

After a three-year hiatus, professional softball returned to the United States in the summer of 2005 under the name of National Pro Fastpitch. Four former Bruins participated in the NPF's inaugural season.

Numerous former Bruins participated in NPF's predecessor, the WPSL. During the summer of 2001, the league sponsored a barnstorming tour of an All-Star roster against the "WPSL Gold," a team of former Olympians.

The 2006 season will see the New York franchise become the Philadelphia Force and the addition of the Connecticut Brakettes of Stratford, bringing the league to seven teams, including the Akron (Ohio) Racers, Arizona Heat, Chicago Bandits, the Brakettes, Force, New England Riptide and Texas Thunder. The 2006 season of 48 games per team is scheduled to begin on May 31.



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1997 WPSL ROSTERS

Jenny Brewster - Georgia Pride
B'Ann Burns - Orlando Wahoos
Debbie Doom - Orlando Wahoos
Alleah Poulson - Georgia Pride
DeeDee Weiman-Garcia - Tampa Bay FireStix

1998 WPSL ROSTERS

Jenny Brewster - Georgia Pride
B'Ann Burns - Tampa Bay FireStix
Kaci Clark - Orlando Wahoos
Debbie Doom - Orlando Wahoos
Laurie Fritz - Tampa Bay FireStix
Kelly Howard - Tampa Bay FireStix
Nicole Odom - Orlando Wahoos
Alleah Poulson - Orlando Wahoos
DeeDee Weiman-Garcia - Tampa Bay FireStix

1999 WPSL ROSTERS

Heather Compton - Tampa Bay FireStix
DeeDee Weiman-Garcia - Tampa Bay FireStix
Nicole Odom - Akron Racers
Kaci Clark - Virginia Roadsters

2000 WPSL ROSTERS

Julie Adams - Ohio Pride
Kaci Clark - Florida Wahoos
Heather Compton - Ohio Pride
Lyndsey Klein - Tampa Bay FireStix
Nicole Odom - Akron Racers
Dee Dee Weiman - Tampa Bay FireStix

2001 WPSL

Lyndsey Klein - WPSL All Stars

2004 NPF ROSTERS

Kaci Clark (NY/NJ Juggernaut)
Lyndsey Klein (NY/NJ Juggernaut)
Julie Marshall (California Sunbirds)
Stephanie Ramos (Texas Thunder)

2005 NPF ROSTERS

Amanda Freed (Texas Thunder)
Tairia Mims Flowers (Arizona Heat)
Stacey Nuvean (Arizona Heat)
Natasha Watley (NY/NJ Juggernaut)

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Natasha Watley
2005 NY/NJ Juggernaut



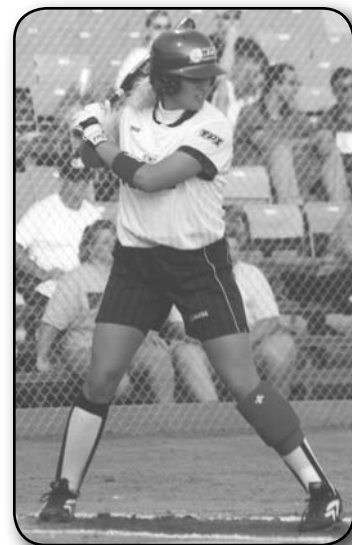
Nicole Odom (above)
1998 Orlando Wahoos
1999-00 Akron Racers



Debbie Doom
1997-98 Orlando Wahoos



Kaci Clark
1998, 00 Orlando Wahoos
1989 Virginia Roadsters
1998 WPSL
Pitcher of the Year



Julie Adams
2000 Ohio Pride

Julie Adams [1996-97, 99-00]: History teacher and Athletic Director at Bellflower (Calif.) HS

Courtney (Dale) Boldt [1997, 99-01]: Played three years for Leo Palace and one year for Honda Motor Corporation in Tokyo, Japan. Recently married to David Boldt.

Joanne (Alchin) Brown [1992-93]: Lives in Canberra, Australia and is a stay-at-home mother with two daughters. Previously worked as a Sports Consultant with the Australian Sports Commission and Softball Australia.

Jen Brundage [1992-95]: Assistant Softball Coach at the University of Michigan (eighth year). Also plays hockey for the Frozen Assets, an amateur women's team in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Crispy Buck [1999-02]: Assistant Softball Coach at Oregon State (fourth year).

Tracy (Compton) Davis [19882-85]: Teaching math and coaching golf at Righetti HS in Santa Maria, Calif. Married to former Kiwi softball pitcher Glenn Davis and has two children, Hayley (12) and Zealand (4)

Missy (Phillips) Dickerson [1988-91]: Head Softball Coach at the University of Mississippi.

Kerry Dienelt [1998-91]: Played in nearly 200 games for the Australian National softball team (1B/C), including the 1996 Atlanta Olympics and serving as team captain for the 2000 Sydney Olympics. Currently works as a paralegal in El Segundo, Calif. Inducted into the Australian Softball Hall of Fame in 2004 and the International Softball Hall of Fame in 2005.

Stacey (Nuvelman) Deniz [1997, 99, 01-02]: Training with the U.S. National Team in preparation for the 2006 World Championships and 2008 Beijing Olympics. Also working as a color analyst for ESPN, Fox Sports and CSTV on their NCAA softball broadcasts, including the last three WCWS.

Lesley Feldman [1996-99]: Attorney working for Adelson, Testan and Brundo in Calabasas, Calif.

Lisa Fernandez [1990-93]: Involved in a pro softball tour scheduled to be launched in the summer of 2006, the Pro Fastpitch Extreme (PFX) Tour. Married to Michael Lujan and mother to Antonio Mayo Lujan, who was born in December 2005.

Tairia (Mims) Flowers [2000-03]: Assistant Softball Coach at UC Riverside (first year). Training with the U.S. National Team and playing in the NPF for the Arizona Heat.

Jen Gardner [1998-00]: Graduated from Loyola Law School in May 2005, passed the California Bar Exam, and is currently working at Berding & Weil, a mid-sized Northern California firm specializing in real estate, construction defect litigation and class action law suits.

Keira Goerl [2001-04]: Assistant Softball Coach at Cal Poly (second year).

Alleah (Poulson) Gogley [1994-97]: Marketing manager for Citrix, handling interactive media planning and buying for Citrix's online software products. Married Ben Gogley in June 2005. The couple resides in Orange, Calif.

Yvonne Gutierrez [1989-92]: Engineer with the Los Angeles Fire Department.

Casey Hiraiwa [1998, 00-02]: Civilian engineer for the Army Corps of Engineers in Hawaii.

Gina Holmstrom [1984-87]: K-9 handler for the Los Angeles Police Department since 1998. Has been an LAPD officer since 1990. Received the department's highest honor for bravery, "The Medal of Valor" in 2002.

Karen Hoshizaki [1997-99]: Completed MBA at Pepperdine in August 2004. Currently the Funds Department Manager at TIMCOR Exchange Corporation in Culver City, Calif., working in the real estate industry.

Christie (Ambrosi) Huston [1996-97, 99]: Resides in Leawood, Kan., with her husband, Drake and children Trace (2½) and Elise, who was born in November 2005. Works part-time giving private softball lessons and as a hairstylist while raising her children.

B'Ann (Burns) Jacobs [1994-97]: Training specialist at the University of Phoenix. Resides in Goodyear, Ariz., with husband, John, and daughter, Taylor.

Lyndsey Klein [1999-2000]: Retired from softball in 2005 after playing professionally in the NPF. Traveling worldwide, starting a softball-related website and doing kids clinics in Tampa, Fla.

Julie Marshall [1996-97, 99-00]: Office Manager for Allstate Insurance in Stockton, Calif. Also teaches a full-time schedule of 40-50 private softball lessons per week and coaches the U16 Grapettes ASA team.

Monique Mejia [2000-03]: Assistant Manager at the Fountain Valley, Calif., branch of Enterprise Rent-A-Car. Diamond Club member.

Ginny (Mike) Mitchell [1994-96]: Runs the "Future Stars of America" baseball/softball academy with her husband, Mike (former Bruin baseball player). The couple has three children, Madison, Tripp and Jaxon.

Laurie (Fritz) Nevarez [1995-98]: Head Softball Coach at The University of Redlands

Erin Rahn [1999-2002]: Account Executive at Outdoor Dimensions in Orange County, Calif., working in sales and marketing

Nicole (Odom) Reis [1994-98]: Assistant to the Director at RBC Dain Rauscher investment firm in Boston. Married to former UCLA soccer player Matt Reis, residing in Boston and expecting the couple's first child. Played three seasons for the Orlando Wahoos and Akron Racers in the WPSL.

Mary Ricks [1983-86]: President, Commercial Investment Sales, West Coast, for Kennedy Wilson Commercial Real Estate, a firm based in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Kristy (Howard) Schroeder [1990-93]: Head Softball Coach at UC Santa Barbara. Schroeder and her husband, Peter (a professor in the Sport and Exercise Studies department at UCSB) have a three year old daughter, Johnna.

Amanda Simpson [2001-04]: A first-year law student at UCLA, participating with the UCLA Triathlon Club Team. Engaged to Jeremy Allen and planning an August 2006 wedding.

Stephanie Swenson [1998-01]: Assistant Softball Coach at Long Beach State (third year).

Claire Sua [2001-04]: Assistant Softball Coach at Cal Poly (first year).

Kelly (Howard) Warren [1993-96]: Associate Head Softball Coach at San Diego State (5th yr).

Natasha Watley [2000-03]: Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach at UCLA, playing in the NPF with the Philadelphia Force and training with the U.S. National Team in preparation for the 2006 World Championships and the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

DeeDee (Weiman) Kingsbury [1990-92, 94]: Assistant Softball Coach at Cal State Fullerton (4th yr).

Kim Wuest [1995-98]: Superintendent for Marine Terminals Corporation (MTC) at the Port of Los Angeles, Seaside Transportation Services/Evergreen terminal. Also a Senior Loan Officer for Premier Funding Network in Yorba Linda, Calif. and teaching softball lessons for kids ages 7-18

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Casey Hiraiwa

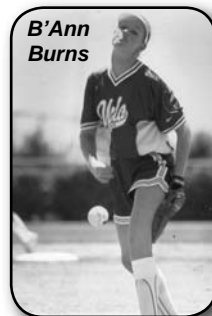
"Being a Bruin has taught me so many valuable things in my life. At the top of the list is how to be accountable, dependable, honorable, compassionate and a team player. I apply all of these things in my daily endeavors. I gained some of my best friends and fondest memories by being a Bruin!" — Julie Marshall

"When I entered the business world right after college, I was very surprised at how many others starting out like me had never seriously worked together as part of a team to achieve a common goal. To me that was like second nature after being a part of the UCLA team. Besides all the great times I had playing softball at UCLA, I didn't realize I was getting training for the 'real world' too!" — Alleah (Poulson) Gogley

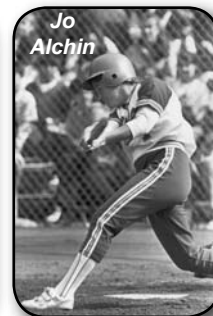


Missy Phillips

"My experiences as a member of the UCLA softball team has instilled in me a philosophy which I hold true to this day; I can accomplish more as a member of a team than as an individual." — Gina Holmstrom



B'Ann Burns



Jo Alchin

"In the 'real world,' I use skills I learned from UCLA Softball on a daily basis. Above all else, UCLA Softball taught me about leadership. As a Bruin, you are asked to be a leader among students, then a leader among your team, getting hints, tips and encouragement to help you along your path. Because of my UCLA experience, I seek in myself the best at all times. I know that the only things a person can control are their effort and their attitude. That is the standard to which I hold myself, my employees and my peers accountable." — Monique Mejia

More than 30 UCLA players have been involved with the United States National Team Program. Over the years, UCLA players past and present, have played integral roles with U.S. Pan American, World Championship and Olympic Festival teams. In addition, five Bruins were a part of the gold-medal winning U.S. team at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, GA, and six Bruins were gold medalists at the Sydney Games in 2000. Five Bruins won gold with Team USA at the 2004 Athens Olympics (see page 62).

JULIE ADAMS

1995 Jr. Women's World; 1997 National Team Selection Camp; 1997 - 1998 National Team Festival; 1995 Olympic Festival

TORIA AUELUA

2001 USA Blue: Canada Cup, Pan Am Qualifier

CHRISTIE AMBROSI

2000 Olympic Team; 1995 Jr. Women's World; 1997 National Team Selection Camp; 1997 - 1998 National Team Festival

CAITLIN BENYI ★

2003 Junior World Championship
2004 Elite Team

BARBARA BOOTH

1991 Pan American Games

JENNY BREWSTER

1991 Jr. Women's World

JENNIFER BRUNDAGE

2000 Olympic Team; 1997 National Team Selection Camp; 1997 - 1998 Women's Team Festival; 1995 Olympic Festival

B'ANN BURNS

1994 National Team Selection Camp

HEATHER COMPTON

1995 Olympic Festival

TRACY COMPTON

1981 Jr. Women's World; 1982 Jr. Women's World

SHEILA (CORNELL)

DOUTY

1996, 2000 Olympics; 1983, 1987, 1991, 1995 Pan American Games; 1990, 1994 Women's World; 1997 National Team Selection Camp; 1997 - 1998 Women's Team Festival; 1995 Olympic Festival

JAISA CREPS ★

2003 Junior World Championship

COURTNEY DALE

2001 USA Blue: Pan Am Qualifier, Canada Cup; 1995 Jr.

Women's World; 1997 National Team Selection Camp; 1997 Women's National Team Festival; 2002 Elite Team; 2003 Elite Team

LISA DODD ★

2002 Junior Pan-Am Championship, 2003 Junior World Championship; 2004 Elite Team

DEBBIE DOOM

1982, 1990 Women's World; 1991, 1995 Pan American Games; 1995 Olympic Festival

ANDREA DURAN ★

2003 Junior World Championship
2004 Elite Team

SUE ENQUIST

1978 Women's World, 1979 Pan American Games

KATHI EVANS

1991 Jr. Women's World

LISA FERNANDEZ

1996, 2000, 2004 Olympics; 1990, 1994, 2002 Women's World, 1991, 99, 2003 Pan American Games; 1997 National Team Selection Camp; 1997 - 1998 Women's Team Festival; 1995 Olympic Festival

AMANDA FREED

2004 Olympics; 2003 Pan-Am Games; 2002 World Championships; 2001 USA Red: USA Cup, Canada Cup; 2000 Olympics alternate; 1999, Canada Cup

KEIRA GOERL

2003 Pan-Am Games; 2002 World Championships, 2001 USA Red: USA Cup, Canada Cup

YVONNE GUTIERREZ

1985 Jr. Women's World

KELLY INOUE

LYNDSEY KLEIN

2003 Elite Team; 2002 World Championships, 1997 Pan Am Qualifier

JODIE LEGASPI ★

2002 Pan-Am Junior Championship, 2003 Junior World Championship; 2004 Elite Team

LISA LONGAKER

1990 Women's World



Dot Richardson

1996 OLYMPIANS

Jennifer Brundage - USA
Sheila Cornell - USA
Lisa Fernandez - USA
Dot Richardson - USA
Christa Williams - USA
Joanne Alchin - Australia
Kerry Dienelt - Australia
Tanya Harding - Australia
Janice Parks - Puerto Rico

2000 U.S. OLYMPIANS

Jennifer Brundage
Sheila Douty
Lisa Fernandez
Dot Richardson
Christie Ambrosi
Stacey Nuveman
Amanda Freed (Alternate)

2004 U.S.

OLYMPIANS
Lisa Fernandez
Amanda Freed
Tairia (Mims) Flowers
Stacey Nuveman
Natasha Watley

2000 AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIANS

Joanne (Alchin) Brown
Kerry Dienelt
Tanya Harding

2004 AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIAN

Tanya Harding





Sheila (Cornell) Douty



Above: Tairia (Mims) Flowers

Right: Lisa Fernandez

Below: Stacey Nuvean

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TAIRIA (MIMS) FLOWERS

2004 Olympics; 2003 Pan-Am Games; 2002 World Championships; 2001 USARed: USACup, Canada Cup

STACEY NUVEAN

2004 Olympics; 2003 Pan-Am Games; 2002 World Championships; 2001 USARed: USACup, Canada Cup; 2000 Olympics; 1995 Jr. Women's World; 1997 National Team Selection Camp; 1997 Women's Team Festival

NICOLE ODOM

1993 Olympic Festival, 1994 Olympic Festival, 1994 National Team Selection Camp

ALLEAH POULSON

1997 Women's National Team Festival

DOT RICHARDSON

1996, 2000 Olympics; 1982, 1986, 1990, 1994 Women's World; 1979, 1983, 1987, 1995 Pan American Games; 1997 - 1998 Women's Team Festival; 1995 Olympic Festival

PRISCILLA ROUSE

1995 Olympic Festival

GINA VECCHIONE

1983 Pan American Games

NICHOLE VICTORIA

KAREN WALKER

1995 Olympic Festival

NATASHA WATLEY

2004 Olympics; 2003 Pan-Am Games; 2002 World Championships; 2001 USARed: USACup, Canada Cup

DEEDEE WEIMAN

1995 Olympic Festival

CHRISTA WILLIAMS

1996 Olympics

EMILY ZAPLATOSCH ★

2002 Pan-Am Junior Championship, 2003, Junior World Championship; 2004 Elite Team



Amanda Freed (above)



Natasha Watley (below)



UCLA AND UNITED STATES OLYMPIC SOFTBALL

Five former UCLA softball players were part of the record-setting U.S. Olympic Softball team during the summer of 2004 in Athens, Greece. Team USA allowed just one run in the Olympic competition en route to a third consecutive Olympic Gold. The team was recognized by *Sports Illustrated* as the true "Dream Team" of the Athens games. The team was also invited to do a "Top-10" list for "Late Night with David Letterman."

UCLA congratulates first-time Olympic Gold Medalists Tairia Flowers, Amanda Freed and Natasha Watley, two-time Olympic Gold Medalist Stacey Nuveman and three-time Olympic Gold Medalist Lisa Fernandez for their outstanding accomplishments in Athens.

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Photo IDs: (Clockwise from top left): Lisa Fernandez, Tairia Flowers, Stacey Nuveman, Natasha Watley, Amanda Freed, Team USA on medal stand, USA's Two- and Three-Time Gold Medalists at David Letterman Show taping, Lisa Fernandez. **Center:** Aug. 30, 2004 cover of *Sports Illustrated* magazine



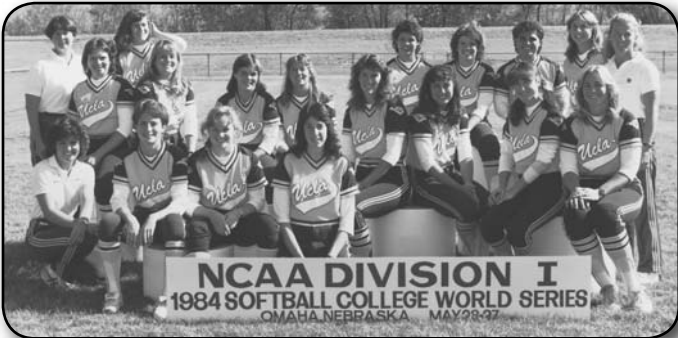
1978 (AIAW)

UCLA won its first of nine titles with a 3-0 win over Northern Colorado in 1978. With the Bruins' unbeaten record in the tournament (5-0), UCLA was not scored upon during the five games. UCLA was led in the playoffs by pitchers Jan Jeffers (3-0) and Lisa Richardson (2-0). Sue Enquist led the tournament with a .421 batting average, while Gail Edson hit .412 with a tournament-leading nine RBI. UCLA compiled a 31-3 record, won 14 of its first 15 games, and ended the season winning 17 of 18.



1982 (NCAA)

In compiling a 26-7-2 mark in 1982, the Bruins shutout opponents in six of seven playoff games to claim their second national title. Freshman Debbie Doom was MVP of the College World Series as she pitched every game, with five wins and 62 strikeouts in 41.2 innings. Pitching was the key to the Bruins' success as Tracy Compton led with a 10-2 record, posting 10 shutouts and a 0.21 ERA. Debbie Doom added nine shutouts, an 11-2-2 record and a 0.31 ERA. The Bruins' 0.29 team ERA stands as the third-lowest in school history. Despite the fact that UCLA was held without a home run during the season, shortstop Dot Richardson paced the Bruins with a .328 batting average, and added eight RBI, four stolen bases and drew 28 walks.



1984 (NCAA)

Two-time All-American Debbie Doom led the Bruins to their third national title in 1984. Doom, who led the Bruins with a 24-3-1 record and a 0.10 ERA, won the final three games at the College World Series (CWS), including back-to-back victories over Texas A&M on the final day. Doom set four UCLA records in 1984, including most shutouts (24), strikeouts in a season (282), no-run streak (102.2 innings) and strikeouts in a game (25). Offensively, the Bruins were led by freshman Tricia Mang who belted a 13th-inning homer against Texas A&M at the CWS to give UCLA the title. Mang's seven home runs in 1984 placed her second on the Bruins all-time single season list.

1985 (NCAA)

Head Coach Sharron Backus and the Bruins captured their third NCAA title in four years with a 2-1 triumph over Nebraska at the College World Series. Catcher Janet Pinneau's single to right field drove home the winning run, touching off a wild celebration as Leslie Rover crossed the plate with the deciding tally. The 1985 season marked the final year for pitching sensations Debbie Doom and Tracy Compton. The two posted a 159-29-3 combined record and had a remarkable 0.15 ERA in their careers. Also during their tenure at UCLA, Doom and Compton combined to strikeout 1,543 batters in 1,952 innings, and earned a decision in all but 17 of the Bruins' games, including 154 of their final 156.



1988 (NCAA)

The 1988 season marked the Bruins' fifth national title, capping off a 53-8 season. Led by freshman pitcher Lisa Longaker, UCLA defeated Fresno State, 3-0, in the championship game. Longaker set UCLA records in innings pitched (259.1), wins (31) and consecutive wins (22), while posting a 31-4 record with 23 shutouts. Offensively, the Bruins were led by outfielder Lorraine Maynez and third baseman Janice Parks. Maynez hit .337 and tied UCLA's season records with 10 doubles and seven triples. Parks had six homers and 40 RBI to go along with a .322 batting average.

1989 (NCAA)

Head Coach Sharron Backus won her fifth NCAA title in 1989, marking the second time UCLA had won back-to-back titles. The Bruins compiled a 48-4 record, winning 29 of their final 31 games, including 16 in a row. Freshman pitcher Tiffany Boyd pitched three of the final five games at the NCAA's, including a no-hitter in the opener against South Carolina, and a 1-0 victory over Fresno State for the title. Sophomore outfielder Lorraine Maynez set College World Series records with 10 hits and six runs in the tournament. Maynez also led the tournament in hitting (.588). Senior third baseman Janice Parks finished her career setting six UCLA career records in 1989, including hits (224), runs scored (104) and RBI (136) — all since broken — leading UCLA in almost every offensive category in 1989. UCLA's longest losing streak was only two games, while going the first 88 innings of the season without allowing a run.



1990 (NCAA)

The Bruins won an unprecedented third consecutive NCAA Championship, besting Fresno State (2-0) for the third straight year as freshman Heather Compton threw a one-hitter in a game that lasted two days due to rain. UCLA's 62 wins set a school record and capped off the Bruins' third straight Pac-10 title. Yvonne Gutierrez set a school record in singles (59), Shanna Flynn set a record in at-bats (228) and Kristy Howard tied the sacrifice record with 27 as DeeDee Weiman broke a school record with four no-hitters. Lisa Longaker wrapped up her illustrious career setting records in wins (89) and games played (113). The two-time Honda Award winner, recognizing her as the nation's best softball player, Longaker was named the Pac-10 Player of the Year for the third time in four years. The Bruins ventured through the season without losing consecutive games, and Bruin pitchers threw 122 innings without allowing a run.



1992 (NCAA)

UCLA captured the national title in dramatic style as freshman Jenny Brewster, with one out in the bottom of the seventh, blasted a homer over the left-field fence to defeat Arizona, 2-0. UCLA outscored its opponents, 31-1, in the College World Series en route to its fourth title in five years. Junior Lisa Fernandez, winner of her second of three Honda Awards, was the winning pitcher in the title game for her NCAA-record 29-0 final record. At the CWS, Fernandez threw 35 innings and allowed only nine hits and two walks while striking out 26 with a 0.00 ERA, ending the season with a 65-inning consecutive scoreless streak. Junior Kristy Howard broke her own school sacrifice record with 28. Freshman Kathi Evans set a UCLA record in singles with 68 and freshman Joanne Alchin set a single season record in doubles with 11. UCLA posted the NCAA's best overall record in going 54-2 (.964).



1999 (NCAA)

A record-breaking year concluded with a record eighth NCAA title for the 1999 Bruins. The championship game saw a matchup with Pac-10 foe Washington. Unlike its three victories leading up to the championship game, UCLA came out swinging against the Huskies, scoring all three of its runs in the first two innings. In the top of the first, WCWS Most Outstanding Player Julie Adams connected with a two RBI single to left center, and pitcher Courtney Dale added to the lead in the top of the third with a leadoff solo home run. She also earned the victory in the circle, her 33rd of the year, to tie Lisa Fernandez's school record for wins in a season. Christie Ambrosi, Dale and Amanda Freed joined Adams on the All-College World Series team. During the season, freshman Freed threw two no-hitters to go along with a slew of new offensive school records. Stacey Nuveman set new single season records for home runs (31), walks (61) and RBI (91); Ambrosi set new standards in singles (75), runs scored (65), hits (103) and at-bats (240); and second baseman Lyndsey Klein hit 21 doubles for a new Bruin record. The team as a whole tied a school record with 69 games played and set new standards for at-bats (1868), runs (429), hits (633), total bases (1042), doubles (108), home runs (95), RBI (396) and stolen bases (64), all while setting a new Bruin standard for wins in a season with 63.



2003 (NCAA)

UCLA won its 10th National Championship in dramatic fashion in 2003, losing its first game of the Women's College World Series in 10 innings to defending champ California. The Bruins would not quit, however, storming back with wins over Louisiana-Lafayette and Washington to reach Semifinal Sunday against undefeated Texas. The Bruins won their first elimination game of the day, setting up a winner-take-all matchup with the Longhorns with a trip to Monday's title game on the line. Texas scored an unearned run in the top of the first inning and held that 1-0 lead to the bottom of the seventh, when the home-team Bruins put together a dramatic rally that started with a one-out hit by senior Monique Mejia, followed by a sacrifice bunt by Andrea Duran to put Mejia in scoring position. Natasha Watley, who would win the Honda-Broderick Cup as the nation's top female collegiate athlete, then singled home Mejia and scored herself on a single by freshman Caitlin Benyi to win the game. Monday's title game was no less dramatic, as Most Outstanding Player Keira Goerl pitched a nine-inning no-hitter, the first in NCAA Championship Game history, against California. In the top of the ninth, Stephanie Ramos hit a lead-off double, was sacrificed to third by Emily Zaplatosch and scored on a single by senior Toria Auelua. Goerl then retired the Golden Bears in order to give UCLA the 1-0 win. Watley and senior Tairia Mims, who led all players with three home runs and six RBIs, joined Goerl on the WCWS All-Tournament Team.

GOERL'S NO-HITTER NAMED ONE OF NCAA'S "25 DEFINING MOMENTS"

In honor of its 100th anniversary, the NCAA has selected the "25 Defining Moments in NCAA History." Keira Goerl's no-hitter in the 2003 NCAA Division I Softball Championship Game was selected as one of those 25 moments in January 2006.

The "25 Most Defining Moments in NCAA History" were chosen by a special panel that included college presidents, athletics directors, faculty representatives, student-athletes and conference representatives as the top moments that best represent the NCAA's 100-year history.

The NCAA celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2006.



2004 (NCAA)

UCLA softball won its 11th National Championship in May, defeating California, 3-1, in the NCAA Championship Game. UCLA allowed one run in the top of the first inning of the title game and were falling victim to a perfect game being thrown against them until Claire Sua led off the bottom of the fifth inning with a towering first-pitch home run to left field. After earning two more base runners on a hit-by-pitch and a walk, the pair of runners advanced on a sacrifice bunt by Emily Zaplatosch and scored on a two-out single by freshman Kristen Dedmon to give the Bruins the lead. Keira Goerl went on to shut out the Golden Bears for the final two innings of the game as UCLA won back-to-back NCAA titles. Goerl, Sua, Lisa Dodd, Jodie Legaspi and 2004 NCAA home run champion Caitlin Benyi were all named to the All-Tournament Team. Benyi, a sophomore, earned first-team all-America honors while Goerl became the third player in NCAA Division I softball history with multiple victories in the Championship Game and was named a second-team All-American.

1982	MVP - DEBBIE DOOM – P Barb Booth – C Dot Richardson – SS Gina Vecchione – OF Barb Young – OF
1983	Sheila Cornell – 1B Dot Richardson – SS Mary Ricks – OF
1984	Debbie Doom – P Tricia Mang – DH Leslie Rover – SS Jennifer Simm – 2B
1985	Tracy Compton – P Debbie Doom – P Chris Olivie – UT Leslie Rover – SS
1987	Sandra Arledge – OF Lisa Hankerd – SS Lisa Longaker – P Janice Parks – 3B Karen Walker – OF Shauna Wattenberg – C
1988	Kerry Dienelt – 1B Shanna Flynn – OF Lisa Longaker – P Missy Phillips – 2B Stacy Sunny – C
1989	Tiffany Boyd – P Kerry Dienelt – 1B Lorraine Maynez – OF Janice Parks – 3B Missy Phillips – 2B

1990	Kerry Dienelt – 1B Lisa Fernandez – 3B Shanna Flynn – OF Yvonne Gutierrez – OF Lisa Longaker – P
1991	Heather Compton – P Kerry Dienelt – C Lisa Fernandez – 3B Yvonne Gutierrez – OF Lorraine Maynez – OF
1992	Kathi Evans – OF Lisa Fernandez – UTL Yvonne Gutierrez – OF Kelly Inouye – C
1993	Lisa Fernandez – 3B Nichole Victoria – UT
1994	Ginny Mike – At-Large
1995	Kelly Howard – 2B Jennifer Brundage – 3B <i>MVP - Tanya Harding - P</i>
1997	Stacey Nuveman – C Alleah Poulson – 1B Christa Williams – P
1999	<i>MOP - Julie Adams - 3B</i> Christie Ambrosi – OF Courtney Dale – P Amanda Freed – P

2000	Tairia Mims – 1B Julie Marshall – C Amanda Freed – P
2001	Amanda Freed – P Tairia Mims – 1B Claire Sua – DP
2002	Keira Goerl – P Stacey Nuveman – C Natasha Watley – SS
2003	<i>MOP-Keira Goerl - P</i> Tairia Mims – 3B Natasha Watley – SS
2004	Caitlin Benyi – 2B Lisa Dodd – RF Keira Goerl – P Jodie Legaspi – SS
2005	Krista Colburn – RF Jodie Legaspi – SS Anjelica Selden – P Emily Zaplatosch – C

*UCLA won the NCAA Championship
in years that are bold.*



Tairia Mims



Alleah Poulson



Claire Sua

1982 NCAA CHAMPIONS

Central Regional	UCLA 4, Wyoming 0
	UCLA 5, Wyoming 0
College World Series	UCLA 2, Oklahoma State 1 (13 inn.)
(Omaha, Neb.)	UCLA 1, Western Michigan 0
	UCLA 1, Arizona State 0
	UCLA 1, Cal State Fullerton 0 (10 inn.)
	<i>UCLA 2, Fresno State 0 (8 inn.)</i>

1983 NCAA THIRD PLACE

Northeast Regional	UCLA 1, Rhode Island 0
	UCLA 1, Rhode Island 0
College World Series	UCLA 1, Missouri 0
(Omaha, Neb.)	UCLA 8, Louisiana Tech 0
	Cal State Fullerton 6, UCLA 1
	UCLA 2, South Carolina 1 (17 inn.)
	Texas A&M 1, UCLA 0 (14 inn.)

1984 NCAA CHAMPIONS

West Regional	UCLA 1, Arizona State 0
	UCLA 3, Arizona State 0
College World Series	UCLA 6, Utah State 0
(Omaha, Neb.)	UCLA 1, Northwestern 0 (9 inn.)
	Texas A&M 2, UCLA 0 (8 inn.)
	UCLA 1, Nebraska 0 (8 inn.)
	UCLA 1, Texas A&M 0 (8 inn.)
	<i>UCLA 1, Texas A&M 0 (13 inn.)</i>

1985 NCAA CHAMPIONS

At-Large Regional	Pacific 3, UCLA 1
	UCLA 3, Pacific 0
	UCLA 2, Pacific 0
College World Series	UCLA 1, Utah 0
(Omaha, Neb.)	Cal State Fullerton 2, UCLA 0
	UCLA 1, Northwestern 0
	UCLA 3, Nebraska 0
	UCLA 1, Cal State Fullerton 0
	<i>UCLA 2, Nebraska 1 (9 inn.)</i>

1987 NCAA RUNNER-UP

West Regional	UCLA 1, Long Beach State 0
	UCLA 2, Long Beach State 0
College World Series	UCLA 1, Arizona State 0
(Omaha, Neb.)	UCLA 3, Nebraska 0
	UCLA 1, Cal State Fullerton 0
	UCLA 1, Texas A&M 0
	Texas A&M 1, UCLA 0
	<i>Texas A&M 4, UCLA 1</i>

1988 NCAA CHAMPIONS

West Regional	UCLA 3, Cal State Fullerton 0
	UCLA 2, Cal State Fullerton 0
College World Series	UCLA 1, Northern Illinois 0
(Sunnyvale, Calif.)	UCLA 6, Fresno State 1
	UCLA 5, Arizona 0
	UCLA 4, Cal Poly Pomona 1
	Fresno State 2, UCLA 1
	<i>UCLA 3, Fresno State 0</i>

1989 NCAA CHAMPIONS

West Regional	UCLA 5, Long Beach State 1
	UCLA 3, Long Beach State 0
College World Series	UCLA 3, South Carolina 0
(Sunnyvale, Calif.)	UCLA 9, Cal Poly Pomona 0
	UCLA 2, Oklahoma State 1
	UCLA 3, Arizona 0
	<i>UCLA 1, Fresno State 0</i>

1990 NCAA CHAMPIONS

Northwest Regional	UCLA 2, Northern Iowa 0
	UCLA 4, Northern Iowa 0
College World Series	UCLA 4, Kent 0
(Oklahoma City, Okla.)	UCLA 6, Long Beach State 0
	UCLA 2, Oklahoma State 1
	UCLA 3, Florida State 0
	Fresno State 1, UCLA 0
	<i>UCLA 2, Fresno State 0</i>

1991 NCAA RUNNER-UP

Northwest Regional	UCLA 4, Central Michigan 0
	UCLA 5, Central Michigan 0
College World Series	UCLA 1, Florida State 0
(Oklahoma City, Okla.)	Arizona 1, UCLA 0
	UCLA 5, Missouri 0
	UCLA 1, Long Beach State 0 (11 inn.)
	UCLA 5, Fresno State 1 (13 inn.)
	<i>Arizona 5, UCLA 1</i>

1992 NCAA CHAMPIONS

Northwest Regional	UCLA 1, Utah 0
	UCLA 7, Utah 2
College World Series	UCLA 4, Massachusetts 0
(Oklahoma City, Okla.)	UCLA 10, California 0
	UCLA 4, Fresno State 0
	UCLA 11, Massachusetts 1
	<i>UCLA 2, Arizona 0</i>

1993 NCAA RUNNER-UP

West Regional	UCLA 2, Cal State Fullerton 1
	UCLA 1, Cal State Fullerton 0
College World Series	UCLA 3, Connecticut 0
(Oklahoma City, Okla.)	Oklahoma State 1, UCLA 0
	UCLA 2, Cal State Northridge 0
	UCLA 5, Oklahoma State 0
	UCLA 1, Southwestern Louisiana 0
	<i>Arizona 1, UCLA 0</i>

1994 NCAA FOURTH PLACE

Region IV	UCLA 2, Georgia State 1
	UNLV 1, UCLA 0
	UCLA 3, South Carolina 1
	UCLA 2, UNLV 1
	UCLA 3, UNLV 2
College World Series	Fresno State 1, UCLA 0
(Oklahoma City, Okla.)	UCLA 9, Illinois - Chicago 0
	UCLA 11, Utah 1
	Arizona 5, UCLA 2

Italics denote championship game/championship series

UCLA overall record in NCAA Tournament: 146-32 (.820)

Bruins Overall record in NCAA Regionals: 64-7 (.901)

Bruins Overall record in NCAA Super Regionals: 2-1 (.666)

Bruins Overall record in NCAA WCWS: 82-25 (.773)

Bruins in NCAA Championship Game: 10-6 (.625)

Bruins in NCAA Championship Series: 1-2 (.333)

1996 NCAA THIRD PLACE

Region VIII	Cal State Fullerton 5, UCLA 1 UCLA 8, SW Missouri State 2 UCLA 7, Cal State Northridge 5 UCLA 14, Cal State Fullerton 1 UCLA 7, Cal State Fullerton 2
College World Series (Columbus, Ga.)	UCLA 2, Michigan 0 Arizona 4, UCLA 0 UCLA 3, Southwestern Louisiana 2 Washington 8, UCLA 2

1997 NCAA RUNNER-UP

Lafayette, LA Regional	UCLA 3, Nicholls State 0 Southwestern Louisiana 4, UCLA 1 UCLA 3, Northeast Louisiana 0 UCLA 9, Southwestern Louisiana 0 (5) UCLA 3, Southwestern Louisiana 0
College World Series (Oklahoma City, Okla.)	UCLA 2, Fresno State 0 (8 inn.) Arizona 2, UCLA 0 (14 inn.) UCLA 7, Michigan 3 UCLA 4, Washington 3 UCLA 1, Washington 0 Arizona 10, UCLA 2 (5 inn.)

1999 NCAA CHAMPIONS

Los Angeles Regional	UCLA 7, Alabama 0 UCLA 14, Creighton 0 UCLA 5, Minnesota 0 UCLA 12, Missouri 5
College World Series (Oklahoma City, Okla.)	UCLA 3, DePaul 2 (9 inn.) UCLA 1, Fresno State 0 UCLA 2, DePaul 1 (8 inn.) UCLA 3, Washington 2

2000 NCAA RUNNER-UP

Los Angeles Regional	UCLA 8, Canisius 0 (5 inn.) UCLA 10, Long Beach State 4 UCLA 6, Florida State 1 UCLA 7, Florida State 1
College World Series (Oklahoma City, Okla.)	UCLA 4, Alabama 1 UCLA 3, Washington 2 UCLA 6, Southern Miss. 0 Oklahoma 3, UCLA 2

2001 NCAA RUNNER-UP

Los Angeles Regional	UCLA 8, Coastal Carolina 0 (5 inn.) UCLA 9, Cal State Northridge 0 UCLA 3, San Diego State 1 UCLA 10, San Diego State 0 (5 inn.)
College World Series (Oklahoma City, Okla.)	UCLA 2, Iowa 0 UCLA 5, Stanford 0 UCLA 6, LSU 0 Arizona 1, UCLA 0

2002 NCAA FIFTH PLACE

Columbia, SC, Regional	UCLA 3, Liberty 0 UCLA 10, Eastern Kentucky 0 (5 inn.) UCLA 2, Georgia 1 (8 inn.) South Carolina 2, UCLA 1 UCLA 1, South Carolina 0
College World Series (Oklahoma City, Okla.)	Florida State 2, UCLA 1 (9 inn.) UCLA 2, Oklahoma 0 Arizona State 2, UCLA 1

2003 NCAA CHAMPIONS

Fresno, Calif., Regional 2	UCLA 8, Colgate 0 (6 inn.) UCLA 3, Fresno State 0 UCLA 6, Michigan State 2 UCLA 5, Michigan State 0
College World Series (Oklahoma City, Okla.)	California 7, UCLA 3 (10 inn.) UCLA 5, Louisiana-Lafayette 1 UCLA 2, Washington 1 UCLA 3, Texas 0 UCLA 2, Texas 1 UCLA 1, California 0 (9 inn.)

2004 NCAA CHAMPIONS

Los Angeles, Calif., Regional 2	UCLA 8, Mississippi Valley State 0 (5 inn.) UCLA 2, Louisville 0 UCLA 5, Alabama 2 (9 inn.) UCLA 7, Alabama 0
College World Series (Oklahoma City, Okla.)	UCLA 8, Stanford 0 UCLA 2, LSU 0 UCLA 3, Stanford 1 (12 inn.) UCLA 3, California 1

2005 NCAA RUNNER-UP

Los Angeles, Calif. Regional 7	UCLA 6, Loyola Marymount 1 Cal State Fullerton 2, UCLA 1 (11 inn.) UCLA 4, UNLV 1 UCLA 6, Cal State Fullerton 0 UCLA 3, Cal State Fullerton 1
Super Regional 7 (Los Angeles, Calif.)	Georgia 4, UCLA 1 UCLA 5, Georgia 4 UCLA 3, Georgia 2
College World Series (Oklahoma City, Okla.)	UCLA 2, California 1 UCLA 3, Tennessee 1 UCLA 3, Texas 1 UCLA 5, Michigan 0 Michigan 2, UCLA 5 Michigan 4, UCLA 1 (10 inn.)



UCLA holds 10 NCAA titles among its 11 National Championships

The UCLA Bruins first opened the gates of Easton Softball Stadium on Saturday, Feb. 19, 1994. The Grand Opening All-Star Game held that day featured the finest softball talent in the world, as former Bruin all-stars intermingled with current UCLA players in a nine-inning game.

In recognition of the generous commitment of James L. Easton (UCLA '59), chairman, chief executive officer and president of sporting goods manufacturer Jas. D. Easton Inc., the new stadium was named Easton Softball Stadium.

Located on the northern boundary of the UCLA campus at the intersections of Sunset Boulevard, Belagio Way and De Neve Drive, the stadium sits on the same plot of land as Sunset Field, the original on-campus facility utilized by the softball program since 1979. UCLA has an overall home record of 202-45 for a .818 winning percentage. The Bruins' longest home winning streak at Easton Stadium was 22 games, set from May 7, 1994 through Apr. 26, 1995.

In addition to being home of the widely acknowledged top collegiate program in the country, Easton Stadium is a showcase venue for interscholastic, intercollegiate, national and international events. In addition, the U.S. National Softball Team used Easton Stadium as a training facility and preparation site for the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, GA, at which Team USA won the gold medal.

The facility underwent a dramatic renovation during the winter of 2004-05, as an October-to-March project resulted in new char-back seating for over 1,300 fans at the on-campus facility.

Features of the stadium include:

- Outstanding Playing Surface
- Sunken Dugouts
- Batting Cages
- 28-foot Electronic Scoreboard/Message Center
- Concession Stand
- Team Clubhouse
- Formal seating capacity of 1,328
- Permanent Public Restrooms

UCLA AT EASTON STADIUM

Year	Record	Win%
1994	15-2	.882
1995	20-1	.952
1996	17-5	.773
1997	14-4	.777
1998	7-8	.466
1999	21-3	.875
2000	14-4	.777
2001	23-2	.920
2002	25-1	.962
2003	17-3	.850
2004	15-3	.833
2005	14-9	.609
Total	202-45	.818



The newly renovated Easton Stadium was filled beyond capacity for the April 16, 2005, game against Arizona



SHARRON BACKUS

HALL OF FAME COACH



On Jan. 6, 1997, the UCLA softball program entered a new era as Sharron Backus announced her retirement from coaching after 21 years of leading the Bruins.

Considered by many a softball icon, Backus was the guiding force of the leading softball program in the nation at UCLA. The second winningest Division I softball coach in NCAA history, Backus coached 22 seasons, posting a 854-173-3 (.831) lifetime record - all at UCLA. Included in that impressive

21-year slate was a 118-32 (.787) mark in post-season play. Backus and the Bruins brought eight national championship trophies to Westwood (seven NCAA and one AIAW), including an unprecedented three in a row (1988, '89 and '90). The Backus era's trophy case also includes four second-place trophies and three third-place awards. Her UCLA teams played in the College World Series (CWS) 16 times and competed in 13 NCAA championship tournaments.

Named the league's Coach of the Year in 1995, Backus earned the Pacific-10 honor four times in the last seven seasons, having won in 1990, '92, '93 and '95. In 1990 Backus was also chosen Northwest Region Coach of the Year. She was selected as the Diamond National as well as WCAA Conference Coach of the Year in 1984 and '85.

Hall of Fame honors have already been bestowed upon Backus in recognition of her contributions as a player and coach. She was inducted into the UCLA Hall of Fame in 2001, her first year of eligibility. In 1993, the Women's Sports Foundation Hall of Fame inducted Backus, spotlighting her enormous contributions to women's athletics. In 1992, the National Softball Coaches Association Hall of Fame welcomed Backus, honoring her tremendous successes in collegiate softball. The Amateur Softball Association Hall of Fame recognized Backus as one of the most honored players and coaches with induction in 1985.

The Bruin mentor is most noted for her ability to teach the fundamentals. In fact, UCLA did not commit a single error in CWS play in the championship seasons of 1978, '82 and '88. Backus provided solid background in the handling of pitchers such as

Debbie Doom, Tracy Compton, Lisa Longaker, Lisa Fernandez and DeeDee Weiman and hitters such as Janice Parks, Yvonne Gutierrez, Fernandez and Jennifer Brundage. Backus coached the first softball player to win the most prestigious honor in women's athletics, as Fernandez won the 1993 Honda-Broderick Cup, which recognized her as the most outstanding collegiate female athlete in all sports during the 1992-93 season.

UCLA's strength in fundamentals evolved from Backus' legendary ASA playing career. The Cal State Fullerton graduate was instrumental in seven ASA championships (1961, '65, and '71-75) and two international championships (1972 and '74). A star shortstop, Backus was named to numerous Amateur Softball Association (ASA) All-America teams during her playing career. She also played professional softball for the Connecticut Falcons from 1976-78, when the team won three World Championships.

Anative of Anaheim and a resident of Fullerton, Backus is currently the Director of Player Personnel for the Women's Pro Softball League. In 1998, she was named WPSL Coach of the Year while coaching the Orlando Wahoos. She earned a bachelor's degree in Physical Education from Cal State Fullerton in 1969 as well as her teaching credential which enabled her to teach at Western High School before coming to UCLA.



Completed in time for the 1999 season, the 3300 sq. ft. facility serves as UCLA's clubhouse complete with coaches offices, team and officials locker rooms and public restrooms



The newly designed Bruin locker room now features 20 custom made lockers, specifically designed for the UCLA softball team

BRUIN LOCKER SPONSORS

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competition, and Mary Ricks, sponsor of the Backus Legacy Wall.

#16 LISA FERNANDEZ • RETIRED APRIL 22, 1995

Lisa Fernandez's #16 jersey was the first number retired by the UCLA softball program in an April 22, 1995, ceremony prior to a doubleheader against Cal.

Fernandez played for UCLA from 1990-93, earning four All-America honors, four All-College World Series selections, three Honda Awards and, in 1993, became the first softball player ever to win the prestigious Honda Broderick Cup, given to the most outstanding collegiate female athlete in the nation.

As a senior in 1993, Fernandez led the nation in both batting average (.510, a mark that is still among the NCAA's all-time top-20) and ERA (0.25). Fernandez still holds the NCAA record for best perfect season, posting a 29-0 mark as a junior in 1992, a season in which she had a 0.14 ERA, the best mark by any player in the 1990s, and sixth-best in NCAA history. Fernandez also posted a 42-game winning streak (Feb. 5, 1992-April 4, 1993), the second longest winning streak in NCAA softball history. Her senior season, in which she had a 33-3 pitching record (.917) is still among the NCAA top-20 for winning percentage. Her career .930 winning

percentage in the circle (93-7) is the second-best in NCAA history, while her career 0.22 ERA is the second-best in NCAA history and the best of any player competing in the 1990s.

An eight-time ASA All-American, Fernandez has been a member of the U.S. National Team since 1990, and has won Olympic gold medals with team USA in Atlanta in 1996, Sydney in 2000 and Athens in 2004. In Athens, Fernandez was the top hitter and pitcher in the Tournament, and remains the only person to be the winning pitcher in an Olympic Gold Medal softball game.



#1 DOT RICHARDSON • RETIRED MAY 1, 1999

One of the most recognizable names and faces in softball, Dot Richardson's #1 UCLA softball jersey was retired in a pre-game ceremony on May 1, 1999, prior to a doubleheader against Oregon.

Richardson played for the Bruins from 1980-83, and was a member of UCLA's 1982 NCAA Championship team. She led the Bruins in hits and batting average during the 1981, '82 and '83 seasons, and was named an All-American at the conclusion of all three of those seasons. Richardson was also named to the All-College World Series team in 1982 and '83, and was named the NCAA's Player of the Decade for the 1980s.

A 14-time ASA All-American selection, Richardson has also earned seven ASA Best Defensive Player honors and three ASA National Championship MVP awards. A member of the USA National Team program since 1979, Richardson won a gold medal with the 1996 U.S. Olympic team as a shortstop, and most recently was a second baseman on the gold medal-winning 2000 U.S. Olympic Team in

Sydney, Australia. Following the 1996 season, Richardson was named the ASA Sportswoman of the Year.

In 1996, Richardson became the third softball player inducted into UCLA's Hall of Fame, joining Sue Enquist (1993) and Debbie Doom (1995).

Richardson earned her bachelor's degree in kinesiology from UCLA, and is a graduate of the Louisville Medical School. She is currently a practicing orthopedic surgeon.



L-R: UCLA Associate Athletic Director Betsy Stephenson, Dot Richardson, Head Coach Sue Enquist

#6 SUE ENQUIST • RETIRED APRIL 29, 2000

In a surprise ceremony on April 29, 2000, the #6 jersey of current UCLA head coach Sue Enquist was retired prior to a game against Cal. An All-American centerfielder from 1975-78, Enquist sparked the Bruins to their first National Championship, an AIAW title in 1978 as the tournament's leading hitter.

During her outstanding playing career, Enquist became the prototype player for Sharron Backus's Bruins in terms of attitude, desire, and will to win. Enquist led the team in hits and doubles three times, and led the Bruins in batting average and triples twice. An All-American in her senior season of 1978, Enquist led the Bruins with a .391 average, 45 hits, two home runs and seven doubles. Enquist established the UCLA career batting average record with an impressive .401 mark, and is still the only Bruin to complete her career with a batting average over .400.

A three-time ASA All-American for the Raybestos Braketts, Enquist helped lead that team to four ASA National Championships in 1976, 77, 78 and 80. In addition, she also enjoyed success as a player at the international level earning gold medals at three National

Sports Festivals, the 1978 World Championships and the 1979 Pan American Games.

Enquist spent just one season away from the Bruins following her collegiate playing career, and returned to the UCLA coaching staff for the 1980 season. She held that position until 1989, when she was elevated to co-head coach in 1989. Since that time, she has helped the Bruins to eight more national championships, including the 1999 NCAA title. Enquist also became the first Bruin softball player inducted into UCLA's Hall of Fame in May of 1993.

