



# Athletics

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## SPORTS

### *Varsity*

- Baseball
- Basketball (men)
- Basketball (women)
- Cross country (men)
- Cross country (women)
- Football
- Golf (men)
- Soccer (women)
- Softball (women)
- Tennis (men)
- Tennis (women)
- Track and field (men)
- Track and field (women)
- Volleyball (women)

### *Junior Varsity*

- Baseball
- Basketball (men)
- Basketball (women)
- Football

## NCAA ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Graduate from high school.
- Have a GPA of 2.0 in 14 core courses.
- Have a combined score of 820 on the SAT verbal and math sections or a sum score on the ACT of 68.
- Register with the NCAA Eligibility Center.

## STRENGTHS

- Approximately 420 student-athletes.
- Overall GPA for student-athletes is about 3.0.
- ACU ranks fourth in NCAA history in team national championships (53) behind only UCLA, Stanford and USC.
- 26 NCAA post-graduate scholarships.
- 53 NCAA Division II national team championships, including one already in 2007-08.
- Seven NAIA Division I national team championships.
- 139 Lone Star Conference team championships since 1973-74, including two already in 2007-08.
- More than 100 academic all-America awards.
- ACU is the only NCAA Division II institution to finish in the top 15 in the final United States Sports Academy

Directors' Cup standings in each of the 12 rankings (beginning with the 1995-96 year).

- ACU has won the Lone Star Conference all-sports championship in 21 of the last 23 years, 12 of which were consecutive.
- ACU is the home of Nicodemus Naimadu, the only athlete in NCAA history to win four individual national collegiate titles in cross country.

## ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Each sport offers the following number of scholarships:

- Baseball – 8
- Basketball (men) – 9
- Basketball (women) – 9
- Football – 32.5
- Golf (men) – 3.15
- Soccer (women) – 5
- Softball (women) – 6.32
- Tennis (men) – 3.95
- Tennis (women) – 5.26
- Track and field (men) – 10.6
- Track and field (women) – 10.6
- Volleyball (women) – 7.04

## FACILITIES

- **Moody Coliseum** – Moody Coliseum will host its 41st season of Wildcat basketball and 38th season of Wildcat volleyball in 2007-08. The first men's basketball game in the 4,600-seat coliseum was played Feb. 27, 1968. Major remodeling was conducted in 1993-94 to update the facility and celebrate its 25th anniversary. Included were a top-grade maple wood floor, refurbished seats, and a new lighting and sound system. Moody is one of the finest coliseums in the Southwest.
- **Crutcher Scott Field** – A "field of dreams" became reality when 4,000-seat Crutcher Scott Field opened in 1991. Jim Anglea, head groundskeeper for the Texas Rangers, designed and supervised construction of the playing surface. In 1995, it was expanded to include a home clubhouse and a state-of-the-art press box. Crutcher Scott Field is one of the top collegiate baseball fields in the Southwest. In February 2007, the Bonneau Family Indoor Hitting Facility was added to the baseball complex, giving ACU student-athletes the opportunity to work on their skills year-round.

- **Powell Fitness Center** – This 8,000-square-foot facility opened in 1993. It is equipped with state-of-the-art aerobic and anaerobic equipment and serves more than 500 men and women each day. It was expanded in 2007 and now includes free weights, cable weights, hammer strength equipment, cardio exercise machines and other exercise equipment.
- **Elmer Gray Stadium** – The nine-lane, all-weather track surface at ACU's Elmer Gray Stadium was completed in 1990. The track was converted from 440 yards to 400 meters, and new facilities for all field events were constructed. The stadium has a seating capacity of 4,000 and has been the host for high school regional meets, NCAA Division II national championships, and U.S. Olympic trials for women. The NCAA Division II 2005 outdoor national championships were held at Elmer Gray Stadium. United States Olympic champions such as Bobby Morrow (Abilene Christian), Earl Young (Abilene Christian) and Michael Johnson (Baylor) have competed at Elmer Gray.
- **A.E. (Poly) and Zieta Wells Field** – Wells Field is one of the best intercollegiate softball fields in the nation. Constructed in 1996, the stadium has a major-league quality playing surface and top-quality amenities to serve as host for NCAA regional and national tournaments.
- **Teague Special Events Center** – This 43,500-square foot building is one of ACU's newest athletics facilities. It opened in summer 1998 after a \$4.1 million construction project to provide a large multipurpose room with seating for up to 1,500 people for special programs, dinners and luncheons during campus events. It also includes offices for the director of athletics, and trainers and coaches for football, golf, track and field, cross country, tennis, baseball and softball. The large multipurpose room can be divided into three indoor tennis courts.
- **Eager Tennis Center** – ACU has one of the finest tennis facilities in NCAA Division II, located east of Moody Coliseum and the Teague Special Events Center. The Judi and Cecil Eager Tennis Pavilion was completed during the 2002-03 school year. The new pavilion has covered seating (approximately 175 seats, including some chairback seating) and is located west of the four main championship courts and next to the Teague Special Events Center. In front of the six courts south of the main courts is another covered grandstand. In 2007 the facility was expanded adding new seating and new courts to the east side of the facility.
- **Shotwell Stadium** – The 2007 season will mark ACU's 49th season of playing its home games at the 15,000-seat Shotwell Stadium. The Wildcats began playing on a new surface in 2002 with the implementation of a new SafePlay turf field surface similar to those at the University of Nebraska and Oklahoma State University. The stadium also has been upgraded with new locker rooms and a new

scoreboard with a high-definition video board with full replay capability.

## DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

- Daniel Manning**, football; starting safety, Chicago Bears; played in Super Bowl XLI; Vernon Hills, Ill.
- Dr. Camille Coates-Clark**, track and field, class of 1987; Coates-Clark Orthopedic Surgery and Sports Medicine, Palatka, Fla.
- James Segrest**, track and field, class of 1959; 2006 inductee into Texas Sports Hall of Fame; Granbury, Texas.
- Paul Carrozza**, track and field, class of 1985; owner of Run-Tex in Austin; member of President George W. Bush's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports; co-chair of the Texas Governor Rick Perry's Advisory Council on Physical Fitness; Austin, Texas.
- Greg Feasel**, football, class of 1981; vice president for sales and marketing, Colorado Rockies Baseball Club; Denver, Colo.
- Billy Olson**, track and field, class of 1981; 1988 U.S. Olympic team; 11-time world record holder in pole vault; Abilene, Texas.
- Lance Barrow**, football, class of 1978; executive producer of golf and football, CBS Sports; Colleyville, Texas.
- Wilbert Montgomery**, football, class of 1977; 1981 NFL Super Bowl, Philadelphia Eagles; assistant coach, Super Bowl champion St. Louis Rams; current assistant coach, Detroit Lions; Northville, Mich.
- Bill Gilbreth**, baseball, class of 1970; holds ACU all-time strikeout record of 445; played for the Detroit Tigers and California Angels; Abilene, Texas.
- Dr. Wayne Massey**, baseball, class of 1966; neurologist, Duke University Medical Center; Durham, N.C.
- Earl Young**, track and field, class of 1962; U.S. Olympic champion in the 4x440 relay in Rome in 1960; businessman; Dallas, Texas.
- Bobby Morrow**, track and field, class of 1958; three-time gold medalist on the 1956 U.S. Olympic team; Sealy, Texas.

## RECENT GRADUATES

- Jared Mosley**, basketball, class of 2000; director of athletics, Abilene Christian University, Abilene, Texas.
- Dellorean Ennis-London**, track and field, class of 1999; participant on the Jamaican Olympic team; fourth in 100 hurdles at 2002 Olympic Games.
- Jennifer Clarkson-Frazier**, basketball, class of 1996; NCAA Division II Player of the Year; inducted into Lone Star Conference Hall of Honor, 2002.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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