

ALL-TIME NCAA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

1969 (1st)

UCLA 4, USC 3
UCLA 9, Long Beach St. 6
UCLA 5, California 2

NCAA Champions: UCLA

1970 (2nd)

UCLA 7, UCSB 6
UCLA 7, San Jose St. 4
UC Irvine 7, UCLA 6
NCAA Champions: UC Irvine

1971 (1st)

UCLA 37, Washington 2
UCLA 10, Long Beach St. 1
UCLA 5, San Jose St. 3

NCAA Champions: UCLA

1972 (1st)

UCLA 21, Yale 3
UCLA 15, UC Irvine 10
UCLA 10, San Jose St. 5
NCAA Champions: UCLA

1973 (4th)

UCLA 14, UCSB 2
California 4, UCLA 2
USC 7, UCLA 5
NCAA Champions: California

1974 (3rd)

UCLA 9, Stanford 5
UC Irvine 5, UCLA 3
UCLA 7, Cal St. Fullerton 4
NCAA Champions: California

1975 (3rd)

UCLA 26, Army 2
California 13, UCLA 9
UCLA 6, Stanford 5
NCAA Champions: California

1976 (2nd)

UCLA 18, Texas A&M 3
UCLA 14, UC Irvine 9
Stanford 13, UCLA 12
NCAA Champions: Stanford

1979 (2nd)

UCLA 17, Bucknell 7
UCLA 10, California 9
UCSB 11, UCLA 3
NCAA Champions: UCSB

1981 (6th)

California 10, UCLA 7
UCLA 16, Air Force 5
UCSB 9, UCLA 8
NCAA Champions: Stanford

1982 (3rd)

UCLA 8, UCSB 6
Stanford 11, UCLA 9
UCLA 10, California 9
NCAA Champions: UC Irvine

1983 (5th)

Long Beach State 10, UCLA 8
UCLA 15, Slippery Rock 4
UCLA 9, Brown 3
NCAA Champions: California

1984 (5th)

Pepperdine 12, UCLA 11
UCLA 17, Navy 4
UCLA 11, Brown 10
NCAA Champions: California

1985 (3rd)

UCLA 14, Loyola-Chicago 6
UC Irvine 7, UCLA 6
UCLA 10, UCSB 9
NCAA Champions: Stanford

1986 (3rd)

UCLA 13, Navy 7
California 11, UCLA 8
UCLA 12, Pepperdine 11
NCAA Champions: Stanford

1987 (4th)

UCLA 11, Pepperdine 7
USC 12, UCLA 11
UC Irvine 13, UCLA 10
NCAA Champions: California

1988 (2nd)

UCLA 11, Navy 3
UCLA 13, USC 10
California 14, UCLA 11
NCAA Champions: California

1990 (3rd)

UCLA 10, Pepperdine 9
California 10, UCLA 8
UCLA 15, UCSB 8
NCAA Champions: California

1991 (2nd)

UCLA 14, UC San Diego 10
UCLA 6, Pepperdine 5
California 7, UCLA 6
NCAA Champions: California

1994 (4th)

UCLA 8, Pepperdine 7
Stanford 9, UCLA 5
California 8, UCLA 5
NCAA Champions: Stanford



2015 NCAA champions

1995 (1st)

UCLA 21, UC San Diego 10
UCLA 10, California 8
NCAA Champions: UCLA

1996 (1st)

UCLA 18, UC Davis 6
UCLA 8, USC 7
NCAA Champions: UCLA

1999 (1st)

UCLA 14, Massachusetts 6
UCLA 6, Stanford 5
NCAA Champions: UCLA

2000 (1st)

UCLA 12, Navy 5
UCLA 11, UC San Diego 2
NCAA Champions: UCLA

2001 (2nd)

UCLA 7, LMU 5
Stanford 8, UCLA 5
NCAA Champions: Stanford

2004 (1st)

UCLA 7, Princeton 5
UCLA 10, Stanford 9 (OT)
NCAA Champions: UCLA

2009 (2nd)

UCLA 9, Loyola Marymount 8 (OT)
USC 6, UCLA 5
NCAA Champions: USC

2011 (2nd)

UCLA 10, UC San Diego 1
USC 7, UCLA 4
NCAA Champions: USC

2012 (2nd)

UCLA 17, St. Francis Brooklyn 3
USC 11, UCLA 10
NCAA Champions: USC

2014 (1st)

UCLA 15, UC San Diego 6
UCLA 9, USC 8
NCAA Champions: UCLA

2015 (1st)

UCLA 17, UC San Diego 4
UCLA 10, USC 7
NCAA Champions: UCLA

2016 (T-3rd)

California 9, UCLA 8
NCAA Champions: California

2017 (1st)

UCLA 11, Pacific 9
UCLA 7, USC 5
NCAA Champions: UCLA

2018 (T-3rd)

UCLA 18, George Washington 6
USC 8, UCLA 7
NCAA Champions: USC

2020 (1st)

UCLA 19, California Baptist University 14
UCLA 11, Stanford 10
UCLA 7, USC 6
NCAA Champions: UCLA

2021 (T-3rd)

UCLA 12, Princeton 6
California 15, UCLA 13 (OT)
NCAA Champions: California

2022 (T-3rd)

USC 15, UCLA 12
NCAA Champions: California

2023 (2nd)

UCLA 20, Biola 7
UCLA 17, Princeton 13
California 13, UCLA 11
NCAA Champions: California

2024 (1st)

UCLA 22, Salem 6
UCLA 17, Stanford 14
UCLA 11, USC 8
NCAA Champions: UCLA

2025 (1st)

UCLA 15, Princeton 11
UCLA 9, Stanford 7
UCLA 11, USC 10
NCAA Champions: UCLA

Note: From 1969 through 1994, the championship comprised eight teams. From 1995 to 2012, the championship comprised four teams. From 2013 through 2020, the championship comprised six teams. In 2021 and 2022, the championship comprised seven teams and expanded back to eight in 2023.

TOURNAMENT TOTALS

Tournament Appearances	40
Won-Lost Record	73-30 (.709)
NCAA Championships	14
2nd-Place Finishes	10
3rd-Place Finishes	10
4th-Place Finishes	3
Goals Scored	1,121
Goals Allowed	753



2004 NCAA champions

#125

The second-seeded UCLA men's water polo team (27-2) recorded a buzzer-beating 11-10 victory against No. 1 USC (23-4) at Avery Aquatic Center, earning its second NCAA championship in as many years and No. 125 in UCLA athletic department history. UCLA men's water polo collected its 14th title with this one and repeated for the fifth time.

Frederico Jucá Carsalade scored the difference-making goal, his second of the game, as time expired. Ryder Dodd led UCLA with three goals. Bode Brinkema and Chase Dodd also logged two apiece. Nate Tauscher had eight saves in the cage. Jucá Carsalade's efforts earned him Outstanding Player of the tournament and he was joined on the All-Tournament team by the Dodd brothers.

Jack Vort had a hat trick to lead USC. Stefan Brankovic and Efe Naipoglu netted two goals each. Charles Mills registered seven saves.

Chase Dodd scored on the game's first possession to give the Bruins a 1-0 lead. Brankovic answered in the subsequent minute to pull his team level, but Brinkema put UCLA back in front with 5:05 left. Each side would endure a scoreless spell until Chase Dodd took advantage of a 6-on-5 opportunity to put the Bruins up 3-1 with 23 seconds to go.

Ryder Dodd countered a Brankovic power-play goal with one of his own to start the second, but the quarter proved all Trojans otherwise. Two scores by Vort and one each by Naipoglu and Robert López Duart sent USC into halftime in possession of a 6-4 advantage.

Brinkema's second goal of the game started matters in the third, cutting the Bruins' deficit in half. The teams traded conversions throughout the frame, with UCLA finding the net last to make the Trojans'



UCLA earned its 14th NCAA championship, which came by way of a buzzer-beating win against top-seeded USC.

lead 8-7 going into the fourth. Bruins Wade Sherlock and Jucá Carsalade each scored for the first time, while Vort recorded his third and Naipoglu collected his second for USC.

A wild fourth quarter started with UCLA pulling even for the first time in the second half, as Eli Liechty recorded a 6-on-5 goal. The Trojans went back on top thanks to Mihailo Vukazic's score just shy of the midway point. Ryder Dodd then powered the Bruins back in front, making a penalty shot (3:26) before adding the go-ahead effort (2:35). USC's Jack Martin tied the score once more (2:03), but Jucá Carsalade provided the heroics with no time to spare.

No. 2 UCLA vs. No. 1 USC (NCAA Championship)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	F
No. 2 UCLA	3	1	3	4	11
No. 1 USC	1	5	2	2	10

6x5 - UCLA - 4/9 - USC - 6/10

Penalties - UCLA - 1/1 - USC - 0/0

UCLA Goals: Ryder Dodd 3, Bode Brinkema 2, Chase Dodd 2, Frederico Jucá Carsalade 2, Wade Sherlock 1, Ben Liechty 1

UCLA Saves: Nate Tauscher 8

USC Goals: Jack Vort 3, Stefan Brankovic 2, Efe Naipoglu 2, Robert López Duart 1, Jack Martin 1, Mihailo Vukazic 1

USC Saves: Charles Mills 7



An exciting finish at Stanford's Avery Aquatic Center ended with back-to-back champion UCLA celebrating in the pool.



Tournament Most Outstanding Player Frederico Jucá Carsalade

#124

No. 1 UCLA (26-2) captured its 13th NCAA championship in men's water polo with an 11-8 win over No. 2 USC (23-6) at Stanford's Avery Aquatic Center. The win also marked the 124th NCAA championship for the UCLA athletic department. The Bruins went 4-1 against the Trojans in 2024.

The win also marked the fifth NCAA championship for UCLA Head Coach Adam Wright while in charge of the men's water polo team, with all five titles coming against USC. It is Wright's 10th NCAA title overall, as he also won three as a player at UCLA (1996, 1999 and 2000), one leading the women's program (2024) and one more as an assistant coach with the women's team in 2009.

UCLA had a total of seven players score in the contest, paced by two goals each from freshman Ryder Dodd, redshirt junior Chase Dodd, and graduate students Nico Tierney and Jack Larsen. Graduate student Makoto Kenney added a game-high three assists.

Redshirt freshman Nate Tauscher made just his third start of his young career, going the distance while recording 10 saves, three steals, and one assist while surrendering eight scores.

The two teams battled to a 2-2 draw in the first period.

Another 2-2 draw followed in the second to send the game into the halftime break deadlocked at 4-4.

Ryder Dodd scored the 101st goal of his freshman season at the 1:37 mark of the second period to tie the all-time MPSF single-season goals record (Ryan Bailey of UC Irvine, 1998).

The Bruins won the third period, 3-2, to take a 7-6 lead heading into the final stanza. Ryder Dodd would



The 2024 NCAA champions won UCLA's 124th NCAA title with an 11-8 victory over USC at Stanford.

surpass the MPSF scoring mark with the final goal of the third (0:49) on a power play to increase his total to 102 goals.

In the fourth quarter, the Bruins got two huge goals and a field block from Larsen to win the period, 4-2, to provide the 11-8 final.

No. 1 UCLA vs. No. 2 USC (NCAA Championship)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	F
No. 2 USC	2	2	2	2	8
No. 1 UCLA	2	2	3	4	11

6x5 - UCLA - 4/12 - USC - 3/8

Penalties - UCLA - 1/1 - USC - 0/0

UCLA Goals: Jack Larsen 2, Chase Dodd 2, Ryder Dodd 2, Nico Tierney 2, Frederico Jucá Carsalade 1, Aaron Voggenthaler 1, Peter Castillo 1

UCLA Saves: Nate Tauscher 10

USC Goals: Robert Lopez Duart 2, Andrej Grgurevic 2, Max Miller 1, Luka Brnetic 1, Tom McGuire 1, Jack Martin 1

USC Saves: Bernardo Herzer 9



The Bruins' bench and coaching staff react immediately after winning the program's 13th NCAA Championship at Stanford.



Freshman Ryder Dodd was named the NCAA Championship MVP.

#119

No. 3 UCLA (9-7) captured its 12th NCAA Championship in men's water polo with a 7-6 win at No. 4 USC (8-9) at USC's Uytengsu Aquatics Center. The win also marked the 119th NCAA championship for the UCLA athletic department.

It was a balanced scoring effort by the Bruins, who received goals from six different players. Junior Jake Cavano, who was named to the first team All-NCAA Tournament, scored two goals, including the eventual difference maker with 6:23 left in the game. Sophomore goalkeeper Bernardo Maurizi, who also was named first team All-NCAA Tournament, held the Trojans scoreless throughout the first half and racked up nine saves. UCLA never trailed in the game, though USC briefly pulled even at 4-4.

Both teams battled defensively in the first period with the Bruins holding a 1-0 lead as freshman Mo Kenney scored the lone goal for UCLA at the 2:02 mark.

Senior Chasen Travisano set up sophomore Tommy Gruwell for the opening score of the second period (7:17) to put UCLA up 2-0. Gruwell was the lone Bruin to be named second team All-NCAA Tournament. Redshirt junior Evan Rosenfeld put the Bruins up 3-0 (5:37) when he beat the Trojan keeper with a nearside skip shot. That was the final goal of the first half.

The Trojans responded in the third period by scoring the first two goals. The first was by Jacob Mercep (6:36) and the second was by Chris Sturtevant (4:42). Cavano put an end to the Trojans' scoring run with a power play goal (3:46) to push the lead to 4-2. But the Trojans again scored back-to-back goals to tie it at 4-4. Travisano then got in on the scoring act and put the Bruins back in front at 5-4 with 1:53 left in the third. UCLA maintained that



The 2020 NCAA Champions won UCLA's 119th NCAA title with a 7-6 victory at USC.

lead heading into the final stanza.

Senior Nicolas Saveljic opened the scoring in the fourth with a power play goal (7:16) to push the lead to 6-4. Saveljic was named first team All-NCAA Tournament and the Most Valuable Player. Then Cavano became the first Bruin to score more than one goal when he found the back of the net on another 6-on-5 opportunity (6:23) to extend the lead to 7-4. USC would add two more goals, but was held scoreless over the final 3:25. Maurizi made two stops during that stretch.

The Trojans took possession with 19 seconds remaining, but a shot by Sturtevant bounced off the post and was corralled by Saveljic, setting off the celebration.

No. 3 UCLA at No. 4 USC (NCAA Championship)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	F
No. 3 UCLA	1	2	2	2	7
No. 4 USC	0	0	4	2	6

6x5 - UCLA - 3/12 - USC - 1/12

Penalties - UCLA - 0/0 - USC - 0/0

UCLA Goals: Jake Cavano 2, Tommy Gruwell 1, Mo Kenney 1, Evan Rosenfeld 1, Nicolas Saveljic 1, Chasen Travisano 1

UCLA Saves: Bernardo Maurizi 9

USC Goals: Carson Kranz 2, Jacob Mercep 2, Jake Ehrhardt 1, Chris Sturtevant 1

USC Saves: Nic Porter 13



The Bruins' bench and coaching staff react immediately after winning the program's 12th NCAA championship at USC.



Adam Wright won his fourth NCAA title as a head coach in 2020.

#114

This was supposed to be a rebuilding year for top-seeded UCLA, which lost eight seniors in 2015 and another nine in 2016 to graduation. The Bruins have six true freshmen on their roster playing major minutes and also had a redshirt sophomore goalkeeper playing for the first time as a full-time starter in NCAA competition.

But despite the fact that they were picked to finish fourth by the league coaches, they matured into a strong defensive unit that held the nation's top offensive team in their home pool to just five goals, winning the programs' 11th national title and UCLA's 114th NCAA championship with a 7-5 win over third-seeded USC at USC's Uytengsu Aquatics Center. The Bruins finished the year at 21-4 while USC dropped to 27-4.

Seniors Alex Roelse and Matt Farmer led the Bruins with a game-high two goals each. Redshirt sophomore Alex Wolf played the entire game in the cage for UCLA, registering 10 saves while allowing just five goals, two on Trojan power plays.

Matteo Morelli scored the first goal of the game for USC on a power play at the 6:42 mark. Marin Dasic made it 2-0 with a goal from the front court (1:51). Freshman Quinten Osborne got the Bruins on the board with a goal at two meters (1:33) to trim the Trojans' lead to 2-1.

Zach D'Sa scored on a cross-cage shot to open the scoring in the second period (4:37), giving the Trojans a 3-1 advantage. But Roelse scored from



The 2017 NCAA Champions won UCLA's 114th NCAA title with a 7-5 victory at USC.

the front court with 21 seconds left to cut the lead to 3-2 at the break.

Farmer tied things up at 3-3 (3:33) off a nice feed from Roelse into two meters. But James Walters answered immediately with a goal (3:05) to put USC up 4-3. Senior Max Irving then scored from the front court after an ordinary foul (1:56) to tie the game at 4-4. Roelse then provided his second score of the game and the Bruins' first power play goal to give UCLA its first lead of the game (0:44) at 5-4, ending the scoring in the third.

Blake Edwards tied the game at 5-5 with a power play score (6:47) to open the scoring in the fourth. Farmer then scored a power play goal (6:05) to put the Bruins back in front, 6-5. Both teams made several defensive stops down the stretch. But none was bigger than the Bruins' stop in the final seconds on a Trojan power play. Later, Wolf collected a ball from a Bruin teammate and noticed that USC goalie McQuin Baron was out of the cage on the other end and fired a shot that scored with just two seconds remaining to provide the 7-5 final.

Wolf was named the Most Valuable Player of the 2017 NCAA Championship. Roelse and Irving joined him on the First Team All-Tournament. Farmer and freshman Nicolas Saveljic were named Second Team All-Tournament.

No. 1 UCLA at No. 3 USC (NCAA Championship)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	F
No. 3 USC	2	1	1	1	5
No. 1 UCLA	1	1	3	2	7

6x5 - UCLA - 2/7 - USC - 2/11

Penalties - UCLA - 0/1 - USC - 0/0

USC Goals: Matteo Morelli 1, Marin Dasic 1, Zach D'Sa 1, James Walters 1, Blake Edwards 1

USC Saves: McQuin Baron 7

UCLA Goals: Alex Roelse 2, Matt Farmer 2, Max Irving 1, Alex Wolf 1, Quinten Osborne 1

UCLA Saves: Garrett Danner 10



The Bruins take the traditional jump into the pool after securing the program's 11th NCAA championship.

#113

The top-ranked UCLA Bruins won their second straight NCAA championship with a 10-7 win over No. 3 USC (22-7) at Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center. The Bruins concluded the season at 30-0 on the year, winning their 33rd-straight game. This was the first undefeated season for UCLA since the 1969 team went 19-0. It was also the program's 10th title and the school's 113th NCAA championship.

Eight different Bruins scored in the title game, led by juniors Ryder Roberts and Patrick Fellner, each with two scores. Junior goalkeeper Garrett Danner registered 13 saves for UCLA.

Roberts was named the 2015 NCAA Men's Water Polo Championship Most Valuable Player. Joining Roberts as a First Team All-NCAA Tournament selection was senior Daniel McClintick, senior Anthony Daboub and Danner. Junior Gordon Marshall was the lone Bruin to earn Second Team All-NCAA Tournament honors.

Grant Stein scored first for the Trojans at 4:13 of the first period. Sophomore Alex Roelse scored the equalizer with 2:48 left in the first. Matteo Morelli put USC back in front, 2-1, with a bar-in shot (2:23). Lachlan Edwards gave the Trojans a 3-1 lead with a goal from two meters (1:50). Roberts then went cross-cage on a hard skipshot to cut the lead to 3-2 (1:38). Roberts then scored his second to tie the game at 3-3 with a power play goal (1:08) which was the final goal of the period.



The 2015 NCAA Champions won UCLA's 113th NCAA title with an undefeated record of 30-0.

McClintick gave the Bruins their first lead of the game at 4-3 with a goal from the front court with 5:22 to go in the second period. In a defensive-minded period, Roberts hit Marshall at two meters for a power play goal (0:10) and the Bruins pitched a shutout in the second period as UCLA took a 5-3 lead into the break.

Mac Carden cut the Bruins' lead to 5-4 with a power play goal (5:12) to open the scoring in the third period. Fellner scored his first of the game on a power play (3:03) to push the lead back to

two at 6-4. Bryce Hoerman scored for the Trojans to cut the lead to 6-5 (1:58). But junior Chancellor Ramirez beat the Trojan goalie with a high corner shot that pushed the lead back to two at 7-5 (0:49). The Trojans came back with a power play score from Lachlan Edwards to cut it to 7-6 with just 0:25 remaining to end the period.

Sophomore Max Irving opened the scoring right out of the gates in the fourth with a goal from the front court at the 7:32 mark to extend the lead to 8-6. Daboub then gave the Bruins their largest lead of the game at 9-6 (4:20) off a nice feed from Roberts. Blake Edwards cut the lead to 9-7 with his first goal of the game with 3:21 to go. Fellner scored the game's final goal with 0:01 left to provide the 10-7 final.

No. 3 USC at No. 1 UCLA (NCAA Championship)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	F
No. 3 USC	3	0	3	1	7
No. 1 UCLA	3	2	2	3	10

6x5 - UCLA - 4/8 - USC - 2/8

Penalties - UCLA - 0/0 - USC - 0/0

USC Goals: Lachlan Edwards 2, Matteo Morrelli 1, Grant Stein 1, Mac Carden 1, Bryce Hoerman 1, Blake Edwards 1

USC Saves: McQuin Baron 12

UCLA Goals: Ryder Roberts 2, Patrick Fellner 2, Daniel McClintick 1, Alex Roelse 1, Gordon Marshall 1, Chancellor Ramirez 1, Anthony Daboub 1, Max Irving 1

UCLA Saves: Garrett Danner 13



The Bruins take the celebratory dive into the pool after the final buzzer sounded.

#112

The No. 1 UCLA men's water polo team (29-3, 8-0 MPSF) brought home its ninth NCAA title and 112th in UCLA history with a 9-8 win over USC at UCSD's Canyonview Aquatic Center.

The 29 wins tied UCLA's single-season record (29-5 in 1988) as the Bruins earned their first NCAA championship since 2004, coincidentally the last time UCLA went undefeated in MPSF play. The win over the Trojans improved UCLA's record this season against USC to 4-1, which equaled its record against the Adam Krikorian-coached squad in 2002.

Junior Danny McClintick led all scorers with four goals and was named the NCAA tournament MVP. Sophomores Garrett Danner and Gordon Marshall joined McClintick on the NCAA's All-Tournament First Team. Seniors Cristiano Mirarchi and Paul Reynolds were both named to the Second Team.

Top-seeded UCLA struck first when sophomore Chancellor Ramirez scored from the front court (4:25). Senior Daniel Lenhart then set up redshirt freshman Matt Farmer for a cross-cage score to put the Bruins up 2-0 (1:13) and end the scoring in the opening stanza.

James Walters scored first for the Trojans in the second quarter to cut the lead to 2-1 (5:02). But McClintick pushed the lead to 3-1 on the next possession (4:43). USC answered with a power play goal by Mihajlo Milicevic to trim the lead to 3-2 (3:37). But senior David Culpan fired a shot bar-in that pushed it back to 4-2 (3:17). That score



The 2014 NCAA Champions won UCLA's 112th NCAA title, knocking off USC 9-8 in the title game.

would hold up till halftime.

Matteo Morelli opened the scoring in the third with a power play goal to cut the lead to 4-3 (6:59). McClintick then scored his second on a 6-on-5 opportunity (4:29) to push the lead to 5-3. McClintick scored his second straight to complete a hat trick and double up the Trojans at 6-3 (1:05). Nick Bell answered with an exclusion goal (0:06) to trim the lead to 6-4. But sophomore Jack Fellner had the last word with a goal from half-tank at the buzzer to end the scoring in the third with the Bruins leading 7-4.

Kostas Genidounias opened the scoring in the fourth with a nice lob shot (7:45) to make it 7-5. Marc Vonderweidt converted a Trojan power play to cut the lead to 7-6 (4:29). Then Genidounias tied the game with a goal at full strength to make it 7-7 (3:32). McClintick gave the Bruins an 8-7 lead with 3:13 to go, but USC's Vonderweidt tied it at 8-8 on the next possession (2:50). Sophomore Gordon Marshall wouldn't be denied as he hit the game-winner from two meters with 0:34 to go. The Bruins got the stop on the next possession and then ran out the clock.

No. 3 USC vs. No. 1 UCLA (NCAA Championship)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	F
No. 3 USC	0	2	2	4	8
No. 1 UCLA	2	2	3	2	9

6x5 - UCLA - 1/5 - USC - 3/6

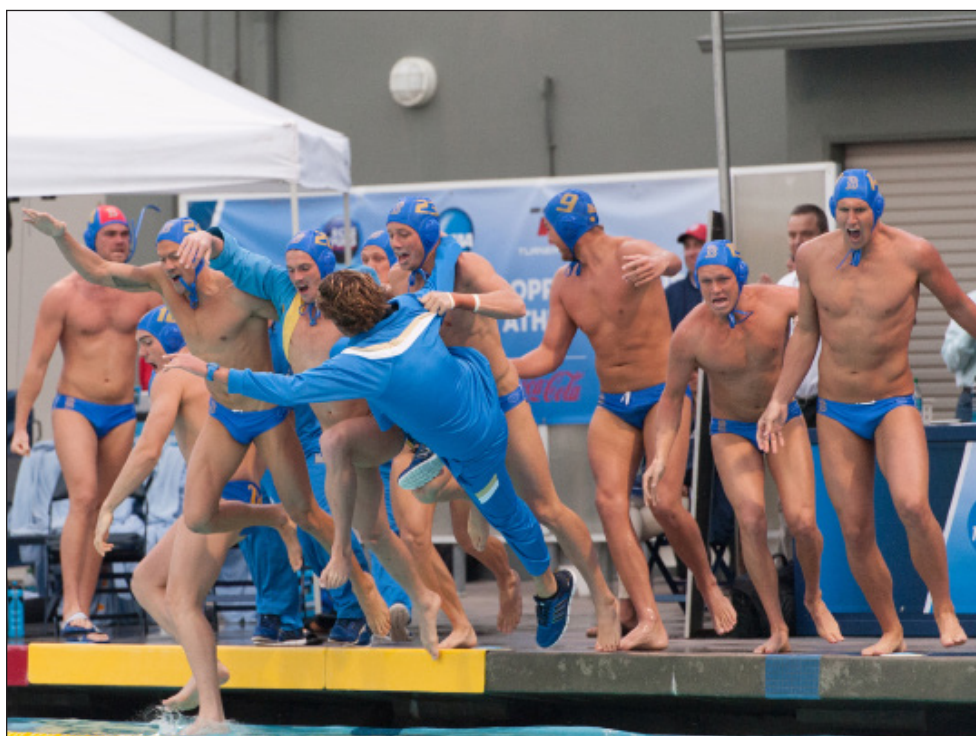
Penalties - UCLA - 0/0 - USC - 0/0

USC Goals: Kostas Genidounias 2, Marc Vonderweidt 2, Matteo Morelli 1, Mihajlo Milicevic 1, Nick Bell 1, James Walters 1

USC Saves: McQuin Baron 6

UCLA Goals: Danny McClintick 4, Chancellor Ramirez 1, Gordon Marshall 1, Matt Farmer 1, David Culpan 1, Jack Fellner 1

UCLA Saves: Garrett Danner 9



UCLA head coach Adam Wright leads the tradition of jumping into the pool after winning a national championship.

#95

Sophomore Logan Powell scored the game-winning goal with 13 seconds remaining in the second overtime period to send UCLA to a thrilling 10-9 victory over Stanford in the NCAA Men's Water Polo Championships at Stanford's Avery Aquatics Center. For the Bruins, it was their eighth NCAA title in men's water polo and the 95th for the UCLA athletic program.

Stanford took an early edge when Greg Crum converted a Tony Azevedo pass past Bruin goalkeeper Joseph Axelrad for a 1-0 lead. UCLA would answer less than a minute later when senior attacker Brett Ormsby dished off to fellow senior attacker Albert Garcia, who sent one past Cardinal keeper Chad Taylor. The Cardinal reclaimed the lead at 4:15 in the first on an extra-man goal by Sam Tyre and ran their lead to 3-1 with Thomas Hopkins' goal from just inside two meters at 3:20. But UCLA's Garcia netted his second goal of the match at 1:21 to bring the Bruins to within one.

Then at the five minute mark in the second, the Bruins re-knotted the match when Peter Belden pushed in a shot just beyond the goal line after Ted Peck's shot was deflected by Taylor. Stanford regained the lead again with Peter Varellas' extra-man goal at 4:17. UCLA would then go on to score two unanswered goals to bring a 5-4 lead into halftime. UCLA's fourth goal came as Grant Zider scored on a lob pass from Ormsby just outside two-meters. Powell gave the Bruins their first lead of the match when his shot, assisted by Josh Hewko, deflected off Stanford's Taylor and into the cage.



The 2004 NCAA champions won UCLA's 95th NCAA title, knocking off Stanford 10-9 in double overtime in the title game.

The teams exchanged single goals in the third, but UCLA received a break when, early in the period after a Bruin defensive stop, Peck, looking to pass back to Axelrad for an outlet pass, left it short of the net and allowed Azevedo to intercept. Axelrad, however, held strong and blocked the one-on-one shot. At 4:28, UCLA took a two-goal lead when Hewko fired into an empty right side of the net after fielding a lofted pass from Ormsby. Stanford climbed back to within a goal when Thomas Hopkins scored at 1:09 for the Cardinal's third extra-man score of the game.

In the fourth, Axelrad came up huge again as he fended off another wide-open Azevedo shot with under five minutes to play to maintain UCLA's 6-5 advantage. UCLA padded its lead when, at 3:14 in the final period, Ormsby found the back of the net after taking a cross pass from Garcia. However, the Cardinal would not go quietly, as Varellas brought Stanford to within one at 0:51 in the fourth and Azevedo tied the match at 0:21 after an offensive turnover sent the ball Stanford's way.

In the first overtime period, Stanford gained control at 1:56 when Hopkins found the back of the net from just outside four meters. The Bruins struck right back at 1:45 when Ormsby scored his second goal of the game for the 8-8 tie. Heading into the second overtime period tied, Stanford took a 9-8 lead at 1:54 with another extra-man goal from Varellas. But the Bruins fought back again with Peck's first goal of the match after UCLA received a 6-on-5 advantage of its own. Powell scored the championship-winning goal with 0:13 remaining after a Hewko 6-on-5 shot sailed off the arms of Taylor and into Powell's possession. His shot deflected off Taylor again but this time dribbled past the goal line.

UCLA vs. Stanford (NCAA Championship)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	OT1	OT2	F
UCLA	2	3	1	1	1	2	10
Stanford	3	1	1	2	1	1	9

UCLA Goals: Garcia 2, Ormsby 2, Powell 2, Belden 1, Hewko 1, Zider 1, Peck 1

UCLA Saves: Axelrad 8

STAN Goals: Varellas 3, Hopkins 2, Crum 2, Azevedo 1, Tyre 1

STAN Saves: Taylor 6



UCLA Head Coach Adam Krikorian raises a clenched fist as time expires, claiming his third NCAA Championship in men's water polo.

#82

All five seniors scored goals to lead the men's water polo team to its fourth NCAA championship in six years, as the Bruins defeated UC San Diego 11-2 in the title game at Pepperdine University. The win was UCLA men's water polo's seventh and No. 82 in athletic department history.

First team All-Tournament member Brian Brown opened up the scoring for the Bruins at 5:18. Forty seconds later, Brown took a perfect Sean Kern pass on the left side and put it past Triton goalkeeper Glenn Busch to give UCLA a 2-0 at 4:40. UCSD's Jonathan Samuels brought the Tritons to within one when he scored an extra man goal at 3:04.

That goal would be the last that UCLA would give up until the last few minutes of the game. Jeff Pflueger scored off a Matt Flesher pass to give the Bruins a 3-1 advantage after the first period.

Andy Bailey walked in and scored his first goal of the day with 4:22 remaining in the second period. After an extra man save by UCLA goalkeeper Brandon Brooks, Dave Parker scored from two meters to give the Bruins a 5-1 lead. Tournament MVP Kern gave UCLA a 6-1 halftime lead with a goal at 2:17. Brooks made a fingertip save on a shot by UCSD's Julian Wylie to end the second half.

In the third period, Brown drove the length of the pool and put one away to make the score 7-1. Thirty seconds later, Blake Wellen took a pass from Andy Bailey on the left side and scored to make it 8-1. Kern muscled his way around the defense



The 2000 NCAA champions won UCLA's 83rd NCAA title, knocking off UC San Diego 11-2 in the title game.

to score his second goal of the game with 4:11 remaining in the third. With 3:33 remaining in the period, Pflueger was ejected, but UCLA's defense stopped three shots and Brooks was able to come out and make a steal. Pflueger scored his second goal of the game during an extra man opportunity, taking a Bailey pass on the left side and putting it past Busch.

With 3:24 left in the game and UCLA ahead 10-1, the Bruin reserves entered the game to a roaring

cheer. UCSD's Vladimir Djapic scored the Tritons' second goal of the day after a Jon Puffer ejection, but Dan Yeilding kept the winning margin at nine when he put one away with 34 seconds left in the game.

UCLA outshot UCSD 27-19. The Bruins had numerous steals and when the Triton offense was able to get a shot off, Brooks was phenomenal in goal.

Kern earned tournament MVP honors for the second year in a row, as well as being named to the All-Tournament first team. Joining him on the first team were Brown and Brooks. Parker and Wellen earned second-team honors.

No. 3 UCSD vs. No. 1 UCLA (NCAA Championship)

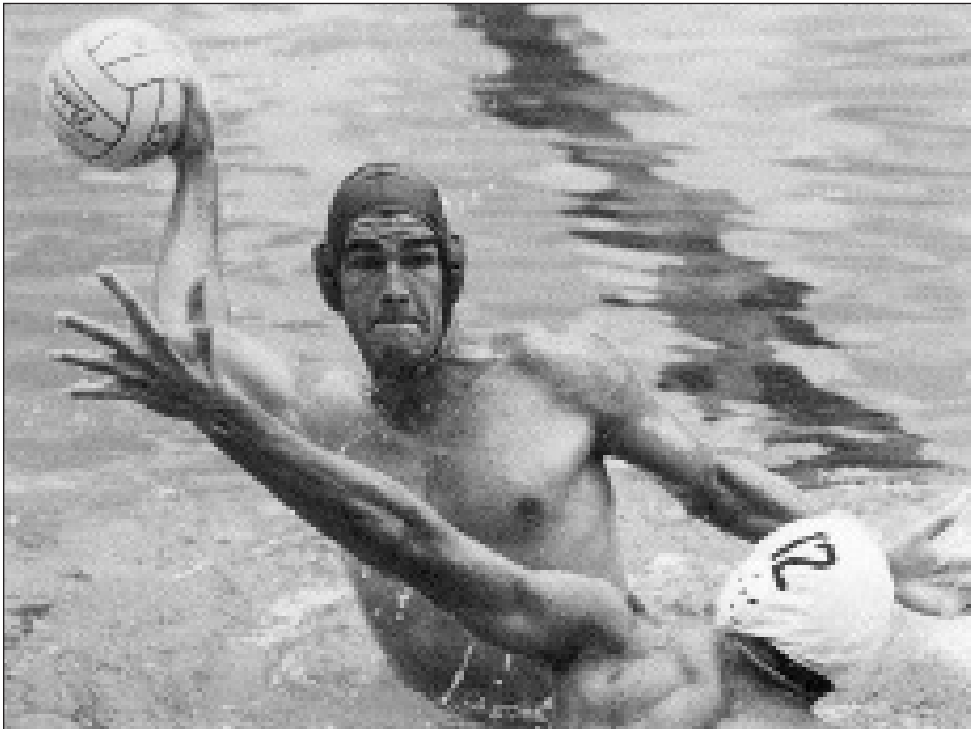
SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	F
No. 3 UCSD	1	0	0	1	2
No. 1 UCLA	3	3	4	1	11

UCSD Goals: Vladimir Djapic 1, Jonathan Samuels 1

UCSD Saves: Glenn Busch 6

UCLA Goals: Brian Brown 3, Sean Kern 2, Jeff Pflueger 2, Andy Bailey 1, Dave Parker 1, Blake Wellen 1, Dan Yeilding 1

UCLA Saves: Brandon Brooks 11, Eric Meadows 1



UCLA's Sean Kern was named the NCAA Championship Tournament MVP for the second year in a row in 2000.

#79

Led by four goals from junior Sean Kern, the UCLA men's water polo team captured the 1999 NCAA men's water polo championship title by defeating Stanford 6-5 in front of a crowd of 2,422 at UC San Diego's Canyonview Pool. The win gave UCLA 79 NCAA titles in its athletic department's history.

The Bruins ended the season with a 22-3 overall record. Stanford closed out the year with a 22-6 overall record.

UCLA battled back from a 4-1 deficit to score five unanswered points and hold on for the victory. Kern, the NCAA tournament's most valuable player, scored his third goal to knot the score at 4-4 with 2:03 left in the third quarter. Senior Matt Armato, playing in the final game of his career, then scored the eventual game-winner with one second remaining in the third, giving UCLA its first lead of the game.

Kern cushioned the Bruin lead with his fourth goal of the game early in the fourth quarter. Stanford narrowed the score with a goal from sophomore Pasi Dutton to cut the gap to 6-5. With six seconds remaining in regulation, the Cardinal threatened with a two-point shot attempt from senior Brian Heifferon but true freshman goalkeeper Brandon Brooks made the save.

Armato was named to the all-tournament first-team, while Brooks and junior Blake Wellen earned second-team honors.

"All national championships are special," co-head coach Guy Baker said. "But the journey with this group has been fantastic."

Prior to this game, UCLA and Stanford had only met once in an NCAA championship game. In 1976, the Cardinal captured the crown with a 13-12 victory over the Bruins. The victory was the Bruins' fourth straight win over Stanford, as

UCLA also defeated their Bay Area rival to capture the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation title the previous weekend.

No. 2 Stanford vs. No. 1 UCLA (NCAA Championship)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	F
No. 2 Stanford	3	1	0	1	5
No. 1 UCLA	1	1	3	1	6

STAN Goals: Peter Hudnut 2 (two-pointer), Andy Walburger 1, Jeff Nesmith 1, Pasi Dutton 1

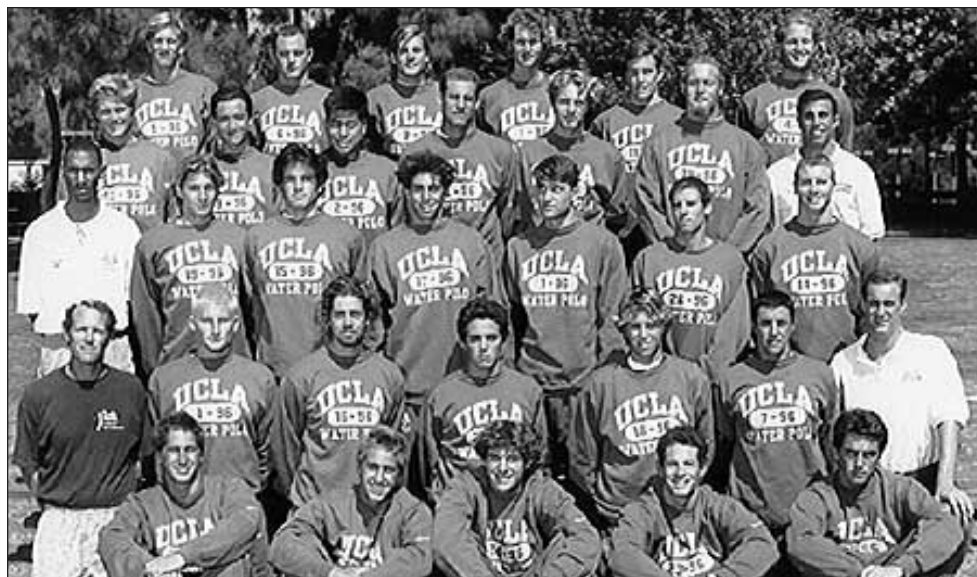
STAN Saves: Nick Ellis 5

UCLA Goals: Sean Kern 4, Adam Wright 1, Matt Armato 1

UCLA Saves: Brandon Brooks 8



Led by a four-goal effort from tournament MVP Sean Kern, top-ranked UCLA defeated Stanford 6-5 to win the 1999 NCAA championship.



The 1996 Bruins won UCLA's 74th NCAA championship and the men's water polo program's fifth in school history.

1996 – #74

The Bruins upset top-ranked and heavily favored USC 8-7 in the title match at UC San Diego to win their second consecutive NCAA men's water polo championship and the 74th in UCLA's illustrious history. Randy Wright's two-point goal a little more than two minutes into the game sparked UCLA to a 6-3 lead after one quarter, and the Bruins held off a Trojan rally to win. Goalie Matt Swanson made 14 saves in the championship match, was named the NCAA tournament MVP and earned his second consecutive player of the year award. The Bruins opened the NCAA tournament with an 18-6 victory over UC Davis. UCLA finished the season with an overall record of 24-6.



Guy Baker (holding trophy) led the Bruins to the 1995 NCAA championship, his first and UCLA's first in 23 years.

1995 – #71

Playing against top-ranked Cal at Stanford's deGuerre Pool in the NCAA tournament final on Dec. 3, the UCLA men's water polo team posted a 10-8 victory, giving head coach Guy Baker his first national title. The championship game was won in dramatic fashion, as the outcome was decided in the final minute. With the score tied at 8-8, With 1:44 remaining, UCLA's Jeremy Braxton-Brown put the Bruins up 9-8 with his first goal of the game. He would later add an insurance goal with 42 seconds remaining, giving the Bruins the eventual 10-8 victory. UCLA opened the NCAA tournament with a 21-10 victory over UC San Diego. The win was UCLA's 71st NCAA championship in school history and the men's water polo program's fourth national title.



The Bruins averaged 15.3 goals per game in the NCAA Tournament en route to winning the 1972 NCAA championship.

1972 – #28

The 1972 Bruins featured five senior starters with a wealth of championship experience, and that group carried UCLA to its second consecutive NCAA men's water polo title and its third in four years in 1972. Bob Horn's Bruins breezed through the NCAA tournament, beating Yale 21-3, UC Irvine 15-10 and San Jose State 10-5 to finish the year at 19-1 overall. It was UCLA's 28th NCAA championship in school history. Goalie Kevin Craig earned All-America honors for the fourth consecutive year. Kurt Krumpholz, Eric Lindroth, Bob Neumann and John Rees also earned national acclaim.

1971 – #23

Eric Lindroth scored three goals against previously undefeated San Jose State to lead UCLA to a 5-3 win in the championship game in 1971. It was UCLA's second NCAA championship in three years and marked the 23rd NCAA Championship in UCLA history. Lindroth, Greg Arth, Paul Becskehazy, Kevin Craig and Scott Massey earned All-America honors. Becskehazy led UCLA with 51 goals during the year. The 19-1 Bruins were without their usual home pool at Sunset Canyon, which was closed during the fall for repairs after suffering damage during the Sylmar earthquake. UCLA opened the NCAA Tournament with a 37-2 win over Washington and a 10-1 win over Long Beach State.



Eric Lindroth led the Bruins with three goals in the 1971 title game in a 5-3 win over previously undefeated San Jose State.

1969 – #15

Freshman Scott Massey's 20-foot goal with three seconds left in the third quarter broke a 2-2 tie and propelled UCLA to a 5-2 victory over California in the first NCAA men's water polo championship game in Long Beach, Calif. in 1969. Jim Ferguson and Torrey Webb added fourth-period goals to secure the victory for coach Bob Horn's Bruins, who completed a perfect season at 19-0. UCLA had reached the title game by beating USC and Long Beach State. Gregg Arth, Paul Becskehazy, freshman goalie Kevin Craig, Ferguson and Webb earned All-America honors for UCLA, which won its first NCAA championship in the sport and the program's 15th overall. The Bruins opened the NCAA Tournament with a 4-3 win over USC and a 9-6 victory over Long Beach State.



The Bruins won their first NCAA Championship at the sport's first-ever NCAA Men's Water Polo Championship in 1969.



entering its 18th season as UCLA's home . . .

SPIEKER AQUATICS CENTER

The UCLA men's water polo team begins its 18th season playing at Dirks Pool at Spieker Aquatics Center in the fall of 2025. Over the past 17 seasons, UCLA has logged a 136-18 (.883) 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 nine regular-season home contests during the 2026 campaign. In addition to the MPSF games against California, USC and Stanford, the Bruins will also host the UCLA Mini Invite and four other non-conference contests.

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.