

UCLA Men's Soccer

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Bruins Travel To Bay Area For Pivotal Pac-10 Games

UCLA to face Stanford, Cal in final road swing of regular season.

2007 UCLA Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
adidas 8/31 9/2	/IU Credit Union Classic - Bl vs. #9/10 Notre Dame at #12/7 Indiana	oomington, IN L 1-2, ot L 0-1
9/8 9/14 9/16 9/20 9/22 9/29 10/2 10/6 10/12 10/14 10/21 10/26 10/28 11/2 11/4	at #17/25 Creighton #14/12 OHIO STATE PENN STATE at #12/nr San Francisco at #14/8 Santa Clara at Cal State Northridge SAN DIEGO at San Diego State STANFORD #18/16 CALIFORNIA at Oregon State at Washington OREGON STATE WASHINGTON at Stanford at nr/#24 California	T 0-0, 2ot W 3-1 W 4-1 W 1-0 L 1-2, ot L 0-3 W 1-0 L 0-1 T 0-0, 2ot W 1-0 W 4-1 W 3-2 W 2-1 L 0-1 7:30 pm 2:30 pm
week of 11/16	SAN DIEGO STATE	TBD
11/23-24 11/28 12/1-2 12/7-9 12/14 12/16	NCAA 1st Round NCAA 2nd Round NCAA 3rd Round NCAA Quarterfinals NCAA Semifinals NCAA Finals	TBD TBD TBD TBD TBD TBD

Home games are in **BOLD CAPS**. All times are Pacific Time unless otherwise indicated. Rankings are listed as Soccer America/NSCAA

Notable

- UCLA is 5-2-1 in its last eight games and 4-1-1 in its last six.
- The Bruins played six of its first eight games against Top 20 opponents, going 2-3-1.
- UCLA is 5-1-2 in night games this season and 12-2-5 in night games since 2006.
- The Bruins have scored 20 goals in their last 10 home games, outscoring their opponents, 20-5.
- Brian Perk leads the Pac-10 with 67 saves this season, an average of 4.2/game. He has also recorded five shuouts, second-most in the Pac-10. Perk has had six saves or more in eight of UCLA's 16 games.
- Sophomore Kyle Nakazawa continues to lead the Pac-10 in assists with six and has accumulated 14 in his short career.
- Maxwell Griffin, the NSCAA Player of the Week for Sept. 17-23, is UCLA's leader in goals (7) and points (14). He has scored 12 goals and 25 points in his last 24 games, dating back to last year.

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<u>This Week</u> — Pac-10 leader UCLA (8-6-2, 4-2-1 in the Pac-10) travels to the Bay Area this week for a pair of pivotal Pac-10 Conference games against Stanford (4-4-5, 1-2-2) and 24th-ranked California (8-4-1, 3-2-0). The Bruins will face Stanford first on Friday, Nov. 2 at New Maloney Field at 7:30 pm before playing California on Sunday, Nov. 4 at Edwards Stadium in a 2:30 pm matchup.

<u>Live Coverage</u> — Live video of the UCLA-Stanford game will be available on the Stanford website, gostanford.

Leader Of The Pac — The Bruins are clinging to a one-point lead in the Pac-10 standings with 13 points and three games remaining. San Diego State is one point off the pace with 12 points with four games to play. California sits in third place with nine points with five games remaining.

Scouting The Cardinal — Stanford had the week off last week and has not played since October 20, when it lost at California, 1-0. The Cardinal is 1-2-3 in its last six games. Freshman Bobby Warshaw leads the team with four goals and 10 points, and senior Dan Shapiro also has four goals. Andrew Kartunen and John Moore have split time in goal, and both have goals against averages under 1.0 (Pac-10 leader Kartunen - 0.56, Moore - 0.93).

<u>UCLA's History With Stanford</u> <u>UCLA</u> is 34-2-7 all-time against Stanford and is unbeaten in 15-straight matchups against the Cardinal. Stanford has not beaten UCLA since Oct. 8, 2000, when the Cardinal claimed a 1-0 win in Palo Alto. The last three meetings have resulted in ties, and the last four games have gone to overtime. On Oct. 12, UCLA and Stanford played to a 0-0 tie, and last year each game finished in a 1-1 standstill. The last win in the series came on Nov. 4, 2005 at Stanford, with the Bruins winning 1-0 in overtime on a Maxwell Griffin goal at 91:56.

<u>Scouting The Golden Bears</u> — Like Stanford, California has been idle since Oct. 20. The Golden Bears' 1-0 victory over Stanford in their last game came on the heels of a weekend sweep at San Diego State and UCLA. Cal, which is 5-1-1 at home this year, is led by freshman Andrew Wiedman, who has totaled four goals and four assists for 12 points. Goalkeeper Stefan Frei leads the Pac-10 with six shutouts a 85.3% save percentage and a saves per game average of 4.46.

<u>UCLA's History With California</u> — UCLA is 32-9-4 all-time against California and won the earlier matchup on Oct. 14, 1-0, in Westwood. Cal swept the season series a year ago, winning 3-1 in Berkeley on Sept. 22 and 4-1 in Westwood on Oct. 30. The Bruins have not won in Berkeley since Oct. 15, 2004, winning 3-0.

Bruins Beat Oregon State, Lose On Fluke Goal To Washington — UCLA had a mixed bag last weekend, defeating Oregon State, 2-1, on a pair of first-half goals by David Estrada and Maxwell Griffin, but losing on a fluke goal to Washington, 1-0. A bad clearance by Bruin goalkeeper Brian Perk hit Washington's Ely Allen in the chest and rolled into the back of the net for the only score of the game. The Bruins outshot the Huskies, 15-4, but could not capitalize.

Zaher A Finalist For Senior CLASS Award — UCLA defender Mike Zaher is one of 10 finalists for the 2007 Lowe's Senior CLASS Award for men's soccer. The award is presented annually in eight NCAA Division I sports to a senior student-athlete who excels both on and off the field. The areas of excellence are identified under classroom, community, character and competition. Zaher has been an exemplary student-athlete, twice earning Pac-10 All-Academic honors and being honored with UCLA's Team GPA award in 2006. He has also remained active in the community, participating in several community outreach projects and fund-raisers. The 2007 team co-captains has been a three-year starter for UCLA, and last year, he earned first-team All-Pac-10 honors and third-team NSCAA All-Far West acclaim. He was selected as a pre-season All-American in 2007 by College Soccer News. Zaher currently ranks second on the team in goals (3), assists (3) and points (9). Fan voting at seniorclassaward.com helps determine the winner.

Iron Men — Two Bruins have played every minute of every game so far this year - senior defender Greg Folk and sophomore goalkeeper Brian Perk have each totaled 1,484 minutes of play. This is nothing new for Folk, who played all 2,260 minutes a year ago. Two other Bruin players have totaled 1,480+ minutes - senior defender Mike Zaher (1,482) and junior midfielder Tony Beltran (1,480).

Bruins A Big Draw — The Bruins have seen their fair share of big crowds this year, both home and away. UCLA road games this year (eight away, one neutral) have averaged 2,958 fans. School attendance records were set at Indiana (7,423) and at Creighton (5,812), and the Bruins played in front of an over-capacity crowd of 3,143 at San Francisco. In addition, the team played in front of season-best crowds of 2,333 at Santa Clara and 1,095 at Cal State Northridge. Overall this season, the Bruins are playing in front of crowds averaging 2,358, and UCLA leads the Pac-10 in home attendance average (1,586). Last weekend's men's/women's doubleheader (UCLA men played Oregon State, UCLA women hosted USC), drew the second-largest home crowd in UCLA soccer history - 3,345.