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*2023-24 Fairfield University Athletics Annual Report*

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Dear Stags Family,

At the beginning of the academic year, we selected **Compete, Every Play, Every Day** as our theme for the year. As I reflected this summer, I brimmed with a great sense of pride and admiration for our Stags TEAM. They embraced that mindset with passion, positive energy and a relentless commitment, as 450+ student-athletes, as 20 programs and as one department; resulting in truly remarkable outcomes and a memorable 2023-24 season.

We achieved many milestones during the year – more than 200 wins overall in a journey that saw four MAAC Championships, five NCAA appearances, seven Regular Season Conference Titles and two nationally-ranked teams – all culminating in Fairfield’s first MAAC Commissioner’s Cup in more than a decade.

As accomplished as we were in competition, we displayed exceptional effort and acumen in the classroom, producing a 3.53 department GPA with 62 percent of student-athletes awarded Dean’s List honors, resulting in a flourish of University awards bestowed upon our senior Stags as they gathered on Bellarmine Lawn in their red stoles, “Built for Life”, ready to explore the world beyond Fairfield.

While we celebrate the aforementioned successes, we do so with humility and a recognition that these are both a validating benchmark and a progressive step in our aspirational program development. Most importantly, we acknowledge that these impressive accolades are by-products of a consistent mindset that fosters the continued pursuit of personal and collective best. I am honored to be in the daily presence of close to 600 student-athletes, coaches and staff who pursue excellence in all that they do with a tireless work ethic and a contagious enthusiasm.

The 2023-24 Annual Report is undoubtedly a capstone narrative of our Stags TEAM and their exceptional achievements. While it puts a time stamp on an amazing year, it captures what makes the Stags Athletics experience unique and provides a glimpse into what is possible as we look forward to 2024-25 and beyond. Go Stags!

With gratitude for your support,

Paul Schlickmann
Vice President for Athletics
WE ARE STAGS

COMPETE. EVERY PLAY. EVERY DAY.
OUR MISSION
Create a courageous and compassionate department-wide family culture dedicated to personal and collective best, continuous improvement, and whole-person development

OUR VISION
Total human development through a distinctly Jesuit championship experience that cultivates the most prepared and sought-after graduates in the world

OUR MOTTO
VALUES-BASED.
STUDENT-CENTERED.
OUTCOMES-FOCUSED.

OUR PROMISE
BUILT FOR LIFE
**STAGS COMPETE**

We are one in the pursuit of personal and collective best, in the classroom and in competition - never settle, never quit. We compete every play, every day, honoring God, the game, teammates, and competitors - no fear, no limits, no excuses.

**STAGS CARE**

We care more, risk more, and give more than others think wise or possible. We find strength in our diversity - one team, one family, whatever harms any Stag harms me.

**STAGS LEAD**

We are stewards who demonstrate integrity, responsibility, and accountability, striving always to choose the better. We are men and women for and with others, inclusive servant leaders who promote justice by standing up, speaking up, and stepping up for our shared values.

**STAGS GROW**

We are forged and made resilient through our individual and collective adversities. We are balanced, reflective, and growth-minded, playing present in the miracle of the moment- in competition and life.
## STAGS COMPETE

### 2023-24 MAAC COMMISSIONER’S CUP STANDINGS

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### STAGS COMPETE

**OVERALL**

1. Fairfield 161.5
2. Rider 132.05
3. Niagara 131.8
4. Quinnipiac 124.25
5. Siena 112.5
6. Marist 109
7. Iona 108.8
8. Mount St. Mary’s 96.25
9. Canisius 89.3
10. Manhattan 81.75
11. Saint Peter’s 40.5

**MEN’S**

1. Rider 70.3
2. Fairfield 65
3. Marist 59
4. Iona 57.8
5. Niagara 50.8
6. Siena 48.5
7. Quinnipiac 45.5
8. Mount St. Mary’s 44
9. Manhattan 43.5
10. Canisius 30.3
11. Saint Peter’s 28

**WOMEN’S**

1. Fairfield 96.5
2. Niagara 81
3. Quinnipiac 78.75
4. Siena 64
5. Rider 61.75
6. Canisius 59
7. Mount St. Mary’s 52.25
8. Iona 51
9. Marist 50
10. Manhattan 38.25
11. Saint Peter’s 12.5
For the first time since 2011-12, Fairfield Athletics laid its claim to the MAAC Richard J. Ensor, Esq. Commissioner’s Cup.

The Stags also earned the MAAC Women’s Commissioner’s Cup for the third straight season and placed second in the Men’s Commissioner’s Cup standings.

Fairfield scored a total of 161.50 points in the Commissioner’s Cup standings to mark the most in program history and the second highest total in conference history, trailing only Monmouth's 167.25 points in 2015-16. The Stags won MAAC Championships in Volleyball, Women's Basketball and Women's Tennis, also earning the regular season crown in all three of those sports in addition to Men’s Tennis, Women's Lacrosse and Baseball.

Fairfield also racked up points with runner-up postseason finishes in Women’s Soccer, Women’s Swimming & Diving, Men’s Basketball, Men’s Tennis, Men’s & Women’s Golf (including MAAC individual champion Maria Beltran), Women’s Lacrosse and Baseball. In total, 11 of Fairfield’s 17 MAAC sports finished first or second in the conference postseason.

The Stags have won a total of five MAAC Commissioner’s Cups, trailing only Marist (12) among current conference members. Fairfield’s 29.45-point cushion over second-place Rider is the largest in the overall standings since 2007-08.

Fairfield had finished second in the Commissioner’s Cup standings in three consecutive years, including a slim 0.25-point margin behind Quinnipiac on the 2022-23 ledger. The Stags are the only MAAC program to finish in the top-three in the standings in each of the last five seasons.
The MAAC Women's Commissioner's Cup win is Fairfield's third straight and fourth in the last five seasons. The Stags’ 96.50 points on the women's side are the most in MAAC history on either the women’s or men’s ledger. The 15.50-point margin of victory over Niagara is the largest in the women’s standings since 2008-09.

The second-place performance in the men’s standings is Fairfield’s best since 2020-21, improving upon consecutive fifth-place finishes in the last two years. The Stags’ 65.00 points are a Fairfield record on the men’s ledger.

The 2023-24 Stags are the first program to finish in the top two in the overall, women’s and men’s standings since Fairfield placed second on all three ledgers in 2020-21. The last non-Fairfield team to accomplish that feat was Monmouth in 2017-18.

In addition to success within the MAAC, Fairfield teams participated in the NCAA postseason in Volleyball, Women’s Tennis, and Women’s Lacrosse – with the latter earning the first NCAA at-large bid in Fairfield and MAAC women’s lacrosse history. Maria Beltran became the first student-athlete to represent Fairfield Women’s Golf at an NCAA Regional and posted the best-ever performance at a regional by a MAAC women’s golfer. Women’s Basketball and Women’s Lacrosse both earned national rankings during their respective campaigns.

Fairfield also won a Northeast Conference Regular Season Championship in Field Hockey, and Men’s Lacrosse posted a third-place finish in the Coastal Athletic Association and qualified for the CAA postseason for the first time since 2016.

OVERALL COMMISSIONER’S CUP
- Fairfield’s first since 2011-12; fifth overall
- Fairfield’s highest point total ever, second highest in MAAC history
- Largest margin of victory in “11 team era” (since 2013-14) and largest overall since 2007-08
- Only team to be in the top three in each of the last five years

WOMEN’S COMMISSIONER’S CUP
- 12th Women’s Commissioner’s Cup ranks as most all-time
- Fairfield’s third straight Women’s Commissioner’s Cup, fourth in the last five
- Highest point total in either men’s or women’s in MAAC history
- Largest margin of victory in “11 team era” and largest overall since 2008-09

MEN’S COMMISSIONER’S CUP
- Fairfield’s highest point total ever
- Third-largest improvement in points from 2022-23 to 2023-24
For the 13th time in program history, Fairfield University Volleyball is the champion of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference.

The Stags knocked off defending champion Quinnipiac, 3-1, at Leo D. Mahoney Arena to reclaim the conference crown. Maya Walker was named the Championship MVP.

Walker hit .429 in the Stags’ wins over Rider and Quinnipiac to lock up the MVP nod. She put down 2.63 kills per set and had 11 blocks in eight frames of work. She was joined on the All-Tournament Team by Mikayla Haut and Kyla Berg.

In addition to the team’s MAAC-leading 13th conference title, the Stags won the MAAC Regular Season Championship for the 22nd time in the last 28 seasons. Head Coach Nancy Somera is the first coach to win the MAAC in their first season since 2004.

“We started this season as a completely new staff with seven new players and seven returners. Even then, we felt like maybe we had the pieces to have a successful season, but we had to find our way as individuals and as a group,” said Somera. “We’re not standing here today without all 14 players buying in completely and working their tails off from Day 1.”

As the MAAC Champions, the Stags traveled to West Lafayette, Indiana, to challenge #12 Purdue in the NCAA Championship First Round. The Stags saw their championship season come to an end against the Boilermakers by a score of 3-0.
The dream season for #25 Fairfield Women’s Basketball reached its biggest milestone as the Stags hoisted the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference trophy following a thrilling 70-62 overtime victory over Niagara.

The Stags, who trailed for 38 minutes in the game, had to erase a 13-point second half deficit to rally for the historic win.

"I’m just so proud," Head Coach Carly Thibault-DuDonis said. "I’m trying not to get emotional but these are the first happy tears I’ve had in a while. They found a way to bring energy to each other, to connect, and to pour into one another when we needed it. I’m just so proud of them for bringing it home."

Janelle Brown was named the MAAC Championship MVP and was joined on the All-Championship Team by Emina Selimovic and Kaety L’Amoreaux.

The Stags went 20-0 in the MAAC regular season as a part of a 29-game winning streak that culminated with the championship win. Fairfield’s streak was second in the nation only to the eventual unbeaten national champion South Carolina.

The streak and the season came to an end in the NCAA Championship First Round, where the 13th-seeded Stags fell to fourth-seeded and #14 nationally-ranked Indiana. Fairfield ended its historic campaign with a final record of 31-2.
Sarah Liu won the clinching point at #1 singles for the Fairfield University women’s tennis team to claim the 2024 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Championship in thrilling fashion over MAAC rival Quinnipiac.

The top-seeded Stags picked up their conference-best 11th league crown.

Liu’s championship point was the capper of a back-and-forth affair from start to finish between the MAAC’s top two squads. Nicolette Loeffler, Katarina Plumtree and Maeve Cassidy also earned singles wins for the Stags in the contest.

“What a gritty group! They played so well and fought so hard all year, and I’m proud of them for coming through,” said Head Coach Jeff Bricker.

Cassidy was named Championship MVP after a 3-1 weekend. The rookie also won in singles and teamed with Liu for a doubles victory in the Stags’ semifinal win over Siena.

Fairfield entered the NCAA postseason on a nine match winning-streak that included a 6-0 run through the MAAC regular season. The Stags drew #1 Oklahoma State, making the trip to Stillwater to close out their championship campaign at 12-9.
Five birdies for the round and back-to-back pars on holes 53 and 54 propelled Maria Beltran to the 2024 McLeod Trophy as the individual Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Champion.

As a team, the Stags posted their best-ever 54-hole score at the MAAC Championship to share second place on the leaderboard.

Beltran shot even par on the weekend, fueled by two rounds of 71 on the par-72 Palm Golf Course in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. She is Fairfield’s fourth individual MAAC Champion in program history was the first representative of Fairfield Women’s Golf to ever compete at the NCAA Championship.

The MAAC Champion was selected for the NCAA Bermuda Run Regional hosted by Wake Forest University. Beltran shot 72-71-78 to finish with a 54-hole total of 221 (+5) for the tournament. Her final score and 32nd place finish both marked the best performance ever by a MAAC golfer at an NCAA Regional.

Beltran topped the the 35th place finish from Quinnipiac’s Leeyen Peralta in 2022, while her 54-hole score of 221 was five strokes better than the former record of 226 set by Butler’s Jenna Peters in 2013.
STAGS COMPETE

2023-24 TEAM RESULTS

BASEBALL
34-24, MAAC Regular Season Champions
MAAC Championship Finalist

MEN'S BASKETBALL
24-13, MAAC Championship Finalist
CBI Semifinals

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
31-2, MAAC Champions
MAAC Regular Season Champions
NCAA First Round

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
10th of 11 at MAAC Championship

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
8th of 11 at MAAC Championship

FIELD HOCKEY
14-4, NEC Regular Season Champions

MEN'S GOLF
2nd of 9 at MAAC Championship

WOMEN'S GOLF
2nd of 9 at MAAC Championship
Maria Beltran wins McLeod Trophy

MEN'S LACROSSE
8-7, CAA Championship Semifinals

WOMEN'S LACROSSE
16-3, MAAC Regular Season Champions
MAAC Championship Finalist
NCAA First Round (at-large bid)

MEN'S ROWING
Pair, 2V4 and 2V8 qualify for second final at Dad Vail Regatta

WOMEN’S ROWING
3rd of 7 at MAAC Championship

MEN’S SOCCER
6-9-1

WOMEN’S SOCCER
10-6-4, MAAC Championship Finalist

SOFTBALL
14-33

MEN’S SWIMMING & DIVING
4-2, 4th of 9 at MAAC Championship

WOMEN’S SWIMMING & DIVING
5-2, 2nd of 10 at MAAC Championship

MEN’S TENNIS
14-9, MAAC Regular Season Champions,
MAAC Championship Finalist

WOMEN’S TENNIS
12-9, MAAC Champions
MAAC Regular Season Champion
NCAA First Round

VOLLEYBALL
22-7, MAAC Champions
MAAC Regular Season Champions
NCAA First Round

OVERALL RECORD
214-130-5 (.620)

CONFERENCE RECORD
123-36-2 (.770)

HOME RECORD
109-38-2 (.738)
The Stags Care Team provides a spectrum of care for student-athletes to flourish during their career at Fairfield University.

Housed within the athletics department, this team of support staff is here to educate, support and assist student athletes increase their holistic well-being. This program is designed to destigmatize and normalize mental health along the continuum of care. To be the best version of ourselves, it takes using the resources around us like The Stags Care Team. We are here for you because Stags Care.

Dr. Kelly Bommer  
Associate AD  
Student-Athlete Services and Administration

Marcy Haley  
Murphy Center for Ignatian Spirituality

Mike Harris  
Associate AD  
Sports Performance

Corey Holton  
Associate Head Coach  
Women’s Soccer

Kathleen Raj  
Psychological Counselor  
for Student-Athletes

Erin Ryder  
Director of Student-Athlete Success

Marlo Wehrer  
Associate Athletic Trainer
In most organizations, the corner office is often one that is highly desired whether it be for its panoramic view or square footage.

In the Walsh Athletic Center, there is one corner office that is sought out by student-athlete for another reason - a respite from the daily grind of being students and athletes.

In the fall of 2023, Fairfield Athletics welcomed Kathleen Early-Raj ’15 to that corner location, as the former standout women’s soccer goalkeeper returned to the Stags as Fairfield’s first-ever Psychological Counselor for student-Athletes.

Many Fairfield soccer fans may remember her for her stellar play in the goal, earning two All-MAAC berths and graduating as one of the most successful goalkeepers in school history. She finished her career with a 0.75 goals against average, 174 saves, and 32 victories.

She went on to serve as a graduate assistant coach for the Stags, earning a Master’s degree in Clinical Mental Health. It is her experience as a student-athlete and coach that gives her that insight into the demands of student-athletes, allowing her to share her perspective on the demands that student-athletes face on an ongoing basis.

“Having the athletics background is very helpful because it allows them to know that I have an understanding of what they are going through,” Raj said. “I think my athletic experience has added value because it shows that I have been in their shoes. Being a player but also having that coaching background helps me see the bigger picture. I think it is beneficial because it gives me credibility and they don’t have to explain every detail about what is going on in terms of competition and academics.”

Raj’s role supports Fairfield Athletics’ mission of a holistic approach to provide student-athletes with the resources to be successful in competition, in the classroom, and in life through a comprehensive program that includes mental health support. Raj’s goal is to foster psychological growth as part of their personal development.

“As a counselor, it is my philosophy to provide a safe, non-judgmental, and empathetic space where my clients felt seen, heard, and valued,” Raj said. “I strive to create a therapeutic relationship that is rooted in empathy, trust, mutual respect, and acceptance that allow my clients to be their authentic self while supporting them in reaching their goals. Counseling is a collaborative journey, where clients and I work together to facilitate self-discovery, healing, and positive change.”

Student-athletes have the option to seek out Raj and her counsel if they find themselves in need for someone to talk to or just need someone to listen. Once they reach out, Raj allows the student-athlete to take the lead.

“Sessions are all student-driven,” Raj said. “I believe in a person-centered approach where the client is viewed as the expert in their own life. We explore what they are presenting which could encompass academics, athletics, or the demands of balancing both which can often cause stress and anxiety.”

Raj offers student-athletes more than just a confidant. She also provides a space where they can step back and take a moment to reflect and regroup without any pressure.

“I think when they do seek out the resource they are really looking for that safe space and confidential person knowing that everything they talk about stays within that safe space,” Raj said. “They feel like they have ability to take a step away from their rigorous schedule and the pressure that they face as student-athletes.”

When those pressures need to be released, it’s comforting for student-athletes to know that help is just around the corner.
Over the past four seasons, Fairfield has won 17 MAAC/NEC Coach of the Year Awards

Entering 2024-25, 11 of Fairfield’s 16 current head coaches have been named MAAC/NEC Coach of the Year during their tenure with the Stags

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2024 Kay Yow National Coach of the Year
2024 All-Met Coach of the Year
2024 MAAC Coach of the Year
2024 ECAC Coach of the Year
- Led the Stags to their first-ever AP national ranking
- Won the 2024 MAAC Championship
- Guided the Stags to a 29-game winning streak, including a 20-0 run to the MAAC Regular Season Championship

2024 MAAC Diving Coach of the Year
- Fairfield swept the major men’s and women’s diving awards at the MAAC Championship
- The Stags won three of four diving events, with four different men and three different women scoring in the top 8 of at least one event.

2024 MAAC Women’s Coach of the Year
- Led Fairfield to its first MAAC Championship since 2019
- The Stags went 6-0 in conference play to win the MAAC Regular Season Championship
- Also guided Fairfield Men’s Tennis to a regular season title and MAAC Finals appearance

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2024 MAAC Women’s Coach of the Year
- Led the Stags to second place at the MAAC Championship
- Fairfield won Most Outstanding Swimmer and Most Outstanding Diver at the conference meet
- The Stags totaled 18 medals, including nine golds

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After leading the Fairfield University Women’s Basketball team to an historic championship season, Head Coach Carly Thibault-DuDonis was named the Kay Yow National Coach of the Year presented by CollegeInsider.com.

This award is presented annually to the Division I women’s head basketball coach who embodies a winning spirit while displaying great character, on and off the court.

“What a humbling moment to receive the Kay Yow Coach of the Year Award,” Coach Carly said. “Coach Yow’s is a giant in our game and her legacy is still felt so strongly by her former players, coaches, and the entirety of the Women’s Basketball community. This award is incredibly special because it not only recognizes the success of our team, but more importantly it honors Coach Yow and how she led and mentored young women. Thank you to Coach Yow’s family and the rest of the voters, it is a true honor to be mentioned in the same breath as Coach Yow as well as the incredible coaches who won this award before me. You’re only as good as the people around you, and I’m thankful to have the best group I could ask for”

In just her second season at the helm, Coach Carly led the Stags to a program-record 31 wins as part of an historic 31-2 campaign, still standing as the second-highest winning percentage in the nation. That mark featured a conference-record 29 game winning streak and MAAC Championship, the fifth in program history.

Among those 31 wins was a perfect 20-0 league mark. In total, the Stags held a 23-0 record against MAAC foes, culminating with three wins in the MAAC Championship in Atlantic City to capture the tournament title. Fairfield also achieved the program’s first-ever national ranking as they slotted #25 in the AP Top-25 poll and also received voted in the USA Today Coaches Poll.

Fairfield capped off their season with the MAAC Tournament and Regular Season Championship while punching their ticket to the 2024 NCAA Tournament. Coach Carly was an unanimous selection for the MAAC Coach of the Year award.

The award was established in 2010 and is named for legendary women’s head coach Kay Yow, who coached at NC State from 1975 to 2009 before succumbing to stage 4 breast cancer. Yow was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1987 but still continued to coach until the illness forced her to take a medical leave of absence in early 2009. Yow accumulated over 700 wins as a head coach, and also led the United States women’s basketball team to an Olympic gold medal in 1988.
2024 graduate **Allie Bridgman** was selected as Fairfield’s nominee for the 2024 NCAA Woman of the Year Award.

Bridgman was a four-year starter for Fairfield Softball as a pitcher and catcher. In the circle, she earned 13 wins and two saves for the Stags, spinning over 230 innings. At the plate, Bridgman was a .257/.363/.372 hitter with seven home runs and 45 runs batted in, culminating with a game-winning, walk-off RBI in her final plate appearance as a Stag.

Bridgman was a three-year member of the Fairfield Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, culminating with a term as Vice President followed by her senior year as co-President of the organization. She was also involved on campus as a Resident Assistant and an ambassador for the Green Bandanna Project to support student-athlete mental health.

Bridgman graduated summa cum laude in May of 2024 with a degree in Management and minors in Sports Leadership and Psychology. She earned a 3.97 grade-point average, earning the University’s Management Award as well as induction into Beta Gamma Sigma, the International Honor Society for AACSB Accredited Business Programs.
## Major Awards and Honors

### Women's Basketball
- Meghan Andersen: All-Met Rookie of the Year, All-ECAC First Team, MAAC Rookie of the Year
- Janelle Brown: All-Met First Team, All-ECAC Second Team, MAAC Player of the Year

### Men's Basketball
- Caleb Fields: All-Met Third Team
- Brycen Goodine: MAAC Sixth Player of the Year
- Jalen Leach: All-Met Second Team

### Men's Swimming & Diving
- Andrew Cataldo: MAAC Most Outstanding Diver, MAAC Rookie Diver of the Meet

### Women's Swimming & Diving
- Alexis Gaulin: MAAC Most Outstanding Diver
- Nora Segurola Larrinaga: MAAC Most Outstanding Swimmer

### Men's Tennis
- Thomas Smart: #16 Singles Player in New England

### Baseball
- Ethan Hibbard: ABCA All-Region Second Team
- Colin McVeigh: MAAC Pitcher of the Year

### Men's Soccer
- Caroline Kelly: All-New England Third Team

### Men's Lacrosse
- Julian Radossich: CAA Rookie of the Year

### Field Hockey
- Agustina Casteluchi: NFHCA All-Region First Team, NEC Midfielder of the Year
- Madison Milhous: NFHCA All-Region Second Team, NEC Defensive Player of the Year
- Payton Rahn: NFHCA All-Region Second Team, NEC Goalkeeper of the Year
- Alex Senior: NFHCA All-Region Second Team
- Lucie Vincent: NFHCA All-America Third Team, NFHCA All-Region First Team, NEC Offensive Player of the Year, NEC Rookie of the Year

### Women's Soccer
- Lindsey Barnes: USA Lacrosse All-America HM
- Claire Morris: All-ECAC, MAAC Goalkeeper of the Year
- Elizabeth Talluto: USA Lacrosse All-America HM, IWLCA All-Region Second Team, MAAC Offensive Player of the Year

### Women's Lacrosse
- Lindsey Barnes: USA Lacrosse All-America HM
- Claire Morris: All-ECAC, MAAC Goalkeeper of the Year
- Elizabeth Talluto: USA Lacrosse All-America HM, IWLCA All-Region Second Team, MAAC Offensive Player of the Year

### Softball
- Morgan Sylvestre: NFCA All-Region Third Team

### Men's Golf
- Maria Beltran: MAAC Champion

### Women's Golf
- Maria Beltran: MAAC Champion

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- Maria Beltran: MAAC Champion

### Men's Soccer
- Caroline Kelly: All-New England Third Team

### Men's Lacrosse
- Julian Radossich: CAA Rookie of the Year
BASEBALL
- Colin McVeigh - MAAC Pitcher of the Year, All-MAAC First Team
- Ethan Hibbard - All-MAAC First Team
- Zach Selinger - All-MAAC First Team
- Dean Ferrara - All-MAAC First Team
- Matt Bucciero - All-MAAC First Team
- Matt Bergevin - All-MAAC Second Team
- Luke Nomura - All-MAAC Second Team
- Ben Alekson - MAAC All-Rookie Team

MEN’S BASKETBALL
- Brycen Goodine - MAAC Sixth Player of the Year, All-MAAC Third Team
- Jalen Leach - All-MAAC First Team
- Caleb Fields - All-MAAC Second Team

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL
- Janelle Brown - MAAC Player of the Year, All-MAAC First Team
- Meghan Andersen - MAAC Rookie of the Year, All-MAAC First Team, MAAC All-Rookie Team
- Emina Selimovic - All-MAAC Third Team
- Katy L’Amoreaux - MAAC All-Rookie Team

FIELD HOCKEY
- Lucie Vincent - NEC Offensive Player and Rookie of the Year, All-NEC First Team
- Agustina Casteluchi - NEC Midfielder of the Year, All-NEC First Team
- Madison Milhous - NEC Defensive Player of the Year, All-NEC First Team
- Payton Rahn - NEC Goalkeeper of the Year, All-NEC First Team
- Alex Senior - All-NEC First Team
- Frances Mrabile - All-NEC Second Team
- Catalina Ness - All-NEC Second Team

MEN’S GOLF
- Anthony Naples - All-MAAC (T-5th)
- Patrick McCarthy - All-MAAC (T-8th)

WOMEN’S GOLF
- Maria Beltran - McLeod Trophy, All-MAAC (1st)
- Julia Towne - All-MAAC (T-4th)
- Julia Rabadam - All-MAAC (T-9th)

MEN’S LACROSSE
- Julian Radossich - CAA Rookie of the Year, All-CAA First Team, CAA All-Rookie Team
- Will Consoli - All-CAA First Team
- Bryce Ford - All-CAA Second Team
- Keegan Lynch - CAA All-Rookie Team

WOMEN’S LACROSSE
- Elizabeth Talluto - MAAC Offensive Player of the Year, All-MAAC First Team
- Claire Morris - MAAC Goalkeeper of the Year, All-MAAC First Team
- Lindsey Barnes - All-MAAC First Team
- Brynn Donnelly - All-MAAC Second Team
- Rylee Harrell - All-MAAC Second Team
- Julia Rigolizzo - All-MAAC Second Team
- Libby Rowe - All-MAAC Second Team
- Kelly Haggerty - MAAC All-Rookie Team

WOMEN’S ROWING
- Catherine Morrissey - All-MAAC First Team
- Emily Regan - All-MAAC First Team
- Victoria Conrad - All-MAAC Second Team
- Margaret Squire - All-MAAC Second Team
- Cody Read - All-MAAC Third Team

MEN’S SOCCER
- Andrew Cataldo - 3M Dive

SOFTBALL
- Charlie Warren - All-MAAC First Team
- Morgan Sylvestre - All-MAAC Second Team

MEN’S SWIMMING & DIVING (GOLD MEDALS)
- Andrew Cataldo - 3M Dive

WOMEN’S SWIMMING & DIVING (GOLD MEDALS)
- 200 Medley Relay (Pappas, Sandsjo, O’Donnell, Segurola Larrinaga)
- 400 Medley Relay (Pappas, Sandsjo, O’Donnell, Segurola Larrinaga)
- Alexia Gaulin - 1M Dive, 3M Dive
- Erin Hoyland - 1650 Free
- Tone Sandsjo - 100 Breast
- Nora Segurola Larrinaga - 50 Free, 100 Back, 200 Back

MEN’S TENNIS
- Sam Hodges - All-MAAC First Team Singles & Doubles
- Kostas Kollias - All-MAAC First Team Singles & Doubles & First Team Doubles
- Nick Condos - All-MAAC Second Team Singles & First Team Doubles
- Griffin Schlesinger - All-MAAC Second Team Singles
- Luca Benaibouch - All-MAAC First Team Doubles
- Will O’Brien - All-MAAC First Team Doubles
- Thomas Smart - All-MAAC First Team Doubles

WOMEN’S TENNIS
- Maeve Cassidy - All-MAAC First Team Singles & Team Doubles
- Nicolette Loeffer - All-MAAC First Team Singles & Doubles
- Lily Malinowski - All-MAAC First Team Singles & Second Team Doubles
- Katarina Plument - All-MAAC Second Team Singles
- Laina Campos - All-MAAC First Team Doubles
- Francesca Karman - All-MAAC Second Team Doubles
- Sarah Liu - All-MAAC Second Team Doubles

VOLLEYBALL
- Allie Elliot - All-MAAC First Team
- Mikayla Haut - All-MAAC First Team
- Blakely Montgomery - All-MAAC Second Team
- Maya Walker - All-MAAC Second Team
- Marnie Krubially - MAAC All-Rookie Team
MEN'S CO-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

CALEB FIELDS
Men's Basketball

- All-Met Third Team
- All-MAAC Second Team
- School record 113 made three-pointers

BRYCE FORD
Men's Lacrosse

- All-CAA Second Team
- Team-high 52 points
- Fifth all-time at Fairfield with 162 career points

WOMEN'S CO-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

JANELLE BROWN
Women's Basketball

- All-Met First Team
- MAAC Player of the Year
- MAAC Championship MVP
- All-MAAC First Team

ELIZABETH TALLUTO
Women's Lacrosse

- USA Lacrosse All-America Honorable Mention
- IWLCA All-Northeast Region Second Team
- MAAC Offensive Player of the Year
- All-MAAC First Team
ANDREW CATALDO  
Men’s Swimming & Diving  
**MEN’S CO-ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**  
- MAAC Most Outstanding Diver  
- MAAC Rookie Diver of the Meet  
- MAAC Champion (3 Meter Dive)

MEGHAN ANDERSEN  
Women’s Basketball  
**WOMEN’S ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**  
- All-Met Rookie of the Year  
- All-ECAC First Team  
- MAAC Rookie of the Year  
- All-MAAC First Team

JULIAN RADOSSICH  
Men’s Lacrosse  
**MEN’S CO-ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**  
- CAA Rookie of the Year  
- All-CAA First Team  
- School record 27 caused turnovers
ALLIE BRIDGMAN
Softball

WILLIAM WALLIN AWARD
- SAAC co-President
- Team Captain
- Green Bandana Project Ambassador
- Beta Gamma Sigma inductee

MICHAEL HAMILTON
Men’s Rowing

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEN’S SCHOLAR-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR
- Graduated magna cum laude with a degree in Electrical Engineering
- Award for Outstanding Achievement in Electric Engineering
- Sigma Pi Sigma and Pi Mu Epsilon inductee
- Won two Dad Vail gold medals in his career

Evan Keiser
Men’s Lacrosse

WILLIAM WALLIN AWARD
- Founder and President of the Environmental, Social and Governance Club
- Humanitarian Action Fellow
- Alpha Sigma Nu inductee

Elle Scott
Women’s Soccer

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WOMEN’S SCHOLAR-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR
- Graduated magna cum laude with a degree in Marketing
- Three-time MAAC All-Academic
- Three-time All-MAAC First Team honoree
ATHLETICS DIRECTOR’S AWARD

ETHAN HIBBARD
Baseball

- 2024 All-Region Second Team and All-MAAC First Team
- 2023 All-New England Second Team
- Despite recording only nine at-bats prior to 2023, finished his career with 26 home runs and 98 RBI

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR’S AWARD

LIBBY ROWE
Women’s Lacrosse

- Two-time All-MAAC Second Team
- All-time leader in assists (83) and games played (78)
- Third all-time in points (221)
STAGS LEAD
EXCELLENCE IN THE CLASSROOM

3.53
2023-24 DEPARTMENT GPA

62%
OF STUDENT-ATHLETES ON DEAN’S LIST IN ONE OR BOTH SEMESTERS

115
STUDENT-ATHLETES WITH 4.0 GPA IN ONE OR BOTH SEMESTERS

10
TEAMS WITH 1000 APR

MEN'S BASKETBALL
MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
FIELD HOCKEY
MEN'S GOLF
WOMEN'S SOCCER
SOFTBALL
MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING
WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING
WOMEN'S TENNIS

MARIA BELTRAN
2024 MAAC CHAMPION
CSC ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA

2023-24 FAIRFIELD STAGS ANNUAL REPORT
Fairfield Women’s Basketball and Fairfield Women’s Lacrosse both achieved national rankings during their respective seasons. Women’s Basketball earned its first AP national ranking in program history at #25, culminating in a MAAC Championship and a 29-game winning streak.

Women’s Lacrosse earned a place in the IWLCA rankings for the first time since 2009, climbing as high as #22 on the national ledger. The Stags’ résumé merited the first-ever NCAA postseason at-large berth in Fairfield and MAAC women’s lacrosse history.
STAGS GROW

THE CLASS OF 2024
STAGS GROW
CLASS OF 2024 UNIVERSITY ACCOLADES

BELLARMINE MEDAL
AWARD FOR HIGHEST FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC AVERAGE
EMINA SELIMOVIC, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

MANAGEMENT AWARD
TO THE GRADUATING SENIOR MAJORING IN MANAGEMENT FOR OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
ALLIE BRIDGMAN, SOFTBALL

JOHN & VERONICA GLEASON AWARD
FOR THE GRADUATING SENIOR WITH THE HIGHEST ACADEMIC AVERAGE
EMINA SELIMOVIC, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

INSTITUTE OF INTERNAL AUDITORS
SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER FOR SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT IN AUDITING
KYLIA BERG, VOLLEYBALL

DEAN’S AWARD
BEST SENIOR DESIGN PROJECT
MICHAEL HAMILTON, MEN’S ROWING

PHOENIX TOWER INTERNATIONAL AWARD
FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN THE FIELD OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP
EVAN KEISER, MEN’S LACROSSE
OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

WOMEN, GENDER & SEXUALITY STUDIES

JANELLE BROWN, WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

ROBERT DILLON, MEN’S CROSS COUNTRY

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

PUBLIC RELATIONS

MEGAN BLAIR, WOMEN’S ROWING

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

MICHAEL HAMILTON, MEN’S ROWING
STAGS GROW

CLASS OF 2024 UNIVERSITY ACCOLADES

ALPHA MU GAMMA
FOREIGN LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETY

BAILEY TAYLOR, SOFTBALL

ALPHA SIGMA NU
NATIONAL JESUIT HONOR SOCIETY

EVAN KEISER, MEN’S LACROSSE
MOLLY SENTOWSKI, WOMEN’S LACROSSE
CARMEL VAN DIJK, FIELD HOCKEY

BETA GAMMA SIGMA
INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY FOR AACSB ACCREDITED BUSINESS PROGRAMS

ALLIE BRIDGMAN, SOFTBALL
EMILY DALLA RIVA, WOMEN’S CROSS COUNTRY
MALCOLM MACINNES, MEN’S LACROSSE
CARMEL VAN DIJK, FIELD HOCKEY

LAMBDA PI ETA
COMMUNICATION HONOR SOCIETY

MEGAN BLAIR, WOMEN’S ROWING

OMICRON DELTA EPSILON
ECONOMICS HONOR SOCIETY

CAM BARISANO, MEN’S LACROSSE

SIGMA PI SIGMA
PHYSICS HONOR SOCIETY

MICHAEL HAMILTON, MEN’S ROWING

SIGMA THETA TAU
INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY FOR NURSING

BAILEY TAYLOR, SOFTBALL
STAGS GROW

FUNDRAISING SUCCESS

$2,516,902

raised to support Fairfield University student-athletes in 2023-24

GIVING TUESDAY

- Giving Tuesday-record $261,176 raised and 258 total donors to benefit the Built for Life Fund and various team-specific funds
- 21% increase in donor support and 15% increase in overall financial support from the prior year

STAGIVING DAY

- New STAGiving Day record of 1,534 gifts
- Athletics raised a total of $1,080,544 to benefit the wellbeing and championship experience of Stags’ student-athletes

THANK YOU!

- A total of more than 3,000 gifts received from Friends of Athletics in 2023-24

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