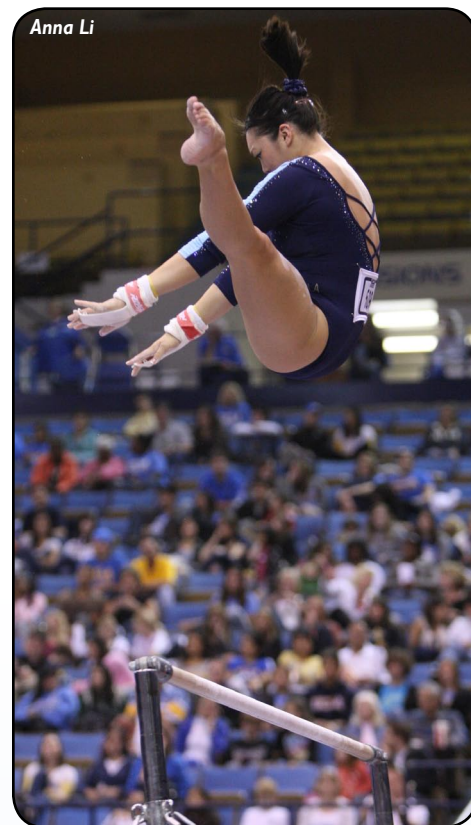


2010 Season Results

Date	Opponent	Result	Score	Record (Pac-10)
Jan. 9	UTAH	W	196.600-195.125	1-0
Jan. 15	at Washington	W	196.125-194.875	2-0 (1-0)
Jan. 22	at California (190.375) San Jose State (191.950)	1st	194.425	4-0 (2-0)
Jan. 24	at Stanford	L	195.825-196.425	4-1 (2-1)
Jan. 31	ARIZONA STATE	W	196.550-193.475	5-1 (3-1)
Feb. 5	at Arizona	W	196.725-193.800	6-1 (4-1)
Feb. 14	STANFORD	L	195.625-195.975	6-2 (4-2)
Feb. 21	OREGON STATE	W	197.375-196.325	7-2 (5-2)
Feb. 26	at Cal State Fullerton (191.750) Utah State (188.700)	1st	197.250	9-2
Mar. 6	at Georgia	L	197.875-197.900	9-3
Mar. 14	MICHIGAN ST. (195.950) CAL STATE FULLERTON (193.875)	1st	196.525	11-3
Mar. 27	at Pac-10 Championships	1st	197.350	17-3
Apr. 10	NCAA REGIONALS	1st	197.825	
Apr. 22	at NCAA Team Prelims	1st	196.875	
Apr. 23	at NCAA Super Six Team Finals	1st	197.725	

Boldface indicates home meets.



2010 Best Marks

Gymnast	VAULT	BARS	BEAM	FLOOR	AA
Marci Bernholtz	--	9.750	9.825	--	--
Monique De La Torre	9.850	9.900	9.775	9.750	38.500
Tauny Frattone	9.950	9.825	9.775	9.900	39.325
Aisha Gerber	9.850	9.800	9.875	--	--
Elyse Hopfner-Hibbs	9.950	9.925	10.000	9.950	39.600
Talia Kushynski	--	--	--	9.850	--
Anna Li	9.950	10.000	9.925	9.950	39.650
Brittani McCullough	9.950	9.850	9.275	9.925	38.775
Alyssa Pritchett	9.750	--	--	9.800	--
Mizuki Sato	9.825	--	9.950	9.875	--
Allison Taylor	--	9.850	--	9.050	--
Niki Tom	9.675	9.700	9.900	9.875	38.325
Lichelle Wong	9.750	9.900	9.750	9.900	--
Vanessa Zamarripa	10.000	9.975	9.975	9.950	39.700
UCLA Team Scores	49.550	49.550	49.650	49.550	197.875

Boldface indicates gymnast's collegiate career bests.



2010 Season In Review

The 2010 season marked a return to glory for the UCLA Bruins, who had a near-perfect run in postseason competition, hitting 95 of 96 routines over four postseason meets en route to first-place finishes at the Pac-10 Championships, NCAA Regionals, NCAA Preliminaries and finally the NCAA Super Six Team Championships.

The journey to the championship did not come as easy as it appeared in the postseason, however.

The season started off very promising with a big 196.600-195.125 win over Utah in the season opener. The Bruins hit 24-for-24 routines without a fall and earned 15 scores of 9.8 or higher and five of 9.9 or higher.

UCLA earned a 196.125-194.875 win the following week at Washington but saw its first struggles on the balance beam, counting a fall in the final rotation. Two days after a tri-meet win at Cal, the Bruins hit the loss column for the first time, losing at Stanford after counting two falls on floor.

More beam troubles ensued against Arizona State. After recording season-highs on vault and bars, the Bruins looked to be on their way to a huge score before counting a fall on beam in rotation three and scoring just 48.375. Another season-high mark on floor allowed the Bruins to post a strong mark of 196.55, just .05 off their season-best.

UCLA did pick up a season-high the next week with a 196.725-193.800 win at Arizona, but made several mistakes in its next meet against Stanford, losing for the second time to their northern rivals. Once again, the Bruins got off to a rousing start but counted a fall on beam to lose their lead and then lost four-tenths on out-of-bounds deductions on floor in a 195.975-195.625 loss.

The loss turned out to be a huge turning point for the Bruins, who used it as a catalyst for regrouping and reassessing their mindsets moving forward. The squad called a team meeting and, as head coach Valorie Kondos Field put it, "took ownership" of their team and their season. Additionally, the coaching staff implemented a new strategy on balance beam against Oregon State the following week, putting up two of the team's most consistent beam workers as the leadoff gymnasts to stabilize the lineup. The strategy worked, as the Bruins scored 49.225, its second-highest of the year. Anna Li led off with a 9.85, followed by another 9.85 in the No.

2 position by Elyse Hopfner-Hibbs. Mizuki Sato, competing in the anchor position for the first time ever, tied her career-high with a 9.85 to help the Bruins avoid counting a fall. With a strong beam set behind them, the Bruins closed with a season-high 49.475 on floor to record a final team score of 197.375, the team's highest score in five years.

With confidence soaring, the Bruins had another outstanding meet at Cal State Fullerton, mixing up their lineup and still hitting 24-for-24 and scoring 197.25 in a tri-meet victory. Vanessa Zamarripa's first perfect 10 of the season and fourth of her career on vault was one of just many team highlights in the meet. The Bruins had a total of 10 career-highs and six season-highs and scored team season-bests on vault (49.45) and beam (49.375) to record their best road mark in five years.

A loss at 2009 NCAA champion Georgia did nothing to dampen the Bruins' enthusiasm and momentum, as UCLA hit 24-for-24 for the second-straight meet and scored a season-high 197.875, its highest team score since 2004. The Bruins were edged out by the smallest of margins, .025, when the Gym Dogs' final performer scored 9.925 to clinch the win. Hopfner-Hibbs scored the first perfect 10 of her career on the balance beam to lead UCLA to a season-high 49.65 on the event.

After closing the regular season with a tri-meet win over Michigan State and Cal State Fullerton, the Bruins began their postseason with a convincing win at the Pac-10 Championships. UCLA hit 24-for-24 routines and scored 197.35, the highest mark amongst all conference championships. All but the very first routine of the day scored 9.8 or better, and Li scored the first perfect 10 of her career on uneven bars.

Li repeated her perfect 10 feat at the NCAA Regionals in Pauley Pavilion, leading the Bruins to the Regional title. UCLA once again recorded the highest mark amongst all teams that week, with its 197.825 winning score and 24-for-24 performance helping the Bruins earn the No. 1 seed at the NCAA Championships.

Going in as the favorite seemed to put a bit of extra weight on the Bruins, who competed tight during their first two events at the NCAA Preliminaries. At the halfway mark, UCLA was tied for third but used meet-best scores of 49.375 on floor and 49.4 on vault to power ahead of the field in the final two rotations, finishing with a first-place mark of 196.875.



There was no tightness from the Bruins at the Super Six, where UCLA took the lead in rotation one and never relinquished it.

The Bruins got off to a great start on vault in rotation one, scoring 49.475 on the strength of career-highs from Monique De La Torre (9.85 leadoff score) and Brittani McCullough (9.95) and a 9.925 from Zamarripa. A 49.325 on uneven bars helped to maintain UCLA's lead at the halfway mark, heading into beam, the team's earlier nemesis. The Bruins showed how far they had come from the beginning of the year, hitting all six routines for scores of 9.8 or better. Li led off with a 9.875 and even earned a 9.95 from one judge. Hopfner-Hibbs had a wobble-free routine on the beam but took a step back on the dismount, scoring 9.9. Niki Tom delivered another strong routine with a 9.8, followed by a 9.85 from Aisha Gerber and a 9.9 from Zamarripa. Sato closed the set with a 9.85, bringing the Bruins' beam score to 49.375 and their three-event total to 148.175, .275 ahead of Alabama and 49.1 points away from a sixth national title.

On floor exercise in the final rotation, Tauny Frattone led off with one of her best performances of the year, scoring 9.875. After a 9.725 from Tom, Zamarripa and Li each hit 9.9s, leaving it up to McCullough or Hopfner-Hibbs to score 9.7 or better to clinch the title. McCullough had the first attempt and clinched it with a career-high tying 9.925. Hopfner-Hibbs' 9.95 was just icing on the cake and helped bump the Bruins' final floor total to a season-high 49.55 and its team final score to 197.725, 0.475 ahead of second-place Oklahoma.

The victories kept coming at Event Finals, where Zamarripa won the vault title and McCullough claimed the floor crown. Zamarripa averaged 9.925 on her two vaults, scoring 9.95 on a stuck Yurchenko layout full and 9.9 on a Yurchenko half on, front layout half, the most difficult vault done in the competition. McCullough earned a 10.0 from one of the six judges on her floor routine and finished with an average score of 9.9375, just above her career-high mark of 9.925. Five Bruins - Gerber, Hopfner-Hibbs, Li, McCullough and Zamarripa - combined for 11 All-America honors.



2010 NCAA Champions