

NCAA Fencing Championships (1941 to present)

The NCAA has held championships in fencing every year since 1941 except for the four years 1943-46 during World War II. From 1941 through 1981, the championships were limited to men's fencing events and four championships were contested: men's epee individual, men's foil individual, men's sabre individual, and team (i.e., men's three-weapon).

For these early championships, there were no qualifying competitions but each school could enter only one fencer in each weapon and each school paid the entire expenses of their fencers attending the championships. The championships were run as a complete round robin in each weapon with the champion decided by whoever had the most number of victories at the end of the round robin. If two or more fencers had the same number of victories, first place was decided by a fence-off while all remaining ties in victories were decided by the touch indicator. The team championship was decided by adding to total number of victories a school had in all three weapons, not counting any fence-off victories.

Beginning in 1982, two women's NCAA championships were contested: women's foil individual and women's foil team. This meant that there were two team championships: a men's 3-weapon team and a women's foil team. In 1990, the single men's 3-weapon team championship was changed into three team championships, one for each weapon, and one combined team championships was awarded for the best combined men's and women's results. In 1995, women's epee was added to the championships and the four weapon-specific team championships were dropped leaving only the combined team championship which now included the women's epee results.

Beginning in 2000 a women's sabre individual championship was added and those results were included in the combined team championship. The NCAA fencing championships has thus consisted in its current format of six individual championships and one combined team championship since 2000.

Of the twelve different types of championships that the NCAA has awarded in fencing, 34 schools have won at least one of them. The greatest number of NCAA fencing championships have been won by Columbia-Barnard with 54, followed by Penn State with 49, and Notre Dame with 42. The top three schools that have won the most of each type of championship are:

Men's Epee Individual (71 championships) – New York University (10), Wayne State University (8), and Columbia and St. John's (7 each).

Men's Foil Individual (71 championships) – Wayne State University (11), Columbia (10), and New York University and Stanford (8 each)

Men's Sabre Individual (71 championships) – Columbia and New York University (11 each), and Penn State University (9)

Women's Epee Individual (21 championships) – Penn State University (6), Notre Dame (5), and St. John's (4)

Women's Foil Individual (34 championships) – Notre Dame (9), Penn State University (8), and Columbia-Barnard (4)

Women's Sabre Individual (16 championships) – Notre Dame (4), Duke (3), and Columbia-Barnard, Harvard, and Yale (2 each)

Combined Team (26 championships) – Penn State University (13), Notre Dame (4), and Columbia-Barnard and Ohio State (3 each)

Men's 3-weapon Team [discontinued] (48 championships) – New York University (10 plus 2 shared with Columbia), Columbia (9 plus 2 shared with NYU), and Wayne State University (7)

Men's Epee Team [discontinued] (5 championships) – Columbia (3), and Penn State University and Princeton (1 each)

Men's Foil Team [discontinued] (5 championships) – Columbia and Yale (2 each), and Notre Dame (1)

Men's Sabre Team [discontinued] (5 championships) – Penn State University (2), and University of Pennsylvania, Columbia, and Yale (1 each)

Women's Team [discontinued] (13 championships) – Wayne State University (3), Yale (2), and Notre Dame, Penn State University, and University of Pennsylvania (1 each)

Over the course of the 71 NCAA fencing championships since 1941, 32 different schools have hosted them with Notre Dame having hosted the most with nine, Ohio State with seven, and the Air Force Academy and Wisconsin(Parkside) hosting four each.

NCAA Fencing Championships - Men's

Year	Men's						
	Epee		Foil		Sabre		Team
1941	Chester H. Boland	Illinois	Edward McNamara	Northwestern	William Meyer	Dartmouth	Northwestern
1942	Ben Burt	Ohio State	Byron Krieger	Wayne State	Andre Deladrier	St. John's (N.Y.)	Ohio State
1943	Not Contested - World War II						
1944							
1945							
1946							
1947	Abraham Balk	New York U	Abraham Balk	New York U	Oscar Parsons	Temple	New York U
1948	William Bryan	Navy	Albert Axelrod	CCNY	James Day	Navy	CCNY
1949	Richard Bowman	Army	Ralph Tedeschi	Rutgers	Alex Treves	Rutgers	Army/Rutgers
1950	Thomas Stuart	Navy	Robert Nielsen	Columbia	Alex Treves	Rutgers	Navy
1951	Daniel Chafetz	Columbia	Robert Nielsen	Columbia	Chamberless Johnston	Princeton	Columbia
1952	James Wallner	New York U	Harold Goldsmith	CCNY	Frank Zimolzak	Navy	Columbia
1953	Jack Tori	Pennsylvania	Ed Nober	Brooklyn	Robert Pamacek	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania
1954	Henry Kolowrat	Princeton	Robert Goldman	Pennsylvania	Steven Sobel	Columbia	Columbia/NYU
1955	Donald Tadrawski	Notre Dame	Herman Velasco	Illinois	Barry Pariser	Columbia	Columbia
1956	Kinmont Hoitsma	Princeton	Ralph DeMarco	Columbia	Gerald Kaufman	Columbia	Illinois
1957	James Margolis	Columbia	Bruce Davis	Wayne State	Bernard Balaban	New York U	New York U
1958	Roland Wommack	Navy	Bruce Davis	Wayne State	Art Schankin	Illinois	Illinois
1959	Roland Wommack	Navy	Joseph Paletta	Navy	Al Morales	Navy	Navy
1960	Gil Eisner	New York U	Eugene Glazer	New York U	Michael Dasaro	New York U	New York U
1961	Jerry Halpern	New York U	Herbert Cohen	New York U	Israel Colon	New York U	New York U
1962	Thane Hawkins	Navy	Herbert Cohen	New York U	Barton Nisonson	Columbia	Navy
1963	Larry Crum	Navy	Jay Lustig	Columbia	Bela Szentivanyi	Wayne State	Columbia
1964	Paul Pesthy	Rutgers	Bill Hicks	Princeton	Craig Bell	Illinois	Princeton
1965	Paul Pesthy	Rutgers	Joseph Nalven	Columbia	Howard Goodman	New York U	Columbia
1966	Bernhardt Hermann	Iowa	Albert Davis	New York U	Paul Apostol	New York U	New York U
1967	George Masin	New York U	Michael Gaylor	New York U	Todd Makler	Pennsylvania	New York U
1968	Donald Sieja	Cornell	Gerard Esponda	San Francisco	Todd Makler	Pennsylvania	Columbia
1969	James Wetzler	Pennsylvania	Anthony Kestler	Columbia	Norman Braslow	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania
1970	John Nadas	Case Reserve	Walter Krause	New York U	Bruce Soriano	Columbia	New York U
1971	George Szunyogh	New York U	Tyrone Simmons	Detroit	Bruce Soriano	Columbia	Columbia/NYU
1972	Ernesto Fernandez	Pennsylvania	Tyrone Simmons	Detroit	Bruce Soriano	Columbia	Detroit
1973	Risto Hurme	New York U	Brooke Makler	Pennsylvania	Peter Westbrook	New York U	New York U
1974	Risto Hurme	New York U	Greg Benko	Wayne State	Steve Danosi	Wayne State	New York U
1975	Risto Hurme	New York U	Greg Benko	Wayne State	Yuri Rabinovich	Wayne State	Wayne State
1976	Randy Eggleton	Pennsylvania	Greg Benko	Wayne State	Brian Smith	Columbia	New York U
1977	Hans Wieselgren	New York U	Pat Gerard	Notre Dame	Michael Sullivan	Notre Dame	Notre Dame
1978	Bjorne Vaggo	Notre Dame	Ernest Simon	Wayne State	Michael Sullivan	Notre Dame	Notre Dame
1979	Carlos Songini	Cleveland St	Andrew Bonk	Notre Dame	Yuri Rabinovich	Wayne State	Wayne State
1980	Gil Pezza	Wayne State	Ernest Simon	Wayne State	Paul Friedberg	Pennsylvania	Wayne State

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Year	Epee		Foil		Sabre		Team
1981	Gil Pezza	Wayne State	Ernest Simon	Wayne State	Paul Friedberg	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania
1982	Peter Schifrin	San Jose State	Alexander Flom	George Mason	Neil Hick	Wayne State	Wayne State
1983	Ola Harstrom	Notre Dame	Demetrios Valsamis	New York U	John Friedberg	North Carolina	Wayne State
1984	Ettore Bianchi	Wayne State	Charles Higgs-Coulthard	Notre Dame	Michael Lofton	New York U	Wayne State
1985	Ettore Bianchi	Wayne State	Stephan Chauvel	Wayne State	Michael Lofton	New York U	Wayne State
1986	Christopher O'Loughlin	Pennsylvania	Adam Feldman	Penn State	Michael Lofton	New York U	Notre Dame
1987	James O'Neill	Harvard	William Mindel	Columbia	Michael Lofton	New York U	Columbia
1988	Jon Normile	Columbia	Marc Kent	Columbia	Robert Cottingham	Columbia	Columbia
1989	Jon Normile	Columbia	Edward Mufel	Penn State	Peter Cox	Penn State	Columbia
1990	Jubba Beshin	Notre Dame	Nick Bravin	Stanford	David Mandell	Columbia	E - Penn State F - Columbia S - Pennsylvania
1991	Marc Oshima	Columbia	Ben Atkins	Columbia	Vitali Nazlimov	Penn State	E - Columbia F - Columbia S - Penn State
1992	Harald Bauder	Wayne State	Nick Bravin	Stanford	Thomas Strzalkowski	Penn State	E - Columbia F - Yale S - Penn State
1993	Ben Atkins	Columbia	Nick Bravin	Stanford	Thomas Strzalkowski	Penn State	E - Columbia F - Yale S - Columbia
1994	Harald Winkmann	Princeton	Kwame van Leeuwen	Harvard	Thomas Strzalkowski	Penn State	E - Princeton F - Notre Dame S - Yale
1995	Mike Gattner	Lawrence	Sean McClain	Stanford	Paul Palestis	New York U	D i s c o n t i n u e d
1996	Jeremy Kahn	Duke	Thorstein Becker	Wayne State	Maxim Pekarev	Princeton	
1997	Alden Clarke	Stanford	Cliff Bayer	Pennsylvania	Keeth Smart	St. John's (N.Y.)	
1998	George Hentea	St. John's (N.Y.)	Ayo Griffin	Yale	Luke LaValle	Notre Dame	
1999	Alex Roytblat	St. John's (N.Y.)	Felix Reichling	Stanford	Keeth Smart	St. John's (N.Y.)	
2000	Daniel Landgren	Penn State	Felix Reichling	Stanford	Gabor Szelle	Notre Dame	
2001	Soren Thompson	Princeton	William Jed Dupree	Columbia	Ivan Lee	St. John's (N.Y.)	
2002	Árpád Horváth	St. John's (N.Y.)	Nontapat Panchan	Penn State	Ivan Lee	St. John's (N.Y.)	
2003	Seth Kelsey	Air Force	Nontapat Panchan	Penn State	Adam Crompton	Ohio State	
2004	Árpád Horváth	St. John's (N.Y.)	Boaz Ellis	Ohio State	Adam Crompton	Ohio State	
2005	Michal Sobieraj	Notre Dame	Boaz Ellis	Ohio State	Sergey Isayenko	St. John's (N.Y.)	
2006	Benji Ungar	Harvard	Boaz Ellis	Ohio State	Adam Crompton	Ohio State	
2007	Viacheslav Zingerman	Wayne State	Andras Horanyi	Ohio State	Timothy Hagamen	Harvard	
2008	Viacheslav Zingerman	Wayne State	Andras Horanyi	Ohio State	Jeff Spear	Columbia	
2009	Viacheslav Zingerman	Wayne State	Nicholas Chinman	Penn State	Aleksander Ochocki	Penn State	
2010	Marat Israelian	St. John's (N.Y.)	Gerek Meinhardt	Notre Dame	Daryl Homer	St. John's (N.Y.)	

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Men's							
Year	Epee		Foil		Sabre		Team
2011	Marat Israelian	St. John's (N.Y.)	Ariel DeSmet	Notre Dame	Daryl Homer	St. John's (N.Y.)	
2012	Jonathan Yergler	Princeton	Zain Shaito	Ohio State	Aleksander Ochocki	Penn State	
2013	Marco Canevari	Ohio State	Alex Massialis	Stanford	Michael Mills	Pennsylvania	
2014	Yevgeniy Karyuchenko	St. John's (N.Y.)	Gerek Meinhardt	Notre Dame	Kaito Streets	Penn State	
2015	Jake Hoyle	Columbia	Alex Massialis	Stanford	Andrew Mackiewicz	Penn State	

NCAA Fencing Championships - Women's

Women's								
Year	Epee		Foil		Sabre		Foil Team	
1982	Not Contested		Joy Ellingson	San Jose State	Not Contested		Wayne State	
1983			Jana Angelakis	Penn State			Penn State	
1984			Mary Jane O'Neill	Pennsylvania			Yale	
1985			Caitlin Bilodeaux	Columbia-Barnard			Yale	
1986			Molly Sullivan	Notre Dame			Pennsylvania	
1987			Caitlin Bilodeaux	Columbia-Barnard			Notre Dame	
1988			Molly Sullivan	Notre Dame			Wayne State	
1989			Yasemin Topcu	Wayne State			Wayne State	
1990			Tzu Moy	Columbia-Barnard			Wayne State	
1991			Heidi Piper	Notre Dame			Penn State	
1992			Olga Chernyak	Penn State			Temple	
1993			Olga Kalinovskaya	Penn State			Penn State	
1994			Olga Kalinovskaya	Penn State			Penn State	
1995			Tina Loven	St. John's (N.Y.)			Olga Kalinovskaya	Penn State
1996	Nicole Dygert	St. John's (N.Y.)	Olga Kalinovskaya	Penn State				
1997	Magda Krol	Notre Dame	Yelena Kalkina	Ohio State				
1998	Charlotte Walker	Penn State	Felicia Zimmerman	Stanford				
1999	Felicia Zimmerman	Stanford	Monique DeBruin	Stanford				
2000	Jessica Burke	Penn State	Eva Petschnigg	Princeton	Caroline Purcell	MIT		
2001	Emese Takacs	St. John's (N.Y.)	Iris Zimmerman	Stanford	Sada Jacobson	Yale		
2002	Kerry Walton	Notre Dame	Alicja Kryczalo	Notre Dame	Sada Jacobson	Yale		
2003	Katarzyna Trzopek	Penn State	Alicja Kryczalo	Notre Dame	Alexis Jemal	Rutgers		
2004	Anna Garina	Wayne State	Alicja Kryczalo	Notre Dame	Valerie Providenza	Notre Dame		
2005	Anna Garina	Wayne State	Emily Cross	Harvard	Emily Jacobson	Columbia-Barnard		
2006	Katarzyna Trzopek	Penn State	Erzsebet Garay	St. John's (N.Y.)	Mariel Zagunis	Notre Dame		
2007	Anna Garina	Wayne State	Doris Willette	Penn State	Daria Schneider	Columbia-Barnard		
2008	Kelley Hurley	Notre Dame	Monika Golebiewski	St. John's (N.Y.)	Sarah Borrmann	Notre Dame		
2009	Anastasia Ferdman	Penn State	Doris Willette	Penn State	Rebecca Ward	Duke		
2010	Margherita Guzzi Vincenti	Penn State	Nicole Ross	Columbia-Barnard	Caroline Vloka	Harvard		
2011	Courtney Hurley	Notre Dame	Alexandra Kiefer	Harvard	Rebecca Ward	Duke		
2012	Katarzyna Dabrowa	Ohio State	Evgeniya Kirpicheva	St. John's (N.Y.)	Rebecca Ward	Duke		
2013	Courtney Hurley	Notre Dame	Lee Kiefer	Notre Dame	Eliza Stone	Princeton		
2014	Vivian Kong	Stanford	Lee Kiefer	Notre Dame	Adrienne Jarocki	Harvard		
2015	Isis Washington	St. John's (N.Y.)	Lee Kiefer	Notre Dame	Francesca Russo	Notre Dame		

NCAA Fencing Championships - Combined

Year	Combined Team
1990	Penn State
1991	Penn State
1992	Columbia-Barnard
1993	Columbia-Barnard
1994	Notre Dame
1995	Penn State
1996	Penn State
1997	Penn State
1998	Penn State
1999	Penn State
2000	Penn State
2001	St. John's (N.Y.)
2002	Penn State
2003	Notre Dame
2004	Ohio State
2005	Notre Dame
2006	Harvard
2007	Penn State
2008	Ohio State
2009	Penn State
2010	Penn State
2011	Notre Dame
2012	Ohio State
2013	Princeton
2014	Penn State
2015	Columbia-Barnard

Schools That Have Won NCAA Fencing Championships

School	Individual						Team*					Total	
	Men's			Women's			Men's				Women's		Combined
	Epee	Foil	Sabre	Epee	Foil	Sabre	Epee	Foil	Sabre	3-Weapon	Foil		
Air Force	1												1
Army	1									1			2
Brooklyn		1											1
Case Reserve	1												1
CCNY		2								1			3
Cleveland St	1												1
Columbia-Barnard	7	10	11		4	2	3	2	1	11		3	54
Cornell	1												1
Dartmouth			1										1
Detroit		2								1			3
Duke	1					3							4
George Mason		1											1
Harvard	2	1	1		2	2						1	9
Illinois	1	1	2							2			6
Iowa	1												1
Lawrence	1												1
MIT						1							1
Navy	6	1	3							3			13
New York U	10	8	11							12			41
North Carolina			1										1
Northwestern		1								1			2
Notre Dame	5	6	4	5	9	4		1		3	1	4	42
Ohio State	2	6	3	1	1					1		3	17
Penn State	1	5	9	6	8		1		2		4	13	49
Pennsylvania	5	3	7		1				1	3	1		21
Princeton	5	1	2		1	1	1			1		1	13
Rutgers	2	1	2			1				1			7
San Francisco		1											1
San Jose State	1				1								2
St. John's (N.Y.)	7		8	4	3							1	23
Stanford	1	8		2	3								14
Temple			1								1		2
Wayne State	8	11	5	3	1					7	4		39
Yale		1				2		2	1		2		8
34	71	71	71	21	34	16	5	5	5	48	13	26	386

* - Team championships that have been greyed out have been discontinued. Counts include shared championships.

NCAA Fencing Championships - Venues

	Year	Venue
1	1941	Ohio State
2	1942	Washington U. (Mo.)
	1943	Not Contested - World War II
	1944	
	1945	
	1946	
3	1947	
4	1948	Navy
5	1949	Army
6	1950	Wayne State
7	1951	Illinois
8	1952	Yale
9	1953	Pennsylvania
10	1954	Chicago
11	1955	Michigan State
12	1956	Navy
13	1957	Detroit
14	1958	Texas Tech
15	1959	Navy
16	1960	Illinois
17	1961	Princeton
18	1962	Ohio State
19	1963	Air Force
20	1964	Harvard
21	1965	Detroit
22	1966	Duke
23	1967	Cal State - Northridge
24	1968	Wayne State
25	1969	North Carolina State
26	1970	Notre Dame
27	1971	Air Force
28	1972	UI - Chicago
29	1973	Johns Hopkins
30	1974	Case Reserve
31	1975	Cal State - Fullerton
32	1976	Pennsylvania
33	1977	Notre Dame
34	1978	Wisconsin - Parkside
35	1979	Princeton
36	1980	Penn State
37	1981	Wisconsin - Parkside
38	1982	Notre Dame
39	1983	Wisconsin - Parkside
40	1984	Princeton
41	1985	Notre Dame
42	1986	Princeton
43	1987	Notre Dame
44	1988	Princeton
45	1989	Northwestern
46	1990	Notre Dame
47	1991	Penn State
48	1992	Notre Dame
49	1993	Wayne State
50	1994	Brandeis

	Year	Venue
51	1995	Notre Dame
52	1996	Yale
53	1997	Air Force
54	1998	Notre Dame
55	1999	Brandeis
56	2000	Stanford
57	2001	Wisconsin - Parkside
58	2002	Drew
59	2003	Air Force
60	2004	Brandeis
61	2005	Houston
62	2006	Rice
63	2007	Drew
64	2008	Ohio State
65	2009	Penn State
66	2010	Harvard
67	2011	Ohio State
68	2012	Ohio State
69	2013	Freeman Coliseum
70	2014	Ohio State
71	2015	Ohio State