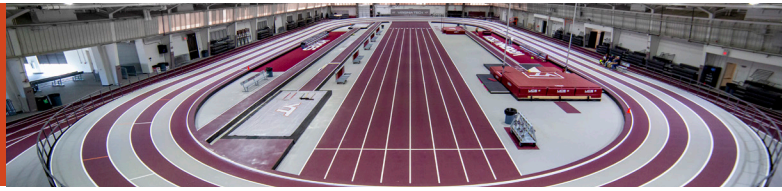




VIRGINIA TECH

2024 TRACK AND FIELD



20 INDIVIDUAL NCAA CHAMPIONS / 256 INDIVIDUAL ACC CHAMPIONS / 21 ACC TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS / 10 OLYMPIANS

VIRGINIA TECH HOKIES

Director: Dave Cianelli Head Track and Field Coach: Ben Thomas Head Cross Country and Distance Coach: Eric Johannigmeier

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Assistant Coach (pole vault): Bob Phillips Assistant Coach (sprints/hurdles): Alan Dunson Assistant Coach (distance): Jason Cusack

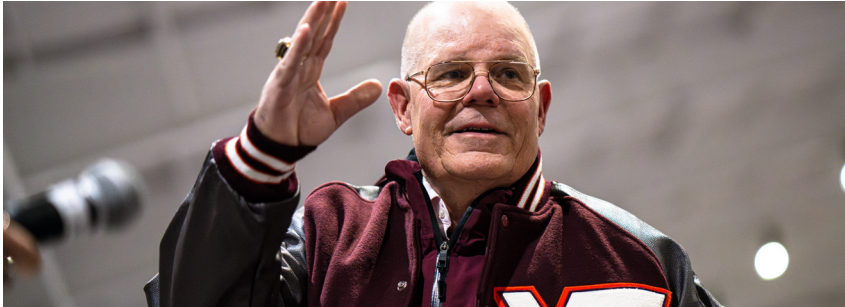
Assistant Coach: Rachel Baxter Assistant Coach: Chauncey Chambers Assistant Coach: Essence Henderson

Assistant Coach: Dallin Leatham Assistant Coach: Cheyenne Leatham Assistant Coach: Deakin Volz

EAST COAST RELAYS - APRIL 26-27, 2024 | JACKSONVILLE, FLA. | HODGES STADIUM

DRAKE RELAYS - APRIL 26-27, 2024 | DES MOINES, IOWA | DRAKE STADIUM

VIRGINIA HIGH PERFORMANCE - APRIL 28, 2024 | CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. | LANNING FIELD



KEY STORYLINES

HOKIES IN THE NCAA TOP 25 - WEEK 4

Men

- Conner McClure (pole vault) - 5.75m
- Judson Lincoln IV (400m) - 45.20
- Harrison, Tillmon, Diaby, Lincoln IV, (4x400) - 3:01.62
- Maddox Hamm (pole vault) - 5.55m
- Vlad Puchko (discus) - 61.26m
- Nick Plant (1500m) - 3:38.98
- Chidozie Kalu (triple) - 15.85m
- Aidan Clark (high jump) - 2.15m
- Tillmon, Diaby, Harrison, Lincoln IV, (4x100) - 39.31

Women

- Lindsey Butler (1500m) - 4:07.96
- Sara Killinen (hammer) - 67.92m
- Chiara Sistermann (pole vault) - 4.25m
- Journey Gurley (pole vault) - 4.25m

BROKEN RECORDS

Senior Lindsey Butler broke the 1500m outdoor program record competing at the Wake Forest Invitational. Butler recorded a personal-best time of 4:07.96.

Conner McClure broke the ACC Pole Vault record clearing a height of 5.75m at the Texas Relays. McClure earned himself an automatic qualifying spot into the U.S. Olympic Team Trials in June. He was named the ACC Men's Field Athlete of the Week.

McClure currently ranks second in the NCAA. Teammate Maddox Hamm ranks seventh clearing a personal-best height of 5.55m.

For a second time this season the men's 4x400m relay team of Kennedy Harrison, KJ Tillmon, Ali Diaby,

and Judson Lincoln IV broke the school record clocking 3:01.62 at the Florida Relays. The men rank sixth in the NCAA in the 4x4 and 21st in the 4x100m with a time of 39.31.

TOP MARKS

Judson Lincoln IV ranks third in the nation with a personal-best 400m time of 45.20 recorded at the Tom Jones Memorial Invitational. For the second time this season, Lincoln was named ACC Men's Track Athlete of the Week.

Vlad Puchko provided a strong performance for the Hokies on day one of the Tennessee Invite finishing first in discus with a personal-best sixth round mark of 61.26m (201' 0"). Named ACC Men's Rookie of the Week on April 9.

At the Virginia Challenge, Sara Killinen recorded a season-best throw of 67.92m in the hammer throw. Killinen started the season ranked eighth in the nation (64.35m), currently sixth.

Freshman Chidozie Kalu ranks 14th in the triple jump with an outdoor personal-best mark of 15.85m (52' 0") set at the Virginia Challenge. Kalu was named the ACC Men's Field Performer and Rookie of the Week ranked second in the conference, first among freshman.

COMPETING AT DRAKE RELAYS

Throws - Katrin Brzyszkowska (Shot Put, Discus). Vlad Puchko (Shot Put, Discus), Lukas Baroke (Hammer), and Barbora Stejfova (Hammer).

EAST COAST RELAYS

Sprints - (200, 400, 4x100, 4x400) - Judson Lincoln IV, Ali Diaby, KJ Tillmon, Kennedy Harrison, Amir Green, Torrence Walker, Maximus James, Evan Taylor, and Chad Blaker.

Jumps - Long Jump, Triple Jump, and High Jump.

Aidan Clark is tied for 19th in the NCAA clearing a height of 2.15m (7' 0.5") in high jump at the Hurricane Alumni Invitational on April 5.

Victoria Gorolova ranks 16th in women's long jump in the East Region with a season-best mark of 6.32m (20' 9").

Pole Vault - Kennedy Drish, Journey Gurley, Erin Kelleher, Lyndsey Reed, Chiara Sistermann, Joey Badalamenti, Maddox Hamm, Conner McClure, and Harrison Rice.

Freshman Chiara Sistermann is tied for 23rd in the NCAA with teammate Journey Gurley at 4.25m (13' 11.25") set at the Texas Relays on March 27.

VIRGINIA HIGH PERFORMANCE

Members of the distance team will travel to Charlottesville on Sunday.

2024 Outdoor Schedule

Date	Meet	Location
March 22-23	Ole Miss Classic	Oxford, Miss.
March 22-23	Weems Baskin Relays	Columbia, S.C.
March 28-30	Texas Relays	Austin, Texas
March 29-30	Florida Relays	Gainesville, Fla.
March 29-30	Hornet Open	Lynchburg, Va.
April 5-6	Vertklasse Meet	High Point, N.C.
April 5-6	Tennessee Invite	Knoxville, Tenn.
April 5-6	Hurricane Alumni Invitational	Miami, Fla.
April 5-6	Colonial Relays	Williamsburg, Va.
April 12-13	Tom Jones Memorial Invitational	Gainesville, Fla.
April 19	Wake Forest Invitational	Winston-Salem, N.C.
April 19-20	Virginia Challenge	Charlottesville, Va.
April 20	USC Open	Columbia, S.C.
April 26-27	East Coast Relays	Jacksonville, Fla.
April 26-27	Drake Relays	Des Moines, Iowa
April 28	Virginia High Performance	Charlottesville, Va.
May 1	Liberty Twilight Qualifier	Lynchburg, Va.
May 9-11	ACC Championships	Atlanta, Ga.
May 22-25	NCAA East Regional	Lexington, Ky.
June 5-8	NCAA Championships	Eugene, Ore.
June 21-30	Olympic Trials	Eugene, Ore.

2024 ACC WEEKLY AWARDS

Chiara Sistermann - Women's Rookie of the Week - Jan. 16
 Lindsey Butler - Women's Track Performer of the Week - Jan. 23
 Judson Lincoln IV - Men's Track Performer of the Week - Jan. 23
 Nate Paris - Men's Rookie of the Week - Feb. 6
 Judson Lincoln IV - Men's Track Performer of the Week - Mar. 26
 Conner McClure - Men's Field Performer of the Week - Apr. 2
 Vlad Puchko - Men's Rookie of the Week - Apr. 9
 Judson Lincoln IV - Men's Track Performer of the Week - Apr. 16
 Chidozie Kalu - Men's Field Performer of the Week - Apr. 23
 Chidozie Kalu - Men's Rookie of the Week - Apr. 23
 Lindsey Butler - Women's Track Performer of the Week - Apr. 23

#EVENTSQUAD RANKINGS - WEEK 5

Men's	Women's
#1 - Pole Vault	#14 - 200m
#4 - High Jump	#16 - 1500m
#6 - Triple Jump	#25 - 400m
#9 - Steeple	
#5 - Pole Vault	#22 - 1500m

USTFCCA TEAM RANKINGS - TOP 25

#8 - Men

2023 NCAA OUTDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Women's Results

Julia Fixsen - Pole Vault Champion
 Kenna Stimmel - Eighth place (pole vault)
 Journey Gurley - 13th place (pole vault)
 Cierra Pyles - 15th place (triple jump)
 Lindsey Butler - 17th place (800m)
 Barbora Stejfova - 23rd place (hammer)

Men's Results

Nick Plant - 12th place (800m)

2024 NCAA INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Women's Results

Lindsey Butler - 7th place (800m)
 Sara Killinen - 8th place (weight throw)
 Victoria Gorlova - 4th place (TJ) 11th (LJ)

Men's Results

Judson Lincoln IV - 3rd (400m)
 Conner McClure - 3rd (pole vault)
 Sean Murphy - 13th (heptathlon)
 Nick Plant - 12th place (800m)
 Plant, Lincoln IV, Jackson, Coleman - 10th (DMR)

*NCAA Results for Current Athletes
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KEY STORYLINES, CTD.

INDOOR CHAMPIONS

• The women's team won their third-consecutive ACC Indoor title logging 92 points with five individual champions and eight First Team All-American honors. Victoria Gorlova was named the ACC Women's Field MVP placing first in long jump and second in triple jump. The men's team finished third with 82 points.

• ACC Indoor Champions

Lindsey Butler (800m)
Chiara Sistermann (pole vault)
Victoria Gorlova (long jump)
Sara Killinen (weight throw)
Barbora Malikova (400m)

• Men's ACC Indoor Champions

Ali Diaby (4x400m)
Kennedy Harrison (4x400m)
Judson Lincoln IV (400m, 4x400m)
Conner McClure (pole vault)
Kaheleje Tillmon (4x400m)

NCAA Indoor Championships

7. Lindsey Butler (800m)
8. Sara Killinen (weight throw)
4. Victoria Gorlova (triple jump)
11. Victoria Gorlova (long jump)

3. Judson Lincoln IV (400m)
3. Conner McClure (pole vault)
13. Sean Murphy (heptathlon)
4. Nick Plant (800m)
10. Plant, Lincoln IV, Jackson, Coleman (DMR)

The men's team finished 12th with 17 points, highest team finish since 2018.

STORYLINES FROM THE INDOOR SEASON

BROKEN RECORDS - DMR

• The men's and women's distance medley relay teams broke the DMR school records competing at the Terrier DMR Challenge. The men's team made of Nick Plant, Judson Lincoln IV, Christian Jackson, and Ethan Coleman recorded a time of 9:22.71, ranked ninth in the nation and third in the conference.

• The women's team of Hannah Ballowe, Barbora Malikova, Star Price, and Lindsey Butler rank 14th in the NCAA with a time of 10:52.51, fourth in the ACC.

GORLOVA DOES IT AGAIN

• Senior Victoria Gorlova broke the long jump school record for a second time this season jumping 6.43m (21' 1.25") at the Don Kirby Elite Invitational on Feb. 9.

• In the triple jump, Gorlova finished the regular season ranked second in the ACC with a mark of 13.37m (43' 10.5").

• The two-time ACC Field MVP, Gorlova, ranked 11th in the nation in both events.

LEADING THE CONFERENCE

• Freshman Chiara Sistermann led the ACC women's pole vault having cleared 4.27m (14'0") at the Virginia Tech Challenge on Feb. 16 to close out the regular season.

• Sistermann made her collegiate debut at the Virginia Tech Invitational clearing a height of 4.12m in pole vault and earning ACC Rookie of the Week honors.

• Sophomore Judson Lincoln IV ranked fifth in the nation in the 400m posting a personal-best time of 45.53 at the Tyson Invitational on Feb. 10. First in the ACC.
• Lincoln ranked second in the ACC 200m (20.84) and helped the 4x400m relay team claim the top spot in the conference running anchor at the Tyson Invitational, 3:06.82.

• Junior Barbora Malikova clocked a season-best 400m time of 52.99 last weekend at the Tyson Invitational, ranked second in the ACC at the end of regular season.

• Senior Sean Murphy recorded a personal-best 5810 points in the heptathlon on Feb. 2, second highest score in Tech history. Murphy led the ACC heading into the conference championships, ranked 11th in the nation.

• Conner McClure led the men's pole vault with a height of 5.40m (17' 8.5") set at the Penn State Open on Jan. 26, ranked 23rd in the nation.

• Junior Sara Killinen continued to lead the conference in the women's weight throw with a mark of 22.44m (73' 7.5"), set at the Hokies season opener.

FRESHMAN IN THE NCAA TOP 25

• Freshman Chidozie Kalu ranked 14th in the nation at the end of the regular season in the men's triple jump with a distance of 15.94m (52' 3.75") set at the season opener. He was bumped to 18th after conference championships.

• Freshman Nate Paris recorded a PR in the 1000m, 60m H, high jump, shot put, and 60m dash events at the Doc Hale Meet finishing second with 5608 points.

• Paris was the only freshman in the heptathlon ranked within the NCAA Top 30, ranked fourth in the ACC. He earned ACC Rookie of the Week for his outstanding performance.

1000M SCHOOL RECORD

• Senior Lindsey Butler broke her third indoor school record while competing at the Hokie Invitational on Jan. 20.

• Butler finished second in the 1000m with a time of 2:41.00, seventh fastest time in NCAA history.

800M

• Senior Lindsey Butler made her way back into the NCAA Top 20 (13th) list marking the sixth time in her career being ranked going into the championships. She recorded a season-best time of 2:02.86 in Nashville, Tenn. on Feb. 10.

• Junior Star Price ranks 17th in the nation with a season-best time of 2:03.42, finishing first at the Doc Hale VT Meet.

• Sophomore Christian Jackson won the men's 800m last weekend clocking a time of 1:47.51 after nearly one and a half years since his last track meet. Jackson ranks 18th in the nation and third in the conference.

HEAD COACH BEN THOMAS

• The Hokies welcome back head track and field coach Ben Thomas. Thomas returns to Virginia Tech after serving as an associate head coach at the University of Oregon.

• Prior to Oregon, coach Thomas spent 17 years at Tech building the distance program into one of the best in the nation. The Hokies won their first Men's ACC Cross Country Championships in 2012 under Thomas' leadership.

• Coach Thomas is a three-time USTFCCA National Assistant Coach of the Year (2017, 2020, 2021), and 10-time Regional Assistant Coach of the Year.

• Thomas has coached 131 NCAA All-Americans, 72 ACC Champions, and 13 NCAA Champions.

2023 OUTDOORS

• Victoria Gorlova was named the women's 2023 ACC Championship Field MVP placing first in the triple jump (13.23m) and seventh in long jump (6.08m). The three-time ACC triple jump champion earned her first ACC MVP trophy at the 2022 Indoor Championships.

• Cierra Pyles placed second in triple jump at the ACC Outdoor Championships (13.08m), and second at the Indoor Championships (13.11m). Pyles ended the season placing 15th at the NCAA Outdoor Championships (13.24m).

• Tech claimed gold in the women's pole vault, triple jump, and hammer throw. The men's distance team won the 5000m and 800m.

• As a freshman, Nick Plant won the 800m conference title with a time of 1:47.41. Plant would go on to claim first in the semifinals at the NCAA East Prelims (1:49.12).

• Plant finished 12th in the 800m at the NCAA Outdoor Championships. He was named the 2023 ACC Freshman of the Year (Outdoors).

• Pole vaulter Julia Fixsen claimed the Hokies first-ever NCAA outdoor pole vault title clearing 4.45m (14' 7.25m). Fixsen also took home gold at the ACC Championships clearing the bar at 4.38m (14' 4.5").

• Fixsen was named the USTFCCA Southeast Field Athlete of the Year and ACC Field Athlete of the Year (Outdoors). She was also named the VaSID Field Athlete of the Year.

• Kenna Stimmel finished eighth at the NCAA Outdoor Championships clearing 4.30m (14' 1.25"). She was fourth at the NCAA Indoor Championships (4.40m).

• Stimmel won her first ACC title at the 2023 Indoor Championships with a height of 4.40m (14' 5.25"). She was named the ACC Freshman of the Year (Indoors).

SUMMER 2023

• Two-time NCAA First Team All-American Kenna Stimmel is the 2023 XXI PanAmerica U20 pole vault champion (4.30m).

• Judson Lincoln IV won the men's 400m at the USATF U20 Championships with a personal-best time of 45.47. Lincoln IV controlled the race from start to finish.

• Barbora Stejfova and Katrin Brzyszkowska claimed gold at the Czech U23 Championships. Stejfova won the hammer throw with a mark of 56.81m (186' 4.5"). Brzyszkowska won shot put with a distance of 16.22m (53' 2.75"). Brzyszkowska currently holds the Czech Republic U20 National Record in shot put (16.62m).

2024 NCAA INDOOR TOP 16 LIST

• Men

8. Judson Lincoln IV (400m) - 45.53
9. Plant, Lincoln IV, Jackson, Coleman (DMR) - 9:22.71
10. Conner McClure (pole vault) - 5.53m
14. Sean Murphy (heptathlon) - 5810pts
15. Nick Plant (800m) - 1:47.33

• Women

8. Sara Killinen (weight throw) - 22.44m
8. Victoria Gorlova (triple jump) - 13.47m
13. Victoria Gorlova (long jump) - 6.43m
16. Lindsey Butler (800m) - 2:02.86

ACC TOP FIVE INDOOR PERFORMANCE LIST

• Men

1. Tillmon, Harrison, James, Lincoln IV (4X400) - 3:06.82
1. Judson Lincoln IV (400m) - 45.53
1. Sean Murphy (heptathlon) - 5810pts
1. Conner McClure (pole vault) - 5.40m
2. Maddox Hamm (pole vault) - 5.32m
2. Judson Lincoln IV (200m) - 20.84
3. Chidozie Kalu (triple jump) - 15.94m
3. Christian Jackson (800m) - 1:47.51
3. Plant, Lincoln IV, Jackson, Coleman (DMR) - 9:22.71
4. Nate Paris (heptathlon) - 5608pts
- T4. Clark, Burke, Bell (high jump) - 2.15m
5. Nick Plant (800m) - 1:48.21

• Women

1. Victoria Gorlova (long jump) - 6.43m
1. Chiara Sistermann (pole vault) - 4.27m
1. Sara Killinen (weight throw) - 22.44m
2. Journey Gurley (pole vault) - 4.24m
2. Victoria Gorlova (triple jump) - 13.37m
2. Barbora Malikova (400m) - 52.99
2. Lindsey Butler (800m) - 2:02.86
3. Star Price (800m) - 2:03.42
4. Ballowe, Malikova, Price, Butler (DMR) - 10:52.51
4. Katie Seyfang (shot put) - 16.26m
5. Barbora Stejfova (weight throw) - 20.26m

2024 INDOOR FIRST TEAM ALL-ACC

• Men's Indoors

Ali Diaby (4x400m) - champion
Maddox Hamm (pole vault)
Kennedy Harrison (4x400m) - champion
Christian Jackson (800m)
Chidozie Kalu (triple jump)
Judson Lincoln IV (400m, 4x400m) - champion
Conner McClure (pole vault) - champion
Nick Plant (800m)
Kaheleje Tillmon (4x400m) - champion

• Women's Indoors

Lindsey Butler (800m) - champion
Chiara Sistermann (pole vault) - champion
Victoria Gorlova (long jump) - champion
Victoria Gorlova (triple jump)
Katrin Brzyszkowska (shot put)
Sara Killinen (weight throw) - champion
Barbora Malikova (400m) - champion
Star Price (800m)

2023 OUTDOOR FIRST TEAM ALL-ACC

• Men's Outdoors

Nick Plant (800m) - champion
Jacob Rice (pole vault)

• Women's Outdoors

Lindsey Butler (800m)
Julia Fixsen (pole vault) - champion
Victoria Gorlova (triple jump) - champion
Sara Killinen (hammer)
Star Price (800m)
Cierra Pyles (triple jump)

2024 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

• Indoors

Lindsey Butler - (800m)
Ali Diaby - (4x400m)
Kennedy Harrison - (4x400m)
Sara Killinen - (weight throw)
Judson Lincoln IV - (400m, 4x400m)
Barbora Malikova - (400m)
Conner McClure - (pole vault)
Chiara Sistermann (pole vault)
Kaheleje Tillmon - (4x400m)
Victoria Gorlova - (long jump)

2024 ACC INDOOR TEAM RESULTS

• Top Five Men

1. North Carolina 93 points
2. Florida State 84
3. Virginia Tech 82
4. Clemson 81
5. Virginia 64

• Top Five Women

1. Virginia Tech 92 points
2. Clemson 80.5
3. Notre Dame 70
4. Duke 64
5. Florida State 61

2023 ACC OUTDOOR TEAM RESULTS

• Top Five Men

1. Clemson 92 points
2. Florida State 91
3. Louisville 89.5
3. Virginia 89.5
5. Virginia Tech 84.5

• Top Five Women

1. Duke 145.5 points
2. Virginia Tech 84.5
3. Miami 83
4. Florida State 78
5. Virginia 76.5



ALL-Time Conference Finishes

Men's Indoor		Men's Outdoor	
Year	Place	Year	Place
2005	6th	2005	6th
2006	4th	2006	7th
2007	6th	2007	7th
2008	9th	2008	6th
2009	2nd	2009	3rd
2010	3rd	2010	2nd
2011	1st	2011	2nd
2012	2nd	2012	1st
2013	1st	2013	2nd
2014	5th	2014	5th
2015	1st	2015	3rd
2016	5th	2016	1st
2017	1st	2017	1st
2018	2nd	2018	3rd
2019	1st	2019	1st
2020	2nd	2020	-
2021	1st	2021	2nd
2022	1st	2022	2nd
2023	1st	2023	5th
2024	3rd		

Women's Indoor		Women's Outdoor	
Year	Place	Year	Place
2005	9th	2005	9th
2006	4th	2006	5th
2007	1st	2007	1st
2008	1st	2008	1st
2009	4th	2009	2nd
2010	3rd	2010	6th
2011	4th	2011	7th
2012	5th	2012	T-4th
2013	9th	2013	7th
2014	5th	2014	6th
2015	8th	2015	11th
2016	12th	2016	9th
2017	8th	2017	1st
2018	2nd	2018	2nd
2019	3rd	2019	4th
2020	1st	2020	-
2021	4th	2021	7th
2022	1st	2022	8th
2023	1st	2023	2nd
2024	1st		

MEDIA INFORMATION

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INTERVIEW POLICY

Meet Days: Virginia Tech director Dave Cianelli, head coach Ben Thomas, and requested student-athletes will be available to the media after their event.

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2024 VIRGINIA TECH WOMEN'S ROSTER

Name	Class	Event	Hometown	High School (College)
Hannah Ballowe	Sr.	Distance	Mechanicsville, Va.	Saint Catherine's
Riley Basinger	So.	Distance	Waxhaw, N.C.	Marvin Ridge
Kylie Bonser	Fr.	Distance	Midlothian, Va.	Midlothian
Katrin Brzyszkowska	So.	Throws	Orlova, Czech Republic	
Lindsey Butler	Jr.	Distance	Corning, N.Y.	Corning
Layn Capritta	Fr.	Distance	Lovettsville, Va.	Woodgrove
Elizabeth Coe	Fr.	Distance	Bethesda, Md.	Wakefield
Kylie Cooper	So.	Distance	Rocky Mount, Va.	Franklin County
Kennedy Drish	So.	Pole Vault	Fisher, Ind.	Hamilton Southeastern
Kenza Elakari	Fr.	Distance	Springfield, Va.	West Springfield
Julia Fixsen	Jr.	Pole Vault	Shoreview, Minn.	Mounds View
Ava Flaherty	Fr.	Distance	Raleigh, N.C.	Pearson Online Academy
Victoria Gorlova	Jr.	Jumps	Odintsovo, Russia	Odintsovo
Maxanna Grubb	Jr.	Distance	Amherst, N.Y.	Amherst Central
Journey Gurley	Sr.	Pole Vault	Dainelsville, Ga.	Madison County
Ava Hassebrock	Sr.	Distance	Leesburg, Va.	Tuscarora
Lily Grace Hester	Fr.	Distance	Bon Air, Va.	James River
Willa Hock	Fr.	Jumps	Windsor, Conn.	Loomis Chaffee
Caitlyn Jones	Fr.	Distance	Hillard, Ohio	Hilliard Davidson
Chase Kappeler	Sr.	Distance	Springfield, Va.	West Springfield
Erin Kelleher	So.	Pole Vault	Avondale, Pa.	Padua Academy
Sara Killinen	Sr.	Throws	Lapua, Finland	Kuortaneen Lukio
Sarah Leach	Jr.	Distance	Charlottesville, Va.	Albemarle
Avery Legault	Fr.	Distance	Mason, Ohio	William Mason
Barbora Malikova	Jr.	Sprints	Oldrisov, Czech Republic	Stredni Prumyslova Skola Stavebni
Madison McConico	So.	Jumps	Chester, Va.	Thomas Dale
Mary Kate McGranahan	Sr.	Distance	New York, N.Y.	Trinity
Ellie Pence	Fr.	Distance	Greenville, S.C.	Eastside
Star Price	Jr.	Distance	Glen Allen, Va.	Glen Allen
Lyndsey Reed	Gr.	Pole Vault	State College, Pa.	Ole Miss
Maraget Sept	Fr.	Distance	Chapel Hill, N.C.	East Chapel Hill
Katie Seyfang	Sr.	Throws	Washington Court House, Ohio	Miami Trace
Chiarra Sistermann	Fr.	Pole Vault	Grafelfing, Germany	
Barbora Stejfova	So.	Throws	Tanvald, Czech Republic	
Kenna Stimmel	So.	Pole Vault	Castalia, Ohio	Margaretta
Annie Sullivan	Fr.	Distance	Ashburn, Va.	Stone Bridge
Anna Tasky	Fr.	Distance	Sammamish, Wash.	Skyline
Michal Tocker	So.	Pole Vault	Kiryat, Israel	
Sidney Walters	Fr.	Distance	Glen Allen, Va.	Deep Run
Lila Waters	Fr.	Distance	Great Falls, Va.	Langley

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE - WOMEN

Hannah Ballowe	buh-LOO
Lucy Brookover	BROOKE-over
Katrin Brzyszkowska	KA-trin Briz-KOOSH-ka
Maxana Grubb	mox-AH-nuh
Journey Gurley	gurl-LEE
Ava Hassebrock	HASS-uh-brock
Chase Kappeler	kap-LUR
Erin Kelleher	KELL-her
Barbora Maliková	muh-LEE-koh-vuh
Cierra Pyles	sea-AIR-Rah
Nicole Re	REE
Chiara Sisterman	key-AR-ah
Barbora Stejfova	bar-BORE-ah Stev-FOVA
Kenna Stimmel	Stim-MUHL

MEN

Joey Badalamenti	BAD-uh-la-MEN-TEE
Lukas Baroke	Ba-ROW-K
Khalil Bedoui	kul-LEEL BED-oo-ee
Azaan Dawson	uh-ZON
Viktor Idhammar	ID-uh-mar
Declan Rymer	Deck-LYN
Chidozie Kalu	Chi-DOE-zee Kah_lu
Arnav Tikhe	ARE-nahv TEE-kay
Kahleje Tillmon	kuh-LEE-jee

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Dave Cianelli	chuh-NELL-ee
Eric Johannigmeier	joe-HAN-ig-meyer
Paul Zalewski	zuh-leh-SKI

THE BASICS

Location: Blacksburg, Va.
Founded: 1872
Enrollment: 37,000
President: Dr. Timothy Sands
Director of Athletics: Whit Babcock
Nickname: Hokies
Colors: Chicago Maroon & Burnt Orange
Affiliation: NCAA Division I
Conference: Atlantic Coast (20th Season)

VIRGINIA TECH TRACK AND FIELD

2024 VIRGINIA TECH MEN'S ROSTER

Name	Class	Event	Hometown	High School (College)
Joseph Badalamenti	Sr.	Pole Vault	Mechanicsville, Va.	Hanover
Lukas Baroke	Fr.	Throws	Graenichen, Switzerland	
Khalil Bedoui	Sr.	Throws	Doha, Qatar	Aspire Academy
EJ Bell	Jr.	Jumps	Yorktown, Va.	Tabb
Chad Blaker	Jr.	Sprints	Narrows, Va.	Narrows
Jack Bolling	Fr.	Distance	Haddon Heights, N.J.	Haddon Heights
Brandon Burke	Sr.	Jumps	Bergen, N.Y.	Byron-Bergen
Maaliah Cabell	Fr.	Jumps	Staunton, Va.	Staunton
Ryan Chevalier	Fr.	Distance	Loveland, Ohio	Loveland
Aidan Clark	Jr.	Jumps	Ashburn, Va.	Briar Woods
Ethan Coleman	Sr.	Distance	Mechanicsville, Va.	Hanover
Ben Conacher	Gr.	Pole Vault	Katy, Texas	Katy Cinco Ranch
Azaan Dawson	So.	Distance	New Haven, Conn.	Fairfield Prep
Dylan DeCambre	Fr.	Distance	Hackensack, N.J.	Bergen County
Ali Diaby	Jr.	Sprints	Tolland, Conn.	Tolland
Colin Doran	Fr.	Distance	Noblesville, Va.	Patriot
Clay Eckert	Sr.	Jumps	Hutchinson, Kan.	Buhler
Blake Fairbanks	Fr.	Distance	Fredricksburg, Va.	Riverbend
Alec Fleming	Sr.	Distance	Lowell, Ind.	Lowell
Amir Green	So.	Sprints	Fairfax, Va.	Fairfax
Maddox Hamm	Fr.	Pole Vault	Scottsboro, Ala.	Scottsboro
Kennedy Harrison	Sr.	Sprints	Dallas, Texas	Desoto
Jack Helmich	Fr.	Pole Vault	Wayzata, Minn.	Wayzata
Gavin Horton	Fr.	Pole Vault	Alabaster, Ala.	Thompson
Sam Hubert	Gr.	Distance	Shawnee, Kan.	De Soto
Elham Huq	Fr.	Distance	Vienna, Va.	Oakton
Viktor Idhammar	So.	Distance	Huddleston, N.C.	Cary
Christian Jackson	So.	Distance	Stafford, Va.	Colonial Forge
Maximus Jackson	So.	Sprints	Chantilly, Va.	Chantilly
Will Jones	So.	Distance	Ellicot, Md.	Mt. Hebron
Chidozie Kalu	Fr.	Jumps	Umuahia, Nigeria	Community
Judson Lincoln IV	So.	Sprints	Columbia, Md.	Oakland Mills
Ben Madrigal	Fr.	Distance	Yorktown, Va.	Grafton
Trevor Mason	Fr.	Distance	Ashland, Va.	Patrick Henry
Conner McClure	Jr.	Pole Vault	Green, Ohio	Green
Ryan McGinley	Fr.	Distance	Flourtown, Pa.	La Salle College
Ethan Mills	Jr.	Distance	Christiansburg, Va.	Christiansburg
Altan Mitchell	Gr.	Jumps	Ankara, Turkey	Point Loma
Sean Murphy	Sr.	Multis	Round Hill, Va.	Woodgrove
Gabe Norton	Fr.	Jumps	Arab, Ala.	Arab
Nate Paris	Fr.	Mutlis	Nanaimo, British Columbia	Nanaimo District
Nick Plant	So.	Distance	Canfield, Ohio	Canfield
Vlad Puchko	Fr.	Throws	Minsk, Belarus	
Bryce Reeburgh	Fr.	Distance	Golden, Colo.	Golden
Jacob Rice	Sr.	Pole Vault	San Diego, Calif.	Rancho Bernado
Jake Rimmel	Fr.	Distance	Purcellville, Va.	Loudoun Valley
Declan Rymen	Jr.	Distance	Downingtown, Pa.	Downingtown Stem
Landon Scheper	Fr.	Sprints	Virginia Beach, Va.	Kellam
Andrew Schroff	Gr.	Distance	Lewis Center, Ohio	Olentangy Orange
Caleb Stephens	Jr.	Jumps	Rolesville, N.C.	Millbrock
Charlie Stock	Fr.	Distance	Westfield, N.J.	Westfield
Evan Taylor	Fr.	Sprints	San Jose, Calif.	Lynbrook
Luke Tighe	Fr.	Distance	Pulaski, N.Y.	Pulaski
Arnav Tikhe	So.	Distance	Herndon, Va.	Oakton
Khaleje "KJ" Tillmon	Jr.	Sprints	Tucker, Ga.	Tucker
Torrence Walker	Jr.	Sprints	Wheeling, W. Va.	Wheeling Park
Garrett Winter	Fr.	Distance	Parchment, Mich.	Parchment
William Winter	Fr.	Distance	Parchment, Mich.	Parchment



Dave Cianelli

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Virginia Tech (2001-Present)

- 20 NCAA individual champions
- 352 All-America Honors
- 121 All-Americans
- 4 top-five finishes at the NCAA Championships
- 13 top-10 finishes at the NCAA Championships
- 22 ACC team championships
- 256 ACC individual champions
- 12 BIG EAST champions
- 17 ACC Track and Field Performers of the Year
- 2010 Bowerman Award Winner (*Queen Harrison*)
- 20-time ACC Coach of the Year
- 19-time USTFCCCA Southeast Region Coach of the Year
- 113 New School Records
- 8 World Championship qualifiers
- 10 Olympic qualifiers

Total Career

- 74 NCAA Champions
- 499 All-American honors
- 200 All-Americans
- 380 Individual Conference Champions
- 32 Conference Team Championships
- 32 World Championship Qualifiers
- 22 Olympic Qualifiers



The Virginia Tech track and field and cross country programs have become a model of consistency under Director of Track & Field and Cross Country Dave Cianelli since his hiring in 2001.

The Virginia Tech dynasty continued in 2023 with the men's and women's teams winning both ACC Indoor Track and Field Championship titles. The men's team picked up their third-straight team title with 110.5 points, and the women claimed their second-straight title with 93 points.

Julia Fixsen became the programs first outdoor pole vault champion winning the NCAA Outdoor title. Freshman Kenna Stimmel tallied two NCAA All-American honors placing in the top nine at both the indoor and outdoor championships.

2022 marked a historic year for the Hokies and saw some of the team's greatest accomplishments under Cianelli. Tech hosted the 2022 ACC Indoor Championships at Rector Field House, marking the first time ever in the ACC that a host school won both men's and women's titles, indoors or outdoors. The Hokies swept the men's and women's titles for the first time in school history. For his leadership over the two championship teams, Cianelli was voted both the Men's and Women's ACC Indoor Coach of the Year.

At the 2022 NCAA Indoor Championships Rachel Baxter (pole vault) and Lindsey Butler (800m) picked up the 18th and 19th NCAA titles in program history, all under Cianelli. The two national titles and eight other All-American performances on the women's side saw the Hokie women finish in sixth place at the national meet, the highest indoor finish for the women in program history and their second highest ever (2010, fifth outdoors).

In addition to picking up the NCAA pole vault title, Rachel Baxter also won her fourth-straight ACC title, becoming the first vaulter – men's or women's – to win the conference title four consecutive times. Lindsey Butler's NCAA title in the 800m capped a sensational run of form where she repeated as ACC champion in the event and anchored the distance medley relay team to ACC Championships and Rector Field House facility records. Cole Beck won the men's 200m at the ACC Championships and finished third in the 60m, earning Men's Track MVP for his performances.

Outdoors in 2022, Beck and fellow Blacksburg native Ben Fleming set the standard for Cianelli's Hokies. Fleming won the 3,000m steeplechase at the ACC Championships, marking the third consecutive time a Tech athlete has won the event. Beck finished as runner-up in both the 100m and 200m, adding the outdoor Men's Track MVP to his indoor honor. Beck also anchored the historic 4x100m relay team, as he joined with Kahleje Tillmon (who won the 200m over Beck), Torrence Walker, and Kennedy Harrison to win Virginia Tech's first ACC title in the event, break the school record three times with three sub-39 performances, and earn Tech's highest ever finish in the event at NCAAs.

Yet another of Cianelli's athletes picked up an ACC record, as Sara Killinen delivered the furthest hammer throw in conference history on the women's side. The Finn's mark of 71.02m (233' 0") made her the first woman ever in the ACC to throw the hammer past 71 meters and earned her fourth-place honors at the NCAA Outdoor Championships. With Killinen's record, Cianelli's athletes now hold the ACC hammer record on both the men's and women's sides, as Marcel Lomnický's mark of 75.84m (248' 10") from 2011 stands unbroken.

The Hokies' long run of excellence continued in 2021, as the Virginia Tech men's track and field team won the ACC indoor title by the largest margin of victory in the ACC's modern era. The Hokies tallied 136 team points, 55 more than any other team at the meet. Cianelli was awarded ACC Men's Indoor Coach of the Year and USTFCCCA Men's Indoor Coach of the Year for the Southeast Region following the men's team's success.

Overall, under Cianelli, the Tech men's and women's track and field and cross country programs have combined to win 21 ACC team championships.

Following the 2020 collegiate season, several Hokies continued their training for the postponed 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Adding to the athletes Cianelli has guided towards Olympic qualification were Irena Gillarova '17 and freshman Barbora Malíková. Both athletes represented the Czech Republic in Tokyo, with Gillarova competing in the javelin throw and Malíková running the 400m. Hokie legend Marcel Lomnický competed in his third consecutive Olympic Games, throwing hammer for Slovakia.

The 2019 season certainly featured its share of great individual moments as well. Rachel Pocratsky and Deakin Volz both concluded their great careers under Cianelli, with Pocratsky earning a bronze medal in the 800-meter dash at the NCAA Indoor Championships and sweeping both the 800 and the 1,500 at the ACC Outdoor Championships for the second straight season. She departed with six ACC gold medals, while Volz swept the gold medal in the pole vault at both ACC meets this past season, giving him three for his career. Both Volz and Pocratsky earned All-America honors during both the indoor and outdoor seasons.

Younger student-athletes also flourished in 2019 under Cianelli's leadership. Jacory Patterson won gold medals in the 400 during both the indoor and outdoor seasons, and he set four individual school records during his freshman season. Bashir Mosavel-Lo won the gold medal in the 800 at the ACC Outdoor Championships and earned All-America honors at the NCAA meet, while Miles Green won a gold medal in the 400-meter hurdles at the ACC's outdoor meet.

The 2019 season continued the recent dominance of the track and field programs. In 2018, the program brought home its 17th event national title – and its first in running – when the distance medley relay team (Vincent Ciattei, Greg Chiles, Patrick Joseph and Neil Gourley) claimed the crown in convincing fashion at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships held in College Station, Texas. All of the program's national titles have come under the direction of Cianelli.

In addition, in 2018, the men's and women's teams recorded top-15 finishes at both NCAA Championships, a rare occurrence in track and field. The national title helped the men's team finish fourth at the NCAA's indoor meet, which marked the program's best finish ever, and it also came in 15th at the outdoor meet behind Ciattei's silver medal in the 1,500 – the second of two silver medals for Ciattei in 2018. And for only the second time in program history, the women's team finished in the top 15 at both NCAA meets, coming in tied for 14th at the indoor meet and 10th at the outdoor meet. Both finishes marked the women's best since 2010.