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Fri.	Feb. 7	Utah Tech ¹	B1G+	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 8	vs. Nevada ²	TBD	3:30 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 8	vs. Lehigh ²	TBD	6 p.m.
Sun.	Feb. 9	UC Riverside ¹	B1G+	10:30 a.m.
Fri.	Feb. 14	vs. Oklahoma State ³	ESPN2	12 p.m.
Fri.	Feb. 14	vs. Charlotte ³	ESPN+	4 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 15	vs. Kentucky ³	ESPN+	9 a.m.
Sat.	Feb. 15	vs. Alabama ³	ESPNU	1 p.m.
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Thu.	Feb. 20	vs. Missouri ⁴	FloSoftball	5 p.m.
Thu.	Feb. 20	vs. Nebraska ⁴	FloSoftball	7:30 p.m.
Fri.	Feb. 21	vs. Tennessee ⁴	FloSoftball	3:30 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 22	vs. Baylor ⁴	FloSoftball	12:30 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 22	vs. Arkansas ⁴	FloSoftball	3 p.m.
Sun.	Feb. 23	vs. Duke ⁴	FloSoftball	9 a.m.
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Thu.	Feb. 27	vs. Notre Dame ⁵	--	2:30 p.m.
Fri.	Feb. 28	vs. Utah ⁵	--	2:30 p.m.
Fri.	Feb. 28	at Cal State Fullerton ⁵	TBD	5 p.m.
Sat.	March 1	vs. Weber State ⁵	--	11:30 a.m.
Sat.	March 1	vs. Arizona ⁵	--	2 p.m.
Thu.	March 6	LMU	B1G+	6 p.m.
Fri.	March 7	Sacramento State	B1G+	4 p.m.
Sat.	March 8	at San Diego State	TBD	1:30 p.m.
Sat.	March 8	vs. Sacramento State	TBD	4 p.m.
Sun.	March 9	at LMU	TBD	1 p.m.
Tue.	March 11	San Diego	B1G+	7 p.m.
Fri.	March 14	Purdue *	B1G+	6 p.m.
Sat.	March 15	Purdue *	B1G+	5 p.m.
Sun.	March 16	Purdue *	B1G+	12 p.m.
Sat.	March 22	at Iowa *	B1G+	12 p.m.
Sun.	March 23	at Iowa *	B1G+	9 a.m.
Wed.	March 26	at Howard	TBD	3:30 p.m.
Fri.	March 28	at Maryland *	B1G+	3 p.m.
Sat.	March 29	at Maryland *	B1G+	11 a.m.
Sun.	March 30	at Maryland *	B1G+	9 a.m.
Tue.	April 1	CSUN	B1G+	4:30 p.m.
Tue.	April 1	UC San Diego	B1G+	7 p.m.
Fri.	April 4	Ohio State *	B1G+	6 p.m.
Sat.	April 5	Ohio State *	B1G+	4 p.m.
Tue.	April 8	at Cal Baptist	TBD	6 p.m.
Fri.	April 11	Washington *	B1G+	6 p.m.
Sat.	April 12	Washington *	FS1	6 p.m.
Sun.	April 13	Washington *	B1G+	12 p.m.
Fri.	April 18	at Oregon *	B1G+	6 p.m.
Sat.	April 19	at Oregon *	B1G+	4 p.m.
Sun.	April 20	at Oregon *	BTN	2 p.m.
Tue.	April 22	Long Beach State	B1G+	6 p.m.
Sat.	April 26	at Michigan *	B1G+	11 a.m.
Sun.	April 27	at Michigan *	B1G+	10 a.m.
Mon.	April 28	at Michigan *	B1G+	TBD
Fri.	May 2	Northwestern *	B1G+	6 p.m.
Sat.	May 3	Northwestern *	B1G+	5 p.m.
Sun.	May 4	Northwestern *	B1G+	12 p.m.

POSTSEASON SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME (PT)
Wed.-Sat.	May 7-10	Big Ten Tournament ⁶	TBD
Fri.-Sun.	May 16-18	NCAA Regionals ⁷	TBD
Fri.-Sun.	May 23-25	NCAA Super Regionals ⁷	TBD
	May 30-June 6	Women's College World Series ⁸	TBD

All times are Pacific | Dates and times are subject to change

* denotes Big Ten Conference game

- 1 Stacy Winsberg Memorial Tournament, at Easton Stadium (Los Angeles, Calif.)
- 2 Mark Campbell Invitational, at Bill Barber Park (Irvine, Calif.)
- 3 Shriners Children's Clearwater Invitational, at Eddie C. Moore Complex (Clearwater, Fla.)
- 4 Mary Nutter Collegiate Classic, at Big League Dreams Sports Park (Cathedral City, Calif.)
- 5 Judi Garman Classic, at Anderson Family Field (Fullerton, Calif.)
- 6 Big Ten Tournament, at Bittinger Stadium (West Lafayette, Ind.)
- 7 Hosted at Campus Sites
- 8 Women's College World Series, at Devon Park (Oklahoma City, Okla.)

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Utility Megan Grant walks to the dugout after hitting a home run at Easton Stadium.

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2025 ROSTER

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Exp.	Hometown (High School / Previous School)
00	Sofia Mujica	Fr.	C/DP	R/R	5-5	HS	San Diego, Calif. (Granite Hills HS)
4	Rylee Pinedo	Jr.	UTIL	L/R	5-3	2V	Camarillo, Calif. (Adolfo Camarillo HS)
5	Savannah Pola	Sr.	UTIL	L/R	5-4	3V	Santa Ana, Calif. (Godinez Fundamental HS)
8	Jessica Clements	Gr.	OF	L/L	5-9	TR	Salinas, Calif. (Santa Catalina School / Cal Poly)
11	Seneca Curo	Gr.	INF	R/R	5-7	4V	Barona, Calif. (Ramona HS)
13	Addisen Fisher	Fr.	P/UTIL	R/R	5-11	HS	Bend, Ore. (Bend HS)
14	Maggie Daniel	Fr.	C/UTIL	R/R	5-8	HS	Hoover, Ala. (Spain Park HS)
15	Jordan Woolery	Jr.	INF	R/R	5-9	2V	Walnut Creek, Calif. (Clayton Valley Charter HS)
21	Aleena Garcia	Fr.	INF	R/R	5-6	HS	Pico Rivera, Calif. (Whittier Christian HS)
22	Taylor Stephens	Sr.	UTIL	R/R	5-5	3V	Lynwood, Calif. (Gahr HS)
23	Taylor Tinsley	Jr.	P	R/R	5-7	2V	Lawrenceville, Ga. (George Walton Academy)
26	Jayla Castro	Sr.	C	R/R	5-5	3V	Rocklin, Calif. (Rocklin HS)
28	Alexis Ramirez	RS So.	C/UTIL	R/L	5-4	1V	Whittier, Calif. (La Serna HS)
29	Rylee Slimp	Fr.	OF	L/R	5-11	HS	Georgetown, Texas (Liberty Hill HS)
30	Lauren Hatch	Sr.	OF	L/R	5-6	3V	Sugar Land, Texas (Kempner HS)
31	Ramsey Suarez	Jr.	DP/INF	R/R	5-6	2V	Temecula, Calif. (Great Oak HS)
32	Gabriela Jaquez	Jr.	UTIL	R/R	6-0	1V	Camarillo, Calif. (Adolfo Camarillo HS)
33	Kaniya Bragg	Fr.	INF/UTIL	R/R	5-7	HS	Garden Grove, Calif. (Pacifica HS)
43	Megan Grant	Jr.	UTIL	L/R	5-10	2V	San Bruno, Calif. (Aragon HS)
44	Kate Blunt	Sr.	UTIL	R/R	5-6	3V	Ladera Ranch, Calif. (Tesoro HS)
51	Jada Cecil	Sr.	P	R/R	5-10	1V	Temecula, Calif. (Temecula Valley HS / UC San Diego)
55	Kaitlyn Terry	So.	P/OF	L/L	5-6	1V	Glendale, Ariz. (Greenway HS)
56	Liesl Osteen	So.	OF	L/R	5-10	1V	Simi Valley, Calif. (Oaks Christian School)

Coaching Staff

Kelly Inouye-Perez	Head Coach, 19th season (32nd overall) <i>The Shelly Carlin UCLA Head Softball Coach</i>	UCLA '93
Lisa Fernandez	Associate Head Coach, 27th season <i>The Mark Kalmansohn UCLA Associate Head Softball Coach</i>	UCLA '95
Rob Schweyer	Assistant Coach, 2nd season	
Madilyn Nickles-Camarena	Assistant Coach, 1st season	UCLA '21

Support Staff

Kirk Walker	Director of Softball Administration, 1st season (24th overall)	UCLA '88
Will Oldham	Director of Player Development & Data Analytics, 3rd season	
Claire Donyanavard	Director of Operations, 10th season	UIC '11

Pronunciation Guide

Kaniya Bragg (cuh-NYE-uh)
 Madilyn Nickles-Camarena (cam-urr-AY-nuh)
 Jessica Clements (CLEH-ments)
 Seneca Curo (KERR [rhymes with fur]-oh)
 Aleena Garcia (uh-LEEN-uh)
 Kelly Inouye-Perez (e-NOY purr-ez)
 Gabriela Jaquez (HAWK-ez)
 Sofia Mujica (moo-HE-cuh)
 Will Oldham (old-umm)
 Liesl Osteen (LEE-sull OH-steen)
 Rylee Pinedo (pin-AY-doe)
 Savannah Pola (POE-luh)
 Rob Schweyer (sh-wire)
 Ramsey Suarez (SWOR-ez)

ABOUT THE BRUINS

The UCLA softball team enters the 2025 season with its two primary pitchers and two former All-Americans in the batting lineup from last season, in addition to a group of seven newcomers – six incoming freshmen and one transfer student.

The Bruins return pitching sensations Kaitlyn Terry and Taylor Tinsley who both earned All-Pac-12 First Team and NFCA All-Region honors in 2024. Terry and Tinsley broke out as rising stars in the circle as they steered UCLA in its run to the WCWS. In UCLA's eight NCAA Tournament games, Terry and Tinsley pitched two shutouts, allowed just one run in four different contests and totaled a 1.71 ERA over 49.0 innings. On the season, they combined to pitch 329.1 of 355.0 total innings and recorded a combined 2.16 ERA with 327 strikeouts.

Terry was awarded 2024 Pac-12 Freshman of the Year after leading the staff with a 21-3 record and 182.0 innings pitched and ranking second in the conference with six shutouts. Tinsley led the Bruins' arms with a 1.90 ERA and 166 strikeouts.

"That's what we are known for and the success of our program is having a pitching staff," said Kelly Inouye-Perez, the Shelly Carlin UCLA Head Softball Coach. "(Associate Head Coach) Lisa Fernandez has done a great job recruiting. We have a lot of different looks and weapons. The best part of it has been seeing how (Tinsley) and (Terry) have bonded, then bringing in Addisen (Fisher). We've been able to talk as a bullpen how we are going to attack this season and I've challenged them in different roles. It's a coach's dream."

Other key contributors back for UCLA include juniors Megan Grant and Jordan Woolery. As freshmen in 2023, Grant and Woolery combined for a UCLA freshman duo record of 104 runs batted in and earned NFCA Second Team and Third Team All-America honors, respectively. Grant leads all returners with a .335 batting average (56-for-167), 30 extra-base hits and 41 RBI in 2024. Woolery boasted a .314 batting average (50-for-159), .400 on-base percentage, 36 RBI and 10 home runs as a sophomore. The two All-Pac-12 First Team honorees gained valuable experience on the Women's College World Series stage last season, each logging their first-career home runs in Oklahoma City.

UCLA will rely on the veteran knowledge of seniors Seneca Curo and Savannah Pola. Curo, who was a freshman in 2020, has reached the WCWS three times and played in 168 career games (129 starts) at six different positions during her time in Westwood. Pola has been a consistent presence in the Bruins' lineup for the past three seasons, owning a career .311 batting average (141-for-454) and .396 on-base percentage.

UCLA loses several key players who have etched their names into the program's record books. Three-time NFCA First Team All-American Maya Brady graduated from UCLA ranking second in team history in home runs (71), RBI (246), total bases (555) and slugging percentage (.757). Catcher Sharlize Palacios, who played an instrumental role in mentoring the Bruins' young pitching staff, was named an NFCA Second Team All-American and Pac-12 All-Defensive Team honoree after leading the Bruins in home runs (20) and slugging percentage (.828) last year. She is now pursuing a professional playing career in the Athletes Unlimited Softball League. Regular starters Jadelyn Allchin, Thessa Malau'ulu and Janelle Meoño also graduated from the program.

One of the top freshman classes in the country enters the fold at UCLA in 2025, headlined by Gatorade Softball National Player of the Year Addisen Fisher from Bend, Ore. Inouye-Perez expects several freshmen to play key roles, including infielders Kaniya Bragg, Aleena Garcia and Sofia Mujica and outfielder Rylee Slimp. Graduate transfer Jessica Clements from Cal Poly will also see playing time in the Bruins' outfield after leaving the Mustangs as the leading hitter in program history with a .411 career batting average (185-for-450).

"You never replace people, but it creates new opportunity for this new energy," Inouye-Perez said. "As coaches, we love to coach and be able to restart everything kind of from ground zero. Just with an understanding that there's a lot that they just need to know about the program both on and off the field. It's been a good shot in the arm of just covering all aspects of the program. A third of the team is brand new and that's been really exciting."

UCLA is navigating a move to the 17-softball team Big Ten Conference one year after reaching the Women's College World Series for an NCAA-record 32nd time. The Bruins will play 22 league games with 11 at Easton Stadium and 11 on the road. UCLA's Big Ten road series include trips to Iowa (March 22-23), Maryland (March 28-30), familiar foe Oregon (April 18-20) and Michigan (April 26-28). The Big Ten tournament will take place at Purdue's Bittinger Stadium in West Lafayette, Ind.

The Bruins aim to reach the NCAA Tournament for the 40th time in program history in 2025. UCLA softball is celebrating its 50th anniversary with the program's first year as an organized team starting in 1975.

QUICK FACTS

2024 Record:	43-12	WCWS Appearances:	32
2024 Pac-12 Record:	17-4	NCAA Championships:	12
2024 Pac-12 Regular-Season Finish:	1st	AIAW Championships:	1 (1978)
2024 Pac-12 Tournament Finish:	1st	All-Time Pac-10/12 Record:	600-215-1 (.735)
2024 Home:	17-4	Conf. Championships:	18
2024 Road:	13-3	Conf. Tournament Championships:	1
2024 Neutral:	13-5	Number of 50-Win Seasons:	19
Lettingwinners Returning/Lost:	16/9	Number of 60-Win Seasons:	3
Newcomers:	7	UCLA Enrollment:	46,676
Fr./So./Jr./Sr./Gr.:	6/3/6/6/2	Nickname:	Bruins
Head Coach:	Kelly Inouye-Perez (19th season)	School Colors:	Blue and Gold
Overall Record:	818-209-1	Conference:	Big Ten
Inouye-Perez's Alma Mater:	UCLA 1993	Stadium (capacity):	Easton Stadium (1,328)
First Year of Softball:	1975	Founded:	1919
All-Time Record:	2,156-501-5 (.810)	Chancellor:	Dr. Julio Frenk
All-Time NCAA Record:	1,995-446-5 (.816)	Director of Athletics:	Martin Jarmond
All-Time NCAA Postseason:	239-68 (.779)	Sport Admin/Sr. Women's Admin:	Dr. Christina Rivera
NCAA Tournament Appearances:	39	Faculty Athletic Rep.:	Dr. Michael Teitell

UCLA'S RETURNING PLAYERS – CAREER STATS

PLAYER	GP/GS	AVG	H-AB	RBI	R
Savannah Pola	165/154	.311	141-454	87	86
Seneca Curo	168/129	.233	67-288	52	62
Megan Grant	113/113	.334	114-341	99	65
Jordan Woolery	112/112	.353	114-323	82	46
Taylor Stephens	69/28	.276	24-87	16	22
Alexis Ramirez	27/15	.250	12-48	6	4
Jayla Castro	38/11	.231	9-39	12	4
Ramsey Suarez	67/9	.271	19-70	18	5
Lauren Hatch	115/0	N/A	N/A	N/A	54
Liesl Osteen	33/0	N/A	N/A	N/A	12
Rylee Pinedo	28/0	N/A	N/A	N/A	16
Kate Blunt	9/0	N/A	N/A	N/A	3
Gabriela Jaquez	1/0	N/A	N/A	N/A	1

	APP/GS	IP	W-L	ERA	SO
Jada Cecil *	76/58	355.0	34-16	2.39	421
Taylor Tinsley	54/35	204.2	24-9	1.78	214
Kaitlyn Terry	40/28	182.0	21-3	2.38	161

* includes stats from previous school

BRUINS' BREAKDOWN BY CLASS

Seniors (8)	Pos.	Ht.	Sophomores (3)	Pos.	Ht.
Kate Blunt	UTIL	5-6	Liesl Osteen	OF	5-10
Jayla Castro	C	5-5	Alexis Ramirez ^R	C/UTIL	5-4
Jada Cecil ^T	P	5-10	Kaitlyn Terry	P/OF	5-6
Jessica Clements ^{T,G}	OF	5-9	Freshmen (6)		
Seneca Curo ^G	INF	5-7	Kaniya Bragg	INF/UTIL	5-7
Lauren Hatch	OF	5-6	Maggie Daniel	C/UTIL	5-8
Savannah Pola	UTIL	5-4	Addisen Fisher	P/UTIL	5-11
Taylor Stephens	UTIL	5-5	Aleena Garcia	INF	5-6
Juniors (6)			Sofia Mujica	C/DP	5-5
Megan Grant	UTIL	5-10	Rylee Slimp	OF	5-11
Gabriela Jaquez	UTIL	6-0			
Rylee Pinedo	UTIL	5-3			
Ramsey Suarez	DP/INF	5-6			
Taylor Tinsley	P	5-7			
Jordan Woolery	INF	5-9			

^T denotes transfer

^R denotes redshirt

^G denotes graduate student

Cecil transferred from UC San Diego in Summer 2023.

Clements transferred from Cal Poly in Summer 2024.

BRUINS' BREAKDOWN BY STATE

Alabama (1):	Maggie Daniel
Arizona (1):	Kaitlyn Terry
California (17):	Kate Blunt, Kaniya Bragg, Jayla Castro, Jada Cecil, Jessica Clements, Seneca Curo, Aleena Garcia, Megan Grant, Gabriela Jaquez, Sofia Mujica, Liesl Osteen, Rylee Pinedo, Savannah Pola, Alexis Ramirez, Taylor Stephens, Ramsey Suarez, Jordan Woolery
Georgia (1):	Taylor Tinsley
Oregon (1):	Addisen Fisher
Texas (2):	Lauren Hatch, Rylee Slimp

MEDIA INFORMATION

CREENTIALS

Admission to Easton Stadium's press box seating is by credential only. All credential requests should be made through UCLA softball's athletic communications contact Vinny Lavalsiti (vlavalsiti@athletics.ucla.edu). Credential requests for road games should be made, via email, with Vinny Lavalsiti. Additional information about media policies are available by visiting www.uclabruins.com/media.

CREENTIAL PICKUP

Credentials can be claimed on the day of the game at the front gates of Easton Stadium. Media members should consult with Vinny Lavalsiti from the Athletic Communications Office in advance, for credential pickup.

MEDIA PARKING

Parking passes are distributed in a digital/electronic format. To secure a parking pass, contact the UCLA Athletic Communications Office at least two days in advance of the game. Media members will be encouraged to arrive early and park in the lot adjacent to Easton Stadium, in Lot 11 off Bellagio Drive. Lot 11 and Easton Stadium can be accessed off the 405 freeway (use the Sunset Blvd. exit, and proceed east). Upon arrival and parking in the lot, you will be prompted to input a coupon code into the nearest kiosk to access your free parking.

MEDIA ENTRANCE/SEATING

The stadium's media seating is limited. Should room be available in the press box, seating will be allowed on a first-come, first-serve basis with priority given to the media outlet who provides the most consistent coverage. Seating will be made available on the roof of the press box or to the right of the press box entrance.

MEDIA SERVICES

Media are encouraged to access all in-game statistics online. UCLA's Athletic Communications Office utilizes the StatBroadcast.com website (available by visiting uclabruins.com). For special arrangements regarding Ethernet connection, media members should contact Vinny Lavalsiti in advance (email: vlavalsiti@athletics.ucla.edu). Media with questions about the UCLA softball program, ranging from player backstories to statistical research, should contact Vinny Lavalsiti.

PHOTOGRAPHY

UCLA's Athletic Communications Office will make every effort to include as many photographers as possible (stationed in the camera well behind the backstop). Please note, priority will be granted to media outlets working on assignment for a major news-gathering organization or wire service. UCLA Athletics may also be supplying photos with a pool photographer at select games. Photo credentials should be ordered in the same



Jordan Woolery, Taylor Tinsley and Kelly Inouye-Perez meet with the media following a win at the Women's College World Series.

manner as media credentials. Freelance photographers may also be credentialed should they provide use of their photos for the UCLA Athletic Communications Office at no cost and do not require photo credit on UCLA softball's social media accounts.

POST-GAME PROCEDURE

Following a cooling-off period, head coach Kelly Inouye-Perez or another member of the UCLA coaching staff and select UCLA student-athletes will be available for interviews outside the Sharron Backus Clubhouse or in the coaches' office. Should UCLA host NCAA Tournament play, there will be a press conference inside the Sharron Backus Clubhouse (located to the west of the front gates to Easton Stadium). For any interviews with the visiting team, media members are encouraged to make prior arrangements with the athletic communications personnel from that institution.

WEEKDAY INTERVIEWS

Requests for coach and player interviews should be made to Vinny Lavalsiti in the Athletic Communications Office. Please give at least 48 hours notice. A concerted effort will be made to conduct these interviews in-person. Other options include a phone interview or Zoom interview. UCLA's practices are closed to the media and public.

DIRECTIONS

Directions to UCLA and Easton Stadium: From Los Angeles International Airport, take Century Blvd. east to the San Diego Freeway (405). Take the 405 northbound to Sunset Blvd (approx. 13 miles). Continue east on Sunset, make a right on Bellagio Drive. Easton Stadium will be on your left-hand side of the road in roughly 300 feet. Parking passes can only be obtained through the UCLA Athletic Communications Office (digital format).

UCLA WEBSITE

All news releases, results and statistics are posted on UCLA's official website (uclabruins.com). The official website includes postgame video recaps, featured video items with student-athletes and links to UCLA's social media websites, including X, Facebook and Instagram.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Vinny Lavalsiti is currently in his second season as the media contact for the UCLA softball program. All interview and credential requests should be directed to Vinny Lavalsiti (via email). Liza David serves as the UCLA athletic department's Senior Associate Athletic Director for Communications.

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Megan Grant and Jordan Woolery partake in the media day festivities in Oklahoma City prior to the start of the WCWS.

REPRESENTATION IN THE OLYMPICS, HALL OF FAME

BRUINS AT THE OLYMPICS

The UCLA softball program has been represented in each of the five Olympic Games sponsoring softball in 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008 and 2020. Eighteen UCLA softball alumnae have competed at the Olympics for three different countries: United States (15), Australia (3) and Puerto Rico (1). UCLA's 19 Olympians and 10 different gold medal winners rank as the most across all softball programs. The 19 Olympians have totaled 32 medals (16 gold, nine silver and seven bronze).

GOLD MEDAL WINNERS

Ten of UCLA's 19 Olympic athletes have captured the gold medal at least once for Team USA: Christie Ambrosi, Jennifer Brundage, Sheila Cornell-Douty, Lisa Fernandez, Tairia (Mims) Flowers, Amanda Freed, Stacey Nuveman, Dot Richardson, Natasha Watley and Christa Williams. In the 2008 Olympics in Beijing, Fernandez solidified her status as one of the sport's all-time greats by becoming the one of just four softball players ever to win three gold medals. Nuveman, Cornell-Douty, Williams and Richardson have each won two medals.

OLYMPIANS AT A GLANCE

Player	Country	Year	Medal	Olympic Site
Jennifer Brundage	USA	1996	Gold	Atlanta, Ga.
Sheila Cornell-Douty	USA	1996	Gold	Atlanta, Ga.
Lisa Fernandez	USA	1996	Gold	Atlanta, Ga.
Dot Richardson	USA	1996	Gold	Atlanta, Ga.
Christa Williams	USA	1996	Gold	Atlanta, Ga.
Joanne Alchin	AUS	1996	Bronze	Atlanta, Ga.
Kerry Deinelt	AUS	1996	Bronze	Atlanta, Ga.
Tanya Harding	AUS	1996	Bronze	Atlanta, Ga.
Janice Parks	PR	1996	N/A	Atlanta, Ga.
Christie Ambrosi	USA	2000	Gold	Sydney, Au.
Jennifer Brundage	USA	2000	Gold	Sydney, Au.
Sheila Cornell-Douty	USA	2000	Gold	Sydney, Au.
Lisa Fernandez	USA	2000	Gold	Sydney, Au.
Stacey Nuveman	USA	2000	Gold	Sydney, Au.
Christa Williams	USA	2000	Gold	Sydney, Au.
Joanne Alchin	AUS	2000	Bronze	Sydney, Au.
Kerry Dienelt	AUS	2000	Bronze	Sydney, Au.
Tanya Harding	AUS	2000	Bronze	Sydney, Au.
Lisa Fernandez	USA	2004	Gold	Athens, Gr.
Tairia (Mims) Flowers	USA	2004	Gold	Athens, Gr.
Amanda Freed	USA	2004	Gold	Athens, Gr.
Stacey Nuveman	USA	2004	Gold	Athens, Gr.
Natasha Watley	USA	2004	Gold	Athens, Gr.
Tanya Harding	AUS	2004	Silver	Athens, Gr.
Andrea Duran	USA	2008	Silver	Beijing, Cn.
Tairia (Mims) Flowers	USA	2008	Silver	Beijing, Cn.
Stacey Nuveman	USA	2008	Silver	Beijing, Cn.
Natasha Watley	USA	2008	Silver	Beijing, Cn.
Tanya Harding	AUS	2008	Bronze	Beijing, Ch.
Ally Carda	USA	2020	Silver	Tokyo, Jp.
Rachel Garcia	USA	2020	Silver	Tokyo, Jp.
Bubba Nickles	USA	2020	Silver	Tokyo, Jp.
Delaney Spaulding	USA	2020	Silver	Tokyo, Jp.



Natasha Watley



Lisa Fernandez



Stacey Nuveman



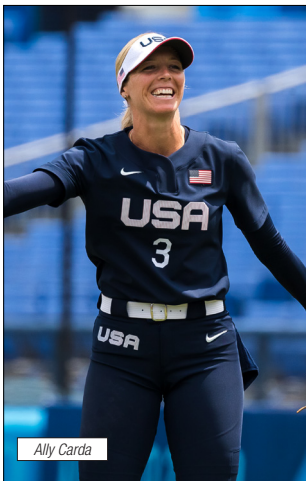
Dot Richardson



Jennifer Brundage



Sheila Cornell-Douty



Ally Carda



Tairia (Mims) Flowers



Amanda Freed

WESTWOOD TO OKLAHOMA CITY

The UCLA softball program has 10 former players and coaches who have been inducted into the National Softball Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, Okla. The most recent UCLA softball player to be inducted into the National Softball Hall of Fame was Natasha Watley in 2020. The National Softball Hall of Fame and Museum has over 400 members with two categories of membership: players and non-players. A nominee needs 75 percent (nine votes) of the votes cast by the 12 member Hall of Fame Committee to be elected. Annual inductions are held at the USA Softball Annual Meeting.

UCLA'S HALL OF FAME REPRESENTATION

Player/Coach (at UCLA)	UCLA Years	Inducted
Sharron Backus (coach)	1975-1996	1985
Sheila Cornell-Douty (player)	1981-84	2006
Debbie Doom (player)	1982-85	2019
Sue Enquist (player & coach)	1975-78, 1980-06	2015
Lisa Fernandez (player & coach)	1990-93, 1997-99, 2007-pres.	2013
Stacey Nuveman (player)	1997, 1999, 2001-02	2014
Dot Richardson (player)	1981-83	2006
Gina Vecchione (player & coach)	1980-82	1997
Natasha Watley (player)	2000-03	2020
Christa Williams (player)	1997	2018

UCLA's SOFTBALL TRADITION

12 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

UCLA's program has won a nation-leading 12 NCAA titles and 13 total national championships, including its 1978 AIAW title. The Bruins are the only program in the history of the sport to win an NCAA championship in all four decades since softball was adopted by the NCAA in 1982. UCLA was the first program to repeat NCAA titles in 1984 and 1985, and then was the first program to three-peat in 1988, 1989 and 1990. The Bruins have won consecutive titles on three different occasions.

Overall, UCLA has played in 39 NCAA Tournaments and made 32 Women's College World Series appearances, which both rank No. 1 across all programs. UCLA has posted an NCAA Tournament record of 239-68 (.779) and Women's College Series record of 104-43 (.708).

UCLA's NCAA Title-Winning Seasons

Season	Coach	Record	Runner-Up
1982	Sharron Backus	33-7-2	Fresno State
1984	Sharron Backus	45-6-1	Texas A&M
1985	Sharron Backus	41-9	Nebraska
1988	Sharron Backus	53-8	Fresno State
1989	Sharron Backus	48-4	Fresno State
1990	Backus/Enquist	62-7	Fresno State
1992	Backus/Enquist	54-2	Arizona
1999	Sue Enquist	63-6	Washington
2003	Sue Enquist	54-7	California
2004	Sue Enquist	47-9	California
2010	Kelly Inouye-Perez	50-11	Arizona
2019	Kelly Inouye-Perez	56-5	Oklahoma

WHERE DOES THAT RANK?

UCLA's total of 12 softball NCAA Championships ranks No. 1, nationally. In fact, the Bruins have won just one fewer NCAA title than the Big 12 (7), SEC (4), Big 10 (1) and ACC (1) combined.

NCAA Titles by Team

Team	Titles
UCLA	12
Arizona	8
Oklahoma	8
Florida	2
Arizona State	2
Texas A&M	2

by Conference

Conference	Titles
Pac-12 ¹	21
UCLA	12
Big 12	7
SEC ²	4
WCAA ¹	3

¹ UCLA won three titles as a member of the Western Collegiate Athletic Assoc. prior to joining the PacWest in 1986.

² Texas A&M won two titles as a member of the Southwest Conference in 1983 and 1987 prior to joining the SEC in 2012.



Stacey Nuveman



Lisa Fernandez won UCLA softball's first Honda-Broderick Cup in 1993.

CONFERENCE HISTORY

UCLA has secured 18 regular season conference titles entering its 51st season of organized softball in 2025. UCLA has won one conference tournament, occurring in the second and last edition of the Pac-12 Tournament in 2024.

Two of those 18 regular season titles came in the Southern California Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCWIC) in 1974 and 1975 when the Bruins were still under the umbrella of the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW). Two more titles came in the Western Collegiate Athletic Association (WCAA) in 1983 and 1984. The rest of the Bruins' conference titles (13) were won in the Pac-10/12 Conference.

Conference Champions (18)

Season	Coach	Record
1975 ^A	Sharron Backus	9-0
1976 ^A	Sharron Backus	9-1
1983 ^B	Sharron Backus	17-3
1984 ^B	Sharron Backus	7-3
1986 ^C	Sharron Backus	10-2
1988 ^D	Sharron Backus	15-3
1989 ^D	Sharron Backus/Sue Enquist	18-2
1990 ^D	Sharron Backus/Sue Enquist	16-2
1991 ^D	Sharron Backus/Sue Enquist	16-4
1993 ^D	Sharron Backus/Sue Enquist	25-1
1999 ^D	Sue Enquist	22-6
2002 ^D	Sue Enquist	18-3
2006 ^D	Sue Enquist	15-5
2009 ^D	Kelly Inouye-Perez	16-5
2019 ^E	Kelly Inouye-Perez	20-4
2021 ^E	Kelly Inouye-Perez	19-2
2023 ^E	Kelly Inouye-Perez	21-3
2024 ^E	Kelly Inouye-Perez	17-4

- A Southern California Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Champions
- B Western Collegiate Athletic Association Champions
- C PacWest Champions
- D Pac-10 Conference Champions
- E Pac-12 Conference Champions

Conference Tournament Champions (1)

Season	Coach	Runner-Up	Conf.
2024	Kelly Inouye-Perez	Utah	Pac-12

UCLA IN THE NFCA POLL

Since the inception of the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) poll in 1995, UCLA has finished the season ranked No. 1 on six occasions. Below is a list of the Bruins' season finishes in the poll.

NFCA POLL FINISHES

Season	Coach	Poll
1995	Sharron Backus/Sue Enquist	2nd
1996	Sharron Backus/Sue Enquist	3rd
1997	Sue Enquist	2nd
1998	Sue Enquist	N/A
1999	Sue Enquist	1st
2000	Sue Enquist	2nd
2001	Sue Enquist	2nd
2002	Sue Enquist	5th
2003	Sue Enquist	1st
2004	Sue Enquist	1st
2005	Sue Enquist	2nd
2006	Sue Enquist	4th
2007	Kelly Inouye-Perez	18th
2008	Kelly Inouye-Perez	5th
2009	Kelly Inouye-Perez	9th
2010	Kelly Inouye-Perez	1st
2011	Kelly Inouye-Perez	19th
2012	Kelly Inouye-Perez	20th
2013	Kelly Inouye-Perez	21st
2014	Kelly Inouye-Perez	9th
2015	Kelly Inouye-Perez	5th
2016	Kelly Inouye-Perez	9th
2017	Kelly Inouye-Perez	5th
2018	Kelly Inouye-Perez	3rd
2019	Kelly Inouye-Perez	1st
2020	Kelly Inouye-Perez	1st
2021	Kelly Inouye-Perez	5th
2022	Kelly Inouye-Perez	3rd
2023	Kelly Inouye-Perez	13th
2024	Kelly Inouye-Perez	5th

UCLA AND THE HONDA AWARD

UCLA SOFTBALL'S HONDA AWARD HISTORY

The Collegiate Women's Sports Awards began in 1976 as the Broderick Awards, named after Tom Broderick. In 1985 when American Honda agreed to serve as sponsor, the name was changed to the Honda-Broderick Awards in transition and then became the Honda Awards. In 2012 Honda became a presenting sponsor and the awards have since been known as The Collegiate Women Sports Awards (CWSA) presented by Honda with The Collegiate Woman of the Year being presented with the Honda Cup.

The award winner is to reflect "not only athletic achievement but also the ideals of team contribution, scholastic endeavor, school and community involvement and those personal characteristics as stated in the philosophy of the NCAA. The program includes 12 sports awards for the best female athlete in each of the 12 NCAA-sanctioned sports. The Honda Award winner for their respective sport is then named a finalist for the Honda Cup, signifying The Collegiate Woman Athlete of the Year.

UCLA WOMEN'S SPORTS & THE HONDA AWARD

Across its 13 varsity women's programs, UCLA has hauled in 31 Honda Sport Awards and six Honda Cups. UCLA softball owns four of those six Honda Cups and leads all of the Bruins' programs with 12 Honda Sport Awards. UCLA track and field's Jackie Joyner-Kersey and UCLA women's basketball's Ann Meyers Drysdale own the two other Honda Cups. UCLA gymnastics ranks second in the department with five Honda Sport Awards.

UCLA leads all collegiate softball programs with 12 Honda Sport Award accolades and also leads all NCAA Division I women's athletic programs, in any sport, with four Honda Cup awards: Lisa Fernandez (1993), Natasha Watley (2003), and the only two-time winner in softball history, Rachel Garcia (2019 and 2021).

DEBBIE DOOM (1984)

Debbie Doom was the program's first Honda Award winner in 1984 after posting a 24-3 record and career-best 0.10 earned run average and 282 strikeouts. Doom secured UCLA's second NCAA title that season with a 13-inning shutout over Texas A&M in the championship game.

LISA LONGAKER (1988, 1990)

Lisa Longaker earned her first Honda Award in 1988 following a 31-win season which, at the time, set a program record that would not be eclipsed until Lisa Fernandez in 1993. Lisa Longaker became the first two-time Honda Award winner and secured UCLA's third straight award and NCAA Championship in 1990.

JANICE PARKS (1989)

Janice Parks took home the Honda Award the next year in 1989 after hitting a career-best .426 batting average over 52 games played and helping UCLA to back-to-back NCAA titles.

LISA FERNANDEZ (1991, 1992, 1993)

Fernandez three-peated the Honda Award from 1991 to 1993 to bring UCLA's running total to seven. In 1993, Fernandez won the program's first Honda-Broderick Cup after posting a 33-3 record and 0.25 earned run average with a career-best 348 strikeouts.

JENNIFER BRUNDAGE (1995)

Jennifer Brundage became the fifth Bruin to win the Honda Award in 1995 after leading the country with a .518 batting average.

NATASHA WATLEY (2003)

Watley won the Honda Award and Honda-Broderick Cup in 2003 following her third 200-hit season and a .481 batting average that helped the Bruins to the 2003 NCAA Championship.

RACHEL GARCIA (2018, 2019, 2021)

Garcia won three Honda Awards (2018, 2019, 2021) and is the only player in NCAA history to win the Honda Cup twice (2019, 2021). In 2019, Garcia was the winning pitcher in both WCWS final games against Oklahoma, pitching a total of 36 innings in a span of six days and five games to bring home the Bruins' 12th NCAA title.



Janice Parks



Lisa Fernandez



Natasha Watley



Lisa Longaker



Rachel Garcia

EASTON STADIUM



Nestled in the hills of Bel-Air in sunny Los Angeles, Easton Stadium has been one of the hallmark venues of the sport since it opened its doors on Feb. 19, 1994. The stadium sits on the same plot of land as Sunset Field, the original on-campus facility utilized by the softball program since 1979. Home of the winningest program in the history of the sport, Easton Stadium has hosted some of the greatest softball players the game has ever seen, including Lisa Fernandez, Dot Richardson, Natasha Watley, Stacey Nuvevan and Rachel Garcia.

In addition to being home of the widely-acknowledged top collegiate program in the country, Easton Stadium is a showcase venue for interscholastic, intercollegiate, national and international events. The U.S. National Softball Team used Easton Stadium as a training facility and preparation site for the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, Ga., at which Team USA won the gold medal.

The stadium features chair-back seating for a max capacity of 1,328 fans, sunken dugouts, two batting cages located behind the outfield wall, a 28-foot full-color electronic video scoreboard, team clubhouse, press box, concession stands and permanent public restrooms. UCLA boasts a record of 607-130 (.824) all-time at Easton Stadium.

In 1999, the Sharron Backus Clubhouse was constructed, featuring a central meeting room for the UCLA softball team and its alumni, affectionately coined the "Bruin Bubble." Named after National Softball Hall of Famer and the Bruins' first head coach, the Sharron Backus Clubhouse also houses UCLA's coaching and administrative office.

Under the bleachers are panels dedicated to each decade of Bruin softball success; UCLA is the only program in the sport to win a national championship in every decade, including its 1978 AIAW title. Listed on the panels are the program's letterwinners and a season-by-season breakdown.

Decorating the concourse are blown-up posters honoring UCLA's NCAA-title teams. The Bruins were the first-ever team to win back-to-back NCAA Championships in 1984 and 1985 and three-peat from 1988-1990.

The Easton Stadium playing field consists of a natural dirt infield and warning track with a natural grass outfield. The outfield walls measure 190 feet to the corners and 210 feet to straightaway center field.

TEAM AND COACHING WIN MILESTONES

Win	UCLA	at Easton Stadium	Backus ^B	Enquist ^E	Inouye-Perez
First	4/9/75 vs. CSUDH	3/4/94 vs. CAL	4/9/75 vs. CSUDH	2/2/89 vs. SMC	2/9/07 vs. SYR ^N
100	3/8/80 vs. UNLV	5/22/99 vs. MINN	3/8/80 vs. UNLV	5/3/90 at ASU	2/22/09 vs. MARY ^N
200	3/7/83 vs. CREI	3/17/05 vs. USU	3/7/83 vs. CREI	4/7/92 vs. ARIZ	3/11/11 vs. SAC ^N
300	4/9/85 vs. LBSU	3/26/10 vs. LBSU	4/9/85 vs. LBSU	4/16/94 at WASH	2/8/14 at UH
400	2/12/88 at UCSB	3/15/15 vs. UTAH	2/12/88 at UCSB	5/19/96 at CSUF	2/13/16 vs. WICH ^N
500	2/3/90 at USIU	5/24/19 vs. JMU	2/3/90 at USIU	3/27/99 vs. CAL	2/25/18 vs. MIZZ ^N
600	4/13/91 at SAC	3/29/24 vs. ORE	4/13/91 at SAC	2/26/01 at TXST	6/4/19 vs. OU ^N
700	4/13/93 vs. LBSU		4/13/93 vs. LBSU	2/5/03 at UCR	3/28/22 at WASH
800	4/26/95 vs. CSUN		4/26/95 vs. CSUN	2/2/05 vs. UCR	4/19/24 at STAN
900	5/22/97 vs. FRES ^N				
1000	2/24/00 vs. CSUN				
1100	2/10/02 vs. USU ^N				
1200	5/25/03 vs. TEX ^N				
1300	2/25/06 vs. TAMU ^N				
1400	3/9/08 at LBSU				
1500	4/17/10 at OSU				
1600	2/17/13 vs. ULM ^N				
1700	2/28/15 vs. SUU ^N				
1800	3/26/17 vs. DART				
1900	3/8/19 vs. RMU				
2000	5/8/21 vs. STAN				
2100	4/16/23 at ARIZ				

^N denotes neutral-site contest

^B Backus' last win: May 25, 1996 vs. Louisiana-Lafayette

^E Enquist's last win: June 3, 2006 vs. Texas



SHARRON BACKUS

UCLA's head coach from 1975-1996



On Jan. 6, 1997, the UCLA softball program entered a new era as Sharron Backus announced her retirement from coaching after 22 years of leading the Bruins. Considered by many a softball icon, Backus was the guiding force of the top softball program in the nation at UCLA. Owner of the second-best winning percentage in NCAA Division I softball history, Backus coached 22 seasons, posting an 854-173-3 (.831) lifetime record - all at UCLA. Included in that impressive 22-year slate was a 111-32 (.776) mark in postseason play.

Backus and the Bruins brought eight national championship trophies to Westwood (seven NCAA and one AIAW), including an unprecedented three in a row (1988, '89 and '90). The Backus era's trophy case also includes four second-place finishes and three third-place awards. Her UCLA teams played in the Women's College World Series 16 times, and after the Bruins joined the NCAA in 1982, Backus' squads made the WCWS every year they made the NCAA Tournament.

Including her award as the Pac-10 Conference Coach of the Year in 1995, Backus earned the league's top honor four times in her final seven seasons, also winning in 1990, 1992 and 1993. In 1990, Backus was chosen Northwest Region Coach of the Year by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA). She was also selected as the Diamond National and Western Collegiate Athletic Association (WCAA) Coach of the Year in 1984 and 1985.

Backus has been enshrined in several Halls of Fame in recognition of her contributions as a player and coach. The National Softball Hall of Fame recognized her as one of the most honored players and coaches with induction in 1985. In 1992, the NFCA Hall of Fame welcomed Backus, honoring her tremendous successes in collegiate softball. In 1993, the International Women's Sports Hall of Fame inducted Backus, spotlighting her enormous contributions to women's athletics. And in 2001, Backus was inducted into the UCLA Athletic Hall of Fame in her first year of eligibility.

The Bruin mentor is most noted for her ability to teach the fundamentals. In fact, UCLA did not commit a single error in WCWS play in the championship seasons of 1978, 1982 and 1988. Backus provided solid background in the handling of pitchers such as Debbie Doom, Tracy Compton, Lisa Longaker, Lisa Fernandez and DeeDee Weiman and hitters such as Fernandez, Janice Parks, Yvonne Gutierrez and Jennifer Brundage. Backus coached the first softball player to win the most prestigious honor in women's athletics, as Fernandez won the 1993 Honda-Broderick Cup, which recognized her as the most outstanding collegiate female athlete in all sports during the 1992-93 season.

UCLA's strength in fundamentals evolved from Backus' legendary ASA playing career. The Cal State Fullerton graduate was instrumental in seven ASA titles (1961, 1965 and 1971-75) and two international championships (1972 and 1974). A star shortstop, Backus was named to numerous ASA All-America teams during her playing career. She also played professional softball for the Connecticut Falcons from 1976-78, when the team won three World Championships.

A native of Anaheim and a resident of Fullerton, Backus continued her coaching duties in the professional ranks, coaching in the Women's Pro Softball League (WPSL). In 1998, she was named WPSL Coach of the Year after leading the Orlando Wahoos to the league championship. Backus also went on to serve as the Director of Player Personnel for the WPSL. She earned a bachelor's degree in physical education in 1969 from Cal State Fullerton, along with her teaching credential, which enabled her to teach at Western High School before coming to UCLA.

BACKUS' CAREER BY THE NUMBERS

Career Record at UCLA:	854-173-3 (.831)
Seasons at UCLA:	22
Record as Head Coach (1975-88):	451-117-3 (.792)
Record as Co-Head Coach (1989-96):	403-56 (.878)
National Championships:	8 (1978, 1982, 1984, 1985, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1992)
Conference Championships:	10 (two SCWIAA, two WCAA, one PacWest, five Pac-10)
Postseason Appearances:	18
Postseason Record:	111-32 (.776)
Women's College World Series Record:	68-20 (.773)
40-Win Seasons:	13
U.S. National Team Members Coached:	24
Olympians Coached:	9
NFCA All-Americans (citations):	30 (53)
NFCA All-Region Honorees (citations):	46 (87)
All-Conference Awards:	94
Pac-10 Players of the Year (citations):	2 (6)
All-Women's College World Series Team Honorees:	52
Honda-Broderick Cup Winners:	1 (Lisa Fernandez, 1993)
Honda Sport Award Winners (citations):	5 (8)

BACKUS' HONORS AND ACCOLADES

1984	WCAA Coach of the Year
1984	Diamond National Coach of the Year
1985	WCAA Coach of the Year
1985	Diamond National Coach of the Year
1985	National Softball Hall of Fame induction
1990	Pac-10 Coach of the Year
1990	NFCA Regional Coach of the Year
1992	Pac-10 Coach of the Year
1992	National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Hall of Fame induction
1993	Pac-10 Coach of the Year
1993	International Women's Sports Hall of Fame induction
1999	"Sharron Backus Clubhouse" constructed at Easton Stadium
2001	UCLA Athletic Hall of Fame induction



HALL OF FAME HEAD COACH SUE ENQUIST

SUE ENQUIST

**UCLA's head coach from 1997-2006,
co-head coach from 1989-1996**

After spending 31 years as a player, assistant coach or head coach in the UCLA softball program, Sue Enquist announced her retirement from coaching on Sept. 26, 2006. Enquist spent 10 years as the Bruins' head coach, taking over that role for the 1997 season following the retirement of longtime mentor Sharron Backus. Enquist compiled a 484-119-1 (.802) from 1997-2006 and an overall mark of 887-175-1 (.835) in 18 seasons of coaching, serving as co-head coaches with Backus from 1989-96.



Enquist's .835 winning percentage puts her at the top of the NCAA charts for Division I head softball coaches. As co-head and head coach, Enquist led the Bruins to six national championships (1989, 1990, 1992, 1999, 2003, 2004) and seven Pac-10 Conference titles. Before being named co-head coach, Enquist spent nine seasons (1980-88) as an assistant under Backus, with the Bruins posting a record of 352-85-3 (.803).

A three-time Pac-10 Coach of the Year (1995, 1999, 2006), Enquist was named National Coach of the Year by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) three times in 1992, 1995 and 2004. She also led coaching staffs that were named NFCA Regional Coaching Staff of the Year in 2000 and NFCA National Coaching Staff of the Year in 2004. Enquist coached 33 players to 66 NFCA All-America awards during her 18 seasons as head coach and five players to seven Honda Sport Awards, including Lisa Fernandez and Natasha Watley, who both won the Honda-Broderick Cup, given to the most outstanding collegiate female athlete in all sports.

Enquist was either a player or coach on 11 UCLA national championship teams, including the program's first as a member of the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (IAIW) in 1978 when she was the tournament's leading hitter. When the NCAA brought women's sports under its umbrella starting with the 1982 season, the Bruins won the inaugural championship.

As one of eight softball coaches chosen to work with the U.S. National Team, Enquist was involved in the preparation of the gold-medal winning U.S. Olympic Team for the 1996 Summer Games in Atlanta, the inaugural Games for softball as an Olympic sport.

After graduating from San Clemente High School in December of 1974, Enquist went on to play four seasons for Backus from 1975-78. Enquist became the prototypical player for Bruin softball in terms of attitude, desire and will to win. UCLA's first softball All-American, Enquist led the Bruins in batting average and doubles three times, triples twice and homers and runs batted in once. A three-time All-Region selection, Enquist still stands fourth on UCLA's all-time list with a .401 career batting average. On April 29, 2000, Enquist's No. 6 jersey was immortalized when it became the third number in Bruin softball history to be retired.

A three-time ASA All-American for the Raybestos Brakettes, Enquist helped lead them to four ASA National Championships (1976-78, '80). She also enjoyed success as a player at the international level, earning gold medals at three National Sports Festivals, the 1978 World Championships and the 1979 Pan American Games.

Away from the field, Enquist has received numerous honors, including induction into five Halls of Fame. In 1993, she became the first softball player inducted into the UCLA Athletic Hall of Fame. In 2000, Enquist was enshrined into the Capistrano Unified School District Hall of Fame, and in 2006, she was inducted into the NFCA Hall of Fame. In June of 2008, Enquist was inducted into the International Women's Sports Hall of Fame. Seven years later, she was enshrined into the National Softball Hall of Fame. Enquist was recognized with the 2004 C. Vivian Stringer Coaching Award by the United States Sports Academy. The award pays tribute to those who have made significant contributions to sports and is named in honor of C. Vivian Stringer, the Women's Basketball Hall of Famer who is the only coach to take three different schools to the Final Four.

Enquist's coaching career and passion transcends past softball. She has served as a mental performance coach for the 2020 and 2024 U.S. Olympic Women's Volleyball Teams and also manages her own personal coaching firm, Sue Enquist LLC. Enquist is also a professor at UCLA, instructing classes filled with UCLA student-athletes in the John Wooden's Transformative Coaching and Leadership program.

Enquist earned her bachelor's degree in kinesiology from UCLA in 1980. A native of San Clemente, Enquist surfed professionally from 1979-1981 and continues to be an avid surfer. She currently resides in Huntington Beach, Calif.

ENQUIST'S CAREER BY THE NUMBERS

Career Head Coaching Record at UCLA:	887-175-1 (.835)
Seasons at UCLA:	18
Record as Head Coach (1997-06):	484-119-1 (.802)
Record as Co-Head Coach (1989-96):	403-56 (.878)
Record as Assistant Coach (1980-88):	352-85-3 (.803)
NCAA Championships as HC/Co-HC:	6 (1989, 1990, 1992, 1999, 2003, 2004)
NCAA Championships as Assistant Coach:	4 (1982, 1984, 1985, 1988)
IAIW Championships as a Player:	1 (1978)
Pac-10 Championships as HC/Co-HC:	7
Conference Championships as Assistant Coach:	4
Postseason Appearances:	16
Postseason Record:	114-26 (.814)
Women's College World Series Record:	57-20 (.740)
National Top-Four Finishes:	15
40-Win Seasons:	17
U.S. National Team Members Coached:	31
Olympians Coached:	12
NFCA All-Americans (citations):	33 (60)
NFCA All-Region Honorees (citations):	39 (79)
All-Pac-10 Conference Awards:	141
Pac-10 Players of the Year (citations):	5 (9)
Pac-10 Pitchers of the Year (citations):	2 (2)
All-Women's College World Series Team Selections:	53
Honda-Broderick Cup Winners:	2 (Lisa Fernandez, Natasha Watley)
Honda Sport Award Winners (citations):	5 (7)
USA Softball Collegiate Players of the Year:	1 (Stacey Nuveman, 2002)

ENQUIST'S HONORS AND ACCOLADES

1978	UCLA Softball's First All-American
1991	NFCA Regional Coach of the Year
1992	NFCA Regional Coach of the Year
1992	NFCA National Coach of the Year
1993	UCLA Athletic Hall of Fame induction
1995	Pac-10 Coach of the Year
1995	NFCA National Coach of the Year
1999	Pac-10 Coach of the Year
2000	NFCA Regional Coach of the Year
2000	NFCA Regional Coaching Staff of the Year
2000	Capistrano Unified School District Hall of Fame induction
2004	NFCA National Coach of the Year
2004	NFCA National Coaching Staff of the Year
2004	C. Vivian Stringer Coaching Award Recipient
2006	Pac-10 Coach of the Year
2006	National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Hall of Fame induction
2008	International Women's Sports Hall of Fame induction
2015	National Softball Hall of Fame induction
	U.S. Softball National Team Coach
	U.S. Women's Volleyball National Team Mental Performance Coach



COACHING HISTORY

Year	Coach(es)	Overall Record	Pct.	Conf. Record	Pct.	Conf. Finish	Home Record	Away Record	Neutral Record	Postseason	National Finish
1975	Sharron Backus	14-6	.700	9-0	1.000	1st	5-1	5-1	4-4	--	--
1976	Sharron Backus	13-4	.765	9-1	.900	1st	7-0	6-2	0-2	--	--
1977	Sharron Backus	17-10	.630	--	--	--	7-1	6-7	4-2	4-2	--
1978	Sharron Backus	31-3	.912	--	--	--	--	--	--	9-1	1st
1979	Sharron Backus	24-9	.727	--	--	--	--	--	--	7-4	2nd
1980	Sharron Backus	24-13	.649	11-5	.688	2nd	16-7	8-4	0-2	0-2	--
1981	Sharron Backus	38-10	.792	10-5	.667	2nd	13-4	15-3	10-3	7-4	3rd
1982	Sharron Backus	33-7-2	.810	15-4-1	.775	2nd	19-5-1	9-2-1	5-0	7-0	1st
1983	Sharron Backus	40-7	.851	17-3	.850	1st	17-1	17-3	6-3	5-2	3rd
1984	Sharron Backus	45-6-1	.875	7-3	.700	1st	25-3	10-1-1	10-2	7-1	1st
1985	Sharron Backus	41-9	.820	9-3	.750	2nd	14-1	12-6	15-2	7-2	1st
1986	Sharron Backus	28-15	.651	10-2	.833	1st	12-7	13-6	3-2	--	--
1987	Sharron Backus	50-10	.833	7-3	.700	2nd	27-3	11-4	12-3	6-2	2nd
1988	Sharron Backus	53-8	.869	15-3	.833	1st	24-4	17-3	12-1	7-1	1st
1989	Backus/Enquist	48-4	.923	18-2	.900	1st	23-1	18-3	7-0	7-0	1st
1990	Backus/Enquist	62-7	.899	16-2	.889	1st	23-1	17-3	22-3	7-1	1st
1991	Backus/Enquist	56-7	.889	16-4	.800	1st	21-0	15-4	20-3	6-2	2nd
1992	Backus/Enquist	54-2	.964	14-2	.875	2nd	17-1	11-1	26-0	7-0	1st
1993	Backus/Enquist	50-5	.909	25-1	.962	1st	23-1	16-2	11-2	6-2	2nd
1994	Backus/Enquist	43-14	.754	16-6	.727	2nd	15-3	13-6	15-5	6-3	4th
1995	Backus/Enquist	43-6	.878	23-4	.852	2nd	23-2	13-4	7-0	--	--
1996	Backus/Enquist	47-11	.810	20-7	.741	3rd	17-5	19-4	11-2	6-3	t-3rd
1997	Sue Enquist	49-14	.778	21-7	.750	2nd	14-4	18-8	17-2	8-3	2nd
1998	Sue Enquist	18-27	.400	8-18	.308	7th	7-8	8-13	3-6	--	--
1999	Sue Enquist	63-6	.913	22-6	.786	1st	25-3	16-3	22-0	8-0	1st
2000	Sue Enquist	46-12-1	.788	14-7	.667	3rd	14-4	10-4	22-4-1	7-1	2nd
2001	Sue Enquist	62-6	.912	16-5	.762	2nd	23-2	19-3	20-1	7-1	2nd
2002	Sue Enquist	55-9	.859	18-3	.857	1st	25-1	10-5	20-3	5-3	t-5th
2003	Sue Enquist	54-7	.885	17-4	.810	2nd	17-3	17-2	20-2	9-1	1st
2004	Sue Enquist	47-9	.839	12-8	.600	4th	15-3	7-5	25-1	8-0	1st
2005	Sue Enquist	40-20	.667	11-10	.524	5th	19-9	8-5	13-6	10-4	2nd
2006	Sue Enquist	50-9	.847	15-5	.750	1st	24-4	9-3	17-2	7-2	4th
2007	Kelly Inouye-Perez	37-18	.673	12-9	.571	t-3rd	14-9	10-4	13-5	1-2	t-17th
2008	Kelly Inouye-Perez	51-9	.850	17-4	.810	2nd	21-3	12-3	18-3	6-2	t-5th
2009	Kelly Inouye-Perez	45-11	.804	16-5	.762	1st	19-6	11-3	15-2	4-2	t-9th
2010	Kelly Inouye-Perez	50-11	.820	14-7	.667	2nd	20-4	17-4	13-3	10-0	1st
2011	Kelly Inouye-Perez	36-19	.655	9-12	.429	t-6th	16-5	5-9	15-5	3-2	t-17th
2012	Kelly Inouye-Perez	36-20	.643	12-12	.500	t-4th	15-5	8-9	13-6	0-2	t-17th
2013	Kelly Inouye-Perez	40-20	.667	10-14	.417	t-5th	12-10	9-7	19-3	3-2	t-17th
2014	Kelly Inouye-Perez	52-8	.867	19-5	.792	2nd	31-4	11-4	10-0	4-2	t-9th
2015	Kelly Inouye-Perez	51-12	.810	19-5	.792	2nd	27-4	10-3	14-5	6-2	t-5th
2016	Kelly Inouye-Perez	40-16-1	.711	16-5-1	.750	2nd	17-5	11-4-1	12-7	5-3	t-7th
2017	Kelly Inouye-Perez	48-15	.762	16-8	.667	t-3rd	21-6	13-3	14-6	6-2	t-5th
2018	Kelly Inouye-Perez	58-7	.892	20-4	.833	2nd	27-3	13-2	18-2	8-3	t-3rd
2019	Kelly Inouye-Perez	56-6	.903	20-4	.833	t-1st	23-4	14-1	19-1	10-1	1st
2020	Kelly Inouye-Perez	25-1	.962	canceled	--	--	12-1	2-0	11-0	canceled	--
2021	Kelly Inouye-Perez	47-7	.870	19-2	.905	1st	30-2	14-2	3-3	6-3	t-3rd
2022	Kelly Inouye-Perez	51-10	.836	19-5	.792	2nd	26-1	8-4	17-5	8-3	t-3rd
2023	Kelly Inouye-Perez	52-7	.881	21-3	.875	1st	21-3	16-2	15-2	0-2	t-17th
2024	Kelly Inouye-Perez	43-12	.782	17-4	.810	1st	17-4	13-3	13-5	6-2	t-5th
Totals		2156-501-5	.811	697-241-2	.742	18 Titles	900-171-1	570-187-3	631-131-1	266-82	13 Titles
							(.840)	(.750)	(.827)	(.764)	

ASSISTANT COACHING HISTORY

Name	Years as Asst.	Record
Sue Enquist	1980-88	352-85-3 (.803)
Kirk Walker	1984-94; 2013-24	828-156-1 (.840)
Kelly Inouye-Perez	1994-06	617-150-1 (.804)
Lisa Fernandez	1997-99; 2007-pres.	1212-259-2 (.822)
Gina Vecchione	2000-12	609-160-1 (.792)
Rob Schweyer	2024-pres.	43-12 (.782)

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANTS

Name	Years
Jennifer Brundage	1998
Courtney Dale	2005
Rodney Davis	2018
GiOnna DiSalvatore	2012
Andrea Duran	2011
Yvonne Gutierrez	1995
Jodie Legaspi-Kiaha	2013
Hayden Maurice	2015
Will Oldham	2023-pres.
Kylee Perez	2019
Don Slaught	2020-22
Natasha Watley	2006-10

NATIONAL AFFILIATION HISTORY

Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW)
1975-81 (7 yrs.) Record: 161-55 (.745)

National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)
1982-pres. (43 yrs.) Record: 1,995-446-5 (.816)

CONFERENCE AFFILIATION HISTORY

Southern Calif. Women's Intercol. Athletic Conf. (SCWIAAC)
1975-76 (2 yrs.) Record: 18-1 (.947)

Western Collegiate Athletic Association (WCAA)
1980-85 (6 yrs.) Record: 69-23-1 (.747)

PacWest Conference
1986 (1 yr.) Record: 10-2 (.833)

Pac-10/12 Conference
1987-24 (38 yrs.) Record: 600-215-1 (.735)

Big Ten Conference
2025 (1 yr.)

POSTSEASON RECORDS

AIAW	27-13 (.675)
NCAA Tournament	239-68 (.779)
Regionals	109-18 (.858)
Super Regionals	26-7 (.788)
Women's College World Series	104-43 (.707)



Sharron Backus

1975-1996

as Head Coach: 451-117-3 (14 years)

as Co-Head Coach: 403-56 (8 years)

8 National Titles (7 NCAA) as Head Coach



Sue Enquist

1989-2006

as Head Coach: 484-119-1 (10 years)

as Co-Head Coach: 403-56 (8 years)

as Asst. Coach: 352-85-3 (9 years)

6 NCAA Titles as Head Coach



Kelly Inouye-Perez

2007-Pres.

as Head Coach: 818-209-1 (18 years)

as Asst. Coach: 617-150-1 (13 years)

2 NCAA Titles as Head Coach