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All-time Ashland University Division II Directors' Cup Finishes *(through 2023-24 academic year)*

ACADEMIC YEAR	FINISH	ACADEMIC YEAR	FINISH
1995-96	11 th	2010-11	9 th
1996-97	16 th	2011-12	3 rd
1997-98	T-22 nd	2012-13	3 rd
1998-99	10 th	2013-14	5 th
1999-00	13 th	2014-15	2 nd
2000-01	16 th	2015-16	14 th
2001-02	13 th	2016-17	34 th
2002-03	19 th	2017-18	12 th
2003-04	33 rd	2018-19	9 th
2004-05	30 th	2019-20	#
2005-06	45 th	2020-21	#
2006-07	13 th	2021-22	46 th
2007-08	9 th	2022-23	29 th
2008-09	6 th	2023-24	54 th
2009-10	7 th		

- no Directors' Cup was awarded due to COVID-19 pandemic.

BY CLASSIFICATION

NCAA DIVISION I (1 individual = 1 total)

- Gil Dodds, cross country, 1940 (prior to NCAA classifications)

NCAA DIVISION II (6 team, 121 individual/relay = 127 total)

- 2023 women's basketball team national champions
- 2021 men's indoor track and field team national champions
- 2019 men's indoor track and field team national champions
- 2019 men's outdoor track and field team national champions
- 2017 women's basketball team national champions
- 2013 women's basketball team national champions
- Brad McCoy, 400 individual medley, 1969, 1970, 1971
- Brad McCoy, 200 individual medley, 1970
- Colin Montgomery, 50 freestyle, 1970
- Jay Fabian, 800-meter run outdoors, 1971
- Jim Guizzotti, wrestling, 142 pounds, 1971
- Jim Hilderbrand, men's golf, 1972
- Jeff Rogers, 50 freestyle, 1972
- Steve Foster, 1,500-meter run outdoors, 1973
- Jeff Esmont, wrestling, 190 pounds, 1982
- Rob Juergens, 5,000-meter run outdoors, 1985
- John Walters, shot put indoors, 1988, 1989
- John Walters, shot put outdoors, 1988
- Greg Bartram, 800-meter run indoors, 1989
- Leether Greene, shot put outdoors, 1990
- Sean Robbins, long jump indoors, 1993, 1994, 1996
- Clark Lozier, pole vault outdoors, 1994
- John Schulte, discus throw outdoors, 1994, 2004
- Kirt Thompson, javelin throw outdoors, 1994, 1995, 1996
- Sean Robbins, long jump outdoors, 1995, 1996
- Dusty Cover, shot put indoors, 1995
- Becky Ball, weight throw indoors, 1996, 1997, 1998
- David Kalange, 200 butterfly, 1996
- Corey Kline, wrestling, 134 pounds, 1996
- Oliver Grund, 5,000-meter run outdoors, 1997
- Jamie McDaniel, 50 freestyle, 1997, 1998
- Jamie McDaniel, 100 freestyle, 1998
- Becky Ball, shot put outdoors, 1998
- Jackie Jeschelnic, hammer throw outdoors, 1999, 2002, 2003
- Jake Brooks, weight throw indoors, 1999
- Rich Ulm, weight throw indoors, 2000
- Rich Ulm, hammer throw outdoors, 2000
- Jackie Jeschelnic, weight throw outdoors, 2000, 2002
- Adriane Blewitt, discus throw outdoors, 2001, 2003
- Adriane Blewitt, shot put outdoors, 2002, 2003
- Adriane Blewitt, shot put indoors, 2002, 2003
- Adriane Blewitt, weight throw indoors, 2003
- Shami Vanhook, 200-meter dash indoors, 2005
- Bryan Vickers, shot put indoors, 2006, 2008

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- Bryan Vickers, weight throw indoors, 2006
- Omar Fathallah, 50 freestyle, 2007
- Kibwe Johnson, weight throw indoors, 2007
- Kibwe Johnson, discus throw outdoors, 2007
- Kibwe Johnson, hammer throw outdoors, 2007
- Bryan Vickers, shot put outdoors, 2007
- Tara Cooper, weight throw indoors, 2008, 2009
- Robert Klenk, weight throw indoors, 2008
- Kurt Roberts, shot put outdoors, 2009
- Dan Tierney, pole vault indoors, 2009
- Kelly Ash, shot put indoors, 2010
- Abby Kacsandi, high jump indoors, 2010
- Steph Tinney, 400-meter dash indoors, 2010
- Women's 200 freestyle relay - Julie Widmann, Jennifer Knight, Rachael Ausdenmoore, Allison Morgan, 2010
- Kurt Roberts, shot put indoors, 2010, 2011
- Ryan Loughney, hammer throw outdoors, 2010, 2011, 2012
- Women's 200 freestyle relay - Julie Widmann, Kristyn Benter, Mary Cargill, Allison Morgan, 2011
- Ryan Loughney, weight throw indoors, 2011, 2012
- Julie Widmann, 100 backstroke, 2012
- Garrett Grey, hammer throw outdoors, 2013
- Katie Nageotte, pole vault indoors, 2013
- Katie Nageotte, pole vault outdoors, 2013
- Richard Quick, weight throw indoors, 2013
- Men's 4x400-meter relay indoors - Cory Lamar, Drew Windle, Jacob Cook, Keith Cleveland, 2013
- Women's 200 freestyle relay - Julie Widmann, Kaylyn Murphy, Rachael Ausdenmoore, Gabriela Verdugo-Arzaluz, 2013
- Drew Windle, 800-meter run indoors, 2013, 2014, 2015
- Drew Windle, 800-meter run outdoors, 2013, 2014, 2015
- Men's distance medley relay indoors - Joshua Davis, Jacob Cook, Drew Windle, Brian Baum, 2014
- Jessica Bridenthal, weight throw indoors, 2014
- Jamie Sindelar, shot put outdoors, 2014
- Kyle Steinhauser, discus throw outdoors, 2014
- Jordan Crayon, weight throw indoors, 2016
- Michael Labry, wrestling, 133 pounds, 2017
- Daniel Roberts, hammer throw outdoors, 2017
- Myles Pringle, 400-meter dash indoors, 2017, 2018, 2019
- Myles Pringle, 400-meter dash outdoors, 2017, 2018, 2019
- Luke Cramer, wrestling, 197 pounds, 2018
- Bret Romanzak, wrestling, 165 pounds, 2018
- Men's 4x400-meter relay outdoors - Channing Phillips, Trevor Bassitt, T.J. Elliott, Myles Pringle, 2018
- Trevor Bassitt, 400-meter hurdles outdoors, 2019
- Lindsay Baker, shot put outdoors, 2019
- Trevor Bassitt, 60-meter hurdles indoors, 2021
- Trevor Bassitt, 200-meter dash indoors, 2021
- Men's 4x400-meter relay indoors - Tim Rumas, Brayden Chaney, Channing Phillips, Trev-

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or Bassitt, 2021

- Men's 4x400-meter relay outdoors - Travis Marx, Brayden Chaney, Channing Phillips, Trevor Bassitt, 2021
- Channing Phillips, 400-meter dash outdoors, 2021
- Brent Fairbanks, weight throw indoors, 2022
- Trevor Bassitt, 60-meter hurdles indoors, 2022
- Trevor Bassitt, 400-meter dash indoors, 2022
- Men's 4x400-meter relay indoors - Noah Wood, Ryan Rager, Channing Phillips, Trevor Bassitt, 2022
- Trevor Bassitt, 400-meter hurdles outdoors, 2022

NCAA DIVISION III (2 team, 9 individual/relay = 11 total)

- 1973 cross country team national champions
- 1974 men's outdoor track and field team national champions
- Steve Foster, cross country, 1973
- Steve Foster, 1,500-meter run outdoors, 1974
- Jim Baum, decathlon outdoors, 1974
- Barry King, 800-meter run outdoors, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977
- Men's 4x400-meter relay outdoors - Thomas Ash, John Wade, Tom Bandi, Barry King, 1976
- Jeff Freedman, wrestling, 158 pounds, 1979

NON-NCAA RECOGNIZED (1 = 1 total)

- Men's basketball, named NCAA college division national champions by AP and UPI, 1968-69

BY SPORT

- 48 - Men's outdoor track and field
- 33 - Men's indoor track and field
- 15 - Women's indoor track and field
- 14 - Women's outdoor track and field
- 8 - Men's swimming and diving
- 7 - Women's swimming and diving
- 7 - Wrestling
- 3 - Men's cross country
- 3 - Women's basketball
- 1 - Men's basketball
- 1 - Men's golf

BY YEAR

- 9 - 2013
- 6 - 2021/2019/2014/2010/1996
- 5 - 2022/2018/2017/2007/2003
- 4 - 2011/2002/1998/1994/1974
- 3 - 2012/2009/2008/2000/1997/1995/1973/1971/1970
- 2 - 2015/2006/1999/1989/1988/1976/1972/1969
- 1 - 2023/2016/2005/2004/2001/1993/1990/1985/1982/1979/1977/1975/1940

ALL-TIME ASHLAND COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAS THROUGH 2023-24 (112)

AU#	ACADEMIC YEAR	SPORT	NAME	TEAM	POSITION
1	1966-67	Men's Basketball	Jim Basista	---	---
2	1969-70	Men's Basketball	Jay Franson	---	---
3	1972-73	Football	Harold Houghton	2	DB
4	1972-73	Baseball	Jim Ray	1	OF
5	1973-74	Football	Mark Gulling	1	DB
6	1973-74	Baseball	Jim Ray	1	OF
7	1974-75	Football	Ron Brown	1	LB
8	1976-77	Football	Dan Bogden	1	E
9	1977-78	Football	Bruce Niehm	1	LB
10	1977-78	Men's Basketball	Scott Hamlin	3	
11	1977-78	Men's Basketball	Randy Weston	3	
12	1978-79	Football	Bruce Niehm	2	LB
13	1981-82	Football	Mark Braun	1	C
14	1982-83	Women's Basketball	Cindy Dorsey	1	G
15	1984-85	Women's Basketball	Melinda Foster	3	F
16	1985-86	Women's Basketball	Sue Rupp	HM	G
17	1986-87	Women's Basketball	Sue Rupp	---	---
18	1988-89	Men's At-Large	Dariusz Janczewski	2	CC/Track
19	1989-90	Football	Joseph Hatala	2	DL
20	1990-91	Football	Tom Shiban	2	RB
21	1990-91	Women's Basketball	Jodi Ireland	2	B
22	1991-92	Football	Tom Shiban	1	RB
23	1992-93	Football	Jerry Spatny	2	DL
24	1992-93	Baseball	Chris Corpus	1	UT
25	1993-94	Football	Jerry Spatny	1	DL
26	1993-94	Softball	Desi Gillman	3	OF
27	1993-94	Softball	Heather Lefford	1	IF
28	1994-95	Football	Jeff Mowrey	2	LB

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29	1994-95	Baseball	Gene Stechschulte	1	IN
30	1994-95	Softball	Desi Gillman	2	OF
31	1995-96	Football	Chad DiFranco	2	DB
32	1995-96	Football	Jeff Mowrey	2	LB
33	1995-96	Baseball	Gene Stechschulte	1	IF
34	1995-96	Men's At-Large	Oliver Grund	2	CC/Track
35	1995-96	Women's At-Large	Kelly Kish	3	Track & Field
36	1996-97	Football	Chad DiFranco	1	DB
37	1996-97	Men's At-Large	Oliver Grund	2	CC
38	1997-98	Football	Matthew Harris	2	DL
39	1997-98	Women's Volleyball	Brandie Potter	3	OH
40	1997-98	Softball	Tara Ringler	1	
41	2000-01	Softball	Alicia Longstreth	1	C
42	2001-02	Women's Soccer	Tiffany Crooks	1	GK
43	2001-02	Baseball	Nate Moore	1	OF
44	2001-02	Men's At-Large	Craig Pickering	2	Swimming
45	2001-02	Softball	Alicia Longstreth	2	C
46	2001-02	Women's Track/XC	Adriane Blewitt	1	
47	2002-03	Women's Soccer	Becky Richards	1	D
48	2002-03	Men's At-Large	Craig Pickering	2	Swimming
49	2002-03	Women's Track/XC	Adriane Blewitt	1	
50	2002-03	Women's Track/XC	Jackie Jeschelrig	1	
51	2003-04	Women's Soccer	Becky Richards	1	Defender
52	2003-04	Baseball	Josh Gaub	2	C
53	2005-06	Baseball	Casey Jirsa	1	IF
54	2006-07	Baseball	Casey Jirsa	1	IF
55	2009-10	Football	Nick Bellanco	2	WR
56	2009-10	Men's At-Large	Sean McGraw	1	Swimming
57	2011-12	Men's At-Large	Tyler Rimmel	2	Swimming
58	2011-12	Softball	Emlyn Knerem	3	P
59	2011-12	Women's At-Large	Julie Widmann	1	Swimming
60	2012-13	Football	Donnie Dottei	1	DB
61	2012-13	Women's Volleyball	Brittany Snider	3	
62	2012-13	Men's Track/XC	Garrett Grey	1	
63	2012-13	Women's At-Large	Holly James	1	Golf
64	2012-13	Women's At-Large	Julie Widmann	1	Swimming

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65	2012-13	Women's Basketball	Kari Daugherty	1	
66	2012-13	Women's Basketball	Daiva Gerbec	1	
67	2013-14	Football	Eric Schwieterman	2	DB
68	2014-15	Baseball	Stephen James	1	IF
69	2014-15	Softball	Taylor Menhart	3	OF
70	2014-15	Women's At-Large	Hannah Mattar	1	Swimming
71	2014-15	Women's Track/XC	Kim Habegger	3	
72	2015-16	Football	Adam Shaheen	2	TE
73	2015-16	Women's Volleyball	Alli Cudworth	3	
74	2015-16	Women's At-Large	Hannah Mattar	1	Swimming
75	2015-16	Women's Basketball	Andi Daugherty	2	
76	2016-17	Football	Adam Shaheen	1	TE
77	2016-17	Women's Soccer	Jessica Brown	2	D
78	2016-17	Women's Volleyball	Alli Cudworth	1	
79	2016-17	Women's Basketball	Andi Daugherty	2	
80	2016-17	Women's Basketball	Laina Snyder	2	
81	2016-17	Softball	Ally Farrah	1	OF
82	2016-17	Women's At-Large	Grace Reichard	3	Swimming
83	2017-18	Football	Matthew Wilcox	2	WR
84	2017-18	Women's Basketball	Andi Daugherty	1	
85	2017-18	Women's Basketball	Laina Snyder	1	
86	2017-18	Softball	Kylie Asmus	2	INF
87	2018-19	Football	Travis Downing	2	LS
88	2018-19	Football	Isaiah Stiverson	2	S
89	2018-19	Women's Basketball	Jodi Johnson	3	
90	2018-19	Men's Track/XC	Nick Zak	3	
91	2019-20	Football	Clay Shreve	1	LB
92	2019-20	Women's Basketball	Jodi Johnson	2	
93	2019-20	Baseball	Carson Mittermaier	3	DH
94	2019-20	Men's At-Large	Bret Romanzak	3	Wrestling
95	2019-20	Men's Track/XC	Trevor Bassitt	2	
96	2020-21	Football	Logan Bolin	2	WR
97	2020-21	Football	Gavin Posey	2	T
98	2020-21	Men's Soccer	Kieran Paterson	3	F
99	2020-21	Women's Soccer	Tori Baker	2	D
100	2020-21	Men's Track/XC	Trevor Bassitt	1	
101	2020-21	Women's Track/XC	Rachel Miller	1	
102	2021-22	Women's Soccer	Tori Baker	2	D
103	2021-22	Football	Gavin Posey	2	T

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104	2021-22	Women's Basketball	Annie Roshak	3	F
105	2021-22	Men's At-Large	Stuart Brdicka	2	Tennis
106	2021-22	Women's Track/XC	Rachel Miller	1	
107	2021-22	Men's Track/XC	Trevor Bassitt	1	
108	2021-22	Men's Track/XC	Brent Fairbanks	2	

109	2022-23	Women's soccer	McKinley Mendenhall	3	F
110	2022-23	Football	Gavin Posey	1	T
111	2022-23	Football	Nick Cone	2	DT
112	2022-23	Women's basketball	Annie Roshak	2	F

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Trevor Bassitt, track and field/cross country, 2021-22 and 2020-21

Kari Daugherty, women's basketball, 2012-13

Julie Widmann, at-large (swimming and diving), 2012-13

Casey Jirsa, baseball, 2006-07

ALL-TIME ASHLAND COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE/NCAA AFFILIATIONS

YEARS

1920-31
1931-48
1948-66
1966-79
1979-95
1995-2021
2021-current

MAIN CONFERENCE

Independent
Ohio Athletic Conference
Mid-Ohio Athletic Conference
Independent
Great Lakes Valley Conference
Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Great Midwest Athletic Conference

YEARS

1967-95
1979-89
1982-84
1990-98

SPECIALIZED CONFERENCE

Penn-Ohio Conference (swimming only)
Heartland Collegiate Conference (football only)
Greater Ohio Athletic Conference (women's sports only)
Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference (football only)

YEARS

1939-59
1959-68
1968-73
1973-79
1979-current

MEN'S NATIONAL AFFILIATION

NCAA College Division
NAIA
NCAA College Division
NCAA Division III
NCAA Division II

WOMEN'S NATIONAL AFFILIATION

CIAW (1967-71)
AIAW (1971-82)
NCAA Division II (1982-current)