



# UCLA MEN'S TENNIS

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## 2021 UCLA MTEN SCHEDULE (3-2, 0-0 PAC-12)

### January

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

### February

Thu. 4	Boise State	Canceled	
Sat. 20	Loyola Marymount	W	4-1
Wed. 24	UC Santa Barbara	W	6-1
Sun. 28	(9) USC	L	3-4

### 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 (21) Arizona State*	2:00 PM	
Sun. 28	at (20) 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 (9) USC*	3:00 PM	
Wed. 21	Pac-12 Championships <sup>2</sup>	TBD	
Thu. 22	Pac-12 Championships <sup>2</sup>	TBD	
Fri. 23	Pac-12 Championships <sup>2</sup>	TBD	
Sat. 24	Pac-12 Championships <sup>2</sup>	TBD	

### May

7-9	NCAA First & Second Rounds <sup>3</sup>	TBD	
14 or 15	NCAA Third Round <sup>4</sup>	TBD	
20-23	NCAA Championships <sup>5</sup>	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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Men's Tennis Instagram:	@UCLAMTennis
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## No. 17 UCLA Welcomes UNLV to LATC Tuesday

Tuesday, March 2  
Los Angeles, Calif. (Los Angeles Tennis Center)

### MATCH INFORMATION

Date/Time:	Tuesday, March 2/2:00 PM PT
Live Stream/Live Stats:	UCLABruins.com
Series vs. UNLV:	UCLA leads, 17-0
Last Meeting vs. UNLV:	UCLA won 5-2 on Feb. 10, 2018



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3-5, 0-0

3-2, 0-0

The No. 17 UCLA men's tennis will look to get back in the win column Tuesday, when it welcomes UNLV to Los Angeles Tennis Center. First serve is set for 2 p.m., PT. The Bruins (3-2) will try to bounce back from a 4-3 loss to its crosstown rival, No. 9 USC (Feb. 28). The Rebels (3-5) are attempting to snap a three-match losing streak that was extended Friday, Feb. 26 at Pepperdine.

### 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. UNLV

UCLA men's tennis holds an all-time record of 17-0 versus UNLV. The programs last faced off Feb. 10, 2018, when the Bruins endured an early challenge before pulling away for a 5-2 win at Los Angeles Tennis Center. The Rebels picked up the doubles point, but UCLA turned it on with five straight singles wins, including the clincher by Evan Zhu on Court 3. Connor Hance, Logan Staggs, Maxime Cressy and Keegan Smith also contributed points.

### LAST TIME OUT

In a non-conference match that lasted nearly four hours, the No. 17 Bruins were overcome by No. 9 USC, 4-3, at Los Angeles Tennis Center (Feb. 28). UCLA lost the doubles point and the first completed singles match before the front-court trio of Drew Baird, Keegan Smith and Ben Goldberg ran off consecutive wins to establish a 3-2 lead. Lodewijk Weststrate and Jake Sands turned in comeback, three-set victories for the Trojans, however, making the difference.

### TOP-TIER TRIUMPHS

Drew Baird, Ben Goldberg and Keegan Smith defeated a trio of Oracle ITA top-26 players in the Bruins' narrow home loss to USC on Feb. 28. Each win represents a career best in terms of ranking. Baird dispatched of No. 19 Riley Smith, 6-3, 6-4, for his third straight-set victory in a row. Goldberg knocked off No. 26 Mor Bulis, 7-6(5), 6-2, for his second-career win on Court 3. And in a top-court showdown, No. 10 Smith took down No. 1 Daniel Cukierman, 6-2, 7-5, evening their personal series at two wins apiece. Smith is now 24-14 versus nationally-ranked opponents for his career. Baird is 2-2 in those situations, while Goldberg holds a 5-6 mark.

### IN THE RANKINGS

The UCLA men's tennis team checks in at No. 17 in the latest Oracle ITA team rankings, the Intercollegiate Tennis Association announced Wednesday, Feb. 24. 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

Head coach Billy Martin led his teams to 68 straight home wins from May 8, 2015 to Feb. 28, 2021, when the streak was ended by crosstown rival USC. The Bruins will try to extend a pair of conference-related runs when they start Pac-12 play Friday, March 12 versus Utah:

**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).

## 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)	606-130 (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)

## SMITH BACK FOR MORE

Senior Keegan Smith possesses career records of 84-19 in singles play and 61-24 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.

## 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 606-130 (.823) 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

## CLINCHING WINS

PLAYER	CLINCHING WINS
Drew Baird	1
Keegan Smith	1
Mathew Tsolakyan	1

## ORACLE/ITA TEAM RANKINGS (Top 25 - Feb. 24)

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

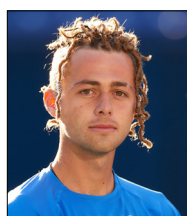
## PAC-12 STANDINGS (Feb. 26)

TEAMS	CONFERENCE	OVERALL
Arizona	1-0	10-1
Arizona State	1-0	7-1
USC	0-0	9-3
Utah	0-0	9-3
California	0-0	2-1
UCLA	0-0	3-1
Stanford	0-0	0-0
Oregon	0-1	8-1
Washington	0-1	4-4

## CAREER RECORDS

PLAYER	SINGLES	DOUBLES
Keegan Smith	84-19	61-24
Ben Goldberg	42-37	32-36
Govind Nanda	33-11	24-16
Connor Hance	32-18	10-9
Eric Hahn	20-20	5-12
Connor Rapp	19-25	35-27
Mathew Tsolakyan	19-15	5-8
Patrick Zahraj	17-11	25-19
Drew Baird	9-7	7-6
Bryce Pereira	9-16	60-32
Max Wild	9-16	18-13
Roscoe Bellamy	6-5	2-2
Blaine Hovenier	4-10	1-3
Sam Feit	2-3	2-2
Lucas Bellamy	1-5	4-5
Stefan Leustian	1-0	1-0

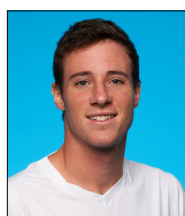
## UCLA's RADIO/TV ROSTER



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



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



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



**SAM FEIT**  
GR, 6-0  
Singles: 2-3  
Doubles: 2-2



**BEN GOLDBERG**  
R-SR, 6-0  
Singles: 3-2  
Doubles: 2-0



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



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



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



**STEFAN LEUSTIAN**  
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**TIMOTHY LI**  
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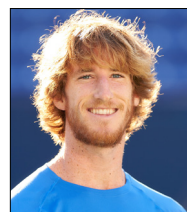
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**CONNOR RAPP**  
R-SR, 6-2  
Singles: 0-0  
Doubles: 1-2



**KEEGAN SMITH**  
SR, 6-7  
Singles: 4-1  
Doubles: 1-3



**MATHEW TSOLOKYAN**  
JR, 6-1  
Singles: 4-0  
Doubles: 2-0



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



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



**BILLY MARTIN**  
HEAD COACH  
28th Year



**RIKUS DE VILLIERS**  
ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH  
8th Year



**WIL MARTIN**  
VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH  
3rd Year

## 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

## 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									