



UCLA MEN'S TENNIS

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2021 UCLA MTEN SCHEDULE (2-1, 0-0 PAC-12)

January

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

February

Thu. 4	Boise State	Canceled	
Sat. 20	Loyola Marymount	W	4-1
Wed. 24	UC Santa Barbara		1:00 PM
Sun. 28	(8) USC		1:00 PM

March

Tue. 2	UNLV		2:00 PM
Wed. 10	Pepperdine		2:00 PM
Fri. 12	Utah*		2:00 PM
Tue. 23	UC Irvine		11:00 AM
Fri. 26	at (22) Arizona State*		2:00 PM
Sun. 28	at (21) Arizona*		1:00 PM

April

Fri. 2	Oregon*		2:00 PM
Sat. 3	Washington*		1:00 PM
Fri. 9	at Stanford*		TBD
Sat. 10	at California*		TBD
Fri. 16	at (8) USC*		3:00 PM
Wed. 21	Pac-12 Championships ²		TBD
Thu. 22	Pac-12 Championships ²		TBD
Fri. 23	Pac-12 Championships ²		TBD
Sat. 24	Pac-12 Championships ²		TBD

May

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

NOTE: Ranking in parenthesis indicates position in that week's Oracle/ITA Top-25 Poll

KEY:

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

UCLA ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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No. 18 UCLA Continues Homestand Against UCSB, No. 8 USC

Wednesday, Feb. 24 & Sunday, Feb. 28
Los Angeles, Calif. (Los Angeles Tennis Center)

MATCH INFORMATION

Date/Time:	Wednesday, Feb. 24/1:00 PM PT Sunday, Feb. 28/1:00 PM PT
Live Stream/Live Stats:	UCLABruins.com
Series vs. UC Santa Barbara:	UCLA leads, 29-1
Series vs. USC:	UCLA leads, 84-51
Last Meeting vs. UCSB:	UCLA won 5-2 on March 14, 2019
Last Meeting vs. USC:	USC won 4-1 on Jan. 25, 2021



vs.



The No. 18 UCLA men's tennis team continues its seven-match homestand this week with dates against UC Santa Barbara and No. 8 USC. The Gauchos open their season with a visit to Los Angeles Tennis Center for a midweek matchup Wednesday at 1 p.m., PT. Then, for the latest chapter of the crosstown rivalry, the Trojans (8-3) will come to LATC for a non-conference match Sunday at 1 p.m., PT. The Bruins are coming off a home-opening win over Loyola Marymount, which improved their record to 2-1.

FOLLOW LIVE

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

UCLA VS. UCSB/USC

UCLA men's tennis holds an all-time record of 29-1 versus UCSB. The programs last faced off March 14, 2019, when the Bruins clinched a win at 4-0 en route to a 5-2 final score. All three doubles matches were needed and each of UCLA's victorious pairs needed a tiebreaker. Govind Nanda, Patrick Zahraj, Keegan Smith and Mathew Tsolakyan went on to win their singles matches in order. Sunday will mark the second meeting of 2021 for the Bruins and Trojans. Host USC collected a 4-1 victory in the teams' second match of the season, earning the Trojans a spot in the ITA National Team Indoor Championships. UCLA took the doubles point, but USC answered in singles play. The last time the rivals met at Los Angeles Tennis Center was April 5, 2019, when freshman Zahraj was victorious in a third-set tiebreaker to give the No. 13 Bruins a 4-3 win over No. 9 USC.

LAST TIME OUT

The Bruins dropped the doubles point in their home opener against Loyola Marymount, but bounced back to take four straight in singles play and the overall victory. The match was the first for UCLA since Jan. 25. The top-court trio of Keegan Smith, Drew Baird and Ben Goldberg collected straight-set wins successively and Mathew Tsolakyan shut it down with a 6-7(5), 6-3, 6-4 triumph on Court 5. Baird earned two wins on the day, teaming with Sam Feit for a 6-1 decision on the second doubles court.

IN THE RANKINGS

The UCLA men's tennis team checks in at No. 18 in the latest Oracle ITA team rankings, the Intercollegiate Tennis Association announced Wednesday, Feb. 17. The player rankings, announced Jan. 13, feature Bruins Keegan Smith (No. 10), Govind Nanda (22) and Sam Feit (109). The doubles team of Nanda and Smith checked in at No. 13, the best-ever ranking for the combination. Smith reached a career-best No. 4 in the singles rankings (March 3), while Nanda rose to a personal-best showing of No. 10 (Feb. 5), in 2020. Feit, who joined the program as a transfer from during the summer of 2020, also received a career-high listing.

BY THE NUMBERS

UCLA has three notable streaks alive:

- 67** – Head coach Billy Martin has led his teams to 67 straight home wins, a streak that started May 8, 2015.
- 31** – UCLA teams have won 31 Pac-12 regular-season matches in a row since the start of the 2016 season.
- 4** – UCLA has won four straight Pac-12 regular-season championships.

2019-20 IN REVIEW

Before the 2019-20 season was cut short due to the coronavirus pandemic, UCLA won its final five matches to bring its record to 9-4. It was a year of milestones for the Bruins, who extended their home and Pac-12 winning streaks and saw Martin record the 600th win of his head-coaching career. Then-senior Ben Goldberg, who was granted a fifth season by the NCAA after the shortened season and returns to UCLA in 2020-21, posted the deciding point in each of the Bruins' 4-3 wins. Goldberg prevailed on a deuce-point, 25-shot rally to seal a three-set victory over UCF's Bogdan Pavel and trip to ITA Indoors (Jan. 26, 2020) and overcame a 1-5 second-set deficit and eight match points to beat Oregon's Riki Oshima in a match that lasted nearly four hours (March 1, 2020).

SMITH BACK FOR MORE

Senior Keegan Smith possesses career records of 82-19 in singles play and 60-23 in doubles action. He captured the NCAA doubles championship with Maxime Cressy in 2019, the last time the tournament was played. The pair was undefeated in 21 matches and 26 sets. Smith is a three-time All-American and looks to join Brian Teacher (1973-76), Ferdi Taygan (1974-77) and Marcel Freeman (1979-82) in UCLA's exclusive club of four-timers.

MEDIA INFORMATION

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Media Availability

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

Credentials

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

Credential Pickup

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

Media Seating

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

Postmatch Procedure

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

QUICK FACTS

Location	Los Angeles, CA
Athletic Dept. Address	325 Westwood Plaza Los Angeles, CA 90095
Athletics Phone	(310) 825-8699
Men's Tennis Office Phone	(310) 206-6787
Chancellor	Dr. Gene Block
Director of Athletics	Martin Jarmond
Assoc. Athletic Director (Tennis)	Chris Carlson
Faculty Athletic Rep.	Dr. Michael Teitell
Home Court (Capacity)	Los Angeles Tennis Center (10,000+)
Enrollment	43,239
Founded	1919
Colors	Blue and Gold
Nickname	Bruins
Conference	Pac-12
Conference WTEN Contact	TBD
Conference Phone	(415) 580-4200
Conference Fax	(415) 549-2828/549-2829
National Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Head Coach	Billy Martin
Career Record (Years)	606-129 (28)
Associate Head Coach	Rikus de Villiers
Volunteer Assistant Coach	Wil Martin
2020 Record	9-4
2020 Pac-12 Record (Finish)	2-0 (-)
2020 NCAA Tournament	Not played (COVID-19)
2020 Final National Ranking	25
NCAA Championships	16 (1950, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1956, 1960, 1961, 1965, 1970, 1971, 1975, 1976, 1979, 1982, 1984, 2005)
All-Time NCAA Tournament Appearances (Last)	43 (2019)
All-Time Conference Championships (Last)	44 (2019)

NEWCOMERS

UCLA men's tennis adds to the fold three newcomers in Sam Feit, Stefan Leustian and Timothy Li. Feit joins the Bruins as a graduate transfer from Gonzaga University, where he spent a majority of his four seasons atop the Zags' singles and doubles lineups. He posted a singles record of 75-36 during his time in the Pacific Northwest and earned All-WCC Singles honors in 2018 and 2019, including a spot on the First Team as a junior, when he went 24-8. Feit also holds a 61-45 doubles mark and netted All-WCC First- (2019) and Second-Team (2018) Doubles accolades. Leustian, a Blue-Chip prospect as the No. 6 player in his class according to TennisRecruiting.net, won the prestigious Les Petits As tournament in Tarbes, France in 2016 as a 14-year old. A frequent participant in ITF events, he made deep runs in Boys' 18 draws at Austin, Corpus Christi, South Carolina and Delray Beach. Li recently completed a decorated prep career at Harvard-Westlake School in Los Angeles, where the Wolverines collected the CIF-Southern Section Division 1 team title in 2017 and 2018 and went on to take the top spot at the CIF/USTA Southern California Regional Championships in the latter of those seasons. A 4-star prospect according to TennisRecruiting.net, Li and partner Sacha Pritzker won the CIF doubles championship at the 2018 Ojai Valley Junior Tournament. The pair also claimed the Mission League doubles title that year, giving Li his second in as many tries.

MR. 600

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

MORE ON MARTIN - Martin, who became the program's all-time leader in head-coaching wins in 2019, is the longest-tenured active coach at UCLA. In his 28th year as head coach and 38th campaign on staff, Martin holds a record of 606-129 (.824) at the helm. He guided the 2005 Bruins to the program's 16th NCAA team title and just three Martin-led squads have finished outside the top five at the season-ending NCAA Championships. Benjamin Kohlloeffel (2006), Marcos Giron (2014) and Mackenzie McDonald (2016) have earned NCAA singles titles on Martin's watch, while UCLA has become a frequent landing spot for doubles champions of late. In addition to 1996 winners Justin Gimelstob and Srdjan Muskatirovic, three of the last four titleholders (McDonald/Martin Redlicki in 2016, Redlicki/Evan Zhu in 2018 and Maxime Cressy/Keegan Smith in 2019) have called Westwood home.

GLENN BASSETT

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

2020-21 UCLA ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

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

COACHING STAFF

Billy Martin	Head Coach (28th season)
Rikus de Villiers	Associate Head Coach (8th season)
Wil Martin	Volunteer Assistant Coach (3rd season)

SUPPORT STAFF

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

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Sam Feit	like "fight"	Govind Nanda	GO-vin NON-duh
Blaine Hovenier	HO-veneer	Mathew Tsolakyan	so-LOCK-ian
Stefan Leustian	STEH-fawn LOOSE-chin	Patrick Zahraj	zuh-RYE
Timothy Li	like "Lee"	Rikus de Villiers	RICK-iss de VILL-yers

CLINCHING WINS

PLAYER	CLINCHING WINS
Keegan Smith	1
Mathew Tsolakyan	1

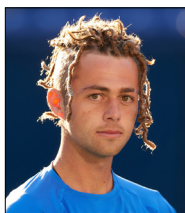
ORACLE/ITA TEAM RANKINGS (Top 25 - Feb. 17)

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

PAC-12 STANDINGS (Feb. 22)

TEAMS	CONFERENCE	OVERALL
Oregon	0-0	7-0
Arizona	0-0	9-1
Arizona State	0-0	6-1
USC	0-0	8-3
Utah	0-0	7-3
California	0-0	2-1
UCLA	0-0	2-1
Washington	0-0	4-3
Stanford	0-0	0-0

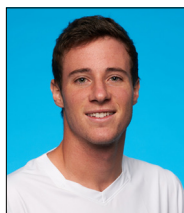
UCLA's RADIO/TV ROSTER



DREW BAIRD
SO, 6-3
Singles: 1-1
Doubles: 2-0



LUCAS BELLAMY
SR, 6-2
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 0-0



ROSCOE BELLAMY
JR, 6-5
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 1-0



SAM FEIT
GR, 6-0
Singles: 1-2
Doubles: 2-1



BEN GOLDBERG
R-SR, 6-0
Singles: 2-1
Doubles: 2-0



ERIC HAHN
JR, 6-0
Singles: 0-1
Doubles: 0-0



CONNOR HANCE
SR, 5-10
Singles: 0-1
Doubles: 0-0



BLAINE HOVENIER
R-SO, 6-4
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 0-0



STEFAN LEUSTIAN
FR, 5-10
Singles: 1-0
Doubles: 1-0



TIMOTHY LI
FR, 5-11
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 0-0



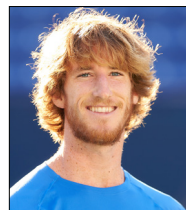
GOVIND NANDA
JR, 5-9
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 0-0



BRYCE PEREIRA
SR, 6-0
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 0-0



CONNOR RAPP
R-SR, 6-2
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 0-1



KEEGAN SMITH
SR, 6-7
Singles: 2-1
Doubles: 0-2



MATHEW TSOLAKYAN
JR, 6-1
Singles: 3-0
Doubles: 2-0



MAX WILD
JR, 6-2
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 1-1



PATRICK ZAHRAJ
JR, 6-2
Singles: 0-0
Doubles: 0-1



BILLY MARTIN
HEAD COACH
28th Year



RIKUS DE VILLIERS
ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH
8th Year



WIL MARTIN
VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH
3rd Year

UCLA IN THE ORACLE/ITA PLAYER RANKINGS

Singles	1/13	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Keegan Smith	10									
Govind Nanda	22									
Sam Feit	109									
Doubles	1/13	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Nanda/Smith	13									