

2024-25

ANNUAL REPORT



**FAIRFIELD
UNIVERSITY**





**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.**

FORGED RESILIENT

8

**CONFERENCE
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

8

**NCAA
APPEARANCES**

5

**REGULAR SEASON
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

10

**INDIVIDUAL MAAC
CHAMPIONS**

.592

**OVERALL WIN
PERCENTAGE**



FAIRFIELD FIELD HOCKEY
2024 NORTHEAST CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS



***FAIRFIELD WOMEN'S SOCCER
2024 METRO ATLANTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS***



FAIRFIELD VOLLEYBALL
2024 METRO ATLANTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS



FAIRFIELD WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
2024-25 METRO ATLANTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS



***FAIRFIELD WOMEN'S LACROSSE
2025 METRO ATLANTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS***



***FAIRFIELD WOMEN'S ROWING
2025 METRO ATLANTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS***



FAIRFIELD BASEBALL
2025 METRO ATLANTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

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A LETTER FROM STAG COUNTRY

VICE PRESIDENT FOR ATHLETICS PAUL SCHLICKMANN

Dear Stags Family,

It was this time last year that we published our Annual Report to rightfully celebrate an outstanding year that saw our Stags win three MAAC Championships and record eight runner-up conference finishes. While we secured our first Commissioner's Cup win in more than a decade, we knew there was a collective desire to continue our competitive progression and achieve greater heights. Thus, on the heels of that success, we chose the theme **Forged Resilient** for 2024-25 to serve as a daily mantra and motivating guidepost in our relentless pursuit of competitive excellence.

Our student-athletes and staff answered the call and upheld the spirit of that theme with exceptional results and an historic year for Stags Athletics, earning a record EIGHT conference titles – including four from teams that finished in second place the prior year – as well as ten individual MAAC championships.

All of this culminated in our second consecutive MAAC Commissioner's Cup and fourth straight MAAC Women's Commissioner's Cup. These accomplishments fueled eight NCAA tournament appearances and unprecedented success on the national stage with our best-ever performance in the Learfield Director's Cup, where we finished 10th of more than 100 schools in the I-AAA classification and fifth among the 21 Division I Jesuit Catholic institutions.

In the pages that follow, you will see the unique achievements of our 20 varsity athletics programs and the remarkable individual accomplishments of our 500 student-athletes in all aspects of their holistic educational experience, including a record 3.57 department GPA and the completion of more than 4,000 hours of community service!

Every new success and every new milestone is undoubtedly a reflection of TEAM and FAMILY. Our Stags have created and fostered a culture of hard work, commitment, and collective accountability that permeates our department and inspires all of us to become the best version of ourselves in support of one another.

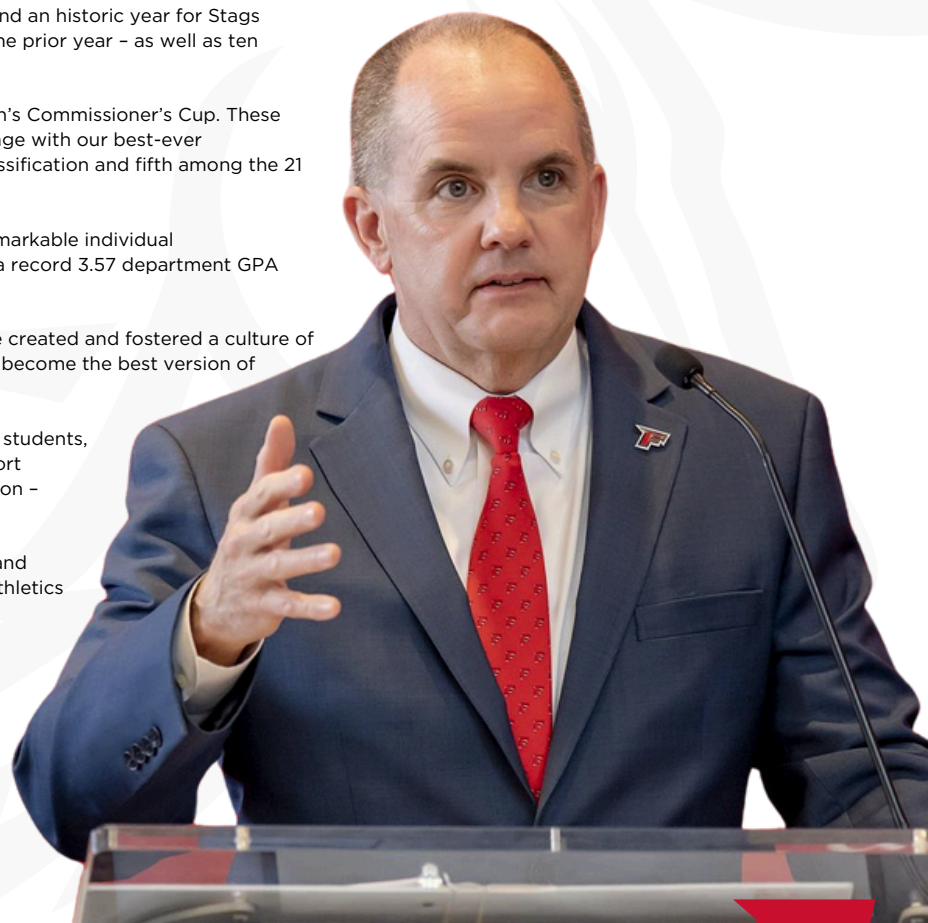
As you view the 2024-25 Annual Report, I encourage you to join us in celebrating our historic year. As alumni, students, parents, and fans, you are and will always be integral to the ongoing success of the Fairfield Stags. Your support reached new heights this past year, with a record 3,295 gifts to Fairfield Athletics totaling more than \$2.9 million – including an all-time high of \$2.68 million in operational support.

Your contributions to our record-setting fundraising efforts, the boisterous crowds that fill our home venues, and overall support for our student-athletes in all their endeavors are vital to our growth as an institution and an athletics department and our continued rise to national prominence.

Go Stags!



Paul Schlickmann
Vice President for Athletics



WE ARE STAGS



OUR MISSION

Create a courageous and compassionate department-wide family culture dedicated to personal and collective best, continuous improvement, and whole-person development

OUR MOTTO

*VALUES-BASED.
STUDENT-CENTERED.
OUTCOMES-FOCUSED.*

OUR VISION

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

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

2024-25 MAAC COMMISSIONER'S CUP STANDINGS

OVERALL

1	Fairfield	197
2	Quinnipiac	185
3	Rider	171.5
4	Siena	162.5
5	Iona	161
6	Marist	146
7	Mount St. Mary's	143
8	Sacred Heart	125
9	Merrimack	109.5
10	Manhattan	102
11	Canisius	101.5
12	Niagara	84.5
13	Saint Peter's	31

MEN'S

1	Rider	95.5
2	Iona	84
3	Siena	78
4	Quinnipiac	76
5	Marist	73
6	Mount St. Mary's	72
7	Sacred Heart	68
8	Fairfield	64.5
9	Manhattan	58
10	Merrimack	52.5
11	Niagara	34.5
12	Canisius	31
13	Saint Peter's	14.5

WOMEN'S

1	Fairfield	132.5
2	Quinnipiac	109
3	Siena	84.5
4	Iona	77
5	Rider	76
6	Marist	73
7	Mount St. Mary's	71
8	Canisius	70.5
t9	Merrimack	57
t9	Sacred Heart	57
11	Niagara	50
12	Manhattan	44.5
13	Saint Peter's	16.5



STAGS COMPETE

***FAIRFIELD WINS SECOND CONSECUTIVE MAAC COMMISSIONER'S CUP,
FOURTH STRAIGHT WOMEN'S COMMISSIONER'S CUP***

For the second consecutive year and the sixth time in program history, Fairfield University Athletics has won the Richard J. Ensor, Esq. MAAC Commissioner's Cup.

The Stags also claimed the Commissioner's Cup for Women's Sports for the fourth straight academic year, as Fairfield Athletics won seven Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Championships and eight conference titles in total during the 2024-25 season.

The Richard J. Ensor, Esq. MAAC Commissioner's Cup is awarded annually as a symbol of overall excellence in athletics in the 23 championships conducted within the MAAC. Only the scores from Men's & Women's Basketball, plus the top six men's and top six women's scores are used to determine an institution's total points.

"We are honored and thrilled to receive the 2024-25 Ensor Commissioner's Cup. This is a true TEAM Award!" said Fairfield Vice President for Athletics Paul Schlickmann. "It is indicative of our University and Athletics Department's shared vision and commitment to comprehensive competitive excellence. We are grateful to all our campus partners who provide relentless support to our programs throughout the year."

After winning back-to-back Commissioner's Cups for the first time, Fairfield has now won a total of six – trailing only Marist (12) among current conference members. The Stags' 13th Women's Commissioner's Cup extends their own conference record.



MAAC COMMISSIONER'S CUP

OVERALL	WOMEN'S	MEN'S
1994-95	1993-94	1994-95
1997-98	1994-95	1996-97
2008-09	1997-98	2011-12
2011-12	1998-99	
2023-24	1999-00	
2024-25	2001-02	
	2008-09	
	2014-15	
	2019-20	
	2021-22	
	2022-23	
	2023-24	
	2024-25	



STAGS COMPETE

***FAIRFIELD WINS SECOND CONSECUTIVE MAAC COMMISSIONER'S CUP,
FOURTH STRAIGHT WOMEN'S COMMISSIONER'S CUP***

"On behalf of all of us at Fairfield, we are delighted to once again bring home the MAAC Commissioner's Cup. To win this award for the second consecutive year is a testament to our commitment to achievement and pre-eminence in all our endeavors," said President Mark R. Nemec, PhD. "As our university continues its rise in national prominence, our student-athletes, in partnership with our coaches and athletic staff, have consistently carried forward as models of modern excellence, not only as accomplished athletes, but as exemplary students, and as men and women for others in our community."

This year's Commissioner's Cup victory was carried by an impressive collection of MAAC Championships as the Stags claimed seven MAAC Tournament Titles. Fairfield raised the championship trophy in Women's Soccer, Volleyball, Women's Basketball, Women's Lacrosse, Men's Golf, Women's Rowing and Baseball and won the MAAC Regular Season Championship in Women's Soccer, Volleyball, Women's Basketball and Women's Lacrosse.

In addition to team accolades, Fairfield student-athletes won 10 individual MAAC Championships encompassing Women's Cross Country, Men's and Women's Swimming & Diving, Women's Tennis, Men's Golf and Women's Rowing.

"I applaud all our student-athletes, coaches, administrators, and support staff for their collective effort in achieving this annual goal while recording the most successful year in Stags Athletics history," said Schlickmann. "Each of our 20 varsity programs and all 500 student-athletes - even those who don't compete in the MAAC - foster a dynamic culture in which we support each other, challenge each other, and hold each other accountable in ways that allow us to achieve and celebrate success."

Fairfield Athletics finished the 2024-25 academic year with a record of 209-143-6 (.592) in head-to-head contests. This mark includes a 124-43-4 (.737) tally in conference play and a 103-39-1 (.724) record in all home games.



MAAC COMMISSIONER'S CUP

AT A GLANCE

OVERALL COMMISSIONER'S CUP

- Fairfield's first-ever back-to-back Commissioner's Cups
- Highest point total in MAAC history
- Sixth consecutive season ranked in top three

WOMEN'S COMMISSIONER'S CUP

- 13th Women's Commissioner's Cup (most all-time)
- Fourth straight Women's Commissioner's Cup, fifth in the last five
- Highest point total in MAAC history

MEN'S COMMISSIONER'S CUP

- Fairfield's highest men's point total ever
- First season with multiple men's MAAC Championships since 2011-12



STAGS COMPETE

STAGS RANK TOP 10 IN I-AAA IN FINAL LEARFIELD DIRECTORS' CUP STANDINGS

Fairfield University Athletics ranked among the top 10 I-AAA programs in the nation in the final Learfield Directors' Cup Standings for the 2024-25 academic year. The Stags were also the top MAAC program on the final ledger, more than doubling-up second-place Quinnipiac.

The Learfield Cup measures success across all NCAA programs with points earned for participation and advancement in NCAA Tournament play. The University of Texas was the overall Learfield Cup champion, while the University of Denver topped the I-AAA classification.








Fairfield finished 10th in the I-AAA class, which includes the more than 100 Division I athletic programs that do not sponsor football. The Stags garnered 185 points in the standings after winning a school-record eight conference championships in 2024-25. Fairfield claimed conference titles and NCAA postseason berths in women's soccer, volleyball, women's basketball, men's golf, women's lacrosse, women's rowing and baseball, along with an NEC Championship in field hockey.

In addition to breaking into the top-10 in I-AAA, Fairfield's 185 points placed them atop the MAAC significantly in front of second-place Quinnipiac's 80 total points. The Stags also ranked fifth of the 21 Division I Jesuit institutions in final the Learfield Cup standings.

Fairfield was joined in the top 10 in I-AAA by Denver, Boston University, Pepperdine, UC Santa Barbara, Providence, Vermont, Loyola Marymount, Creighton and Cal Baptist.



LEARFIELD DIRECTORS' CUP DIVISION I-AAA FINAL STANDINGS

	DENVER	404.25
	BOSTON U.	314.50
	PEPPERDINE	295.00
	UC SANTA BARBARA	235.00
	PROVIDENCE	227.50
	VERMONT	225.00
	LOYOLA MARYMOUNT	200.00
	CREIGHTON	198.00
	CAL BAPTIST	188.50
	FAIRFIELD	185.00



STAGS COMPETE

2024-25 TEAM RESULTS

BASEBALL MAAC CHAMPIONS

39-19, 21-8 MAAC
NCAA Conway Regional

MEN'S BASKETBALL

12-20, 8-12 MAAC

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL MAAC CHAMPIONS

28-5, 19-1 MAAC
MAAC Regular Season Champions
NCAA Lexington Regional

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

8th of 13 at MAAC Championship

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

9th of 13 at MAAC Championship
Individual MAAC Champion (Hannah Snayd '27)

FIELD HOCKEY NEC CHAMPIONS

12-9, 6-2 NEC
NCAA First Round

MEN'S GOLF MAAC CHAMPIONS

1st of 11 at MAAC Championship
Individual MAAC Champion (Tadgh Burke '28)
NCAA Reno Regional

WOMEN'S GOLF

6th of 8 at MAAC Championship

MEN'S LACROSSE

12-3, 5-2 CAA
Nationally-ranked for 10 weeks
CAA Semifinals

WOMEN'S LACROSSE MAAC CHAMPIONS

11-8, 7-1 MAAC
NCAA First Round

MEN'S ROWING

Novice 8 wins silver at Dad Vail Regatta
Novice 8 wins first Fairfield gold at Knecht Cup

WOMEN'S ROWING MAAC CHAMPIONS

1st of 9 at MAAC Championship
Varsity 8 wins MAAC Championship
First-ever NCAA Championship appearance

MEN'S SOCCER

3-9-5, 2-3-3 MAAC

WOMEN'S SOCCER MAAC CHAMPIONS

18-3-1, 10-1-1 MAAC
MAAC Regular Season Champions
NCAA First Round

SOFTBALL

26-26, 18-7 MAAC
MAAC Semifinals

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

3 individual MAAC Championships
5-3; 3rd of 9 at MAAC Championship
Andrew Cataldo '27, NCAA Zone Diving qualifier

WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

3 individual MAAC Championships
5-3; 2nd of 12 at MAAC Championship

MEN'S TENNIS

9-9, 5-3 MAAC
MAAC Quarterfinals

WOMEN'S TENNIS

8-14, 6-2 MAAC
MAAC Finalist
MAAC Masters Champion (Anna Neyestani)

VOLLEYBALL MAAC CHAMPIONS

21-12, 17-1 MAAC
MAAC Regular Season Champions
NCAA First Round



STAGS CARE

COMMUNITY SERVICE SNAPSHOT

PARTNERS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- Town of Fairfield
- Fairfield University
- Beach Residents Association Group
- Colony Grill
- Blackham School
- Riverfield Elementary School
- Covenant School
- Bryant School
- Bridgeport Youth Lacrosse
- Hoops and Dreams
- Alzheimer's Association
- Memorial Sloan Kettering
- Al's Angels
- American Cancer Society
- MADD
- American Suicide Foundation
- Girl Scouts of America

RESULTS

Every student-athlete completed at least one service or volunteer experience during the 2024-25 academic year, totaling **4,022** hours of community service



Fairfield was selected as a Top 20 finalist for the **NACDA Community Service Award presented by Fiesta Bowl**. Fairfield Athletics partnered with the University and Town of Fairfield, Connecticut to host weekly Sunday morning coastal clean ups throughout the academic year. The Stags led the efforts to pick up garbage along the coastline and our beaches. The efforts reached full participation by every varsity student-athlete, where they collected nearly 1,000 bags of waste from the Fairfield coastline.



STAGS CARE

THE BUILT FOR LIFE PROGRAM

The 2024-2025 academic year launched the official start of the Built for Life Program: a best-in-class holistic student-athlete development program rooted in the four culture commitments of Stags Compete, Stags Care, Stags Lead, and Stags Grow. Each of the four class years is tied to one of the culture commitments and programming is presented throughout the year. Student-athlete participation is strongly encouraged- and 82% of student-athletes participated in the most recent year of programming.



PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS

- Learn from Your Leaders
- Self Care, Self Love, Self Compassion
- DiSC Assessments
- Financial Literacy
- A Night with Sally Jenkins
- Mindful Mondays
- Student-Athlete Support Groups
- Stags Care Ambassadors
- Stress Less Week



STAGS LEAD

HEAD COACH JACKIE KANE '87

After a career spanning 30 years, Head Coach Jackie Kane retired as the leader of Fairfield Field Hockey at the conclusion of the 2024 season.

A 1987 Fairfield graduate, Kane won 263 games at Fairfield since taking the helm in 1995. The 2024 Northeast Conference Championship marked her sixth conference title with the Stags while also leading Fairfield into the NCAA postseason for the sixth time.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to represent Fairfield Field Hockey for 30 years," said Kane. "Thank you to Paul Schlickmann for his support of the amazing young women that have come through our program, and to Gene Doris for believing in me and taking a chance on me as a first-time college head coach. Thank you to all of my assistant coaches over the years, as well as the countless others who have been a part of this journey, especially Alison Sexton, Mark Ayotte and Jack Jones who have been supporting the field hockey program for almost as long as I have."

"Most of all," Kane continued, "I want to thank all of the past and present Fairfield University Field Hockey student-athletes and their families for allowing me to be a part of their lives. It has been my pleasure to serve as your coach. Fairfield Field Hockey is and will always be a huge part of my life. I am looking forward to leading the team this fall and continuing to be a part of this amazing program as an alumna, friend and fan for many years to come. Once a Stag, always a Stag."

Kane has led the Stags to six NCAA postseason appearances after winning the Patriot League Championship in 2001, the MAAC Championship in 2015 and 2017 and the NEC Championship in 2019 and 2021. Kane and her staff were named the NFHCA Mid-east Region Coaching Staff of the Year in 2019 after earning an NFHCA national ranking and winning a program-record 19 games - including the first-ever NCAA postseason win in program history with a 3-1 win over #23 American on University Field. Kane's players have been recognized as All-Conference, Conference Player of the Year, Regional All American and All Americans throughout her tenure.

Kane's 263 career wins rank 33rd all-time in NCAA Division I history. After coaching her 30th campaign in 2024, she surpassed former Fairfield Men's Tennis Head Coach Dr. Joseph Grassi as the longest tenured varsity head coach in Fairfield Athletics history.

Individually, Kane has coached more than 40 NFHCA Regional All-Americans, 14 conference Players of the Year and the first three All-Americans in program history.

During her tenure, Kane also espoused the importance of community service to her student-athletes which led to many projects including fundraisers for the Susan G. Komen Foundation, Play for the Cure, Lil Stags Field Hockey as well as many local organizations. The program also reached out to communities beyond the United States, planning service trips to places such as Barbados and parts of Europe.

In addition to the success on the pitch, Kane saw her student-athletes excel academically. The Stags received individual and team recognition for their accomplishments in the classroom over her 30 years at the helm. In 2021, Fairfield Field Hockey ranked #1 in NCAA Division I for highest team GPA with 24 student-athletes named to the NFHCA National Academic Squad. That squad owned a 3.79 team GPA in the fall, which was also best among all Fairfield athletic teams that year.

A four-year member of the Fairfield Field Hockey team as a student-athlete from 1983-86, Kane graduated in 1987 with a B.A. in Communication. She earned an M.A. in Education from Saint Joseph's in 1992. She began her coaching career at her high school alma mater - Mount St. Joseph Academy in Flourtown, Pa, where Kane led the Chiefs to two championship games and posted a 38-7-5 record in three seasons.



STAGS LEAD

2024-25 COACH OF THE YEAR AWARDS



DOUG HOLUB

2025 MAAC Men's Coach of the Year

- Led Fairfield to its first MAAC Championship since 1997
- Second career Men's Coach of the Year Award, fifth total



ANDREW BAXTER

2025 CAA co-Coach of the Year

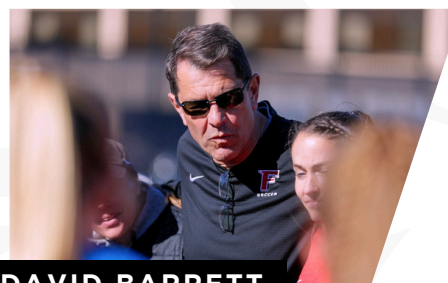
- Fairfield tied a program record with 12 wins and went 8-0 at Rafferty Stadium
- The Stags were nationally ranked for 10 weeks during the campaign
- Finished second in the CAA, the team's best since 2016



DAVID PATTERSON

2025 MAAC Coach of the Year

- Guided Fairfield to first MAAC Championship since 2000 and first-ever NCAA postseason appearance
- Second career MAAC Coach of the Year award



DAVID BARRETT

2024 MAAC Coach of the Year 2024 ECAC Coach of the Year 2024 New England Coach of the Year

- Led Fairfield to its first MAAC Championship and NCAA postseason bid since 2008
- Tied a program record with 18 victories



NANCY SOMERA

2024 MAAC Coach of the Year

- Led Fairfield to second consecutive MAAC Championship and NCAA postseason bid
- Also won second straight MAAC Regular Season Championship

Entering 2025-26, 10 of Fairfield's 16 current head coaches have been named Coach of the Year during their tenure with the Stags

STAGS LEAD

AWARDS AND HONORS

BASEBALL

- Matthew Bucciero - All-Northeast Region First Team, All-MAAC First Team, MAAC Championship MVP
- Ben Alekson - All-Northeast Region Second Team, All-MAAC First Team
- Dean Ferrara - All-Northeast Region Second Team, All-MAAC First Team
- Luke Nomura - All-MAAC First Team
- Bowen Baker - All-MAAC Second Team
- Tyler Kipp - All-MAAC Second Team

MEN'S BASKETBALL

- Prophet Johnson - All-MAAC Third Team

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- Meghan Andersen - All-Met First Team, All-MAAC First Team, MAAC Championship MVP
- Kaety L'Amoreaux - All-Met Second Team, All-MAAC Second Team
- Emina Selimovic - All-MAAC Third Team
- Raiana Brown - MAAC Sixth Player of the Year
- Cyanne Coe - MAAC All-Rookie Team

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

- Hannah Snayd - MAAC Champion**, MAAC Most Outstanding Runner, MAAC Rookie of the Year, ECAC Champion

FIELD HOCKEY

- Catalina Ness - All-Mideast Region First Team, All-NEC First Team, NEC Championship MVP
- Pilar Mengotti - All-Mideast Region Second Team, All-NEC Second Team
- Agustina Casteluchi - All-NEC Second Team
- Madison Milhous - All-NEC Second Team
- Alex Senior - All-NEC Second Team

MEN'S GOLF

- Tadgh Burke - MAAC Champion**, All-MAAC Second Team
- Peter Crowe - All-MAAC First Team
- Colin Summers - All-MAAC First Team
- Rasmus Ditzinger - All-MAAC Second Team

WOMEN'S GOLF

- Julia Rabadam - All-MAAC Second Team
- Katelynn Wacławski - All-MAAC Second Team

MEN'S LACROSSE

- Julian Radossich - USILA All-America Honorable Mention, Inside Lacrosse All-America Honorable Mention, USA Lacrosse All-America Honorable Mention, All-New England First Team, CAA Defensive Player of the Year, All-CAA First Team
- Luke Okupski - USA Lacrosse All-America Honorable Mention, All-CAA First Team
- Will Consoli - All-New England Second Team, All-CAA First Team
- Keegan Lynch - All-CAA First Team
- Jake Gilbert - All-CAA Second Team
- Rob Moore - All-CAA Second Team
- Owen Hirsch - All-CAA Second Team
- Devin Lampron - CAA All-Rookie Team

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

- Amanda Kozak - IWLC Senior All-Star, MAAC Offensive Player of the Year, MAAC Championship MVP, All-MAAC First Team
- Macey Daly - IWLC Senior All-Star, All-MAAC First Team
- Brynn Donnelly - All-MAAC First Team
- Haley Burns - All-MAAC Second Team
- Kelly Haggerty - All-MAAC Second Team
- Grace Slater - All-MAAC Second Team
- Tessa Caputo - MAAC All-Rookie Team
- Keira Furey - MAAC All-Rookie Team

WOMEN'S ROWING

- Varsity 8 - MAAC Champion**
- Victoria Conrad - All-MAAC First Team
- Catherine Morrissey - All-MAAC First Team
- Margaret Squire - All-MAAC First Team
- Alexandra Tomlinson - All-MAAC First Team
- Arianna Welton - All-MAAC First Team

MEN'S SOCCER

- William Pierce - All-MAAC First Team

WOMEN'S SOCCER

- Maddy Theriault - All-New England First Team, All-ECAC Second Team, All-Northeast Second Team, MAAC Championship MVP, MAAC Golden Boot, All-MAAC First Team
- Reagan Klarmann - All-New England Second Team, All-Northeast Third Team, All-MAAC First Team
- Meghan Carragher - All-New England Third Team, All-MAAC First Team
- Elle Scott - All-New England Third Team, All-MAAC Second Team
- Caroline Kelly - All-ECAC Third Team, All-MAAC First Team
- Sam Kersey - All-MAAC First Team
- Allie Kirby - All-MAAC Third Team
- Ashlyn Walsh - All-MAAC Third Team

SOFTBALL

- Alyssa Weinberg - NFCA All-East Third Team, All-MAAC First Team
- Anna Paravati - MAAC Defensive Player of the Year, All-MAAC Second Team
- Charli Warren - All-MAAC First Team
- Delaney Whieldon - All-MAAC First Team
- Ava Armuth - MAAC All-Rookie Team

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

Three individual MAAC Champions

- Andrew Cataldo - 1M Dive (284.55)
- Christopher Dauser - 100 Fly (47.57)
- Chris Weber - 200 Fly (1:46.89)

WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

Three individual MAAC Champions

- Erini Pappas - 100 Back (55.43)
- Tone Sandsjo - 100 Breast (1:00.61)
- Pappas, Sandsjo, Kisakol, Thompson - 200 MR (1:40.61)

MEN'S TENNIS

- Kostas Kollias - All-MAAC First Team singles
- Calum Jessett - All-MAAC Second Team singles
- Alex Aguiar - All-MAAC Second Team doubles
- Sam Hodges - All-MAAC Second Team doubles

WOMEN'S TENNIS

- Anna Neyestani - MAAC Masters Champion**, All-MAAC First Team singles, All-MAAC Second Team doubles
- Victoria Mandma - All-MAAC First Team singles and doubles
- Maria Gell - All-MAAC First Team doubles
- Maeve Cassidy - All-MAAC Second Team singles
- Lily Malinowski - All-MAAC Second Team doubles

VOLLEYBALL

- Allie Elliott - All-MAAC First Team
- Mamie Krubally - All-MAAC First Team, MAAC Championship MVP
- Maya Walker - All-MAAC First Team
- Mikayla Haut - All-MAAC Second Team
- Blakely Montgomery - All-MAAC Second Team
- Harlan Wyche - MAAC All-Rookie Team



STAGS LEAD

FAIRFIELD ATHLETICS AWARDS



DEAN FERRARA

Baseball

MEN'S CO-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

- All-Northeast Region Second Team
- All-MAAC First Team
- Fairfield and MAAC record 99 hits



MADDY THERIAULT

Women's Soccer

WOMEN'S ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

- All-New England First Team
- All-ECAC and All-Northeast Second Team
- MAAC Golden Boot Award
- All-MAAC First Team



JULIAN RADOSSICH

Men's Lacrosse

MEN'S CO-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

- Consensus All-America Honorable Mention
- All-New England First Team
- CAA Defensive Player of the Year
- Fairfield record 42 caused turnovers



STAGS LEAD

FAIRFIELD ATHLETICS AWARDS



TADGH BURKE

Men's Golf

MEN'S CO-ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

- MAAC Champion
- All-MAAC Second Team



HANNAH SNAYD

Women's Cross Country

WOMEN'S ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

- MAAC Champion
- ECAC Champion
- MAAC Rookie of the Year

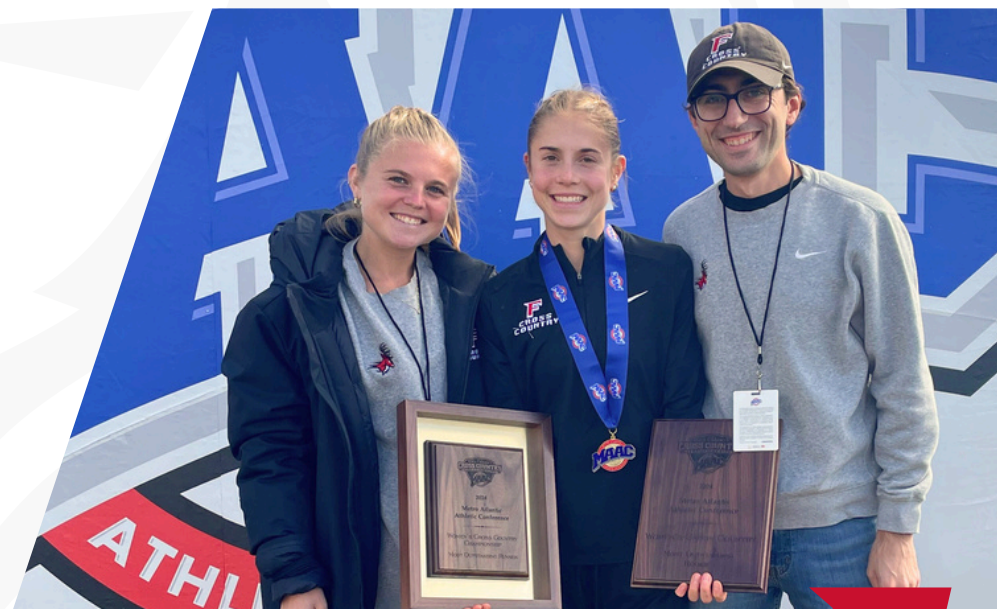


DEVIN LAMPRON

Men's Lacrosse

MEN'S CO-ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

- CAA All-Rookie Team
- Team-leading 30 goals
- 37 total points



STAGS LEAD

FAIRFIELD ATHLETICS AWARDS



MARIANNA KALIN

Women's Rowing

WILLIAM WALLIN AWARD

- MAAC Champion coxswain
- Tour Ambassador and Senior Admissions Fellow
- Organized over 500 hours of community service

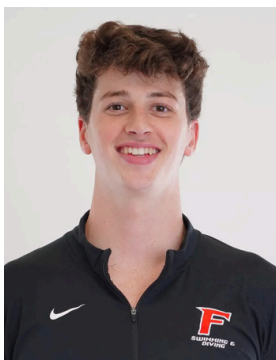


BLAKELY MONTGOMERY

Volleyball

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WOMEN'S SCHOLAR-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

- Graduated *summa cum laude* with a degree in Nursing
- All-MAAC Second Team
- Three-time MAAC Champion



JOSEPH STEWART

Men's Swimming & Diving

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEN'S SCHOLAR-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

- Graduated *cum laude* with a degree in Sociology & Anthropology
- Holds nine Fairfield records
- Won three medals at 2025 MAAC Championship



EMINA SELIMOVIC

Women's Basketball

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WOMEN'S SCHOLAR-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

- Graduated *summa cum laude* with a B.S. in Economics in 2024 and an M.B.A. in 2025
- Earned the Bellarmine Medal in 2024
- Two-time All-MAAC and two-time MAAC Champion

STAGS LEAD

FAIRFIELD ATHLETICS AWARDS



REAGAN KLARMANN

Women's Soccer

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR'S AWARD

- Three-year team captain
- All-New England Second Team
- All-Northeast Third Team
- All-MAAC First Team



GABRIELLA TEJEDA

Women's Swimming & Diving

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR'S AWARD

- Team captain
- Member of SAAC Executive Board
- Scored at MAAC Championships in 2023 and 2024



LUKE OKUPSKI

Men's Lacrosse

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR'S AWARD

- Two-year team captain
- USA Lacrosse All-America Honorable Mention
- All-CAA First Team



STAGS LEAD

EXCELLENCE IN THE CLASSROOM

8 MAAC-BEST

TEAMS WITH
MULTI-YEAR
1000 APR

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
MEN'S GOLF
WOMEN'S GOLF
SOFTBALL
WOMEN'S SOCCER
MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING
WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

136

STUDENT-ATHLETES WITH 4.0 GPA
IN ONE OR BOTH SEMESTERS

OVER
80%

OF STUDENT-ATHLETES
ON DEAN'S LIST IN ONE
OR BOTH SEMESTERS

3.57

2024-25
DEPARTMENT
GPA

ALL **20**

TEAMS OVER
3.0 GPA FOR
THE YEAR



ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT

MEGHAN ANDERSEN, BASKETBALL
MATTHEW BUCCIERO, BASEBALL
MAEVE CASSIDY, TENNIS
AGUSTINA CASTELUCHI, FIELD HOCKEY
ANDREW CATALDO, SWIMMING & DIVING
VICTORIA CONRAD, ROWING
MACEY DALY, LACROSSE
ALLIE ELLIOTT, VOLLEYBALL
MIKAYLA HAUT, VOLLEYBALL
BLAKE HELMSTETTER, BASEBALL
OWEN HIRSCH, LACROSSE
ERIN HOYLAND, SWIMMING & DIVING
CALUM JESSETT, TENNIS
KOSTAS KOLLIAS, TENNIS
AMANDA KOZAK, LACROSSE
KAETY L'AMOREAUX, BASKETBALL
SARAH LIU, TENNIS
NICOLETTE LOEFFLER, TENNIS
MADISON MILHOUS, FIELD HOCKEY
CHASE MILLAR, GOLF
BLAKELY MONTGOMERY, VOLLEYBALL
CATHERINE MORRISSEY, ROWING
ANNA NEYESTANI, TENNIS
LUKE OKUPSKI, LACROSSE
LIA OPPENHEIM, SWIMMING & DIVING
MATT RICE, LACROSSE
EMINA SELIMOVIC, BASKETBALL
MORGAN SYLVESTRE, SOFTBALL
JOSEPH STEWART, SWIMMING & DIVING
OLIVIA THOMPSON, SWIMMING & DIVING
RORY THOMPSON, LACROSSE
JEFF VLASS, SWIMMING & DIVING
MAYA WALKER, VOLLEYBALL



STAGS GROW

NATIONAL PROMINENCE



Fairfield Men's Lacrosse was tabbed as "America's Team" during the 2025 season as the Stags opened the campaign with nine consecutive wins. Fairfield stood as the nation's last unbeaten team at 9-0, climbing as high as #12 in the national polls. The Stags spent a total of 10 weeks in the national rankings, finishing the spring with a 12-3 record to tie the program record for wins in a season. Fairfield posted an 8-0 record on Conway Field at Rafferty Stadium to complete the program's first-ever unbeaten home campaign in a full season of action.



STAGS GROW

NATIONAL PROMINENCE



Fairfield Men's Basketball claimed the national spotlight on Feb. 6, 2025 when Deon Perry connected on a 70-foot buzzer beater to knock off Marist, 59-56, at Leo D. Mahoney Arena in a game broadcast nationally on ESPN. In addition to taking over social media, including posts from Jon Rothstein and John Fanta, the miracle basket was the Top Play on SportsCenter and was featured on Good Morning America and the Today Show.

MARIST
16-3 (9-1)
BONUS+

56

0.0
2nd

59

FAIRFIELD
8-14 (4-7)
BONUS+

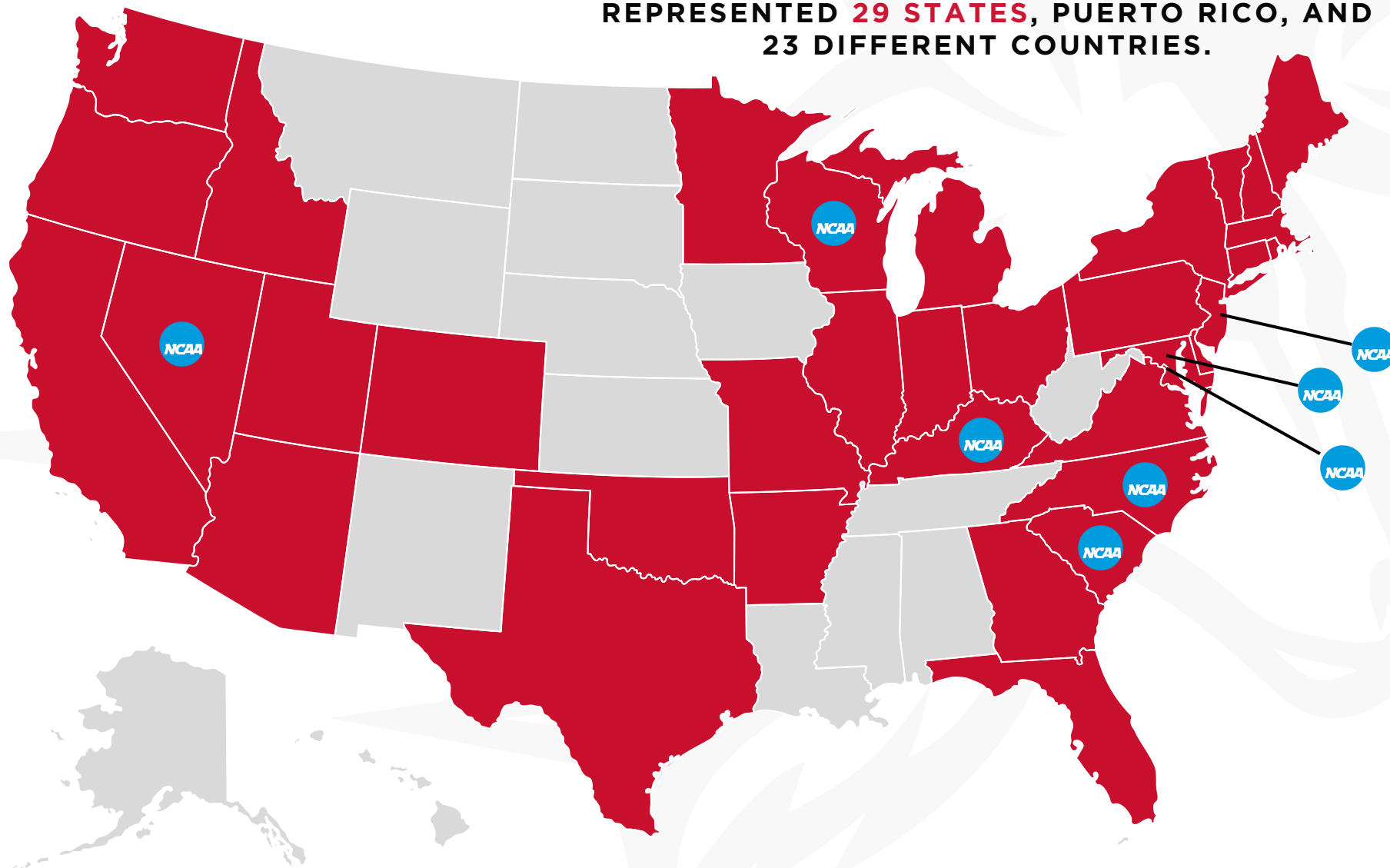


STAGS GROW

STAGS ACROSS THE NATION

FAIRFIELD ATHLETICS COMPETED IN 25 STATES AND WASHINGTON D.C. IN 2024-25, INCLUDING EIGHT NCAA POSTSEASON APPEARANCES.

**STAGS STUDENT-ATHLETES IN 2024-25
REPRESENTED 29 STATES, PUERTO RICO, AND
23 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.**



STAGS GROW

FAIRFIELD ATHLETICS WINS FOUR NACMA "BEST OF" AWARDS

Fairfield Athletics received four "Best Of" Awards from the National Association of Collegiate Marketing Administrators at the organization's annual convention.

The Stags' marketing team earned two Gold awards and two Bronze awards for campaigns and promotions during the 2024-25 academic year.

"We are honored to be recognized by NACMA, and we enthusiastically share these awards with our partners and with all of Fairfield Athletics," said Sarah Ratchford, Associate Director of Athletics for Marketing & Revenue Generation. "We are grateful for the support of our university to develop and execute initiatives that are not solely about increasing revenue, but also focused on introducing our student-athletes to the town of Fairfield and bringing our local community to campus."

Fairfield won Gold for "Ticket Revenue Campaign" for the Sunday Funday basketball ticketing campaign and "Year-Over-Year Revenue Increase" for the successful first year of a partnership with Van Wagner.

The Stags also claimed Bronze in two categories, receiving recognition for "Viral Social Initiative" for the social media coverage and engagement following Deon Perry's 70-foot game-winner at Mahoney Arena as well as for "Lead Generation Campaign" surrounding the return of the Premier Lacrosse League to Rafferty Stadium.

In addition to collecting four NACMA Awards, Fairfield earned an Honorable Mention for the Unity Award for the women's basketball Peace and Social Justice Game.



BUILT FOR LIFE

THE CLASS OF 2025



BUILT FOR LIFE

ZACHARY MALOY, MEN'S GOLF



Zachary Maloy's Commencement Address to the Class of 2025

Good morning, everyone! President Nemec, members of the Board of Trustees, members of the faculty and administration, honored guests, family, friends, and most importantly, the outstanding members of the Class of 2025!

Four years ago, most of us showed up here enthusiastic, slightly anxious, and, at least for me, uncertain how to use a laundry machine. We were all more or less strangers, dropped off and left to explore. We had a lot of questions: "Will I make friends? Will I fit in? What if I fail?" And now, as we stand on the edge of the next chapter, I can say this with confidence: We did fail. We did get lost. But we also succeeded in making friends who became family. We've been cracked open by failure and stitched back together by friendship. We found our footing, not in perfection, but in people. And that's what Fairfield gave us—more than a degree, more than a major—it gave us each other. If I could name one truth Fairfield made undeniable, it's this:

People are the education. Impact is the legacy.

Since we stepped foot on campus, we've all participated in one big social experiment. Our time here wasn't just about preparing for careers. It was about discovering the value of true connection. Somewhere between freshman orientation and our senior victory lap, we learned the kind of things you just can't teach in a classroom: How to be someone others can count on. How to lead with compassion, not just charisma. Fairfield didn't just prepare us for the workforce—it prepared us for life.

I've had the privilege of having multiple corporate internships and during my time at various firms. I've had the opportunity to speak with a wide range of executives, and when I asked them what their greatest lesson was, the overwhelming majority of them never mentioned technical skills. Instead, they stressed the soft skills. Being the kind of person others want to work with, grow with, and live life alongside. That's what we've practiced every day, with each other. And that, my friends, is the ultimate edge in a world starved for real connection.

We studied for exams, sure—but we also studied each other. We spent time on relationships, on reflection, on growing into who we're meant to be. Fairfield taught us that education isn't just about learning what to think, but how. How to be with people, not just around them. This was done in the most effective way possible—through experiential learning. I think about the fun nights that turned into mornings, friendships that turned into lifelines, and shared experiences that became core memories. We learned empathy from late-night talks in Loyola Hall. We learned resilience from athletic games in Mahoney Arena and at the RecPlex.

We learned humor over meals at the Tully and parties at the beach. We even learned leadership in class—while trying to get everyone to pull their weight in the group project. These moments, and many others, are what made this ride unforgettable.

And they're more than just people. They're life-enhancers. We often hear: "College is the best four years of your life." I disagree. College is the four years that teach you how to live the best years of your life. Because what we built here—these relationships, this community, this Fairfield family—it's not just nostalgia; it's foundation.

And under the often, overwhelming societal pressure to constantly achieve and accumulate wealth, Fairfield encouraged us to achieve the magis—the greater more. To live with more meaning. More courage. More impact. And that ability? That capacity to connect? That's emotional intelligence. The world doesn't need perfect people. It needs consistent ones. People who call back. Who cheer the loudest. Who lead with humility, not ego. Those are the types of qualities you don't put on a resume. But it's the kind that builds the type of person people remember.

This—all of this—is what Father Mac meant when he said, "Cura personalis." It's clear that the memories that stick are the people, and they're the reason why Fairfield felt like home. These relationships, this community, is what turns a school into something sacred. We've come to realize that the people beside us matter—a lot! Many of us have met our best friends here. And some of us are already on track to become future Stag mates!

So look around you now—seriously! You probably see someone who, in some capacity—big or small—changed your life, or will. Someone who laughed with you, cried with you, pushed you, or walked with you through every twist and turn of these four years. This is the Fairfield education. You're not just classmates; you are all future colleagues, partners, and lifelong friends. You're all a part of a network of future leaders and agents of change—all coming from this university! This class should not only inspire you, but more importantly it should make you proud to be a Stag!

Now here we are on the eve of adventures unknown. Both excited and nostalgic. Ready, and yet wishing we could hit pause just a little longer. That mix of emotions? That's not weakness. That's love. That's a sign you cared deeply about this place and the people in it. That means you really lived this season of your life. And now, you're ready to carry it forward.

As we go into the world, remember this: your legacy will never be your title. Rather, it'll be your impact on the people around you. Your job isn't just to succeed. It's to create value in the lives of others. That's success! It's someone saying, "I'm better because you were in my life." It's being the person others want beside them when it matters most. Jim Carrey said, "The effect you have on others is the most valuable currency there is."

So let's be the people Fairfield would be proud to call alumni—not just by what we achieve, but by how we influence others. Because at the end of the day, you can teach someone how to write a business plan. But you can't teach them how to authentically connect with people and build genuine relationships. That's something you live your way into. And we did!

So take the best of this place—the laughter, the loyalty, the mission of service—and carry it boldly into the world! Because if we can carry the heart of Fairfield with us, then I think we're already successful.

So when the world asks, "Why you?" You tell them: "Why not?"

Thank you! I love you all! And GO STAGS!!



BUILT FOR LIFE

CLASS OF 2025 UNIVERSITY ACCOLADES

BELLARMINE MEDAL

AWARD FOR HIGHEST FOUR-YEAR
ACADEMIC AVERAGE

ZACHARY MALOY, MEN'S GOLF

JOHN & VERONICA GLEASON AWARD

FOR THE GRADUATE SENIOR WITH
THE HIGHEST ACADEMIC AVERAGE

ZACHARY MALOY, MEN'S GOLF

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

ITALIAN
STUDIES

SAM ERICKSON, WOMEN'S SOCCER

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

JOAN G. WALTERS AWARD
FOR ECONOMICS

AGUSTINA CASTELUCHI, FIELD HOCKEY

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

SPIRIT OF
NURSING AWARD

LAUREN BEACH, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

NFP AWARD
FOR FINANCE

ZACHARY MALOY, MEN'S GOLF

ALPHA ALPHA ALPHA

FIRST GENERATION
HONOR SOCIETY

ARDEN MACNEIL, WOMEN'S SOCCER

ALPHA KAPPA DELTA

INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGY
HONOR SOCIETY

JOSEPH STEWART, MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

ALPHA MU GAMMA

FOREIGN LANGUAGE
HONOR SOCIETY

MARIANNA KALIN, WOMEN'S ROWING

BETA GAMMA SIGMA

INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY FOR
AACSB ACCREDITED BUSINESS PROGRAMS

ZACHARY MALOY, MEN'S GOLF

ALPHA SIGMA NU

NATIONAL JESUIT
HONOR SOCIETY

CHRIS ADORNATO, MEN'S LACROSSE
ZACHARY MALOY, MEN'S GOLF
GABRIELLA TEJEDA, WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING
SARAH WENDLING, WOMEN'S ROWING



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GAMMA KAPPA ALPHA

ITALIAN
HONOR SOCIETY

SAM ERICKSON, WOMEN'S SOCCER
MARIANNA KALIN, WOMEN'S ROWING

LAMBDA PI ETA

COMMUNICATION
HONOR SOCIETY

REAGAN KLARMANN, WOMEN'S SOCCER
LIA OPPENHEIM, WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

OMICRON DELTA EPSILON

ECONOMICS
HONOR SOCIETY

CALEB MCNAULL, MEN'S LACROSSE

PHI BETA KAPPA

NATIONAL ACADEMIC
HONOR SOCIETY

SAM ERICKSON, WOMEN'S SOCCER

PI SIGMA ALPHA

POLITICS
HONOR SOCIETY

GABRIELLA TEJEDA, WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

PSI CHI

PSYCHOLOGY
HONOR SOCIETY

ERIN HOYLAND, WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

SIGMA IOTA RHO

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
HONOR SOCIETY

AGUSTINA CASTELUCHI, FIELD HOCKEY
ED HUNT, MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING
JOSEPH STEWART, MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING
MORGAN SYLVESTRE, SOFTBALL
GABRIELLA TEJEDA, WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

SIGMA XI

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH
HONOR SOCIETY

SAM ERICKSON, WOMEN'S SOCCER

SIGMA THETA TAU

INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY
FOR NURSING

LILY BARKER, WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING
LAUREN BEACH, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
BLAKELY MONTGOMERY, VOLLEYBALL
EMMA SZACHTA, WOMEN'S ROWING
SARAH WENDLING, WOMEN'S ROWING

TAU BETA PI

ENGINEERING
HONOR SOCIETY

NOAH DUNCAN, MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING
MIKAYLA HAUT, VOLLEYBALL

THETA ALPHA KAPPA

RELIGIOUS STUDIES
HONOR SOCIETY

ELIZABETH BEAULIEU, WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING



BUILT FOR LIFE

FUNDRAISING SUCCESS

\$2,916,526

RAISED TO SUPPORT FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY STUDENT-ATHLETES IN 2024-25

ALL-TIME HIGHS

3,295

TOTAL GIFTS

\$2.68M

**OPERATIONAL
SUPPORT**

1,770

**STAGIVING DAY
DONORS**

457

**GIVING TUESDAY
DONORS**

1,599

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