



WASHINGTON STATE

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2023-24 SCHEDULE

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME/RESULT
Oct. 6-7	Fri-Sat	Chick-Fil-A Invite	Fresno, Calif.	3rd, 447
Oct. 13	Friday	No. 23 UCLA *	Gibb Pool	L, 109-153
Oct. 27	Friday	at No. 11 California *	Berkeley, Calif.	L, 81-179
Oct. 28	Saturday	at No. 10 Stanford *	Stanford, Calif.	L, 65-117
Nov. 15-17	Wed-Thur	Art Adamson Invite	College Station, Texas	6th, 352
Nov. 29-Dec. 2	Wed-Sat	U.S. Open	Greensboro, N.C.	All Day
Jan. 20	Saturday	No. 4 USC *	Gibb Pool	L, 104.5-133.5
Feb. 2	Friday	Utah *	Gibb Pool	5 p.m.
Feb. 3	Saturday	at Idaho	Moscow, Idaho	10 a.m.
Feb. 28-March 2	Wed-Sat	Pac-12 Championships	Federal Way, Wash.	All Day
March 3	Sunday	Pac-12 Last Chance	Federal Way, Wash.	All Day
March 20-23	Wed-Sat	NCAA Championships	Athens, Ga.	All Day

* Pac-12 Conference Meet
Home opponents in BOLD
All times Pacific

UTAH AT WASHINGTON STATE
5 p.m. | Friday | February 2, 2024
Pullman, Wash. | Gibb Pool
WATCH | wsucougars.com

WASHINGTON STATE AT IDAHO
10 a.m. | Saturday | February 3, 2024
Moscow, Idaho | UI Swim Center
WATCH | govandals.com

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COUGARS CLOSE OUT REGULAR SEASON HOSTING UTAH, AT IDAHO

Washington State closes out the regular season with a pair of meets this weekend, hosting Utah Friday at 5 p.m. and traveling to Idaho for Saturday morning meet beginning at 10 a.m.

HOW TO FOLLOW

Friday's meet will be webstreamed on wsucougars.com and Saturday's meet at Idaho will be webstreamed on govandals.com.

WSU TO RECOGNIZE SIX SENIORS FRIDAY

Prior to Saturday's meet against Utah, WSU will recognize six seniors; Hailey Grotte, Josie Liebzeit, Makayla Poloni, Kiana Swain, Kaya Takashige and Alexandra Vartiainen. The ceremony begins at 4:40 p.m.

ON DECK

WSU will head to Federal Way, Wash. for the Pac-12 Championships Feb. 28 through March 2.

COUGARS CLAIM THREE RACES AGAINST NO. 4 USC

WSU claimed three events in a dual with fourth-ranked USC at Gibb Pool Jan. 20. The Cougars saw sophomore Dori Hathazi win the 200 fly (1:59.93), sophomore Emily Lundgren claim the 200 breast (2:15.03) and freshman Ariel Wang pick up her first career victory after winning the 200 IM (2:04.60).

LIEBZEIT NAMED WSU ACADEMIC STUDENT-ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

Josie Liebzeit (Swimming) and Kyle Thornton (Football) were named the Academic Services Student-Athletes of the Month for November 2023. Liebzeit owns a 4.0 GPA while working towards a bachelor's degree in biology with a minor in environmental science. The Lakewood, Calif. native has worked in the marine environmental physiology lab since January and was recently invited to be a WSU Undergraduate Research Scholar. Liebzeit has been named to the President's honor roll every semester at Washington State, is a two-time Pac-12 Conference Academic Honor Roll selection, finished sixth in the 1650 free at the Fresno State Invite in October and recently set a personal-best in the 100 fly and season-best times in the 1000 free, 1650 free and 400 IM at the Art Adamson Invite hosted by Texas A&M in November. Each month Washington State Academic Services honors a male and female student-athlete that demonstrates commitment to academics while participating in their sport.

COUGARS SET TOP MARKS AT ART ADAMSON INVITE AT TEXAS A&M

Washington State closed the Art Adamson Invite hosted by Texas A&M with 21 WSU Top-10 times, three school records and one win in late November. The Cougars finished sixth in a field that featured No. 23 UCLA, LSU, San Diego State, Utah, No. 25 Texas A&M and Houston.

WSU POSTS PAIR OF TOP-10 TIMES AT NO. 11 CAL

WSU posted a pair of Top-10 times and sophomore Dori Hathazi recorded her third win of the season in the dual meet at No. 11 California Oct. 27. The Cougars dropped the contest 179-81. Freshman Mira Szimcsak got things going with an impressive swim in the 1000 free, finishing third with a 10:10.77, the seventh-fastest time in program history. Hathazi tallied a win in the 200 fly for her ninth career victory before freshman Madison Parker added a pair of impressive times, finishing third in the 50 free and followed with a second-place finish in the 100 free with a 49.83, the tenth-fastest 100 free time in program history.

COUGS TALLY SIX WINS, BATTLE NO. 23 UCLA

WSU recorded six wins including three from freshman Madison Parker as the Cougars battled No. 23 UCLA at Gibb Pool October 13. The Cougars dropped a 153-109 decision to the Bruins while Parker led all swimmers with 27 points after posting wins in the 200 free, 50 free and 100 free. Fellow freshman Mira Szimcsak claimed the 500 free and finished second in the 1000 free, posting the eighth-fastest time in WSU history. Sophomore Anna Rauchholz delivered with a big win in the 100 back, sophomore Emily Lundgren finished second in the 100 and 200 breast while senior Kiana Swain was second in the 200 back. The Cougars closed out the meet with a win in the 400 free relay, beating UCLA for the second straight week after winning the same event against the Bruins at the Fresno State Invite opening weekend.

HARVEY, LUNDGREN SELECTED FOR 2023 WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES

Noelle Harvey and Emily Lundgren were selected to represent the United States this past summer at the World University Games in China. Harvey and Lundgren are among 18 athletes selected for the women's team to represent Team USA at The World University Games in Chengdu, China.

INDIVIDUAL WINS

DORI HATHAZI: 4 WINS

200 Fly: Fresno State Invite, at Cal, USC
500 Free: Fresno State Invite

MADISON PARKER: 3 WINS

50 Free: UCLA
100 Free: UCLA
200 Free: UCLA

ANNA RAUCHHOLZ: 1 WIN

100 Back: UCLA

MIRA SZIMCSAK: 2 WINS

500 Free: UCLA
1650 Free: Fresno State Invite

EMILY LUNDGREN: 3 WINS

200 Breast: Fresno State Invite, Art Adamson Invite, USC

ARIEL WANG: 1 WIN

200 IM: 1 WIN

RELAY WINS

400 FREE RELAY: 2 WINS

Harvey/Krew/Hathazi/Parker: Fresno State Invite
Harvey/Krew/Parker/Di Palo: UCLA

800 FREE RELAY: 1 WIN

Szimcsak/Hathazi/Di Palo/Parker: Fresno State Invite

COUGS TALLY SEVEN WINS, FINISH THIRD AT FRESNO STATE INVITE

Washington State opened their season finishing third at Fresno State Invite, closing the opening day with a win in the 800 free relay as Mira Szimcsak, Dori Hathazi, Angela Di Palo and Madison Parker posted the win nearly five seconds ahead of the second-place team. The Cougars dominated the 500 free, claiming four of the top six spots led by sophomore Dori Hathazi who earned WSU's first win of the season. In Saturday's eight events, the Cougars finished in the Top-3 seven times including wins in the 400 free relay, the 1650 free, 200 breast, 200 fly and 400 free relay. Freshman Mira Szimcsak later picked up her first collegiate win, claiming the 1650 free before Emily Lundgren won the 200 breast. In the 200 fly, Hathazi claimed the event with Sam Krew close behind in sixth. WSU closed the day with a win in the 400 free relay by Noelle Harvey, Krew, Hathazi and Parker.

COUGS IMPRESS IN THE CLASSROOM

Three Cougars earned CSCAA Scholar All-America accolades and as a team the Cougars also received Scholar All-America Team honors from the College Swimming and Diving Coaches Association of America (CSCAA). Freshman Emily Lundgren was named to the Scholar All-America First Team while sophomore Noelle Harvey and freshman Anna Rauchholz each earned second team recognition. The Cougars posted a 3.48 team GPA in the spring semester to earn the team honor the fourteenth straight semester including all 10 under head coach Matt Leach and for the 24th time in program history. WSU's 3.48 team GPA featured seven 4.0 and 19 student-athletes with a 3.0 or better during the semester.

KAERSTEN MEITZ NAMED ASSISTANT COACH

Washington State Swimming added Kaersten Meitz as an assistant coach, Head Coach Matt Leach announced September 14. Meitz was a four-time All-American and four-time NCAA Championship qualifier while swimming at Purdue University. Meitz, who swam the freestyle events, also swam for the United States National Team (2017-19), won a pair of gold medals at the 2019 World University Games and twice competed at the U.S. Olympic Trials where she was a finalist. Meitz closed her Purdue career earning All-America honors in the 500 free and All-America Honorable Mention in the 1650 Free after finishing fifth in the 500 free and tenth in the mile at the NCAA Championships. Meitz will work with the Cougars' distance freestyle swimmers. Following her record-setting career with the Boilermakers, the Wisconsin native swam professionally in the International Swimming League before working in the corporate world and also with Professional Athlete where she spoke to age group swimmers on resiliency, mental toughness and time management. Since 2022, Meitz also volunteered on the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations Committee.

FRESHMEN DUO SELECTED TO 2023 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

For the first time in program history, two Washington State freshmen swimmers earned a trip to the NCAA Women's Swimming Championships last season in freshmen Dori Hathazi and Emily Lundgren. It was the first time a Cougar freshman swimmer earned a trip to the NCAA Championships and is the first time multiple WSU swimmers were selected since three went in 2009. Washington State Head Coach Matt Leach has seen the Cougars have an NCAA participant in three straight seasons after Chloe Larson earned trips in 2020-21 and for the fourth time in the last five seasons after Mackenzie Duarte went in 2019.

WSU CLOSED CSCAA NIC WITH 400 FREE RELAY TITLE

Washington State closed the 2023 CSCAA National Invitational as champions, breaking the WSU school record and added another top-10 time. The tetrad of Noelle Harvey, Kirsten de Goede, Selena Duran, and Angela di Palo won gold and set a new WSU record in the 400 free relays with a 3:17.39. The record the crew broke was previously set two weeks prior at the Pac-12 Championships. During the finals, Kiana Swain improved her 200 back time to remain fifth in WSU's all-time top-10 time at 1:57.54. During the morning preliminaries four Cougs made finalist times to return for evening sessions. Angela Di Palo had a standout swim and qualified second at 49.73 in the 100 free. Selena Duran Ortiz maintained her momentum from yesterday and qualified eighth in the 100 free at 50.01. Noelle Harvey took the twelfth spot in the 200 back with a finalist time of 1:59.21. m

EMILY LUNDGREN PLACES THIRD, THREE WSU RECORDS FALL AT PAC-12'S

Freshman Emily Lundgren placed third in the 200 breast and the Cougars broke three school records on the final day of the Pac-12 Conference Championships. Lundgren started her day by placing fourth in the prelims before breaking her own school record in the 200 breast in the evening session with a 2:08.33. Lundgren was the first Cougar to medal at the conference championships since Chloe Larson won the 50 free in the 2021 championships.

INDIVIDUAL CAREER WINS

	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	CAREER
Kirsten de Goede				1	0	1
Angela Di Palo			7	2	0	9
Selena Duran			0	0	0	0
Hailey Grotte		3	0	1	0	4
Noelle Harvey			3	5	0	8
Dori Hathazi				8	4	12
Josie Liebrecht		3	0	0	0	3
Emily Lundgren				11	3	14
Madison Parker					3	3
Makayla Poloni		0	0	0	0	0
Anna Rauchholz				3	1	4
Jewel Springer		0	1	0	1	2
Kiana Swain		2	0	1	0	3
Mira Szimcsak					2	2
Kaya Takashige		2	0	1	0	3
Alexandra Vartiainen		1	0	0	0	1
Ariel Wang				1	1	1
Lauren Wille				1	0	1

WSU ALL-TIME TOP-10 (2/1/24)

50-YARD FREESTYLE

1.	Chloe Larson (11/18/21)	22.13
2.	Rugile Mileisyte (2/26/09)	22.45
3.	Hannah Bruggman (2/25/16)	22.68
4.	Madison Parker (11/15/23)	22.75
5.	Emma Johansson (2/28/13)	22.78
6.	Nicole Proulx (2/26/15)	22.91
7.	Noelle Harvey (11/16/22)	22.97
8.	Emily Barrier (11/16/18)	23.07
9.	Alison Mand (12/5/14)	23.11
10.	Kirsten de Goede (11/16/22)	23.12

100-YARD FREESTYLE

1.	Chloe Larson (2/27/21)	48.74
2.	Keiana Fountaine (2/29/20)	49.28
3.	Angela Di Palo (2/25/23)	49.42
4.	Madison Parker (11/17/23)	49.43
5.	Selena Duran Ortiz (2/25/23)	49.62
6.	Noelle Harvey (3/12/22)	49.74
7.	Nicole Proulx (2/28/15)	49.75
8.	Hannah Bruggman (2/27/16)	49.78
9.	Rugile Mileisyte (2/28/09)	49.81
10.	Alba Fores (11/19/17)	49.81

200-YARD FREESTYLE

1.	Keiana Fountaine (2/28/20)	1:46.14
2.	Erin McCleave (3/9/07)	1:46.70
3.	Angela Di Palo (11/17/22)	1:46.91
4.	Dori Hathazi (11/16/23)	1:47.36
5.	Noelle Harvey (3/11/23)	1:47.62
6.	Mira Szimcsak (11/16/23)	1:48.13
7.	Emma Neely (2/27/09)	1:48.36
8.	Michaela Ahlin (12/4/09)	1:48.47
9.	Addisynn Bursch (2/22/17)	1:48.47
10.	Alba Fores (2/24/18)	1:48.49

500-YARD FREESTYLE

1.	Erin McCleave (2/15/07)	4:43.46
2.	Michaela Ahlin (2/26/09)	4:46.64
3.	Mira Szimcsak (11/15/23)	4:46.92
4.	Noelle Harvey (2/23/22)	4:47.15
5.	Dori Hathazi (11/15/23)	4:48.12
6.	Lauren Wille (2/23/22)	4:48.96
7.	Alba Fores (11/17/17)	4:49.15
8.	Ryan Falk (2/28/19)	4:49.71
9.	Loree Olson (2/28/13)	4:49.72
10.	Kendra Griffin (2/25/16)	4:51.01

1000-YARD FREESTYLE

1.	Erin McCleave (3/10/07)	9:47.19
2.	Kendra Griffin (2/27/16)	9:57.32
3.	Lauren Wille (2/25/23)	10:01.74
4.	Mira Szimcsak (11/17/23)	10:05.40
5.	Jasmine Margetts (10/22/17)	10:06.66
6.	Noelle Harvey (2/26/22)	10:06.73
7.	Ryan Falk (3/1/19)	10:06.74
8.	Rachael Krager (2/28/09)	10:11.18
9.	Jill Olson (12/1/01)	10:12.96
10.	Samantha Howell (3/1/19)	10:12.96

1650-YARD FREESTYLE

1.	Erin McCleave (3/10/07)	16:13.20
2.	Kendra Griffin (2/27/16)	16:30.76
3.	Ryan Falk (3/1/19)	16:37.56
4.	Mira Szimcsak (11/17/23)	16:38.18
5.	Lauren Wille (2/25/23)	16:39.59
6.	Noelle Harvey (2/26/22)	16:43.00
7.	Jessica Marston (11/22/15)	16:50.83
8.	Lina Daugvilaite (12/2/07)	16:52.26
9.	Rachael Krager (2/28/09)	16:53.43
10.	Becca Cohen (3/2/02)	16:55.99

100-YARD BACKSTROKE

1.	Emily Cook (2/23/18)	53.66
2.	Anna Rauchholz (11/16/23)	53.84
3.	Noelle Harvey (2/24/22)	54.03
4.	Selena Duran Ortiz (2/24/23)	54.37
5.	Hannah Bruggman (2/24/17)	54.46
6.	Kate Laderoute (2/28/20)	54.51
7.	Rugile Mileisyte (12/4/10)	54.64
8.	Loree Olson (12/7/13)	54.72
9.	Taylor McCoy (2/24/21)	54.75
10.	Afton Pickett (2/27/09)	54.77

200-YARD BACKSTROKE

1.	Taylor McCoy (3/12/22)	1:55.86
2.	Loree Olson (12/8/13)	1:56.35
3.	Noelle Harvey (3/12/22)	1:56.71
4.	Afton Pickett (2/28/09)	1:57.12
5.	Kiana Swain (11/17/23)	1:57.20
6.	Kate Laderoute (11/23/19)	1:57.86
7.	Jasmine Margetts (2/27/16)	1:57.91
8.	Emily Cook (2/24/18)	1:58.27
9.	Anna Rauchholz (11/18/22)	1:59.13
10.	Makayla Poloni (11/17/23)	1:59.17

100-YARD BREASTSTROKE

1.	Emily Lundgren (11/16/23)	1:00.55
2.	Lauren Burckel (2/28/20)	1:00.89
3.	Elyse Peterson (2/27/09)	1:00.92
4.	Linnea Lindberg (11/17/18)	1:01.60
5.	Mackenzie Duarte (11/17/18)	1:01.66
6.	Alexandra Vartiainen (2/26/21)	1:01.85
7.	Angela Mavrantza (2/24/17)	1:01.87
8.	Frederikke Hall (2/26/16)	1:01.94
9.	Hailey Grotte (2/25/22)	1:02.01
10.	Erin Eldridge (2/26/99)	1:02.19

200-YARD BREASTSTROKE

1.	Emily Lundgren (2/25/23)	2:08.33
2.	Mackenzie Duarte (3/1/19)	2:09.47
3.	Presley Wetterstrom (11/22/15)	2:11.24
4.	Lauren Burckel (2/29/20)	2:11.28
5.	Elyse Peterson (2/28/09)	2:13.36
6.	Erin Eldridge (2/27/99)	2:13.54
7.	Angela Mavrantza (2/25/17)	2:14.09
8.	Alexandra Vartiainen (2/26/22)	2:14.46
9.	Frederikke Hall (2/27/16)	2:14.47
10.	Jane Copland (11/20/05)	2:14.92

100-YARD BUTTERFLY

1.	Michaela Ahlin (3/20/09)	53.40
2.	Emma Johansson (12/7/13)	53.50
3.	Anna Brolin (2/26/16)	53.65
4.	Dori Hathazi (11/16/23)	53.72
5.	Lindsay Henahan (2/28/03)	53.75
6.	Talor Whitaker (2/25/11)	54.08
7.	Kaya Takashige (2/24/23)	54.66
8.	Alison Mand (2/28/14)	54.71
9.	Rachel Dong (11/30/01)	54.75
10.	Elise Locke (11/21/15)	54.81

200-YARD BUTTERFLY

1.	Dori Hathazi (11/17/23)	1:55.74
2.	Michaela Ahlin (3/21/09)	1:56.46
3.	Jasmine Margetts (2/25/17)	1:57.46
4.	Elise Locke (2/27/16)	1:58.31
5.	Mia Zahab (2/29/20)	1:59.28
6.	Kendra Griffin (2/27/16)	2:00.12
7.	Melissa Hubley (2/24/01)	2:00.36
8.	Ilaria Moro (11/20/21)	2:01.68
9.	Jewel Springer (2/25/23)	2:02.13
10.	Kiana Swain (2/27/21)	2:02.40

200-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

1.	Addisynn Bursch (2/23/17)	1:59.34
2.	Lauren Burckel (2/27/20)	1:59.41
3.	Talor Whitaker (2/24/11)	2:00.42
4.	Taylor McCoy (11/21/19)	2:00.51
5.	Emily Lundgren (11/15/23)	2:00.77
6.	Jasmine Margetts (11/20/15)	2:01.56
7.	Mia Zahab (2/27/20)	2:01.75
8.	Ariel Wang (11/15/23)	2:01.78
9.	Shelbi Luchini (2/24/12)	2:01.84
10.	Kelly Tannhauser (12/6/13)	2:02.06

400-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

1.	Taylor McCoy (11/19/21)	4:14.58
2.	Addisynn Bursch (2/24/17)	4:14.95
3.	Jasmine Margetts (2/24/17)	4:16.23
4.	Loree Olson (3/1/13)	4:16.27
5.	Mia Zahab (11/22/19)	4:16.78
6.	Sophie Macy (2/25/22)	4:16.94
7.	Michaela Ahlin (2/27/09)	4:17.23
8.	Ariel Wang (11/16/23)	4:17.80
9.	Kelly Tannhauser (2/28/14)	4:18.72
10.	Jewel Springer (2/24/23)	4:19.26



WSU SCHOOL RECORDS

EVENT	TIME	RECORD HOLDER	DATE
50 Freestyle	22.13	Chloe Larson	11/18/21
100 Freestyle	48.74	Chloe Larson	2/27/21
200 Freestyle	1:46.14	Keiana Fountaine	2/28/20
500 Freestyle	4:43.46	Erin McCleave	2/15/07
1000 Freestyle	9:47.19	Erin McCleave	3/10/07
1650 Freestyle	16:13.20	Erin McCleave	3/10/07
100 Backstroke	53.66	Emily Cook	2/24/18
200 Backstroke	1:55.86	Taylor McCoy	3/12/22
100 Breaststroke	1:00.55	Emily Lundgren	11/16/23
200 Breaststroke	2:08.33	Emily Lundgren	2/25/23
100 Butterfly	53.40	Michaela Ahlin	3/20/09
200 Butterfly	1:55.74	Dori Hathazi	11/17/23
200 IM	1:59.87	Addysnn Bursch	2/23/17
400 IM	4:14.58	Taylor McCoy	11/19/21
200 Free Relay	1:30.59	Harvey, de Goede, Di Palo, Duran Ortiz	11/16/22
400 Free Relay	3:17.39	Harvey, de Goede, Di Palo, Duran Ortiz	3/11/23
800 Free Relay	7:12.81	Hathazi, de Goede, Di Palo, Harvey	11/17/22
200 Medley Relay	1:39.13	Love, Hall, Brolin, Bruggman	2/24/16
400 Medley Relay	3:36.03	Rauchholz, Lundgren, Hathazi, Parker	11/15/23

GIBB POOL RECORDS

EVENT	TIME	RECORD HOLDER	YEAR
50 Freestyle	22.59	Chloe Larson, Washington State	2021
100 Freestyle	49.42	Abby Weitzel, Cal	2018
200 Freestyle	1:48.14	Angela Di Palo, Washington State	2023
500 Freestyle	4:50.14	Bonnie Brandon, Arizona	2014
1000 Freestyle	9:56.02	Lauren Baker, UCLA	2014
1650 Freestyle	16:41.32	Claire Tuggle, USC	2024
100 Backstroke	53.46	Claire Cuzan, Stanford	2021
200 Backstroke	1:56.58	Erin Voss, Stanford	2018
100 Breaststroke	1:00.14	Kaitlyn Dobler, USC	2024
200 Breaststroke	2:12.87	Emily Lundgren, Washington State	2023
100 Butterfly	53.93	Dori Hathazi, Washington State	2023
200 Butterfly	1:56.68	Dori Hathazi, Washington State	2022
200 IM	2:02.13	Chloe Isleta, Arizona State	2018
400 IM	4:12.23	Katka Hosszu, USC	2011
200 Free Relay	1:32.76	California	2015
400 Free Relay	3:21.92	California	2022
800 Free Relay	7:24.36	California	2015
200 Medley Relay	1:40.44	Rauchholz, Grotte, Takashige, Duran Ortiz, Washington State	2023
400 Medley Relay	3:21.08	Di Palo, Hathazi, de Goede, Duran Ortiz, Washington State	2023

HEAD COACH MATT LEACH



**Matt
LEACH**
Head Coach
6th Season

Matt Leach completed his fifth season leading the Washington State University Women's Swimming program after being hired July 19, 2018.

Last season, Leach once again led the Cougars to new heights this past season as freshmen Dori Hathazi and Emily Lundgren became the first freshmen to earn a trip to the NCAA Swimming championships in program history while WSU recorded six school records, 28 Top-10 times and six Gibb Pool records. Lundgren was a medalist in the 200 breast after finishing third at the Pac-12 Conference Championships while twelve Cougars qualified for the postseason 2023 CSCAA National Invitational Championships where the 400 free relay team won the NIC championship. Following the season, Noelle Harvey and Lundgren were both selected to swim for Team USA at the World University Games along with Hathazi was earned a spot on Team Hungary. Leach also saw his program continue to impress in the classroom as nine Cougars were named to the Pac-12 Conference Winter Academic Honor Roll and WSU received CSCAA Team Scholar All-America honors for the fourteenth straight semester including all ten under Leach.

WSU posted a record-setting 2021-22 campaign both in the pool and the classroom under Leach. In the pool, the Cougars saw Chloe Larson earn a trip the NCAA Championships for the second straight season, Taylor McCoy won the 200 Back at the CSCAA National Invitational Championships, five school records fell and 19 WSU Top-10 times were set while claiming four dual-meet wins including the first win over Arizona in program history. In the classroom, a program-record five swimmers earned CSCAA Scholar All-America accolades, eleven Cougars were named to the Pac-12 Conference Winter Academic Honor Roll and the team combined for a 3.58 GPA in the spring semester, the best team GPA in Washington State Athletics. As a team, WSU received CSCAA Team Scholar All-America honors for the twelfth straight semester.

In 2020-21, Leach guided the Cougars to a record-setting season in the pool and in the classroom after posting their highest team score in program history at the Pac-12 Conference Championships highlighted by Chloe Larson's individual championship in the 50 freestyle, WSU's first individual conference champion. WSU recorded a pair of school records, one Gibb Pool record, nine WSU Top-10 Times and three swimmers qualified for the U.S. Olympic Swimming Trials. Larson also earned a trip to the NCAA Championships in the 50 Free and 100 Free, becoming the second Cougar to earn a trip to the NCAA's in the last three seasons.

In the classroom, Leach saw WSU earn a pair of CSCAA Scholar All-America Honors after posting a 3.61 team GPA in the fall of 2020 and a record-setting 3.72 team GPA in the spring semester, the highest team GPA in Washington State Athletics history. The Cougars also saw eight individuals named to the Pac-12 Winter Academic Honor Roll.

In his second season leading the Cougars, Leach continued the impressive trend of posting record-setting times, trips to the postseason and success in the classroom. The 2019-20 team set three school-records, recorded 21 Top-10 times, post their second-highest point total at the Pac-12 Conference Championships in the last 13 seasons and saw 10 swimmers earn a trip to the postseason CSCAA National Invitational Championships. Leach also saw four Cougars post 2020 (2021) Olympic Qualifying Times in Lauren Burckel (USA), Mackenzie Duarte (USA), Taylor McCoy (USA) and Mia Zahab (Canada). In the classroom, eight student-athletes were named to the Pac-12 Conference Academic Winter Honor Roll while as a team, WSU earned CSCAA Scholar All-America Team Honors in the fall and capped the school year with a 3.54 Spring Team GPA, the highest semester GPA in the previous 10 years.

Leach guided his young Cougar team to a number of accomplishments in his first season at WSU highlighted by producing the program's first NCAA National Championship participant in sophomore Mackenzie Duarte since 2010. Leach also led the Cougars to the postseason, finishing eighth at the CSCAA National Invitational Championships including an individual title by Linnea Lindberg in the 50 breaststroke. The Cougars reached many milestones under Leach in 2018-19, posted ten WSU Top-10 times at the Pac-12 Conference Championships, set two school records in the 100 free and 200 breast through the year, three different swimmers recorded double-digit wins and as a team were ranked second in the Pac-12 based on improvement from the year prior, according to SwimSwam.com. Academically, WSU earned CSCAA Scholar All-America Team honors (Team GPA of 3.00+) in the fall and spring, three swimmers earned CSCAA Scholar All-American honorable mention accolades and eight earned Pac-12 All-Academic honors including a pair of first-team selections.

Leach joined WSU after spending the previous three years at Indiana State where he started the swimming and diving programs in 2015 and began competing in the 2016-17 season. In the program's second season, Leach was named the 2017-18 Missouri Valley Coach of the Year after guiding the Sycamores to a 13-win campaign that featured a 10-dual match win streak and a record-setting team performance at the Missouri Valley Conference Championships where ISU set school records in every event, highlighted by the program's first individual conference champion. Nine Sycamores earned All-MVC honors including a trio of first-team selections.

Out of the pool, Leach saw his team earn CSCAA Scholar All-American honors for the third straight semester, including the highest team GPA in the Missouri Valley Conference. Six student-athletes earned MVC All-Academic honors this past season after five earned the same honor in 2016-17.

Prior to Indiana State, Leach spent six seasons at the University of Wyoming (2009-15), including the final four seasons as associate head coach and worked extensively with sprint swimmers. Leach helped rewrite the Cowgirl record books, as every sprint event school record was broke during his time on staff. He has also coached sprint swimmers to NCAA and Olympic trials competitions including two-time All-America selection Kelsey Conci who earned trips to the NCAA Championships in the 100 backstroke and the 50 and 100 freestyle, placing 10th in the 100 backstroke at the 2011 NCAA Championships and ninth at the 2012 championships.

Leach arrived at Wyoming from Louisiana State University where he began as a graduate assistant in 2004, and then as a volunteer assistant coach for two seasons (2007-09). At LSU, Leach helped guide several athletes to the NCAA Championships, and a top-25 ranking for both the men's and women's teams. Leach also served as the head age group coach at Tiger Aquatics from 2006-09 where he was named the 2007 Louisiana State Age Group Coach of the Year for his efforts in his first season.

A native of Portland, Ore., Leach swam collegiately at Indiana University (2000-04), where he was a four-time All-American, helped the Hoosiers to a Big Ten Conference Championship in the 200 medley relay as a senior and still holds school records as a member of the 200 freestyle relay and 400 medley relay. Leach also performed on the national stage, as he took part in the 2000 and 2004 U.S. Olympic Trials.

Leach graduated from Indiana in December 2004 with a bachelor's degree in environmental management. He received his master's degree, also in environmental planning and management, from LSU in May 2007. Leach and his wife, Katie have two daughters Eloise and Arlo.

LEACH'S COACHING CAREER

SCHOOL	YEARS	DUALS	CONFERENCE
ISU	2016-17	3-6	Seventh (148)
ISU	2017-18	13-6	Fourth (477)
WSU	2018-19	4-7	Eighth (284.5)
WSU	2019-20	3-7	Eighth (396)
WSU	2020-21	4-1	Seventh (455)
WSU	2021-22	4-3	Eighth (372)
WSU	2022-23	2-6	Eighth (420)
WSU	2023-24	0-4	-
OVERALL	7th Year	35-38	

2022-23 PAC-12 WINTER ACADEMIC HONOR ROLL

(Cumulative GPA of 3.3 or above)

Selena Duran Ortiz, Criminal Justice & Criminology
Hailey Grotte, Management
Noelle Harvey, Kinesiology
Mikaela Kirton, Kinesiology-Psychology
Josie Liebrezeit, Biology
Sophie Macy, Biochemistry/Molecular Biology
Kiana Swain, Psychology
Kaya Takashige, Kinesiology
Alexandra Vartiainen, Management

2022-23 CSC ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT

(Cumulative GPA of 3.5 + NCAA "A" or "B" Time)

Hailey Grotte, Management
Noelle Harvey, Kinesiology
Mikaela Kirton, Kinesiology-Psychology
Kiana Swain, Psychology

CSCAA SCHOLAR ALL-AMERICA

TEAM SCHOLAR ALL-AMERICA

Fall 2011
Fall 2013
Spring 2014
Fall 2014
Spring 2014
Spring 2015
Fall 2016
Spring 2016
Spring 2017
Fall 2017
Spring 2018
Fall 2018
Spring 2019
Fall 2019
Spring 2020
Fall 2020
Spring 2021
Fall 2021
Spring 2022
Fall 2022
Spring 2023

2023-24 ROSTER

NAME	EVENT(S)	CLASS	MAJOR / INTEREST*	HOMETOWN
Clara Anderson	Freestyle/Butterfly	So.	Kinesiology *	Moscow, Idaho
Kate Bluford	Backstroke	Fr.	Undeclared	Mesa, Ariz.
Skylar Brgoch	Butterfly/Freestyle	So.	Kinesiology *	Aurora, Colo.
Angela Di Palo	Freestyle	Jr.	Economic Sciences	Afragola, Italy
Alexis Doherty	Sprint Freestyle	Sr.	Undeclared	Oroville, Wash.
Selena Duran Ortiz	Sprint Freestyle/Backstroke	Jr.	Criminal Justice *	Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain
Hailey Grotte	Sprint Freestyle/Breaststroke	Sr.	Management	Battle Ground, Wash.
Noelle Harvey	Freestyle/Backstroke	Jr.	Kinesiology *	Carlsbad, Calif.
Dora Hathazi	Butterfly/Freestyle/IM	So.	Marketing *	Nyiregyhaza, Hungary
Hannah Huarte	Freestyle	Fr.	Undeclared	Sammamish, Wash.
Samantha Krew	Freestyle/Butterfly	Jr.	Undeclared	Scottsdale, Ariz.
Addyson Lewis	Freestyle/Butterfly	Fr.	Undeclared	Missoula, Mont.
Josie Liebrezeit	Freestyle/IM	Sr.	Biology	Lakewood, Calif.
Emily Lundgren	Breaststroke/IM	So.	Digital Technology & Culture *	Chula Vista, Calif.
Elli Moss	Backstroke	So.	Bioengineering	Woodbury, Minn.
Madison Parker	Freestyle	Fr.	Undeclared	Spanish Fork, Utah
Makayla Poloni	Backstroke	Sr.	Humanities	Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.
Anna Rauchholz	Backstroke	So.	Biochemistry	Portland, Ore.
Jewel Springer	Butterfly/IM	Gr.	Political Science	Federal Way, Wash.
Kiana Swain	Backstroke	Sr.	Psychology	Pukekohe, New Zealand
Mira Szimcsak	Freestyle	Fr.	Undeclared	Budapest, Hungary
Kaya Takashige	Breaststroke/Butterfly	Sr.	Kinesiology	Wahiawa, Hawaii
Alexandra Vartiainen	Breaststroke	Sr.	Management	Bromma, Sweden
Ariel Wang	Backstroke/IM	Fr.	Undeclared	McKinney, Texas (Taoyuan, Taiwan)
Lauren Wille	Breaststroke/Freestyle	So.	Psychology *	Oswego, Ill.
Emma Wright	Freestyle	Jr.	Undeclared	Hobart, Ind.
Mehlika Yalcin	Butterfly/Freestyle	Fr.	Undeclared	Kayseri, Turkey

HEAD COACH || Matt Leach (Indiana, 2004), 6th Season

ASSISTANT COACH / DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS || Russell Whitaker (Wyoming, 2017), 7th Season

ASSISTANT COACH || Kaersten Meitz (Purdue, 2018), 1st Season

STUDENT ASSISTANT COACH || Michee van Rooyen, 2nd Season

PRONUNCIATIONS

Skyler BRGOCH – Ber-GOTCH

Hailey GROTT – GROTT – tee

JOSIE LIEBZEIT – JOE-see LEEB-zite

Elli Moss – EL-lee

Anna RAUCHHOLZ – ROCK-oltz

MIRA SZIMCSAK – MEER-ruh / Sim-CHAK

Kiana Swain HOMETOWN – POO-kay-kohee

KAYA TAKASHIGE – KYA – TAK-ah-SHEE-gay

Kaya Takashige HOMETOWN – WHA-hee-ah-wa

Alexandra VARTIAINEN – VAR-TEE-a-NEN

Lauren WILLE – Willy

MEHLIKA YALCIN – Mel-LEE-kuh / YALL-seen