTR	6-6	Fr.	Plano, Texas / St. Mark's School of Texas
	Ben Larsen	UTL	6-7	Fr.	Lafayette, Calif. / Campolindo HS
	Mark Laurlund	ATK	6-4	R-Fr.	Alamo, Calif. / Monte Vista HS
	Vinnie Merk	ATK	6-3	Fr.	Huntington Beach, Calif. / Mater Dei HS

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach

Associate Head Coach

Assistant Coach

Adam Wright (14th season)

Jason Falitz (8th season)

Joey Fuentes (1st season)

SUPPORT STAFF

Director of Operations

Athletic Trainer

Assistant Athletic Performance Coach

Sports Information Director

Michael Hull

Carl Stocklin

Sean Swetnam

Ryan Finney

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Giorgio Alessandria – GEORGE-ee-oh Al-uh-sand-ree-uh

Jake Cavano – CAV-uh-no

Gianpiero Di Martire – John-pee-ed-oh Dee mar-tier

Gabe Discipulo – Dih-SIP-uh-low

Tommy Gruwell – Grew-well

Brett Honaker – Hon-uh-ker

Chase Honaker – Hon-uh-ker

Eli Liechty – LAY-thee

Grant Loth – Lawth

Bernardo Maurizi – Mao-REET-zee

Luke Makshanoff – MACK-shun-off

Cameron Reagan – REE-gun

GUIDE TO WATER POLO POSITIONS

GK – goalkeeper, ATK – attacker/driver, CTR – center, DEF – defender, UTL – utility

Attacker: Similar to the guard and forward positions in basketball. Look for these players to shoot often and create offensive chances for their teammates, as well as disrupt the opponents' offensive play. Also known as a driver.

Center Offense/Defense: Similar to the post position in basketball. These players station themselves in front of goal, engaging in physical battles for position. Defenders are similar to football safeties by preventing opponent breakaways on counterattack.

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

Alphabetical

A Giorgio Alessandria
 B Max Berg
 C ... Frederico Jucá Carsalade
 Gray Carson
 Jake Cavano
 Ethan Crooks
 D Gianpiero Di Martire
 Gabe Discipulo
 Chase Dodd
 Trey Doten
 E Griffin Engstrom
 G Garret Griggs
 Anthony Gross
 Tommy Gruwell
 H Jack Hilinski
 Brett Honaker
 Chase Honaker
 K Makoto Kenney
 L Ben Larsen
 Jack Larsen
 Mark Laurlund
 Eli Liechty
 Grant Loth
 M Luke Makshanoff
 Bernardo Maurizi
 Vinnie Merk
 N Hayden Nightingale
 O Guillermo Ocasio
 R Cameron Reagan
 Andy Rodgers
 Evan Rosenfeld
 Maximo Rossi
 Noah Rowe
 W Jack White
 Eli Wirth

Height

6-9 Garret Griggs
 6-7 Ben Larsen
 Jack Larsen
 Luke Makshanoff
 6-6 Brett Honaker
 Eli Liechty
 Maximo Rossi
 6-5 Griffin Engstrom
 Tommy Gruwell
 6-4 Gray Carson
 Jake Cavano
 Trey Doten
 Anthony Gross
 Chase Honaker
 Mark Laurlund
 Grant Loth
 Noah Rowe
 Eli Wirth
 6-3 Giorgio Alessandria
 Gabe Discipulo
 Chase Dodd
 Makoto Kenney
 Vinnie Merk
 Cameron Reagan
 Evan Rosenfeld
 Jack White
 6-2 Bernardo Maurizi
 Guillermo Ocasio
 Andy Rodgers
 6-1 Gianpiero Di Martire
 Hayden Nightingale
 6-0 Ethan Crooks
 5-11 Max Berg
 Frederico Jucá Carsalade
 5-10 Jack Hilinski

Class

Freshmen (7): Carsalade, Carson, Hilinski, B. Honaker, B. Larsen, Merk, Rowe.

Redshirt Freshmen (7): Crooks, Doten, Engstrom, Gross, Laurlund, Loth, Wirth.

Sophomores (2): Dodd, Liechty.

Redshirt Sophomores (3): Di Martire, Makshanoff, Rossi.

Juniors (4): Griggs, Kenney, Nightingale, Ocasio.

Redshirt Juniors (5): Alessandria, Berg, C. Honaker, J. Larsen, White.

Seniors (5): Discipulo, Gruwell, Maurizi, Reagan, Rodgers.

Graduates (2): Cavano, Rosenfeld.

Position

Goalkeepers (4): Griggs, Honaker, Maurizi, Wirth.

Defenders (2): Makshanoff, Reagan.

Centers (4): Discipulo, B. Honaker, Liechty, Loth.

Attackers (18): Berg, Carsalade, Cavano, Crooks, Di Martire, Dodd, Doten, Gross, Gruwell, Hilinski, Kenney, J. Larsen, Laurlund, Merk, Nightingale, Rodgers, Rowe, White.

Utility (9): Alessandria, Carson, Cavano, Engstrom, B. Larsen, Ocasio, Reagan, Rosenfeld, Rossi.

State

California (30): Alessandria, Berg, Carson, Cavano, Crooks, Discipulo, Dodd, Doten, Engstrom, Griggs, Gross, Gruwell, Hilinski, Kenney, B. Larsen, J. Larsen, Laurlund, Liechty, Loth, Makshanoff, Merk, Nightingale, Ocasio, Reagan, Rodgers, Rosenfeld, Rossi, Rowe, White, Wirth.

Texas (2): B. Honaker, C. Honaker.

International

Brazil (1): Carsalade.

Italy (2): Di Martire, Maurizi.



entering its 14th season as UCLA's home . . .

SPIEKER AQUATICS CENTER

The UCLA men's water polo team begins its 14th season playing at Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center in the fall of 2022. Over the past 13 seasons, UCLA has logged a 99-14 (.876) record at its state-of-the-art home facility, where it won its 10th NCAA title in school history in 2015.

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.

UCLA is slated to host eight contests during the 2022 campaign. UCLA will host Long Beach State (Sept. 9), Pacific (Sept. 30), UC San Diego (Oct. 8), UC Santa Barbara (Oct. 20), UC Davis (Oct. 22), California (Oct. 29), Alumni (Oct. 29), and USC (Nov. 11).

In the fall of 2011, UCLA hosted the MPSF Tournament (Nov. 25-27), using Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center. The Bruins took full advantage of their home court and won the Conference Tournament by beating top-ranked USC, 10-9, in sudden victory overtime on Nov. 27, 2012. The Bruins can also use the pool at Sunset Canyon Recreation Center when hosting larger events.

The Bruins' women's water polo program hosted the MPSF Tournament in May 2009, taking advantage of the home setting to win the title at the three-day event.

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 in Master's Swimming.

The 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.