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## **WOMEN'S SOCCER**

Aug. 26 vs. Victoria – Chase Office Field | 7:00 p.m. (PT)

Aug. 27 vs. UBC – Chase Office Field | 12:00 p.m. (PT)

### **NOTABLE**

- With a stellar 2021 campaign in the history books, the reigning Canada West Champion Spartans have their sights set on securing their first U SPORTS Championship since 2013.
- The Spartans, who were recently ranked second in the Canada West preseason coaches' poll, will be stacking up against Victoria (sixth) and UBC, who was ranked first in the poll.
- TWU's total record across all conference, playoff, and national matches ended at 16-1-1, with their only loss being the U SPORTS Championship match against MacEwan. TWU's only draw was a 0-0 match with UBC on Oct. 16th, 2021.
- The Spartans haven't lost to Victoria since Oct. 20th, 2018. Since then, TWU has won six consecutive matches against the Vikes. The Spartans own an all-time record of 27-18-5 against Victoria.



### WSOC: UBC tops preseason predictions

#### Your full 2022 team-by-team season preview

CALGARY - Western Canada's best university women's soccer players are set to hit the pitch Friday, the start of a new road to the Canada West Championships. Ahead of the action, coaches from across the conference have weighed in on who they think will hoist the CW trophy. UBC earned the top spot this year, coming off a season where they fell just short to Trinity Western in the 2021 CW Final. The team boasts the top returning scorer and one of the best defences in the league.

The defending champs, Trinity Western Spartans, take the second spot in the poll after posting an undefeated conference record last season. The team has won gold in three of the past four seasons and will be seeking its 10th total Canada West title.

Rounding out the top three are the MacEwan Griffins, a gutsy team that won its first-ever U SPORTS Championship banner last season, after earning bronze in the conference playoffs.

It all gets underway Friday, when the Spartans will begin their title defence at home against Victoria at 7 p.m. PDT. At that same time, fans will get their first glimpses of UBC at Fraser Valley. MacEwan will host crosstown rival Alberta at 6 p.m. MDT, while Regina and Saskatchewan will host Manitoba and Winnipeg, respectively, both at 7 p.m. CST.

## 2021 Women's Soccer Final Standings and Top 10 Rankings

### Canada West Standings

West	GP	W	L	T	Win %	Last 10	Streak	GF	GA	PTS
Trinity Western	12	11	0	1	0.958	9-0-1	Tied 1	34	4	34
UBC	12	9	1	2	0.833	7-1-2	Tied 1	24	4	29
UFV	12	6	4	2	0.583	6-4	Won 6	12	12	20
Victoria	12	4	5	3	0.458	2-5-3	Tied 1	13	14	15
UBC Okanagan	12	2	7	3	0.292	2-5-3	Lost 2	11	19	9
Thompson Rivers	12	1	8	3	0.208	1-6-3	Won 1	5	22	6
UNBC	12	1	9	2	0.167	1-7-2	Lost 1	6	30	5

CW Central	GP	W	L	T	Win %	Last 10	Streak	GF	GA	PTS
MacEwan	12	10	2	0	0.833	9-1	Won 1	32	10	30
Calgary	12	9	2	1	0.792	7-2-1	Lost 1	31	10	28
Alberta	12	4	8	0	0.333	4-6	Lost 2	19	21	12
Mount Royal	12	3	7	2	0.333	2-6-2	Lost 1	13	24	11
Lethbridge	12	2	9	1	0.208	2-7-1	Won 1	11	41	7

CW East	GP	W	L	T	Win %	Last 10	Streak	GF	GA	PTS
Saskatchewan	12	7	2	3	0.708	6-2-2	Lost 1	28	10	24
Regina	12	7	4	1	0.625	6-3-1	Won 1	19	13	22
Manitoba	12	6	4	2	0.583	5-3-2	Won 2	20	14	20
Winnipeg	12	0	10	2	0.083	0-9-1	Lost 9	4	34	2

**Note: The 2022 season will see CW divided into two divisions.**

Pacific Division: TWU, Calgary, UBC, TRU, UBC-O, Victoria, UNBC, UFV

Prairie Division: Alberta, Lethbridge, MacEwan, Manitoba, Mount Royal, Regina, Saskatchewan, Winnipeg

### PLAYOFFS

Play-in

October 22, 2022

Game A: Pacific 5 @ Pacific 4

Game B: Prairie 5 @ Prairie 4

### Quarterfinals

October 29, 2022

Game C: Winner of A @ Prairie 1

Game D: Winner of B @ Pacific 1

Game E: Pacific 3 @ Prairie 2

Game F: Prairie 3 @ Pacific 2

### Final Four

November 4-6, 2022

Hosted by the highest remaining Prairie seed (if no Prairie seed remains then highest Pacific seed)

#### DAY 1

Game G: Winner of C vs Winner of F

Game H: Winner of D vs Winner of E

#### DAY 2

Bronze Medal Game

Gold Medal Game

## U SPORTS WOMEN'S SOCCER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

November 10-13, 2022

Université Laval (Québec City, QC)

### Usports Top Ten Rankings

RANK	SCHOOL	RECORD
1	TWU	11-0-1
2	Montréal	13-0-1
3	Ottawa	9-0-1
4	UBC	9-1-2
5	MacEwan	10-2-0
6	Cape Breton	8-0-4
7	Calgary	9-2-1
8	Queen's	8-2-0
9	Laval	10-1-3
10	Memorial	10-2-0

## TWU Women's Soccer 2022 Roster

No.	Name	POS	HT	Elig	Course	Home Town	Last Team/Club (High School)	Pronunciation
00	Olivia Nicol	GK	5-9	4	BUS	Chilliwack, BC	Unity FC (Sardis)	Nickel
1	Yasmine Pahal	GK	5-9	1	PSYBA	Surrey, BC	Surrey U (Lord Tweedsmuir)	pu-HALL
2	Jaidyn Jackson	DEF	5-7	1	HKIBA	Langley, BC	Surrey U (Walnut Grove)	JADE-in
3	Shaila Weflen	FOR	5-3	4	GENBS	Chilliwack, BC	Surrey United (Sardis)	SHAY-la
4	Danielle Cooper	DEF	5-9	1	HKBHK	Surrey, BC	Surrey U (Johnston Heights)	uh-LEE-uh
5	Aliya Coy	DEF	5-6	5	SLMBA	Calgary, AB	Foothills FC (Centennial)	
6	Kylie Hendricks	MID	5-6	1	HKBHK	Maple Ridge, BC	Coquitlam MF (Thomas Haney)	
7	Emily Watchman	MID	5-8	1	HKBHK	Edmonton, AB	Scottish U (Jasper Place)	WATCH-man
8	Maddie Melnychuk	MID	5-5	3	GENBA	Langley, BC	Surrey United (Brookswood)	MEL-ni-chuk
9	Mya Bajpai	DEF	5-5	1	HKBHK	Mission, BC	Surrey U (Mission)	BAJ- pie
10	Breanne Weflen	DEF	5-6	2	BIOBS	Chilliwack, BC	Surrey United (Sardis)	
11	Tilly James	DEF	5-8	2	POLBA	Vancouver, BC	TSS (Brockton Prep)	
12	Grace Van den brink	MID	5-5	3	BUSBA	Chilliwack, BC	Coastal FC (Unity Christian)	
13	Erin Stewart	MID	5-4	2	PSYBA	Winnipeg, MB	Bonivital (Glenlawn Collegiate)	
14	Makenna Dieterich	FOR	5-8	3	GENBA	Langley, BC	Surrey (Langley Fundamental)	dee-TRICK
15	Holland Stiel	FOR	5-5	2	HKBHK	Okotoks, AB	Calgary Foothills (Holy Trinity)	Holly steel
16	Anna Dunn	FOR	5-9	5	EDUPD	Edmonton, AB	Edmonton Scottish (Alberta)	
17	Charity Field	FOR	5-7	2	UNDC	Burnaby, BC	(Richmond Christian)	
18	Sophie Crowther	MID	5-4	1	GENBA	New Westminster, BC	Surrey U (New Westminster)	
19	Jessica Vance	DEF	5-7	2	GENBA	Coquitlam, BC	Coquitlam MF (Centennial)	Jessa
20	Olivia Kranjcec	M/D	5-4	2	HKBHK	Okotoks, AB	Calgary Foothills (Holy Trinity)	KRAN-chech
21	Charis Wardrope	FOR	5-10	1	BUSBA	Maple Ridge, BC	Coquitlam MF (Traditional)	Karis WARD- rope
23	Theresa Hicks	M/F	5-10	3	GENBS	Surrey, BC	Surrey United (Clayton Heights)	
24	Claire Bastura	MID	5-4	2	HKBHK	Parkland County, AB	Scottish United (Jasper Place)	bu-STIR-uh
25	Kelsey Stewart	FOR	5-6	1	HKBHK	Port Coquitlam, BC	(Riverside)	
26	Sierra Halldorson	MID	5-6	3	GENBS	Winnipeg, MB	Bonivital (Glenlawn)	HALL-dor -son
27	Ellsie Saldivar	MID	5-6	3	BIOBS	Lynden, WA	North County Alliance (Lynden)	SAL- di -var
28	Andrea Burtini	MID	5-3	1	GENBA	Burnaby, BC	Mountain UFC (Ecole Alpha)	
29	Lianna Holz	FOR	5-5	1	HKBHK	Richmond, BC	TSS Rovers (JN Burnett)	
30	Sidney Giesbrecht	MID	5-6	1	GENBS	Chilliwack, BC	Surrey U (MEI)	
31	Sarah Bazille	DEF	5-4	2	EDUC	Coquitlam, BC	Coquitlam MF (Archbishop Carney)	bu-ZIL
32	Jenna Ericson	DEF	5-6	1	BUSBA	Surrey, BC	Surrey U (Lord Tweedsmuir)	
33	Nicole Dressel	MID	5-11	1	AMCBA	Los Altos, CA	(Homestead)	
34	Hailey Yarmuch	MID	5-7	2	BUSBB	Calgary, AB	Calgary Blizard (Edge School)	Yar-Much
35	Hannah Miller	GK	5-9	4	PSYBA	Langley, BC	Coquitlam (Langley Christian)	

Head Coach: Graham Roxburgh (24)

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Manager of Soccer Operations and Asst. Coach: Rob Giesbrecht (3)

Assistant Coaches: Stefan Leslie, Alyssa Fenuta, Jenaya Robertson, Michael Hicks, Brenda Stratton

Strength & Performance Nutrition Coach: Cole Hergott

Head Therapist: Natalie Ghobrial

Student Therapists:

Associate AD: Marketing and Media: Mark Janzen

SID: Scott Stewart

## UVIC Women's Soccer 2022 Roster

No.	Name	Position	Height	Year	Course	Hometown	Last team (High School)	Pronunciation
1	Kayley Lidstone	GK	5-6	3	Education	Victoria, BC	Vancouver Island Wave (Claremont Secondary)	Kay-lee Lid-stone
2	Tia Gilmour	MID	5-3	2	Humanities	Vancouver, BC	Fusion FC (Point Grey Secondary)	Tea-ah Gill-more
3	Davin Fisher	MID	5-3	1	Social Sciences	Victoria, BC	Vancouver Island Wave (Oak Bay Secondary)	Dah-vin Fish-er
4	Presley Rangel	MID	5-4	2	Humanities	Victoria, BC	Vancouver Island Wave (Oak Bay Secondary)	Press-lee Ran-jell
5	Kara Skirzyk	DEF	5-8	3	Education	Delta, BC	Highlanders FC (Sands Secondary)	Care-uh Skur-zick
6	Trinity Kettys	FOR	5-3	5	Human & Social Dev	Victoria, BC	Vancouver Island FC (Lambrick Park Secondary)	Trin-uh-tee Ket-tuls (like kettles)
7	Emma Dewit	FOR	5-8	3	Science	Duncan, BC	Highlanders FC (Cowichan Secondary)	Dew-wit
8	Inara Jhawer	FOR	5-5	1	Science	Campbell River, BC	Gorge Womens Premier (Carihi Secondary)	In-are-ah Jower (like shower)
9	Dari Coté	DEF	5-5	5	Human & Social Dev	Victoria, BC	Vancouver Island Wave (Ecole Victor-Brodeur)	Dar-ree Coat-tay
10	Sophie Murphy	DEF	5-3	1	Science	Vernon, BC	West Vancouver Soccer Club/Metro (Howe Sound Secondary)	Mur-phee
11	Rheana Desjardins	DEF	5-3	1	Business	Sooke, BC	Vancouver Island Wave (Ecole Victor-Brodeur)	Re-yawn-nah Dez-jar-dens
12	Jamie Verhun	MID	5-4	1	Humanities	Calgary, AB	Blizzards Div 1 (Western Canada High School)	Jay-me Ver-hun
13	Isabel Lambert	MID	5-5	2	Science	Coquitlam, BC	02 Girls Coquitlam Metro Ford BCSP (Dr Charles Best Secondary)	Is-ah-bell Lam-bert
14	Jade McKee	DEF	5-6	1	Business	Victoria, BC	Vancouver Island Wave (Oak Bay Secondary)	Jay-d Muh-key
15	Billie Shostak	MID	5-4	1	Business	Calgary, AB	Foothills WFC (Bishop Grandin)	Billy Shaw-stack
16	Kiera Howanec	FOR	5-6	2	Science	Kamloops, BC	Thompson Okanagan FC (Valleyview Secondary)	Kee-rah Hoe-won-nick
17	Madison Yakamovich	FOR	5-5	1	Human & Social Dev	Victoria, BC	Vancouver Island Wave (Royal Bay Secondary)	Mad-ee Yak-ah-mow-vitch
18	Tess Vande Vegte	DEF	5-6	3	Social Sciences	North Vancouver, BC	Altitude FC League 1 (Seycove Secondary)	Tess Van-duh-vect
19	Abby MacKenzie	DEF	5-6	3	Social Sciences	Victoria, BC	Highlanders FC (Reynolds Secondary)	Ah-bee Mah-ken-zee
20	Emma Skalik	MID	5-5	4	Human & Social Dev	Campbell River, BC	Vancouver Island Premier League (Carihi Secondary)	Skah-lick
21	McKenna Jaime	GK	5-6	1	Social Sciences	Seattle, WA	Seattle U ECNL -- US Elite Clubs National League (Holy Names Academy)	Mah-ken-nah Jane
22	Megan Petley	DEF	5-2	1	Social Sciences	Calgary, AB	Calgary Foothills Soccer WFC (All Saints High School)	May-gan Pet-lee
23	Erin Jensen	FOR	5-9	2	Social Sciences	Nanaimo, BC	League 1 Highlanders (Nanaimo District Secondary)	Air-in Jenn-sin
24	Isabella Paccani	FOR	5-3	1	Humanities	Vancouver, BC	Fusion FC (Notre Dame Regional Secondary)	Is-ah-bell-uh Pah-can-nee
25	Sophie Fingarson	MID	5-7	1	Human & Social Dev	Calgary, AB	Calgary Foothills WFC League: AMSL (Henry Wisewoodl)	Finger-sin
27	Sydney Casidy	MID	5-6	1	Social Sciences	Surrey, BC	Surrey United (Ecole Salish Secondary)	Sid-knee Cass-uh-dee
28	Ruby Nicholas	FOR	5-5	1	Humanities	Quesnel, BC	Quesnel Youth Strikers (Correlieu Secondary)	Roo-bee Nick-oh-lass
29	Payton Rangel	MID	5-3	1	Social Sciences	Victoria, BC	Vancouver Island Wave (Reynolds Secondary)	Pay-tin Ran-jell
30	Tannis McKay	FOR	5-4	3	Education	Port Moody, BC	Radford University (Collingwood School)	Tan-niss Mah-kay
31	Heather Del Pero	GK	5-11	2	Science	Edmonton, AB	Angels Women's Major League (Strathcona High School)	Dell Pear-oh
32	Tristan Russell	FOR	5-10	1	Humanities	Victoria, BC	Vancouver Island Wave (Royal Bay Secondary)	Tris-tin Russ-ull

**Head Coach:** Tracy David (21st Season)

**Assistant Coach:** Dave Dew

**Goalkeeping Coach:** Cam Griffin

**Athletic Therapist:** Brenna Seymour

**Director, Varsity Performance:** Dr. Nick Clarke

**Sports Information:** Alexis Chevalier

2021 Trinity Western Women's Soccer Team Stats														
Player	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	PTS/G	SH	SH/G	SOG	YC	RC	GW	
Anna Dunn	15	14	1306:00:00	9	8	17	1.13	34	2.27	22	0	0	4	
Kathryn Harvey	16	16	1384:00:00	8	4	12	0.75	28	1.75	20	1	0	4	
Maddie Melnychuk	12	12	940:00:00	5	2	7	0.58	18	1.5	10	0	0	1	
Sierra Halldorson	14	14	1205:00:00	1	6	7	0.5	11	0.79	5	1	0	0	
Makenna Dieterich	16	13	1041:00:00	4	3	7	0.44	25	1.56	17	0	0	2	
Elizabeth Hicks	16	16	1462:00:00	4	2	6	0.38	21	1.31	10	3	0	2	
Grace Van den brink	14	7	700:00:00	0	3	3	0.21	11	0.79	3	0	0	0	
Tilly James	16	16	1368:00:00	3	0	3	0.19	11	0.69	5	0	0	1	
Sarah Bazille	5	5	425:00:00	3	0	3	0.6	6	1.2	6	0	0	0	
Gabriella Low	12	6	630:00:00	2	1	3	0.25	7	0.58	5	0	0	0	
Bella Roque	15	2	396:00:00	0	2	2	0.13	10	0.67	6	0	0	0	
Jessica Vance	13	10	917:00:00	0	1	1	0.08	0	0	0	2	0	0	
Holland Stiel	14	4	627:00:00	0	1	1	0.07	2	0.14	0	1	0	0	
Aliya Coy	12	12	1057:00:00	0	1	1	0.08	6	0.5	4	0	0	0	
Hannah Miller	16	16	1470:00:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Makenna Van der Veen	3	0	35:00:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Claire Bastura	1	0	0:00:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Olivia Kranjcec	14	13	1081:00:00	0	0	0	0	7	0.5	3	0	0	0	
Mila Van der Veen	8	0	128:00:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Shaila Weflen	1	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Jenna Neumann	3	0	23:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Goalie Statistics

Player	GP	GS	MIN	GA	GAA	SV	SV%	W	L	T	SHO	SF
Hannah Miller	16	16	1470:00:00	6	0.4	40	0.87	14	0	1	12	46

2021 Victoria Women's Soccer Team Stats														
Player	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	PTS/G	SH	SH/G	SOG	YC	RC	GW	
Emma Skalik	13	12	961:00:00	3	2	5	0.38	14	1.08	10	0	0	1	
Trinity Kettlys	13	10	947:00:00	3	1	4	0.31	17	1.31	11	1	0	0	
Tess Vande	12	12	1054:00:00	1	2	3	0.25	12	1	5	1	0	0	
Dari Cot&eacute;	13	13	1170:00:00	2	1	3	0.23	13	1	7	0	0	1	
Erin Jensen	12	2	485:00:00	1	1	2	0.17	8	0.67	6	1	0	0	
Kyra Teetzen	13	13	1099:00:00	1	1	2	0.15	20	1.54	10	0	0	0	
Dari Cot?	1	1	2160:00:00	1	0	1	1	5	5	2	0	0	0	
Tannis McKay	10	5	428:00:00	1	0	1	0.1	2	0.2	2	0	0	1	
Paige Krivoshein	13	11	782:00:00	0	1	1	0.08	6	0.46	3	0	0	0	
Lauren Parr	11	11	648:00:00	1	0	1	0.09	18	1.64	8	0	0	1	
Avneet Rai	8	0	150:00:00	0	1	1	0.13	5	0.63	1	0	0	0	
Kara Skirzyk	13	13	18:00	0	1	1	0.08	7	0.54	5	0	0	0	
Tess Vande Vegte	1	1	90:00:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Nikki Virk	8	1	21:00	0	0	0	0	4	0.5	3	0	0	0	
Kiera Howaneic	3	0	79:00:00	0	0	0	0	1	0.33	0	0	0	0	
Annalyn Kind	2	0	40:00:00	0	0	0	0	1	0.5	0	0	0	0	
Abby MacKenzie	13	13	21:00	0	0	0	0	1	0.08	1	0	0	0	
Eryn Libert-Scott	13	13	1118:00:00	0	0	0	0	5	0.38	2	0	0	0	
Isabel Lambert	3	0	82:00:00	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	0	0	0	
Tia Gilmour	2	0	35:00:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Kayley Lidstone	13	13	1170:00:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Goalie Statistics

Player	GP	GS	MIN	GA	GAA	SV	SV%	W	L	T	SHO	SF
Kayley Lidstone	13	13	1170:00:00	15	1.15	41	0.732	4	6	3	5	56



# Canada West Women's Soccer Team Statistics 2021 Season

Rank	School	GP	GF	GA	ScoreAvg	OppAvg	Margin	PK	PKAtt	Shots	Saves	Save%	Corners
1	Trinity Western	16	39	6	2.438	0.38	2.06	0	1	198	40	0.87	88
2	Calgary	13	31	10	2.385	0.77	1.62	1	2	229	47	0.825	74
3	MacEwan	17	39	14	2.294	0.82	1.47	2	2	283	77	0.846	106
4	Saskatchewan	15	28	13	1.867	0.87	1	0	1	212	94	0.879	81
5	UBC	18	33	7	1.833	0.39	1.44	4	4	276	49	0.875	95
6	Manitoba	12	20	14	1.667	1.17	0.5	2	5	197	48	0.774	75
7	Alberta	12	19	21	1.583	1.75	-0.17	1	1	170	67	0.761	61
8	Regina	13	19	18	1.462	1.38	0.08	3	4	165	89	0.832	57
9	Mount Royal	12	13	24	1.083	2	-0.92	1	1	122	106	0.815	40
10	Victoria	13	13	15	1	1.15	-0.15	0	0	137	41	0.732	72
11	UFV	13	12	14	0.923	1.08	-0.16	0	0	134	36	0.72	68
12	UBC Okanagan	12	11	19	0.917	1.58	-0.66	0	0	69	66	0.776	37
13	Lethbridge	12	11	41	0.917	3.42	-2.5	2	2	113	81	0.664	31
14	UNBC	12	6	30	0.5	2.5	-2	0	0	75	81	0.73	24
15	Thompson Rivers	12	5	22	0.417	1.83	-1.41	2	3	107	70	0.761	37
16	Winnipeg	12	4	34	0.333	2.83	-2.5	1	3	88	103	0.752	33

Rank	Team	GP	Shots	Fouls	Offside	Corners	PK/PKA	YC/RC
1	MacEwan	17	283	123	26	106	2/2	13/0
2	UBC	18	276	163	42	95	4/4	16/0
3	Calgary	13	229	118	49	74	2/1	11/0
4	Saskatchewan	15	212	115	44	81	1/0	8/0
5	Trinity Western	16	198	136	25	88	1/0	9/0
6	Manitoba	12	197	101	15	75	5/2	5/0
7	Alberta	12	170	90	28	61	1/1	7/0
8	Regina	13	165	98	49	57	4/3	8/0
9	Victoria	13	137	68	17	72	0/0	3/0
10	UFV	13	134	99	33	68	0/0	8/0
11	Mount Royal	12	122	97	21	40	1/1	7/0
12	Lethbridge	12	113	87	14	31	2/2	5/1
13	Thompson Rivers	12	107	112	15	37	3/2	8/0
14	Winnipeg	12	88	72	11	33	3/1	7/0



## CW Hall of Fame

**NAME:** Nikki (Wright) Stephenson

**UNIVERSITY:** Trinity Western

**CATEGORY:** Student-Athlete

**SPORT:** Women's Soccer

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Central role in 3 national championships
- Two-time Canada West champion
- CW Player of the Year
- CW & U SPORTS Rookie of the Year
- All-Canadian, two-time CW all-star

**BIOGRAPHY:**

Nikki Stephenson is the newest member of the Canada West Hall of Fame, the conference announced Tuesday. The soccer striker attained the ultimate goal of a Canadian university athlete not once, but three times in her five-year career at Trinity Western. She wore four national gold medals around her neck, as one came in a red shirt (injury) year.

Stephenson's star status as a Spartan was evident from the first beat. She took over the Canada West soccer scene, leading the conference in goals (12) and points (18) in her rookie season. Stephenson went on to earn the CW Rookie of the Year and esteemed Player of the Year awards, the latter of which is a rarity for a first-year athlete. The national governing body also recognized the Spartan as the U SPORTS Rookie of the Year.



Her dominant play continued into the postseason, where the CW and U SPORTS first-team all-star took home a U SPORTS tournament all-star nod.

Stephenson cemented her all-star status in the following seasons, with another selection to the CW team. She helped the Spartans repeat as national champions, a feat much easier read than done.

A captivating player to watch, Stephenson went on to win yet another national title with Trinity Western before hanging up her collegiate cleats in 2014.

*"Nikki was one of the most impactful and dangerous players our program has ever had in its 25 plus years. Her ability to threaten teams with both her pace, power and sheer will to win was so special. She took her athleticism and pace and turned it into becoming a very dynamic and gifted soccer player. Throughout her career, she continued to grow into a player that could change the outcome with a special finish, a great run and cross, or just her overall competitiveness. She truly is one of the greats of our program's success. She possessed a drive and hunger and an explosiveness that brought her individual accolades throughout her career, and more importantly led to the Spartans becoming a formidable force throughout her career and beyond. It was very special to watch her grow into a complete player, but also to see her grow personally and to become an impactful part of our program's history on and off the field,"* said Stephenson's coach Graham Roxburgh.

