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2010 ROSTER

Name	Year	Position	Height	Hometown (Previous School)
Piper Akol	So.	Port/Starboard	5-11	Orinda, Calif. (Miramonte)
Anastasia Alexander	So.	Starboard	5-7	Long Beach, Calif. (Wilson)
Jennifer Barnard So.		Port	5-9	Riverside, Calif. (Riverside Poly)
Nadia Basilio	So.	Port	5-6	Santa Clara, Calif. (Cupertino)
Alexandra Bolt	Sr.	Port	5-9	Santa Rosa, Calif. (UC Irvine)
Victoria Breidenthal	Fr.	Starboard	5-10	San Jose, Calif. (Los Gatos)
Tara Briggs	Fr.	Starboard	5-10	Alexandria, Va. (T.C. Williams)
Meguire Broersma	Fr.	Starboard	5-11	Los Alamitos, Cailf. (Los Alamitos)
Hilary Caldwell	Fr.	Port/Starboard	6-0	Washington, D.C. (Sidwell Friends School)
Leslie Chou	So.	Coxswain	5-2	Orinda, Calif. (Miramonte)
Jasmine Conrad	Fr.	Port/Starboard	5-11	San Francisco, Calif. (Lowell)
Lauren Counter	Sr.	Port/Starboard	5-11	Long Beach, Calif. (Long Beach Poly)
Kayla Cox	So.	Starboard	5-7	Sonoma, Calif. (Sonoma Valley)
Emily Crowley	Fr.	Coxswain	5-1	Saratoga, Calif. (St. Francis)
Caroline Curson	Jr.	Starboard	5-10	Del Mar, Calif. (Torrey Pines)
Christa Czer	Jr.	Starboard	5-7	Santa Monica, Calif. (Santa Monica City College)
Megan Danley	So.	Starboard	5-8	Pacific Grove, Calif. (Robert Louis Stevenson)
Kaitlin Doering	Sr.	Port	6-0	Alameda, Calif. (Alameda)
Leah Drummond	Fr.	Port/Starboard	6-1	Lake Forest, III. (Lake Forest)
Lisa Erlanger	So.	Coxswain	5-1	Hillsborough, Calif. (San Mateo)
Alexa Farafontoff	 Fr.	Port/Starboard	6-0	El Dorado Hills, Calif. (Oakridge)
Kristin Fitzmorris	Sr.	Port/Starboard	5-7	Dana Point, Calif. (Dana Point)
Tessa Gallagher	So.	Port/Starboard	6-1	Menlo Park, Calif. (Notre Dame HS)
Erin Grajewski	So.	Port/Starboard	5-10	Winston-Salem, N.C. (Choate Rosemary Hall)
Mia Hamano	 Fr.	Coxswain	5-0	Piedmont, Calif. (Piedmont)
Lynn Hancock	Sr.	Port/Starboard	6-2	Vancouver, B.C. (Crofton House)
Ariel Handler	So.	Coxswain	5-1	Newport Beach, Calif. (Corona del Mar)
Monica Harvancik	 Jr.	Port	5-8	Los Altos, Calif. (Mountain View)
Carissa Heath	So.	Port	5-0 5-11	Gilroy, Calif. (Gilroy)
Katherine Hruska		Port/Starboard	6-1	Albany, Calif. (Albany)
Laurel Hyatt-Miller	So.	Port	5-10	Placerville, Calif. (Union Mine)
Erica Keller	<u>50.</u> Fr.	Starboard	5-10 5-11	Monte Vista, Calif. (Monte Vista)
Anoush Khojikian	гг. Jr.	Port/Starboard	5-10	Anaheim, Calif. (Orange Coast College)
Lauren King	So.	Port/Starboard	5-10 5-11	Costa Mesa, Calif. (Edison)
Alaizah Koorji	<u>50.</u> Jr.	Coxswain	4-11	Orinda, Calif. (Miramonte)
	Jr.	Starboard	4-11	Princeton Junction, N.J. (Plainsboro HS South)
Rachel LaBella				• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Brianna Lawrence	So.	Port/Starboard	<u>5-10</u>	Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. (Desert)
Erica Lockard	<u>Fr.</u>	Starboard	<u>5-10</u>	Nutley, N.J. (The Peddie School)
Jessica McGuire	<u>Fr.</u>	Port	<u>5-10</u>	Chino, Calif. (St. Lucy's)
Emily McLaughlin	Fr.	Starboard	<u>5-9</u>	San Diego, Calif. (Serra)
Alexis McPhee	Fr.	Port	6-1	Rolling Hills Estates, Calif. (Peninsula)
Jennifer Monacelli	<u>So.</u>	Starboard	5-6	South Haven, Mich. (South Haven)
Anna Musky-Goldwyn	<u>So.</u>	Port/Starboard	<u>5-10</u>	New Canaan, Conn. (New Canaan)
Lindsay Pollock	So.	Port/Starboard	5-8	Los Angeles, Calif. (Windward)
Jaya Reddy	<u>Fr.</u>	Coxswain	5-1	San Mateo, Calif. (Notre Dame HS)
Tamar Schaap	Fr.	Starboard	<u>5-11</u>	Tracy, Calif. (Merrill F. West)
Anne Schier	Sr.	Starboard	<u>5-7</u>	Orinda, Calif. (Miramonte)
Kirstin Snook	Fr.	Port	5-7	Los Gatos, Calif. (Los Gatos)
Mariko Snyder	Fr.	Starboard	5-6	Westlake Village, Calif. (Agoura)
Christina Sprouse	Sr.	Starboard	5-9	Northridge, Calif. (L.A. Baptist)
Britta Syverson	Fr.	Port	6-0	Minneapolis, Minn. (Southwest)
Lucy Thomas	Fr.	Port	5-11	Moraga, Calif. (Capolindo)
Taylor Vella	So.	Port	5-10	Long Beach, Calif. (Los Alamitos)
Anya Vo	Fr.	Starboard	5-10	Santa Clara, Calif. (St. Francis)
Natasha Weidemann	Fr.	Starboard	5-10	Laguna Niguel, Calif. (Aliso Niguel)
Chelsea Wolfe	Jr.	Starboard	5-4	Manhattan Beach, Calif. (Mira Costa)
Sabina Woodward	Fr.	Port	5-11	Monte Vista, Calif. (Monte Vista)

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Bill Zack	Assistant Coach	8th season
Justin Price	Assistant Coach	1st season
Liz Wilson	Assistant Coach	1st season



Class Breakdown

Seniors (7)

Alexandra Bolt Lauren Counter Kaitlin Doering Kristin Fitzmorris Lynn Hancock Anne Schier Christina Sprouse

Juniors (8)

Caroline Curson Christa Czer Monica Harvancik Katherine Hruska Anoush Khojikian Alaizah Koorji Rachel LaBella Chelsea Wolfe

Sophomores (20)

Piper Akol
Anastasia Alexander
Jennifer Barnard
Nadia Basilio
Leslie Chou
Kayla Cox
Megan Danley
Lisa Erlanger
Tessa Gallagher
Ariel Handler

Freshmen (23) Erin Grajewski Victoria Breidenthal Carissa Heath Tara Briggs

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Hillary Caldwell
Jasmine Conrad
Emily Crowley
Leah Drummond
Alexa Farafontoff
Mia Hamano
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Geographic Breakdown

California (48)

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Rachel LaBella Erica Lockard

Connecticut (1) Anna Musky-Goldwyn

Illinois (1)

Leah Drummond

Michigan (1) Jennifer Monacelli

Minnesota (1)

Britta Syverson

North Carolina (1)

Erin Grajewski

Virginia (1) Tara Briggs

Washington, D.C. (1)

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Canada (1) Lynn Hancock

UCLA Rowing Encouraged by Team's Balance, Returning Experience

Bolstered by strong core of upperclassmen, Bruins seek Pac-10 Championship and entry to NCAA Championships

Encouraged by a deep group of returning athletes and talented newcomers, the UCLA women's rowing program seeks to compete for the Pac-10 title in addition to earning a team berth to the NCAA Championships. Led by ninth-year head coach Amy Fuller Kearney, the Bruins feature a balanced roster in 2010, spearheaded by the team's seven seniors.

Fuller Kearney has been instrumental to UCLA's success over the past decade, helping bring back UCLA's rowing program in 2001 and transforming the team to new heights. The Bruins sent their varsity eight crew as an at-large selection to the NCAA Championships in 2005, 2006 and 2007 and are motivated to earn a team berth to the NCAA Championships in Rancho Cordova, Calif.

UCLA looks to benefit in 2010 from a deep roster – the Bruins feature seven seniors, eight juniors, 20 sophomores and 23 freshmen. Led by team captains Kaitlin Doering, Kristin Fitzmorris and Alaizah Koorji, UCLA had a productive fall and has set lofty goals for its spring season.

"Our team has really bought into the idea that everybody has to push themselves to be better, rather than relying on just a few top rowers to get the job done," Fuller Kearney said. "It's the collective effort of our team that will define how we finish in May. Our team captains have set the tone and are pushing everyone to become better rowers."

Doering and Fitzmorris are two of the team's four-year senior rowers and have been integral members of UCLA's varsity eight crews. Doering rowed in the second varsity as a junior last spring, and Fitzmorris rowed in the varsity eight. Both are expected to push for spots in the varsity crews against this year. Koorji has coxed UCLA's varsity eight in each of her two seasons in Westwood. A talented coxswain from Orinda, Calif., Koorji has established herself as a strong leader both on the water and in the classroom.

"Alaizah is a great leader and has really grown a lot this season in terms of maturity and knowing how to motivate her teammates," Fuller Kearney said. "She has done a great job developing into a more well-rounded coxswain, and we're excited to have her back this spring."

In addition to the team's two senior captains, UCLA boasts five other talented seniors in 2010. Lauren Counter, Lynn Hancock and Christina Sprouse return after having made significant contributions the past three seasons. Counter stroked the Bruins' varsity eight last season and will push to assume that role again this spring.

"We love the rhythm that Lauren brings to the boat," Fuller Kearney said. "She has a great feel for the boat, not only to make it accelerate, but to sustain its speed. She had a strong junior season and we look for her to improve this year, too."

Hancock fought through nagging injuries last season. But, a productive summer and fall helped her back to full strength, and she looks to finish her collegiate career going out on top. Hancock has rowed in UCLA's varsity eight crews in each of her three seasons and looks to do the same this spring.

"Lynn has returned for her senior season stronger than ever," Fuller Kearney said. "She has come back on a mission, determined to make her senior year her best yet. It's really great to see her back in top form."

Sprouse was a vital cog in UCLA's second varsity one year ago. She stroked the second varsity in the team's annual dual-meet against USC and at the Pac-10 Championships. A hard-working and dedicated student-athlete, Sprouse has been a mainstay in UCLA's program since joining the team as a walk-on her freshman year.

"Christina has developed one of the greatest work ethics in our program, really helping to raise the effort level of our team's freshmen," Fuller Kearney said. "She understands the level of aerobic fitness that we need to succeed, and its great to see her be a top role model for our newcomers."

Two of the Bruins' seniors — Alex Bolt and Anne Schier — did not row for UCLA last season. Bolt transferred to UCLA after having excelled as a three-year rower at UC Irvine, which discontinued its rowing program. Schier returns to the Bruins' program after having spent the last two seasons away from the water. Both Bolt and Schier will be counted upon to provide depth and experience for UCLA.

"Alex brings much-needed depth to this team," Fuller Kearney said. "She wants to advance to elite-level rowing after college and brings a true passion for this sport. Anne rowed as a freshman, took some time off and realized that she really missed the competition. We are excited to have her back because she is an athlete who can excel sitting anywhere in the boat."

Likewise, the Bruins return a junior class that is equally talented and motivated to succeed. In addition to Koorji, Caroline Curson and Rachel LaBella highlight the team's group of juniors, having rowed in varsity eight crews last season. LaBella has rowed in varsity boats in each of her previous two years and looks to assume an even stronger leadership role this season.

"Rachel has really hit a new gear and stride this year," Fuller Kearney said. "Being a junior now, she really seems to believe that she can do more and that she can bring more. It's always a thrill to see one of your athletes go to the next level, from being good to being great. That's the path that Rachel is on right now."

Curson rowed in UCLA's second varsity last spring and has overcome a hip injury in her time with the Bruins. Among one of the program's best technical rowers, Curson will vie for a seat in one of the varsity eight crews this season.

"Caroline has pushed herself every day to hit the standard necessary to make our program that much better," Fuller Kearney said. "She knows what it takes for us to achieve our goals, and she can certainly help us get there."

Among one of UCLA's greatest strengths in 2010 should be its talented youth. The Bruins' current sophomore class had a solid freshman campaign last year and, with one year's experience under its belt, should be that much stronger this season. Taylor Vella and Lindsay Pollock have emerged as two of UCLA's most talented and hard-working sophomores. Vella stroked the second varsity eight in several races last season, and Pollock split time rowing in the second varsity eight and varsity four crews.

"Both Taylor and Lindsay are great technicians and athletes who we, as a coaching staff, feel very comfortable putting in any seat in any boat," Fuller Kearney said. "We know that they are going to contribute, and they both have been getting stronger and more fit each day."

Other sophomores expected to make bigger contributions include Megan Danley, Piper Akol, Jennifer Barnard, Nadia Basilio and Laurel Hyatt-Miller. Akol and Barnard rowed in UCLA's novice crew and will be looked upon as potential contributors in a varsity boat this spring.

"Megan entered our program as a walk-on last year, and she did a tremendous job for us," Fuller Kearney said. "She brings a lot of power and determination to this team. Piper and Jennifer both trained so hard over the summer and came back in great shape with something to prove. Nadia and Laurel contributed in our second varsity last year, and we know both will make great improvements as sophomores this spring."

A trio of sophomore coxswains should push for time in the varsity crews this season. Leslie Chou coxed the second varsity one year ago and could return as the coxswain of that boat again this spring. Also in the mix to cox the program's varsity boats are sophomores Lisa Erlanger and Ariel Handler.

Yet perhaps the group with the most intrigue on this year's team lies within its freshman class. Fuller Kearney and her assistant coaches are cautiously optimistic that several key freshmen will not only compete for spots on the varsity crews, but also help push their upperclassmen teammates to new heights. A collection of six recruited freshmen — Britta Syverson, Erica Lockard, Hilary Caldwell, Alexa Farafontoff, Alexis McPhee and Kirstin Snook — made a strong impact for UCLA in the fall and are expected to push for seats in the team's varsity crews.

"Knowing we have such great talent in our youngest class is very exciting for this program," Fuller Kearney said. "This group is very hungry and motivated to succeed, and they are buying into the culture of discipline that is required to build a champion."

UCLA'S FACILITIES



