



2023 BELMONT BASEBALL

MEDIA GUIDE

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TEAM INFORMATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

School	Belmont University
Location	Nashville, Tenn.
Founded	1890
Enrollment	8,700
Nickname	Bruins
Colors	Navy Blue, Red, and White
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Conference	Ohio Valley
President	Dr. Gregory Jones
Athletics Director	Scott Corley
Home Field	E.S. Rose Park
Capacity	500
Website	www.belmontbruins.com
Twitter	@BelmontBaseball
Instagram	BelmontBaseball

TEAM HISTORY

2022 Overall Record	39-20
2022 OVC Record	18-6 (1st)
2022 Postseason	OVC Tournament Championship Game
First Year of Program	1953 (1998 DI)
Conference Championships	3 (ASUN (2x), OVC)
Players in MLB Draft	43

ROSTER INFORMATION

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost	1/7
Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost	3/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	17/17
Newcomers	18

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Dave Jarvis
Record at Belmont	710-645-2 (26th season)
Overall Record	1,034-797-2 (41st season)
Associate Head Coach	Aaron Smith (14th season)
Assistant Coach/Pitching Coach	A.J. Gaura (2nd season)
Volunteer Assistant Coach	Corvin Scott (2nd season)
Director of Baseball Operations	Michael Zito
Director of Video and Analytics	Nathaniel Rorie
Athletic Trainer	Brock Potter

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SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY

Friday	17	UT MARTIN	4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Saturday	18	UT MARTIN (DH)	1pm/4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Sunday	19	UT MARTIN	1pm	E.S. Rose Park
Tuesday	21	WKU	4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Friday	24	at NC State	4pm	Raleigh, N.C.
Saturday	25	at NC State	2pm	Raleigh, N.C.
Sunday	26	at NC State	1pm	Raleigh, N.C.
Tuesday	28	at MTSU	3pm	Murfreesboro, Tenn.

MARCH

Friday	3	KANSAS	4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Saturday	4	KANSAS	1pm	E.S. Rose Park
Sunday	5	KANSAS	11am	E.S. Rose Park
Tuesday	7	at WKU	3pm	Bowling Green, Ky.
Wednesday	8	at Lipscomb	3pm	Nashville, Tenn.
Friday	10	WESTERN ILLINOIS	4pm	Birmingham, Ala.
Saturday	11	WESTERN ILLINOIS	2pm	Birmingham, Ala.
Sunday	12	WESTERN ILLINOIS	1pm	Birmingham, Ala.
Tuesday	14	Vanderbilt^	4pm	First Horizon Park
Friday	17	LINDENWOOD	4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Saturday	18	LINDENWOOD (DH)	1pm/4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Sunday	19	LINDENWOOD	1pm	E.S. Rose Park
Tuesday	21	SOUTHERN INDIANA	4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Friday	24	*ILLINOIS STATE	4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Saturday	25	*ILLINOIS STATE	2pm	E.S. Rose Park
Sunday	26	*ILLINOIS STATE	1pm	E.S. Rose Park
Friday	31	*at Evansville	6pm	Evansville, Ind.

APRIL

Saturday	1	*at Evansville	2pm	Evansville, Ind.
Sunday	2	*at Evansville	1pm	Evansville, Ind.
Tuesday	4	TENNESSEE TECH	4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Thursday	6	*at Southern Illinois	6pm	Carbondale, Ill.
Friday	7	*at Southern Illinois	6pm	Carbondale, Ill.
Saturday	8	*at Southern Illinois	2pm	Carbondale, Ill.
Tuesday	11	at Austin Peay	6pm	Clarksville, Tenn.
Friday	14	*INDIANA STATE	4pm	E.S. Rose Park
Saturday	15	*INDIANA STATE	2pm	E.S. Rose Park
Sunday	16	*INDIANA STATE	1pm	E.S. Rose Park
Tuesday	18	at North Alabama	5pm	Florence, Ala.
Thursday	20	*at Missouri State	11am	Springfield, Mo.
Friday	21	*at Missouri State	11am	Springfield, Mo.
Saturday	22	*at Missouri State	11am	Springfield, Mo.
Tuesday	25	MTSU	5pm	E.S. Rose Park
Friday	28	*MURRAY STATE	5pm	E.S. Rose Park
Saturday	29	*MURRAY STATE	2pm	E.S. Rose Park
Sunday	30	*MURRAY STATE	1pm	E.S. Rose Park

MAY

Friday	5	*at UIC	6:05pm	Chicago, Ill.
Saturday	6	*at UIC	2:05pm	Chicago, Ill.
Sunday	7	*at UIC	1:05pm	Chicago, Ill.
Tuesday	9	LIPSCOMB	1pm	E.S. Rose Park
Friday	12	*VALPARAISO	5pm	E.S. Rose Park
Saturday	13	*VALPARAISO	2pm	E.S. Rose Park
Sunday	14	*VALPARAISO	1pm	E.S. Rose Park
Tuesday	16	at Tennessee	5:30pm	Knoxville, Tenn.
Thursday	19	*at Bradley	6pm	Edwardsville, Ill.
Friday	20	*at Bradley	6pm	Edwardsville, Ill.
Saturday	21	*at Bradley	2pm	Edwardsville, Ill.
22-28		MVC TOURNAMENT	TBA	Terre Haute, Ind.

*- denotes Missouri Valley Conference games

^ - denotes neutral site game

CAPS and bold-Home Games at Rose Park

ALL TIMES LISTED IN CENTRAL STANDARD TIME

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NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Year	Hometown (Last School)
1	Chase Katafias	OF	R/R	5-11	SO	Ladera Ranch, Calif. (J Serra Catholic HS)
2	Brodey Heaton	INF	R/R	6-5	JR	Newburgh, Ind. (Castle HS)
3	Drew Lowry	INF/OF	R/R	6-2	JR	Signal Mountain, Tenn. (Signal Mountain HS)
4	Simon Tesh	RHP	R/R	6-4	FR	Knoxville, Tenn. (Christian Academy Knoxville)
5	Sam Kirkpatrick	INF	R/R	5-10	JR	Franklin, Tenn. (College of Holy Cross)
6	Kaden Galason	INF	R/R	6-0	FR	Kathleen, Ga. (Houston County HS)
7	Andy Bean	LHP	L/L	5-11	JR	Fishersville, Tenn. (St. George's HS)
8	Jeff Clarke	OF	L/R	6-1	JR	Irving, Texas (Fort Scott CC)
9	Sam Slaughter	OF	L/R	6-1	JR	Smyrna, Tenn. (Calhoun CC)
10	Blake Barton	C	R/R	6-0	SO	Franklin, Tenn. (Grace Christian Academy)
11	Aaron Hubbell	RHP	R/R	6-3	SR	Mt. Juliet, Tenn. (Wilson Central HS)
13	Ethan Harden	P/OF	R/L	6-0	SO	Franklin, Tenn. (Battle Ground Academy)
14	Caleb Guisewite	RHP	R/R	6-2	SO	Greenbrier, Tenn. (White House Heritage HS)
15	Max Jones	INF	R/R	6-2	JR	Pekin, Ill. (Illinois Central College)
17	Heath Owen	C	R/R	6-0	FR	Marietta, Ga. (Pope HS)
18	Dalton Wasson	P/INF	R/R	6-1	FR	Monroeville, Ind. (Heritage HS)
20	Wyatt Fooks	OF	R/R	6-0	FR	Hoschton, Ga. (Mountain View HS)
22	Will Jenkins	RHP	R/R	5-10	JR	Knoxville, Tenn. (Grace Christian Academy)
23	Jordan Zuger	RHP	R/R	6-3	SO	Hendersonville, Tenn. (Hendersonville HS)
25	Joe Ruzicka	RHP	R/R	6-3	FR	Webster Groves, Mo. (Webster Groves HS)
26	Jett Thielke	RHP	R/R	6-6	JR	Suamico, Wisc. (Madison College)
27	Will Pryor	RHP	R/R	6-2	FR	Whitwell, Tenn. (Marion County HS)
28	Kaden Wu	C	R/R	5-11	FR	Mercer Island, Wa. (Mercer Island HS)
29	Mason Landers	INF	R/R	6-1	JR	Shelbyville, Tenn. (Shelbyville HS)
31	Jake Timbes	RHP	R/R	6-2	FR	Kingsport, Tenn. (Dobyns Bennett HS)
32	Jalen Borders	LHP	R/L	6-7	JR	Alexandria, Ala. (Alexandria HS)
33	Max Blessinger	OF	R/R	5-11	JR	La Crescenta, Calif. (Pasadena City College)
34	Cade Rogers	INF	R/R	6-0	SO	Jonesboro, Ark. (Valley View HS)
35	Ryan Schneider	LHP	L/L	6-2	FR	Hayden, Idaho (Coeur D'Alene HS)
36	Dominic Baratta	LHP	L/L	6-0	JR	Dunedin, Fla. (Eastern FL State College)
38	Carter Park	RHP	R/R	6-1	JR	Eads, Tenn. (St. George's HS)
39	Jack Rando	INF	R/R	5-8	JR	Brentwood, Tenn. (Brentwood HS)
40	Cade Granzow	RHP	R/R	6-3	JR	Franklin, Tenn. (Auburn)
41	Austin Krider	C	R/R	5-9	SO	Pensacola, Fla. (West FL Advanced Tech)
44	Phillip Pritchett	LHP	L/L	6-1	FR	Indianapolis, Ind. (Franklin Central HS)

Pronunciation Guide

#1	Chase Katafias (Cat-uh-FYE-iss)
#6	Kaden Galason (GAL-uh-sun)
#11	Aaron Hubbell (like the telescope)
#14	Caleb Guisewite (GUISE-white)
#20	Wyatt Fooks (rhymes with "books")
#23	Jordan Zuger (rhymes with "cougar")
#26	Jett Thielke (TILL-key)
#31	Jake Timbes ("Tims")
#33	Max Blessinger (BLESS-in-ger)
#36	Dominic Baratta (Buh-ROT-tuh)
#40	Cade Granzow (Gran-zo)
#41	Austin Krider (CRY-dur)

PC: A.J. Gaura (Gore-uh)

BRUINS BY CLASS

SENIORS (1) Aaron Hubbell	SOPHOMORES (8) Chase Katafias Blake Barton Caleb Guisewite Jordan Zuger Ethan Harden Cade Granzow Austin Krider Cade Rogers
JUNIORS (15) Brodey Heaton Drew Lowry Sam Kirkpatrick Andy Bean Jeff Clarke Sam Slaughter Max Jones Will Jenkins Jett Thielke Mason Landers Jalen Borders Max Blessinger Dominic Baratta Carter Park Jack Rando	FRESHMEN (11) Simon Tesh Kaden Galason Heath Owen Dalton Wasson Wyatt Fooks Joe Ruzicka Will Pryor Kaden Wu Jake Timbes Ryan Schneider Phillip Pritchett

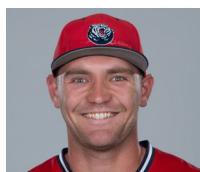
BRUINS BY STATE

ALABAMA (1) Jalen Borders	TENNESSEE (17) Blake Barton Andy Bean Caleb Guisewite Ethan Harden Aaron Hubbell Will Jenkins Mason Landers Drew Lowry Carter Park Jack Rando Jordan Zuger Simon Tesh Sam Kirkpatrick Sam Slaughter Will Pryor Jake Timbes Cade Granzow
ARKANSAS (1) Cade Rogers	
CALIFORNIA (2) Chase Katafias Max Blessinger	
FLORIDA (2) Austin Krider Dominic Baratta	
GEORGIA (3) Kaden Galason Heath Owen Wyatt Fooks	
IDAHO (1) Ryan Schneider	TEXAS (1) Jeff Clarke
ILLINOIS (1) Max Jones	WASHINGTON (1) Kaden Wu
INDIANA (3) Dalton Wasson Brodey Heaton Phillip Pritchett	WISCONSIN (1) Jett Thielke
MISSOURI (1) Joe Ruzicka	

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So. • OF • 5-11
Ladera Ranch,



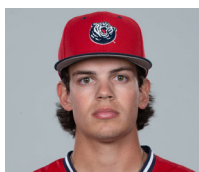
2 Brodey Heaton
Jr. • 1B • 6-5
Newburgh, Ind.



3 Drew Lowry
Jr. • INF/OF • 6-2
Signal Mountain, Tenn.



4 Simon Tesh
Fr. • RHP • 6-4
Knoxville, Tenn.



5 Sam Kirkpatrick
Jr. • INF • 5-10
Franklin, Tenn.



6 Kaden Galason
Fr. • INF • 6-0
Kathleen, Ga.



7 Andy Bean
Jr. • LHP • 6-0
Fisherville, Tenn.



8 Jeff Clarke
Jr. • OF • 6-1
Irving, Texas



9 Slam Slaughter
Jr. • OF • 6-1
Smryna, Tenn.



10 Blake Barton
So. • C • 6-0
Franklin, Tenn.



11 Aaron Hubbell
Sr. • RHP • 6-3
Mt. Juliet, Tenn.



13 Ethan Harden
So. • P/OF • 6-0
Franklin, Tenn.



14 Caleb Guisewite
So. • RHP • 6-2
Greenbrier, Tenn.



15 Max Jones
Jr. • INF • 6-2
Pekin, Ill.



17 Heath Owen
Fr. • C • 6-0
Marietta, Ga.



18 Dalton Wasson
Fr. • P/INF • 6-1
Monroeville, Ind.



20 Wyatt Fooks
Fr. • OF • 6-0
Hoschton, Ga.



22 Will Jenkins
Jr. • RHP • 5-10
Knoxville, Tenn.



23 Jordan Zuger
So. • RHP • 6-3
Hendersonville, Tenn.



25 Joe Ruzicka
Fr. • RHP • 6-3
Webster Groves, Mo.



26 Jett Thielke
Jr. • RHP • 6-6
Suamico, Wisc.



27 Will Pryor
Fr. • RHP • 6-2
Whitwell, Tenn.



28 Kaden Wu
Fr. • C • 5-11
Mercer Island, Wa.



29 Mason Landers
Jr. • INF • 6-1
Shelbyville, Tenn.



31 Jake Timbes
Fr. • RHP • 6-2
Kingsport, Tenn.



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Jr. • LHP • 6-7
Alexandria, Ala.



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Jr. • OF • 5-11
La Crescenta,



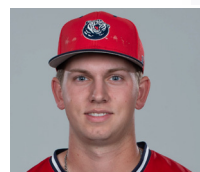
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So. • INF • 6-0
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Hayden, Idaho



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Jr. • LHP • 6-1
Dunedin, Fla.



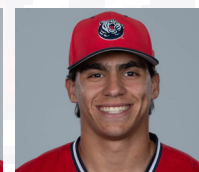
38 Carter Park
Jr. • RHP • 6-1
Eads, Tenn.



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Jr. • INF • 5-8
Brentwood, Tenn.



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HC Dave Jarvis
26th Season



AHC Aaron Smith
14th Season



PC A.J. Gaura
2nd Season



AC Corvin Scott
2nd Season

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HEAD COACH | DAVE JARVIS



CAREER | 1,034-797-2

2 NCAA Tournaments

Belmont (1998-present):

>710-645-2<

4 Conference Championships

12 conf. Tournament Appearances

26th Year at Belmont

Three Rivers (1985-93):

>324-152<

29 Professional Baseball Players

Belmont

Season	W/L	Postseason
1998	23-21-1 (.522)	
1999	28-24 (.538)	
2000	27-25 (.519)	
2001	30-23 (.566)	
2002	22-30 (.423)	
2003	29-23 (.558)	Atlantic Sun Tournament
2004	31-23 (.574)	
2005	28-26 (.519)	
2006	24-31 (.436)	
2007	34-26 (.567)	Atlantic Sun Championship
2008	25-33 (.431)	Atlantic Sun Tournament
2009	29-29 (.500)	Atlantic Sun Tournament
2010	27-27 (.500)	
2011	38-26 (.594)	ASUN Champions, NCAA Regional
2012	39-24 (.619)	ASUN Champions, NCAA Regional
2013	38-20 (.655)	OVC Tournament
2014	24-30-1 (.445)	
2015	29-29 (.500)	OVC Tournament
2016	33-27 (.550)	OVC Tournament
2017	31-29 (.517)	OVC Tournament
2018	19-36 (.345)	
2019	27-30 (.474)	OVC Tournament
2020	14-3 (.824)	
2021	22-30 (.423)	
2022	39-20 (.661)	OVC Regular Season Champions
TOTAL:	710-645-2	

Entering his 26th season at the helm of Belmont's baseball program and 41st year of coaching overall, head coach Dave Jarvis has cultivated a rich program that's seen success both on the field and in the classroom. Jarvis has led the Bruins since their inception as a NCAA Division I institution in 1998, leading Belmont to four conference championships and its two NCAA Tournament berths in 2011 and 2012.

As a coach, Jarvis has culminated an overall record of 1,034-797-2 in 34 years as a head coach and helped produce nine seasons in which the Bruins garnered 30 or more wins. The team constructed a program-best 39 wins during both the 2012 and 2022 seasons.

Not only has Jarvis lifted Belmont Baseball to new heights, but he is also in elite company in NCAA Division I baseball. Jarvis is one of just 16 active head coaches to record 700 or more Division I wins at their current school.

Jarvis has developed 29 players from Belmont who have gone on to play professional baseball, including current San Diego Padres infielder/outfielder Matt Beaty and 2022 MLB Draft pick Guy Lipscomb, who was selected No. 151 overall by the Cleveland Guardians to become the highest draft selection in program history. In addition to his on-field success, Jarvis has helped his players excel in

the classroom. Following the 2021-22 academic year, a league-high 30 Belmont baseball players were named to the OVC Commissioner's Honor Roll.

During the 2022 season, Belmont secured their first OVC Regular Season championship by finishing conference play with an 18-6 mark, tying the program record for both regular season wins (37) and total wins (39). The Bruins swept the conference's major awards, with Jarvis earning OVC Coach of the Year, Guy Lipscomb earning OVC Player of the Year, and Andy Bean taking home OVC Pitcher of the Year. On April 22-24, the Bruins swept Purdue on the road, the program's first-ever road sweep of a Power Five opponent.

The Bruins boasted one of the top defenses in the country in 2022, finishing 4th in NCAA Division I in fielding percentage (.983) with first baseman Brodey Heaton being named one of three finalists for the 2022 Rawlings Gold Glove Award, given annually to the top defender at each position. Guy Lipscomb turned in one of the best individual seasons in program history, setting program records for batting average (.406) and stolen bases (42) on the way to Third-Team All-American status and towards becoming the first player in NCAA Division I since 2011 to hit over .400 and steal at least 40 bags.

Lipscomb and Bean earned First-Team All-Conference honors while Heaton, Jalen Borders, and Kyle Brennan picked up Second-Team All-Conference recognition in 2022.

Jarvis recorded his 1,000th career win on February 23, 2022 with an 11-1 victory over Middle Tennessee. On April 26, 2022, Jarvis picked up his 700th win at Belmont with an 8-2 victory at Evansville.

Jarvis developed 28 players from Belmont who have gone on to play professional baseball, including current Los Angeles Dodgers infielder/outfielder Matt Beaty. In addition to his on-field success, Jarvis has helped his players excel in the classroom. Following the 2019-20 academic year, 21 Belmont baseball players were named to the OVC Commissioner's Honor Roll.

The 2020 Belmont Bruins finished the season receiving votes in the final two weeks of the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Top 30 poll, posting the 17th-highest win-loss percentage in NCAA Baseball with an .824 mark. The Bruins were also 18th in the country in total home runs with 20.

In 2011, Belmont beat Oklahoma State and Troy in the Baton Rouge Regional, marking the first time in program history that the Bruins won an NCAA tournament game in any sport. Concluding the landmark season, Jarvis was named the TBCA College Coach of the Year. The previous year carved another program-best when Belmont started the season with a perfect 10-0 start.

Belmont toppled its first ranked opponent in 2001 when Jarvis' squad beat then-No. 13 ranked Georgia, who would be an eventual College World Series participant. Since then the Bruins have beaten multiple ranked opponents.

Jarvis fine-tuned his coaching ability with a nine-year stint as head coach at Three Rivers Community College in Poplar Bluff, Mo. from 1985-93. With Jarvis at the helm, the Raiders were consistently ranked in the National Junior College Athletic Association top 20 poll, highlighted by a No. 4 ranking in 1992.

Jarvis broke into NCAA Division I baseball as an assistant with Murray State in the fall of 1993. At Murray State, he was primarily responsible for the instruction of hitters and catchers as well as teaching base running skills. Jarvis also used his extensive junior college network to create a recruiting pipeline for the Racers.

He finished his playing career at Arkansas State as the starting catcher and team captain. The Missouri native earned a bachelor's degree in education and later received his master's in education, both at Arkansas State.

A dedicated family man, Jarvis has three sons, Jordan, Logan, and Jackson. The family resides in Franklin, Tenn.

COACHING STAFF

Aaron Smith • Associate Head Coach



Aaron Smith enters his 14th season at Belmont and his fourth as associate head coach in 2022-2023. Smith's main duties entail working with the infielders, hitters, coaching third base and heading up the recruitment of student-athletes. In addition, Smith assists with the camp instruction and the administration of the Belmont Fall Instructional League.

In his first 13 years at Belmont, Smith has coached 35 First and Second Team All-Conference players, including an Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year and two Atlantic Sun Conference Tournament MVPs. In all, 23 former Belmont players have gone on to play professional baseball since Smith arrived in Nashville.

Under Smith's guidance, Belmont was one of the best fielding teams in the country in 2022 on the way to a 39-win season and an OVC Regular Season championship, finishing fourth in NCAA Division I with an incredible .983 fielding percentage. The Bruins trailed only Texas, Houston, and East Carolina in that category, committing just 37 errors, tied for the second-fewest in the country.

First baseman Brodey Heaton had a career year in 2022, becoming one of three finalists for the Rawlings Gold Glove Award, given annually to the top defender at each position.

Smith's development for hitters allowed outfielder Guy Lipscomb to have one of the best seasons in the nation, with the center fielder finishing 9th in the country in batting average (.406) and 4th in the country in stolen bases (42), becoming the first player in NCAA Division I since 2011 to hit at least .400 and steal at least 40 bases. Lipscomb earned OVC Player of the Year honors, All-Region honors, and Third Team All-American honors before being selected in the fifth round in the 2022 MLB First-Year Player Draft by the Cleveland Guardians, the highest Bruin draft pick since 1975.

From 2009-2012 coach Smith served as a volunteer assistant at Belmont. During this time he worked with the outfielders and coached first base. He also was instrumental in the coordination of the base running scheme that has been a staple of the Bruin program.

Before coming to Belmont, Smith assisted at Trevecca Nazarene University for three years working with the outfielders, catchers and hitters. Prior to Trevecca, Smith coached one year Motlow State Community College and spent two years at Riverdale High School.

A.J. Gaura • Pitching Coach



A.J. Gaura enters his second season as the Belmont pitching coach in 2022-2023 after being introduced to the Bruins' staff on Jan. 3, 2022.

Gaura's first season in the dugout for the Bruins resulted in Belmont owning the best pitching staff in the Ohio Valley Conference, leading the league in ERA (4.59) with the runner-up nearly a full run behind (5.52). Belmont was also first in the conference in opponent batting average (.253), first in wins (39), first in saves (18), second in home runs allowed (60), and third in walks allowed (217).

With Gaura's guidance, the Bruins owned one of the best weekend rotations in the country, with OVC Pitcher of the Year Andy Bean and Second-Team All-Conference selection Jalen Borders bookending two-time OVC Preseason Pitcher of the Year Joshua South. Bean, Borders, and South were all in the top-10 in the Ohio Valley Conference in ERA, in the top-5 in opponent batting average, in the top-7 in innings pitched, and in the top-10 in strikeouts.

Under Gaura's tutelage, Bean earned Belmont's first-ever OVC Pitcher of the Year honor after going 9-1 with a 4.64 ERA and 75 strikeouts in 2022, to help lead the Bruins to their first OVC Regular Season Championship.

In the bullpen, reliever Kyle Brennan enjoyed a record-breaking year as the Bruin closer, finishing 4th in the country in saves (14) while breaking the program's all-time career record for saves (31). Gaura's efforts with reliever Dusty Baird resulted in the right-hander developing finishing the season on a scorching stretch that saw him allow just one run over his final 13 innings, before signing a professional contract with the Rocky Mountain Vibes of the Pioneer League.

A native of Suamico, Wisconsin, Gaura comes to Belmont after three seasons as the pitching coach and recruiting coordinator at the University of Evansville.

Corvin Scott • Assistant Coach



Corvin Scott enters his second season as the volunteer assistant coach on the Bruin staff in 2022-2023 after being introduced on Jan. 25, 2022. Scott primarily works with the outfielders and is also the first base coach, additionally helping spearhead the Belmont Baseball Camps.

In 2022, Scott helped develop the talents of center fielder Guy Lipscomb, who finished 9th in the country in batting average (.406) and 4th in stolen bases (42) on the way to Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year honors, an All-Region selection, and Third-Team All-American honors before being drafted in the fifth round in the 2022 MLB First-Year Player Draft by the Cleveland Guardians, becoming the highest draft pick in program history.

A Nashville native who played at East Nashville High School (2011-14), Scott graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Leisure, Sport and Tourism Studies from Middle Tennessee State in 2018 and went on to earn a Master of Arts in Sports Management and Administration from Campbellsville in the fall of 2021.

PLAYER BREAKDOWN

RETURNING PLAYERS

STARTING PITCHERS

Player (Yr)	W/L	ERA	IP	SO	BB	GS
Andy Bean (JR)	9-1	4.64	85.1	75	36	15
Jalen Borders (JR)	5-2	3.04	80.0	61	42	15
Jordan Zuger (SO)	2-2	4.50	34.0	21	17	11

RELIEF PITCHERS

Player (Yr)	W/L	ERA	IP	SO	BB	APP
Aaron Hubbell (SR)	2-2	5.62	33.2	25	17	16
Dominic Baratta (JR)	3-2	4.26	44.1	36	17	22
Will Jenkins (JR)	2-1	6.44	29.1	37	19	22
Ethan Harden (SO)	1-1	3.14	14.1	15	4	8
Caleb Guisewite (SO)	0-0	6.43	7.0	8	5	8

STARTING POSITION PLAYERS

Player (Yr)	POS	GP/GS	AVG.	RBI	SLG%
Brodey Heaton (JR)	1B	59-59	.325	62	.597
Mason Landers (JR)	3B/DH	32-22	.271	11	.354

RETURNING POSITION PLAYERS

Player (Yr)	POS	GP/GS	AVG.	RBI	SLG%
Drew Lowry (JR)	INF/OF	19-2	.263	8	.526
Jack Rando (JR)	INF	30-9	.162	5	.162
Blake Barton (SO)	C	20-8	.290	1	.323

PLAYERS LOST

POSITION PLAYERS

Player	POS	GP/GS	AVG.	RBI	SLG%
Guy Lipscomb	CF	57-57	.406	42	.548
Carson Shacklett	LF	55-50	.316	25	.448
John Behrends	RF	59-59	.286	42	.469
Jack Capobianco	2B	52-51	.277	22	.409
Tommy Crider	DH	53-47	.270	37	.552
Jackson Campbell	C	56-48	.253	24	.339
Logan Jarvis	3B	53-52	.246	34	.350
Grayson Taylor	SS	59-57	.222	27	.312

PITCHERS

Player	W/L	ERA	IP	SO	BB	SV
Joshua South	8-2	5.11	88.0	82	28	0
Kyle Brennan	3-5	5.02	37.2	35	9	14
Dusty Baird	2-1	3.23	30.2	16	14	1
Chandler Schultz	0-1	7.94	11.1	12	5	0
Lane Lamberth	2-0	5.95	19.2	11	3	0

BRUINS BY POSITION

C

Blake Barton
Heath Owen
Kaden Wu
Austin Krider

INF

Brodey Heaton
Drew Lowry
Sam Kirkpatrick
Kaden Galason
Max Jones
Dalton Wasson
Mason Landers
Cade Rogers
Jack Rando

LHP

Dominic Baratta
Andy Bean
Jalen Borders
Ethan Harden
Ryan Schneider
Phillip Pritchett

OF

Jeff Clarke
Sam Slaughter
Wyatt Fooks
Max Blessinger
Ethan Harden
Chase Katafias

RHP

Caleb Guisewite
Aaron Hubbell
Will Jenkins
Carter Park
Jordan Zuger
Simon Tesh
Dalton Wasson
Joe Ruzicka
Jett Thielke
Will Pryor
Jake Timbes
Cade Granzow

NEWCOMERS

TRUE FRESHMEN (11)

Simon Tesh
Kaden Galason
Heath Owen
Dalton Wasson
Wyatt Fooks
Joe Ruzicka
Will Pryor
Kaden Wu
Jake Timbes
Ryan Schneider
Phillip Pritchett

TRANSFERS (7)

Sam Kirkpatrick
Jeff Clarke
Sam Slaughter
Max Jones
Jett Thielke
Max Blessinger
Cade Granzow

NOTES

PASSING A LEGEND

Head coach Dave Jarvis became the winningest coach in program history in 2021 thanks to a doubleheader win on April 17 against Murray State. Jarvis passed Belmont legend Dave Whitten (1969-1997) for the all-time wins record in program history. Jarvis and Whitten had a close relationship until Whitten's death in 2012, with Whitten serving as an assistant and pitching coach under Jarvis from 1998-2000 during Jarvis' first three years at Belmont. The Bruins have had just two coaches since 1969 (Whitten and Jarvis).

MR. MILESTONE

With an 11-1 win over Middle Tennessee on Feb. 23, 2022 Dave Jarvis recorded his 1,000th career win (324 at Three Rivers College, 676 at Belmont).

With an 8-2 win over Evansville on April 26, 2022, Jarvis notched his 700th win at Belmont, one of only 16 active coaches with 700+ Division I wins at their current school

FOLLOW THE LEADERS

Team captains for the Bruins in 2023 are Andy Bean and Brodey Heaton

JUCO BANDITS

Belmont brought in five junior college transfers ahead of the 2023 season, highlighted by names like right-handed pitcher Jett Thielke, who helped lead Madison College to a national runner-up finish in the NJCAA Division II National Championship series, going 9-2 with a 2.62 ERA, and outfielder Max Blessinger, who recorded 67 hits in 43 games for Pasadena City College on the way to being named to the All-Southern California Team

615 GROWN

Nine Bruins hail from the Nashville area and the surrounding suburbs: Sam Kirkpatrick (Franklin), Sam Slaughter (Smyrna), Aaron Hubbell (Mt. Juliet), Blake Barton (Franklin), Ethan Harden (Franklin), Jordan Zuger (Hendersonville), Jack Rando (Brentwood), Caleb Guisewite (Greenbrier), and Cade Granzow (Franklin)

MR. BEAN

Andy Bean collected his first career OVC Pitcher of the Week nod on April 11, 2022, after tossing eight innings with seven strikeouts and just one run allowed against Tennessee Tech on Saturday, April 9 in a 4-1 series-clinching win. The sophomore had a career-best performance on May 7, 2022 against UT Martin, throwing a complete game with a career-high 13 strikeouts and only one run allowed on his way to being named OVC Pitcher of the Week on May 9

BRODEY BASHES

Brodey Heaton hit ten home runs in 24 OVC games last year, and had two multi-homer games against conference opponents (April 1 at Murray State, May 7 at UT Martin). Heaton was named OVC Player of the Week on May 9 after going 9-15 with three home runs and 9 RBIs against UT Martin on May 6-8, and was named OVC Co-Player of the Week on May 23 after going 7-15 with two home runs against SIUE on May 19-20

ON THE BACK OF DEFENSE

Belmont finished 4th in NCAA Division I in fielding percentage last year (.983), trailing only Texas, Houston, and East Carolina. The Bruins committed only 37 errors, tied for the second-fewest in the country

RUNNING AWAY WITH IT

Guy Lipscomb turned in one of the great individual seasons in program history last year on the way to being the highest-drafted Bruin since 1975. Lipscomb was taken with the No. 151 overall pick in the fifth round of the 2022 MLB First-Year Player Draft by the Cleveland Guardians.

The sophomore center fielder was an All-American and the OVC Player of the Year after batting .406 with 42 stolen bases, becoming the first player in NCAA Division I to hit .400 with at least 40 stolen bases since 2011.

BELMONT'S MLB CHAMPION

Former Belmont Baseball All-American Matt Beaty ('15) became the first Bruin alum to win a World Series title when he was a member of the Los Angeles Dodgers in 2020. The Dresden, Tenn. native is the second Belmont alum to win a World Championship in professional sports, with former Belmont Basketball player Ian Clark winning an NBA Championship in 2017 as a member of the Golden State Warriors. Beaty became the first Belmont player to play in a Major League Baseball game since Dwight Bernard in 1978, making his Major League debut on April 30, 2019. Beaty was traded to the San Diego Padres on March 28, 2022 and signed with the Kansas City Royals on January 10, 2023.

SINGING STARS

Not only has Belmont alumni made its name in the professional baseball ranks, but they have shined as stars off the field. Florida Georgia Line's Brian Kelley pitched for the Bruins from 2008-09, compiling 109 strikeouts. Judah Akers, the lead singer of Judah and the Lion, earned All-Atlantic Sun honors and was named the 2012 Atlantic Sun Tournament MVP to help Belmont to its second straight NCAA Tournament.

FROM HERE TO ANYWHERE

Several of Belmont Baseball's alumni have gone onto success in coaching. Vanderbilt Football's head coach Clark Lea was a member of the Bruins in 2002, hitting .400 in his lone season. Packy Elkins now serves as the run production coach for the St. Louis Cardinals, where he played at Belmont from 2007-10 and hit .327 in his senior season. Grace Christian Academy's Brad Myers was inducted into the Tennessee Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in January 2022. He played for Belmont from 1989-92.

KEY RETURNERS



ANDY BEAN | LHP

- 2022 OVC Pitcher of the Year
- 2022 First Team All-OVC
- Best win percentage in single season in program history (.900)
- 2nd-best career win percentage in program history (.833)
- 2020 Freshman All-American

BRODEY HEATON | 1B

- 2022 Second Team All-OVC
- 2022 Rawlings/ABCA Gold Glove Finalist
- 2022 OVC All-Tournament Team
- 4th most RBIs in a season in program history (62)
- Most home runs by a Bruin since 2016 (13)



JALEN BORDERS | LHP

- 2022 Second Team All-OVC
- 2022 OVC All-Tournament Team
- 2nd in OVC in ERA (3.04) and 3rd in opponent batting average (.247)
- Allowed fewest home runs of any qualified pitcher in OVC (5 in 80.0 IP)

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2022 Statistics



2022 Belmont Bruins Overall Statistics for Belmont (as of May 28, 2022) (All games Sorted by Batting avg)



Record: 39-20 Home: 21-10 Away: 16-8 Neutral: 2-2 Ohio Valley: 18-6

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%
2 LIPSCOMB, Guy	.406	57-57	217	59	88	13	3	4	42	119	.548	29	7	18	4	.484	3	1	42-48	132	2	2	.985
33 HEATON, Brodey	.325	59-59	243	42	79	19	4	13	62	145	.597	18	3	61	4	.376	2	0	9-11	516	28	2	.996
29 SHACKLETT, Cars	.316	55-50	174	40	55	11	0	4	25	78	.448	23	11	34	2	.426	1	1	5-6	51	0	1	.981
1 BEHREND, John	.286	59-59	224	52	64	18	1	7	42	105	.469	34	3	54	4	.378	6	0	20-25	139	5	2	.986
14 CAPOBIANCO, Jac	.277	52-51	159	30	44	7	1	4	22	65	.409	22	5	30	0	.380	1	4	1-1	82	102	2	.989
40 CRIDER, Tommy	.270	53-47	174	25	47	9	2	12	37	96	.552	13	7	41	2	.342	2	0	3-3	24	0	0	1.000
3 CAMPBELL, Jackso	.253	56-48	186	24	47	8	1	2	24	63	.339	11	0	40	2	.291	2	1	5-5	365	43	4	.990
28 JARVIS, Logan	.246	53-52	183	29	45	8	1	3	34	64	.350	31	6	46	3	.369	2	0	2-4	30	109	8	.946
18 TAYLOR, Grayson	.222	59-57	189	31	42	6	1	3	27	59	.312	16	8	52	1	.308	1	8	8-8	61	163	6	.974
31 WERTH, Jackson	.333	8-1	9	4	3	0	0	0	1	3	.333	0	0	4	0	.333	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000
10 BARTON, Blake	.290	20-8	31	8	9	1	0	0	1	10	.323	5	0	6	2	.389	0	0	2-2	59	1	0	1.000
16 LANDERS, Mason	.271	32-22	96	14	26	8	0	0	11	34	.354	7	0	18	2	.314	2	0	1-1	6	11	2	.895
11 LOWRY, Drew	.263	19-2	19	4	5	0	1	1	8	10	.526	3	0	3	0	.348	1	0	0-0	10	7	1	.944
15 LOVELL, Eddie	.188	15-3	16	1	3	0	0	0	0	3	.188	5	1	7	0	.409	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
4 HEDGES, Sam	.185	25-4	27	5	5	1	0	0	2	6	.222	3	0	6	1	.267	0	0	1-2	12	1	0	1.000
39 RANDO, Jack	.162	30-9	37	4	6	0	0	0	5	6	.162	8	1	6	1	.313	2	0	2-3	34	37	1	.986
8 EHREN, Austin	.059	34-2	17	7	1	1	0	0	0	2	.118	1	0	4	0	.111	0	1	0-0	4	1	0	1.000
41 KRIDER, Austin	.000	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
5 KATAFIAS, Chase	.000	2-0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	2	0	.333	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
20 HARDEN, Ethan	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	3	0	1.000
Totals	.284	59	2006	380	569	110	15	53	343	868	.433	230	52	433	28	.368	25	16	102-120	1547	581	37	.983
Opponents	.253	59	1935	284	489	82	8	60	267	767	.396	217	49	435	29	.341	16	26	38-55	1511	476	65	.968

LOB - Team (439), Opp (412). DPs turned - Team (42), Opp (32). CI - Team (0), Opp (1).

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bks	sfa	sha
38 PARK, Carter	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	0.1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
32 BORDERS, Jalen	3.04	5-2	15	15	0	0/2	0	80.0	70	31	27	42	61	14	1	5	.247	5	5	1	5	7
20 HARDEN, Ethan	3.14	1-1	8	0	0	0/0	0	14.1	14	6	5	4	15	1	0	0	.275	0	2	0	0	1
24 BAIRD, Dusty	3.23	2-1	21	0	0	0/0	1	30.2	25	11	11	14	16	4	1	1	.234	2	2	0	1	0
36 BARATTA, Dominic	4.26	3-2	22	2	0	0/1	1	44.1	42	23	21	17	36	5	2	6	.247	0	3	0	0	3
23 ZUGER, Jordan	4.50	2-2	11	11	0	0/0	0	34.0	38	17	17	17	21	6	0	4	.284	4	1	1	0	0
7 BEAN, Andy	4.64	9-1	15	15	1	0/1	0	85.1	73	47	44	36	75	12	0	12	.231	8	9	0	3	2
13 BRENNAN, Kyle	5.02	3-5	30	0	0	0/2	14	37.2	33	21	21	9	35	6	0	7	.234	4	4	1	0	4
44 SOUTH, Joshua	5.11	8-2	15	15	0	0/0	0	88.0	88	53	50	28	82	19	2	11	.257	8	6	4	5	3
9 HUBBELL, Aaron	5.61	2-2	16	1	0	0/0	0	33.2	33	22	21	17	25	5	1	6	.254	3	3	0	0	1
6 LAMBERTH, Lane	5.95	2-0	12	0	0	0/0	0	19.2	28	14	13	3	11	3	0	2	.337	1	2	0	0	0
17 GUISEWITE, Caleb	6.43	0-0	8	0	0	0/0	0	7.0	8	5	5	5	8	1	1	1	.276	0	1	0	0	0
22 JENKINS, Will	6.44	2-1	22	0	0	0/3	2	29.1	23	23	21	19	37	5	0	3	.225	3	10	0	2	2
37 SCHULTZ, Chandle	7.94	0-1	11	0	0	0/1	0	11.1	14	11	10	5	12	1	0	2	.304	1	1	0	0	3
Totals	4.59	39-20	59	59	1	4/4	18	515.2	489	284	263	217	435	82	8	60	.253	39	49	7	16	26
Opponents	5.63	20-39	59	59	2	1/1	11	503.2	569	380	315	230	433	110	15	53	.284	47	52	6	25	16

PB - Team (7), Campbell 5, Barton 2, Opp (9). Pickoffs - Team (10), Campbell 6, Borders 2, Harden 1, Hubbell 1, Opp (12).

MILESTONE WATCH

ALL-TIME CAREER GAMES STARTED

8. Charles Lee (2004-07)	44
Nate Woods (2008-11)	44
10. Alex Renes (2001-04)	40
Josh Moffitt (2005-08)	40

Andy Bean (2020-present): 30

NCAA-ERA CAREER WINS

1. Chase Brookshire (2010-13)	25
2. Cody Blackard (2002-05)	22
Matt Hamann (2008-12)	22
4. Nate Woods (2008-11)	20
Dan Ludwig (2012-15)	20
6. James Buckelew (2011-14)	19
Kyle Brennan (2018-22)	19
8. Joshua South (2018-22)	18
Josh Davis (2010-13)	18
9. Justin Jordan (2002-05)	17
Tyler Vaughn (2015-18)	17

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ALL-TIME CAREER WINNING PERCENTAGE

1. Austin Coley (2012-14)	.928 (13-1)
2. Andy Bean (2020-present)	.833 (15-3)
3. Jeff Cornett (1974-77)	.800 (16-4)
4. Greg Kilgore (1976-79)	.765 (26-8)
5. Brandon Paetznick (2003-07)	.733 (11-4)

NCAA-ERA RUNS BATTED IN

1. Derek Wiley (2006-09)	212
2. Matt Beaty (2012-15)	184
3. Wilson Tucker (2004-07)	173
4. Nate Woods (2008-11)	172
5. Dylan Craig (2009-12)	139
Derek Hamblen (2008-11)	139
Kane Simmons (2004-07)	139
8. Matt Zeblo (2008-11)	133
9. Nick Egli (2014-17)	130
10. Tyler Walsh (2014-17)	129

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ALL-TIME HOME RUNS

1. Derek Wiley (2006-09)	58
2. Nate Woods (2008-11)	40
3. Nick Egli (2014-17)	34
4. Wilson Tucker (2004-07)	32
5. Kane Simmons (2004-07)	30
6. Dan Soukup (2001-04)	29
7. Derek Hamblen (2008-11)	26
Brennan Washington (2014-17)	26
Jerry Wheeler (1976-79)	26
10. Clay Peterson (2002-05)	25
Matt Beaty (2012-15)	25
Hunter Holland (2016-19)	25

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RETURNING BRUIN PRODUCTION

PCT OF INNINGS PITCHED

RETURNING:

63.6%
(328/515)

PCT OF STRIKEOUTS

RETURNING:

64.1%
(279/435)

PCT OF HITS

RETURNING:

21.9%
(125/569)

PCT OF HOME RUNS

RETURNING:

26.4%
(14/53)