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## 2007 Willamette University Track & Field Schedule

Date	Event/Host	Time/Result
Mar. 3	<b>Willamette Opener</b> <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	9 a.m.
Mar. 10	<b>Willamette Meet</b> <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	TBA
Mar. 16	Linfield Open Linfield College	12 p.m.
Mar. 17	Oregon Preview Univ. of Oregon	11:30 a.m.
Mar. 23	<b>Charles Bowles Classic</b> <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	12 p.m.
Apr. 6-7	<b>Willamette Invite</b> <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	4 p.m./ 10:30 a.m.
Apr. 9-10	<b>NWC Multi Champs</b> <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	9 a.m.
Apr. 14	<b>Willamette Mini Meet</b> <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	11 a.m.
Apr. 20-21	NWC Championships <i>Univ. of Puget Sound</i>	2 p.m./ 10:30 a.m.
Apr. 27	WOU Twilight* <i>Western Oregon Univ.</i>	TBA
May 5	Oregon Twilight <i>Univ. of Oregon</i>	3:30 p.m.
May 5	Ken Shannon Invite* <i>Univ. of Washington</i>	TBA
May 11	Western Oregon* <i>Western Oregon Univ.</i>	TBA
May 12	Ken Foreman Invite* <i>Seattle Pacific Univ.</i>	TBA
May 16	<b>WU Last Chance</b> <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	3:30 p.m.
May 24-26	NCAA Championships <i>Univ. of Wis-Oshkosh</i>	All Day

\* Tentative

Home games in **Bold Face**

## Track & Field

### Former WU Star Symmonds Wins National Title at 800-Meters

Former Willamette University track and field athlete Nick Symmonds, who won seven NCAA Division III individual national championships as a Bearcat, has now won a U.S.A. Track & Field national title after finishing first in the 800-meter run at the U.S.A. Indoor Track and Field Championships, at the Reggie Lewis Center on Sunday, Feb. 25. Symmonds won the event with a time of 1:48.73, as he finished 0.69 seconds in front of Sam Burley in second place.

Symmonds, whose career at Willamette included four 800-meter titles and three 1,500-meter titles in NCAA Division III, has established himself as one of the nation's top middle distance runners. He took second place in the 800-meter run at the 2006 U.S.A. Track and Field Outdoor Championships this past June, as he completed the race in 1:45.83. During this winter's indoor season, he moved under the four-minute mark in the mile run with a time of 3:56.72 at the University of Washington Indoor Preview. He won the 800-meter run in 1:48.15 at the Reebok Boston Indoor Games on Jan. 27.

After graduating from Willamette in the spring of 2006, Symmonds has been able to devote most of his time to improving his skills as a runner. He is a member of Oregon Track Club Elite and will compete in the 1,500-meter run at Oregon Invitational, hosted by the University of Oregon on April 20-21. He also hopes to compete in Eugene, Ore., during the U.S. Olympic Trials, which run from June 27 through July 6, 2008.

### Up Next for the Bearcats:

#### Willamette Opens 2007 Season this Weekend

The Bearcats host the Willamette Opener track meet this Saturday, Mar. 3, at Charles Bowles Track at McCulloch Stadium. The meet is set to start at 9:30 a.m. (PST). Seven schools and two club teams are scheduled to compete.

In addition to Willamette, the other teams competing are Corban College, George Fox University, Mt. Hood Community College, the University of Portland, Whitworth College, and the Oregon State University women's team. The two club teams entered are Eugene Health and Performance, and the University of Oregon Running Club.

The first event will be the hammer throw at 9:30 a.m. (PST). The hammer throw will be held off-site at 1850 Oxford Street. The remainder of the events will be held at WU's track and field facility. The final event is set to start at 3:35 p.m. (PST).

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**NWC Baseball Standings  
Through February 25, 2007**

	NWC		Overall		
	W	L	W	L	T
Lewis & Clark	2	0	2	4	0
George Fox	0	0	6	0	0
Pacific Lutheran	0	0	6	3	0
Pacific	0	0	2	1	0
Linfield	0	0	3	3	0
Whitworth	0	0	2	7	0
Puget Sound	0	0	1	5	1
Whitman	0	0	0	6	0
Willamette	0	2	3	6	0

**2007 Willamette University  
Baseball Schedule**

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
<b>Feb. 3</b>	<b>Corban</b>	<b>9-7 W</b>
Feb. 10	at Lewis & Clark*	9-8 L
Feb. 10	at Lewis & Clark#*	8-3 L
Feb. 11	at Lewis & Clark#*	^Leading 5-3
Feb. 17	at Pomona-Pitzer	9-7 L
Feb. 17	at Pomona-Pitzer	11-6 L
Feb. 18	at CSU-San Marcos	9-6 W
Feb. 24	at CSU-East Bay	13-4 W
Feb. 24	at CSU-East Bay	8-1 L
Feb. 25	at CSU-East Bay	9-1 L
<b>Mar. 3</b>	<b>George Fox* (DH)</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 4</b>	<b>George Fox*</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 9</b>	<b>Menlo</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 10</b>	<b>Menlo</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 11</b>	<b>Menlo</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
Mar. 17	at Whitman* (DH)	12 p.m.
Mar. 18	at Whitman*	12 p.m.
<b>Mar. 24</b>	<b>Whitworth* (DH)</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 25</b>	<b>Whitworth*</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 29</b>	<b>Patten</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
Mar. 31	at Puget Sound* (DH)	12 p.m.
Apr. 1	at Puget Sound*	12 p.m.
Apr. 3	at Corban	4 p.m.
<b>Apr. 6</b>	<b>Pacific Lutheran* (DH)</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 7</b>	<b>Pacific Lutheran*</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
Apr. 10	vs. Western Oregon%	7 p.m.
Apr. 14	at Linfield* (DH)	12 p.m.
Apr. 15	at Linfield*	12 p.m.
<b>Apr. 17</b>	<b>Corban</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 21</b>	<b>Pacific* (DH)</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 22</b>	<b>Pacific*</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
Apr. 25	vs. Corban%	6 p.m.
Apr. 26	vs. Lewis & Clark%	6 p.m.
May 17-21	at NCAA Regional	TBA
May 26-30	at NCAA Finals	TBA

\* Northwest Conference

# At Tigard HS % At Volcanoes Stadium

^ Suspended in middle of 7th inning and will be completed on Apr. 26 prior to scheduled game

Home games in **Bold Face**

**Baseball (3-6 Overall, 0-2 NWC)**

**Last Weeks Results:**

**Cal State-East Bay Takes Two of Three from Bearcats**

California State University-East Bay took two of three games from the Willamette University baseball team over the weekend in Hayward, Calif. WU opened the series with a 13-4 win on Saturday, Feb. 24, before East Bay took the second game on Saturday, 8-1. On Sunday afternoon, the Pioneers downed Willamette 9-1. Willamette's record stands at 3-6 overall and 0-2 in the NWC.

For Willamette in the three-game series, Kyle Stalker (So., DH, Bellevue, WA/Sammamish HS) went 3 for 12 with three home runs and seven RBIs. He hit a pair of three-run homers in Willamette's 13-4 win in Saturday's first game, then hit a solo homer in the second game on Saturday in East Bays' 8-1 win. Also for the Bearcats, Sean Anderson (Jr., OF, Klamath Falls, OR/Klamath Falls HS) was 5 for 12 (.417) with two doubles on the weekend. Tye Sundlee (Jr., RHP, Yakima, WA/West Valley HS) was the winning pitcher for Willamette in Saturday's first game.

Sundlee struck out seven batters and allowed just six hits in 7 1/3 innings, improving to 2-0 on the season. He walked just one batter on his way to giving the Pioneers their first loss at home this year (5-1). In Sundlee's first four appearances of 2007, he has registered 17 strikeouts with only five walks in 22 inning pitched.

The opener also included a 3-for-4 performance from Willamette's Matt Rasmussen (Sr., SS, Sandy, UT/Bingham HS), who scored twice and earned one RBI. He also hit a double for his fifth two-bagger of the season.

**Up Next for the Bearcats:**

**Willamette Hosts George Fox**

Willamette is set to host perennial-NWC power George Fox this weekend for a three game series. The two teams will play a doubleheader on Saturday, March 3, with the first game starting at 11 a.m. (PST). On Sunday, WU and GFU will play a single game starting at 12 p.m. (PST). The Bruins, who are 6-0 on the season, have won or tied for five straight NWC titles, and have either won or tied for six of the past seven NWC titles. In addition, George Fox won the 2004 NCAA Division III National Championship.

**Bearcat Notes:**

- Sunday's game between WU and East-Bay almost didn't take place. Early on Sunday afternoon, the Willamette was about to start the long bus trip from California back to Salem, Ore., after the final game of the three-game series was canceled. The bus stayed in Hayward, Calif., a bit longer, however, as CSU-East Bay determined its baseball field was playable, allowing the teams to complete the weekend series after all.
- Stalker is off to a hot start for the 2007 campaign. His three home runs over the weekend give him five on the season. Last year, he hit a team-best nine home runs, which also put him in a tie for first place in the NWC.



**NWC Softball Standings  
Through February 25, 2007**

	NWC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Whitworth	0	0	4	0
Pacific Lutheran	0	0	2	0
Willamette	0	0	1	0
George Fox	0	0	2	6
Lewis & Clark	0	0	1	6
Linfield	0	0	0	0
Pacific	0	0	0	0
Puget Sound	0	0	0	0

**2007 Willamette University  
Softball Schedule**

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
<b>Feb. 23</b>	<b>NW Christian#</b>	2-0 W
<b>Feb. 24</b>	<b>Lewis &amp; Clark* (DH)</b>	Canceled
<b>Mar. 3</b>	<b>Linfield* (DH)</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
Mar. 4	at Linfield (DH)	12 p.m.
Mar. 9	vs. William Paterson^	11 a.m.
Mar. 9	vs. Wisc-Eau Claire^	2 p.m.
Mar. 10	vs. Central^	9:30 1.m.
Mar. 10	Elimination Games^	11 a.m.
Mar. 11	Elimination Games^	All Day
Mar. 24	at George Fox* (DH)	12 p.m.
Mar. 27	at NW Christian	12 p.m.
<b>Mar. 28</b>	<b>Oregon Tech (DH)</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
Mar. 31	at Puget Sound* (DH)	2 p.m.
Apr. 1	at Pacific Lutheran* (DH)	12 p.m.
Apr. 6	at Lewis & Clark* (DH)	2 p.m.
<b>Apr. 7</b>	<b>George Fox* (DH)</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 14</b>	<b>Puget Sound* (DH)</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 15</b>	<b>Pacific Lutheran* (DH)</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
Apr. 21	at Whitworth* (DH)	12 p.m.
Apr. 22	at Whitworth* (DH)	12 p.m.
<b>Apr. 28</b>	<b>Pacific* (DH)</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 29</b>	<b>Pacific* (DH)</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>

\* Northwest Conference

# Capitol Cup (Salem, OR/Monmouth, OR/Newberg, OR)

^ NFCA Leadoff Classic (Panama City, FL)

Home games in **Bold Face**

**Softball (1-0 Overall, 0-0 NWC)**

**Up Next for the Bearcats:**

**Willamette Opens Season by Blanking NW Christian, 2-0**

Willamette University starting pitcher Leighann Auer (Fr., RHP, Independence, OR/Central HS) and relievers Casey Jarzombek-Clark (So., RHP, Aloha, OR/Aloha HS) and Nikki Franchi (So., RHP, Los Gatos, CA/Saratoga HS) combined on a four-hit shutout, leading the Bearcats to a 2-0 victory over Northwest Christian College on Friday, Feb. 23 at the WU Softball Field. It was the season opener for the Bearcats.

Willamette scored one run in the third inning, then added an insurance run in the fifth. The first run was scored by Cirbi Anthony (So., LF, Vale, OR/Vale HS), who opened the third inning with a walk. She stolen second, reached third on a sacrifice bunt by Liz Gilgan (Jr., SS, Sherwood, OR/Sherwood HS) and scored two batters later when Marissa Richards (So., RF, Newberg, OR/Newberg HS) hit into a throwing error by NCC shortstop Lisa Martinez.

In the fifth inning, Gilgan reached first base on an error with one out. She advanced all the way to third base on a sacrifice bunt by Cari Schruth (Sr., C, Roseburg, OR/Roseburg HS), then scored on a single to left field by Caitlin Waugh (Fr., LF, Lodi, CA/Tokay HS).

Willamette and NCC both finished with just four hits and one double apiece, with Willamette's double coming from Katie Peterson (Fr., OF, Independence, OR/Central HS). The 'Cats received one hit each from Waugh, Anthony, Peterson and LaShawna Holcomb (So., CF, Renton, WA/Hazen HS). The WU defense played exceptionally well, as the Bearcats did not commit an error.

**Up Next for the Bearcats:**

**Willamette Hosts George Fox**

The Bearcats will play four games with Linfield College before heading to Florida for the 2007 National Fastpitch Softball Association (NFCA) Division III Leadoff Classic. Willamette and Linfield will play two games in Salem, Ore. on Saturday, March 3 at 12 p.m. (PST), followed by a doubleheader in McMinnville, Ore., on Sunday, March 4 at 12 p.m. (PST).

**Bearcat Notes:**

- The DIII Leadoff Classic's list of 24 teams includes defending national champion Rutgers University-Camden and 2006 national runner-up St. Thomas University (Minn.). Sixteen of the teams qualified for the 2006 NCAA Tournament. Willamette is the only team from the NWC participating in the event. The tournament runs March 9-11, and will be held at Frank Brown Park in Panama City, Fla.
- Friday against NCC, Willamette's pitchers did not allow a walk and did not hit any NCC batters. Auer registered one strikeout in her three innings of work. Jarzombek-Clark did not allow a hit during two innings of relief and Franchi closed out the game by pitching the final two innings. Franchi gave up the bunt single to Martinez, but struck out four batters and did not allow another hit.
- The 'Cats were scheduled to host the Capitol Cup tournament this past weekend, but rain forced the nine-team tournament to be canceled. Willamette was also scheduled to host Lewis and Clark in a NWC doubleheader on Saturday, but that too was rained out.



### NWC Women's Tennis Standings Through February 25, 2007

	NWC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Linfield	3	0	3	1
Puget Sound	3	1	4	1
Pacific Lutheran	3	1	3	1
Whitman	3	1	5	2
Whitworth	2	2	2	2
Willamette	2	2	2	4
Lewis & Clark	1	3	1	4
Pacific	0	3	0	5
George Fox	0	4	0	5

### 2007 Willamette University Women's Tennis Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Jan. 27	at Portland	7-0 L
<b>Feb. 17</b>	<b>Whitworth**</b>	<b>8-1 W</b>
<b>Feb. 17</b>	<b>Southern Oregon#</b>	<b>7-2 L</b>
<b>Feb. 18</b>	<b>Whitman**</b>	<b>7-2 L</b>
<b>Feb. 23</b>	<b>Pacific**</b>	<b>9-0 W</b>
Feb. 24	at Pacific Lutheran	7-2 L
Mar. 3	at Lewis & Clark*	10 a.m.
Mar. 4	at Linfield*	1 p.m.
<b>Mar. 9</b>	<b>George Fox**</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 10</b>	<b>Puget Sound**</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
Mar. 17	at Whitworth*	10 a.m.
Mar. 18	at Whitman*	9:30 a.m.
Mar. 26	at Texas Lutheran	3:30 p.m.
Mar. 27	at Trinity (Texas)	4 p.m.
Mar. 30	at Pacific*	4 p.m.
<b>Mar. 31</b>	<b>Pacific Lutheran**</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 6</b>	<b>Linfield**</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 7</b>	<b>Lewis &amp; Clark**</b>	<b>10 a.m.</b>
Apr. 13	at George Fox*	3 p.m.
Apr. 14	at Puget Sound*	1 p.m.
Apr. 20	at NWC Tournament%	All Day
Apr. 21	at NWC Tournament%	All Day

# Courthouse Tennis Club (1339 Madison NE, Salem)

^ WU Tennis Courts near the Sparks Center

\* Northwest Conference match

% At Yakima, Wash. Home matches in **Bold Face**

## Women's Tennis (2-4 Overall, 2-2 NWC)

### Last Week's Results:

#### Willamette Down Pacific 9-0; Lose 7-2 to PLU

The Willamette University women's tennis team split a pair of NWC matches last week, defeating Pacific University, 9-0, on Friday, Feb. 23 at the Courthouse Tennis Club, before losing 7-2 to Pacific Lutheran University on Saturday at the University of Puget Sound Tennis Pavilion. Willamette moved to 2-4 overall, including 2-2 in the NWC.

Willamette's swept the doubles matches against Pacific, led by the Bearcats' #1 team of Tiffany Kam (Jr., Pearl City, HI/Punahou School) and Alaine Anderson (Jr., Santa Ana, CA/Foothills HS), who defeated Dana Wong and Jaime Yoshino, 8-1. Kam also was victorious at #1 singles, as she downed Wong, 6-1, 6-0. Anderson defeated Pacific's Ashley Spahn in the #3 singles match, 6-3, 6-1. At #2 singles, WU received a 6-0, 6-1 win, as senior Susan Butler (Boise, ID/Boise HS) moved past Yoshino in straight sets.

In doubles, the Bearcats not only registered the 8-1 win by Kam and Anderson, but also achieved an 8-1 triumph at #2 doubles and an 8-0 shutout at #3 doubles. The #2 doubles match was won by Butler and Becca Younger (So., Albuquerque, NM/Sandia Prep) over Spahn and Laura Swenson. In #3 doubles, the win went to Alyssa Morrison (Fr., Anacortes, WA/Anacortes HS) and Abby Funabiki (So., Pullman, WA/Pullman HS) over Kelly McGee and Sami Richards.

WU's only two wins on Saturday against PLU came at #3 and #4 singles. Anderson was the victor at #3 singles. She won in straight sets over Roz Currie, 6-4, 6-1. In the #4 singles match, Morrison earned the win for WU, as she rallied to defeat Bria Smith, 2-6, 6-4, 11-9 (tie-breaker instead of third set).

### Up Next for the Bearcats:

#### Willamette Plays at Lewis & Clark and Linfield this Week

Willamette will return to action on Saturday, March 3 with a Northwest Conference match at Lewis & Clark College. The match is set to get underway at 10 a.m. (PST) at the L&C Tennis Dome in Portland, Ore. On Sunday, March 4, WU travels to McMinnville, Ore., to face Linfield College. Match time is set for 1 p.m. (PST).

### Bearcat Notes:

- Against Pacific, Willamette won all six singles matches in straight sets and lost just 14 total games during singles play.
- The Bearcats other three singles victories against Pacific came from Alyssa Morrison (Fr., Anacortes, WA/Anacortes HS) at #4 singles, Becca Younger (So, Albuquerque, NM/Sandia Preparatory School) at #5 singles, and A.J. Omens (Fr., Murrieta, CA (Murrieta Valley HS) at #6 singles.
- PLU's win on Saturday wasn't easy. The Lutes needed a tie-breaker to win the #3 doubles match, while two of the Lutes' four wins in singles included a set decided by a 7-5 score. At #3 doubles, PLU's Currie and Smith defeated Morrison and Abby Funabiki (So, Pullman, WA/Pullman HS), 9-8 (7-5).



### NWC Men's Tennis Standings Through February 25, 2007

	NWC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Whitman	10	0	11	2
Pacific Lutheran	4	1	4	3
Linfield	4	3	5	7
Puget Sound	3	4	3	5
Willamette	2	4	2	5
Lewis & Clark	1	2	1	2
George Fox	1	3	1	3
Whitworth	1	4	1	6
Pacific	0	5	0	5

### 2007 Willamette University Men's Tennis Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Feb. 16	at Whitworth*	7-2 W
Feb. 17	vs. Colorado College	6-3 L
Feb. 17	at Whitman*	9-0 L
Feb. 23	at Pacific*	9-0 L
<b>Feb. 24</b>	<b>Pacific Lutheran*#</b>	<b>8-1 L</b>
<b>Feb. 24</b>	<b>Pacific Lutheran*#</b>	<b>8-1 L</b>
<b>Feb. 25</b>	<b>Whitman*#</b>	<b>9-0 W</b>
<b>Mar. 3</b>	<b>Lewis &amp; Clark*#</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 4</b>	<b>Linfield*#</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
Mar. 9	at George Fox*	3 p.m.
Mar. 10	at Puget Sound*	2 p.m.
<b>Mar. 17</b>	<b>Whitworth**^</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
Mar. 26	at Vanguard (Calif.)	2 p.m.
Mar. 27	at Whittier (Calif.)	3 p.m.
Mar. 28	Opponent TBA	TBA
<b>Apr. 1</b>	<b>Pacific**^</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
Apr. 7	at Lewis & Clark*	11 a.m.
Apr. 8	at Linfield*^	1 p.m.
<b>Apr. 13</b>	<b>George Fox**^</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 14</b>	<b>Puget Sound**^</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
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## Men's Tennis (2-5 Overall, 2-4 NWC)

### Last Week's Results:

#### Bearcats Go 1-3 Last Week

The Willamette University men's tennis team went 1-3 last week, with their win coming against Pacific University on Friday, Feb. 23 at the Tualatin Hills Tennis Club. The Bearcats won every match on their way to the 9-0 victory. On Saturday, Pacific Lutheran defeated WU twice, both times by identical 8-1 scores. Sunday saw the Bearcats drop a 9-0 match to Whitman College. Both Saturday's and Sunday's matches were held at the Courthouse Tennis Club here in Salem. Willamette is now 2-5 overall, 2-4 in the NWC, on the season.

Against Pacific, the Bearcats opened the match with three quick wins in doubles. Ethan Heinrich (Fr., San Carlos, CA/Davis HS) and Geoff Klein (Jr., Sagle, ID/Sandpoint HS) were victorious at #1 doubles, while Willamette's #2 doubles team of Fitz Paccione (Jr., Encinitas, CA/Cathedral Catholic HS) and Micah Mack (Fr., Wenatchee, WA/Wenatchee HS) also won. The Bearcats did not lose a game at #3 doubles, as Reid Snowden (Sr., Napa, CA/Vintage HS) and Luke Lagattuta (Fr., Albuquerque, NM/Highland HS) won 8-0.

Willamette lost just four games in singles, as the Bearcats won every position in straight sets. Heinrich at #1 singles, Paccione at #2 singles, Mack at #3 singles and Lagattuta at #5 singles all won without losing a game, 6-0, 6-0.

In Saturday's first match against PLU, Willamette's only win came when their top doubles team of Donovan LeDoux (Fr., Keizer, OR/McNary HS) and Eric MacMillan (Jr., Twin Falls, ID/Twin Falls HS) edged PLU's #1 team of Jeff Loranger and Justin Peterson, 9-8, after winning a tie-breaker 7-5 to decide the pro set. Willamette's lone win during Saturday's second match came at #5 singles, where Mack defeated PLU's Tyler Ochsner, 7-6 (7-4), 4-6, 10-5 (tie-breaker instead of third set).

### Up Next for the Bearcats:

#### Willamette to Host NWC Foes Lewis & Clark, Linfield

Willamette plays again on Saturday, March 3, when the Bearcats host Lewis & Clark College at the Courthouse Tennis Club. Match time is scheduled for 11 a.m. (PST). On Sunday, Willamette will host Linfield College at the Courthouse Tennis Club, with match time set for 1 p.m. (PST).

### Bearcat Notes:

- In their 9-0 loss to nationally-ranked Whitman, the 'Cats were very competitive in all three doubles matches, but provided the strongest opposition at the #1 and #2 positions. In #1 doubles, Matt Solomon and Nadeem Kassam of Whitman edged out LeDoux and MacMillan, 9-7. Whitman's #2 team of Jake Cappel and Jasper Follows slipped past Shaun Mihalick (Sr., Mukilteo, WA/Eastlake HS) and Mack, 8-6. At #3 doubles, Thomas Roston and Robert Rye of WC defeated Heinrich and Klein, 8-4.
- In their win at #1 doubles on Saturday against PLU, LeDoux and MacMillan trailed 7-6 during the set, but won back-to-back games to take an 8-7 lead. PLU won the next game to force the tie-breaker. In the tie-breaker, the Lutes took a 5-3 lead, but LeDoux and MacMillan won four consecutive points to win the match.
- Klein, at #4 singles, and Reid Snowden (Sr., Napa, CA/Vintage HS), at #6 singles, provided WU with their other two wins during their 9-0 win over Pacific on Friday.



## 2007 Men's All-NWC Basketball Team

**Coach of the year:** Jim Hayford, Whitworth  
**Player of the year:** Bryan Williams, Whitworth

### First Team All-NWC

James Jones	G	Sr.	Whitworth
Thomas Tillery	G	Jr.	Lewis & Clark
Bryan Williams	G	Sr.	Whitworth
Kyle Born	F	Sr.	Whitman
Jason Foster	F	So.	Puget Sound
Ryan Symes	F	Jr.	Whitworth

### Second Team All-NWC

Dave Berggren	G	So.	Lewis & Clark
Taylor Marsh	G	Jr.	Puget Sound
Joey Toboni	G	Jr.	Lewis & Clark
Ross Bartlett	F	So.	Pacific
Chris Parker	P	Sr.	George Fox

### Honorable Mention All-NWC

Ryan DeLong	G	Jr.	Puget Sound
Chris Faidley	G	So.	Whitman
Landon Heidenreich	G	Jr.	Pacific Lutheran
Brent Satern	G	Jr.	George Fox
Antwan Williams	G	So.	Puget Sound
Robert Krauel	F	So.	Puget Sound
Gene Rivera	F	Jr.	Lewis & Clark
Evan Timperly	F	Sr.	Linfield
Dan Nugent	W/P	Fr.	Willamette
Kevin Hasenfus	P	Sr.	Whitworth
Scott McDaniels	P	Jr.	Pacific Lutheran

## 2007 Women's All-NWC Basketball Team

**Coach of the year:** Scott Rueck, George Fox  
**Player of the year:** Katy Campbell, George Fox

### First Team All-NWC

Crystal Castle	G	Jr.	Lewis & Clark
Allison Craven	G	So.	Puget Sound
Laura Hirsh	G	Jr.	Puget Sound
Nikki Johnson	W	Sr.	Pacific Lutheran
Robin Taylor	W	Sr.	George Fox
Katy Campbell	P	Jr.	George Fox

### Second Team All-NWC

Sarah Moon	G	Sr.	Lewis & Clark
Katie Patneaud	G	Sr.	Whitman
Alida Bower	F	So.	Whitworth
Sara Burgoyne	F	Sr.	Linfield
Melissa Marek-Farris	P	Jr.	George Fox

### Honorable Mention All-NWC

Amy Pedersen	G	Jr.	Pacific
Casey Stepan	G	Jr.	Linfield
Trish Buckingham	W	Jr.	Pacific Lutheran
Marissa Cain	F	Jr.	Puget Sound
Allison Farr	F	Jr.	Lewis & Clark
Keilyn Fujioka	F	Fr.	Willamette
Porcia Jackson	F	Sr.	Linfield
Kelsey Krumdieck	F	Jr.	Whitman

## Men's and Women's Basketball

### Nugent and Fujioka Earn Honorable Mention All-NWC

Willamette University men's basketball player Dan Nugent (Fr., G/W, Portland, OR/Jesuit HS), and WU women's basketball player Keilyn Fujioka (Fr., F, Kailua, HI/Iolani HS) both have earned Honorable Mention All-Northwest Conference honors as voted on by the NWC head coaches.

Nugent led Willamette with 15.2 points per game and ranked second in the NWC with 1.6 blocked shots per game. He was one of 11 players named Honorable Mention All-NWC. Overall, 22 players were honored on the All-Conference team.

Nugent played in all 25 games with 22 starts for the Bearcats. He scored 381 points and earned 134 rebounds, 57 assists, 39 blocked shots and 35 steals. In addition to ranking second in the NWC in blocked shots, he also ranked fifth in the conference in field goal percentage (58.3%, 140 of 240), fifth in free throw percentage (81.4%, 83 of 102), sixth in steals (1.4 per game), eighth in scoring, 12th in rebounding (5.4 per game) and 15th in assists (2.3 per game). He scored in double figures in 17 games, including eight games with 20 or more points.

Nugent scored a season-high 34 points in Willamette's 140-137 triple-overtime loss at the University of Puget Sound on Dec. 1. He tallied 33 points on Jan. 20, as the Bearcats defeated Whitman College, 89-80, and provided 28 points in a 96-93 win over Concordia University (Ore.) on Dec. 8. He connected on 10 or more free throws three times during the season, hitting 10 for 10 in the loss at UPS, achieving another 10-for-10 performance at home against UPS on Jan. 20, and making 15 of 17 (88.2%) in the win over Whitman.

He also sank 10 or more field goals three times. He converted 11 of 15 shots at UPS, hit 10 of 14 shots in the win over Concordia and made 10 of 14 attempts in a loss at Pacific University on Feb. 2. He recorded at least one steal in 18 games and blocked at least one shot in 17 contests.

Fujioka, meanwhile, played in 23 of the Bearcats' 25 games (20 starts) and led the team in scoring, rebounding, and blocked shots. On the season, she averaged 10.3 points, 8.3 rebounds, and 1.2 blocked shots per game. She finished 14th in the NWC in points per game, third in rebounds per game, and fourth in blocked shots per game. In addition, she finished second in the conference in field goal percentage, shooting 53.8 percent (99 of 184) on the year.

Her best game of the season came during the Bearcats' 66-52 win over California State University-East Bay on Dec. 30, when she poured in a game-high 23 points and pulled down 15 rebounds. She also recorded a double-double in Willamette's 71-51 win over Western Oregon on Dec. 8, scoring 18 points and grabbing 15 rebounds.

Fujioka, who missed two games late in the season due to a knee injury, finished in double figures in scoring 12 times and in rebounding eight times. She was the Bearcats' high scorer in eight games, and the team's top rebounder in 17 games.

The Bearcat men finished the season with a 10-15 overall record, including 6-10 in the Northwest Conference. Willamette was 8-2 at home, as the Bearcats averaged 82.2 points per game and shot 51.1% from the field in games played at Cone Field House.

Fujioka was one of the bright spots on a WU team that finished the season at 5-20 overall and 3-13 in the NWC. There is plenty of optimism for the Bearcats heading into next season, with Fujioka and juniors Laura Payne (Guard, Sammamish, WA/Skyline HS), Tracie Nygaard (Forward, Astoria, OR/Knappa HS) and Victoria Swigart (Guard, Newport Beach, CA/Newport Harbor HS) returning.

**2006 Willamette University  
Women's Cross Country USTFCCA  
DIII All-Academic Selections**

**Team of the Year:** Middlebury College (VT)

**Female of the Year:** Sarah Zerzan, Willamette

**Willamette Honorees**

Elizabeth Hart	Sr.	Spokane, WA
Katrina Brett	Jr.	Longview, WA
Sarah Zerzan	Jr.	San Carlos, CA
Maddie Coffman	So.	Boise, ID
Ali Maki	So.	Shoreview, MN
Jena Winger	So.	Bonney Lake, WA

**2006 Willamette University  
Men's Cross Country USTFCCA  
DIII All-Academic Selections**

**Team of the Year:** Calvin College (MI)

**Male of the Year:** Will Leer, Pomona-Pitzer

**Willamette Honorees**

Travis Harris	Sr.	Bellingham, WA
Lucas Nebert	Jr.	Cincinnati, OH

**Men's and Women's Cross Country**

**Six Bearcat Women and Two Bearcat Men Earn  
NCAA Division III All-Academic Honors**

Eight Willamette University cross country athletes, six from the women's team and two from the men's team, have been named to the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCA) 2006 NCAA Division III All-Academic Cross Country Teams. Leading the way for the Bearcats was junior Sarah Zerzan (San Carlos, CA/Notre Dame HS), who was named the All-Academic Women's Cross Country Athlete of the Year.

The All-Academic Athlete of the Year is awarded to the highest finisher at the NCAA DIII Cross Country Championships who meets the minimum qualifications for All-Academic individual honors (a minimum 3.1 cumulative GPA). Zerzan, who carries a 3.96 GPA, won the DIII Cross Country National Championship back on November 18, held at Voice of America Park in West Chester, Ohio, completing the 6,000 meter course in 22 minutes, 31 seconds.

Other WU women honored were senior Elizabeth Hart (Spokane, WA/Lewis & Clark HS), junior Katrina Brett (Longview, WA/Mark Morris HS), and sophomores Maddie Coffman (Boise, ID/Boise HS), Ali Maki (Shoreview, MN/Mounds View HS), and Jena Winger (Bonney Lake, WA/Sumner HS).

With their six runners earning All-Academic status, the WU women tied Grinnell College for the most student-athletes honored.

A total of 185 student-athletes earned DIII All-Academic Women's Cross Country individual honors. Middlebury College (Vermont), which won the DIII women's team title, was the DIII All-Academic Women's Cross Country Team of the Year. Middlebury's team GPA was a 3.46.

The two WU men earning DIII All-Academic Men's Cross Country individual honors were senior Travis Harris (Bellingham, WA/Sehome HS), and junior Lucas Nebert (Cincinnati, OH/Wyoming HS). Calvin College (Michigan) was named the DIII All-Academic Men's Cross Country Team of the Year. The Knights had a cumulative team GPA of 3.43.

Pomona-Pitzer senior Will Leer, was the DIII All-Academic Male Cross Country Athlete of the Year. Leer, who finished seventh at the DIII Championships, has a 3.527 GPA. A total of 108 student-athletes earned DIII All-Academic Men's Cross Country individual honors.

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