

### **QUICK FACTS**

### **General Information**

LocationJ.D. Morgan Center
325 Westwood Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90095-1639
Founded1919
ColorsBlue and Gold
NicknameBruins
Enrollment36,890
Conference
National AffiliationNCAA Division-l
Athletics Phone[310] 825-8699
Ticket Office[310] UCLA-WIN
Bruins' websiteuclabruins.com
Pac-10 websitepac-10.org
Athletics Hotline[310] 825-8575

### **Tennis Information**

2007 Record	21-8
2007 NCAA Finish	2nd
2007 Pac-10 Rec. (Finish)	6-3 (T-2nd)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	10/1
Home Court	The Los Angeles
Te	ennis Center (LATC)
Capacity	5,800
Surface	Outdoor Hardcourt
Coach's Office Phone	(310) 206-6787
LATC Phone	(310) 208-3838

### **Key Personnel**

Chancellor	Dr. Gene Block
Faculty Rep	Donald Morrison
Athletic Director	Dan G. Guerrero
Assoc. A.D	Glenn Toth
Event Manager	Paul Brown
Athletic Trainer	Carrie Rubertino
Student TrainersSheila	Mazdyasni, Leslie Lara

### Tennis Staff

Head Coach	Stella Sampras vvebster
Alma Mater	UCLA '91
Record at UCLA (Yrs)	186-98 (11)
Career Record (Yrs)	Same
Assistant Head Coach	Rance Brown
Volunteer Assistant Coach	Bill Zaima
Team ManagersLisa	a Cates, Alexandra Fleming

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### MEDIA INFORMATION

### **General Information**

The UCLA Sports Information Office handles all media requests for student-athletes and coaches. Media members wishing to speak to a member of the UCLA women's tennis team can call or e-mail Danny Harrington in the UCLA Sports Information Office at [310] 206-8075 / dannyh@ucla.edu. All requests should be submitted at least 24 hours in advance to assure availability.

### Interview Policies/Availability

Players have been instructed not to grant any interview, in person or by telephone, not arranged by a member of UCLA's sports information staff. Player telephone numbers are private and will not be released. The UCLA team is scheduled to practice weekday afternoons at the Los Angeles Tennis Center. Players and coaches are available before or after practice. Arrangements for court access must be made in advance to the Sports Information Office. The best time to reach head coach Stella Sampras Webster is in her office on weekdays from 10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

**Travel Information**For security purposes, the UCLA Sports Information Office does not release to the general public any travel information for UCLA athletic teams. If you would like to reach a member of the UCLA women's tennis team on the road, please contact

### The Los Angeles Tennis Center

The Los Angeles Tennis Center is located on the UCLA campus next to Drake Stadium and Pauley Pavilion. From Los Angeles International Airport, take Century Blvd. east to the San Diego Freeway (405). Take the San Diego Freeway north to Wilshire Blvd. Fast. Turn left on Westwood Blvd. and stop at the parking kiosk. Parking is available in Lots 6 or 8, which are adjacent to the LATC.



Yasmin Schnack is interviewed by ESPN's MaliVai Washington following her singles victory over Georgia Tech in the 2007 NCAA Final.

#### NCAA Tournament Procedures

Members of the press looking to gain access to NCAA Regional matches at the Los Angeles Tennis Center must call the UCLA Sports Information Office at least 24 hours in advance of competition. Unlike regular-season matches where admission is free, the NCAA requires that all working

### UCLA Website / FanFone

All results, weekly releases and statistics can be accessed via UCLA's official athletic website: www.uclabruins.com. If you would like to be included on the e-mail list for weekly releases, please contact Danny Harrington at (310) 206-8075. The number for the UCLA FanFone is (310) 825-8575. It is updated each evening following that day's competition.

### **Media Outlets**

Los Angeles Times

(p) - 213-237-7145 (f) - 213-237-7876

(e) - sports.latimes.com

### **Orange County Register**

[p] - 714-796-7817 (f) - 714-565-6765

(e) - ocregister.com/sports

### Los Angeles Daily News

(p) - 818-713-3600

(f) - 818-713-3436 (e) - dailynews.com

Long Beach Press-Telegram

(p) - 562-499-1338

(f) - 562-437-8914

[e] - ptconnect.com/sports

### Pasadena Star News/San Gabriel Valley Tribune

(P) 626-962-8811 (F) 626-856-2758

savtribune.com

### South Bay Daily Breeze

(P) 310-540-4201 (F) 310-540-3067

www.dailvbreeze.com

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3512 14th St. Riverside, CA 92502

(P) 951-782-7596 (F) 951-782-6009 (pe.com)

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(P) 310-825-2095 (F) 310-206-0906 dailvbruin.com

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(p) - 609-258-1<u>686</u>

(f) - 609-258-2935 (e) - itatennis@aol.com

(P) 510-836-4556 (F) 510-836-4563 Bill Simmons - Editor

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341 Madison Ave., Ste. 600 New York, NY 10017 (P) 212-808-4750 (F) 212-983-6302

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(P) 323-460-3252 (F) 323-460-3337

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(F) 818-840-3076

### KABC (Ch. 7)

(P) 818-863-7677 (F) 818-863-7889

### KTLA (Ch. 5) (P) 323-460-5907

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### Associated Press (LA) (P) 213-626-1200

(F) 213-346-0200 www.ap.org

### Sports Ticker

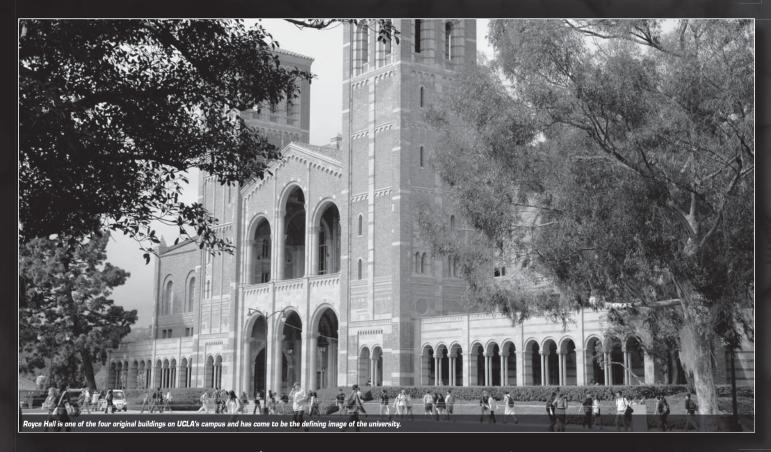
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### THE BRUIN ACES

The UCLA women's tennis team would like to thank its support group, The Bruin Aces, for its continued dedication in helping make UCLA one of the premier tennis programs in the nation. The Bruins would also like to recognize the following individuals who have endowed scholarships for the 2007-08 Season.

Gayle Godwin & Bill Zaima, Ronald Marks, John Morris, Murray & Lenore Neidorf, Pete Sampras, The Sutton Sisters, and In Memory of David May.

For information on endowing a scholarship or to learn how you can join The Bruin Aces, please call the UCLA Athletic Fund Office at (310) 206-6533.



### Faculty, Students & Alumni

UCLA faculty have been awarded two Nobel Prizes in recent vears: biochemist Paul Boyer in chemistry (1997) and pharmacologist Louis Ignarro in medicine (1998). Among faculty there have been three other Nobelists, nine National Medals of Science recipients and hundreds of Guggenheim Fellowships, Fulbright Awards and other academic distinctions. UCLA educates more students than any other university in California and was the most sought-after institution in the nation for this fall's freshman class. At UCLA, thousands of students extend their educations beyond the classroom by working directly with faculty on research projects. Many UCLA undergraduates participate in major research studies, working one-on-one with world-renowned scholars as they discover and create new knowledge. UCLA's alumni are bright stars on the world stage. They include leaders of industry and commerce Oscar, Grammy, Tony, and Emmy winners; philanthropists and public servants; Olympians and professional athletes; educators, engineers, bankers, and astronauts.

### **Books & Technology**

The UCLA Library is ranked among the top ten academic research libraries in North America with holdings of nearly 7.6 million volumes. From the birth of the Internet at UCLA in 1969, UCLA continues to be a leader in resources for learning. UCLA is nationally recognized for developing ground-breaking computer services for undergraduates and was the first university to have a website for every undergraduate student. The university provides an innovative, on-line tool called "My. ucla.edu," which provides a webpage tailored to each student's academic needs.

### **Health Care**

Each year more than 300,000 patients from Southern California, the U.S. and around the globe come to the world-renowned UCLA Medical Center for treatment, while thousands more area residents receive care through Santa Monica-UCLA, primary care offices and community outreach health programs. The four schools in the medical enterprise are medicine,

dentistry, nursing and public health. The medical center has been ranked as the best hospital in the West by U.S. News & World Report for 14 consecutive years. A new state-of-the-art medical center, which includes UCLA Medical Center, UCLA Neuropsychiatric Hospital and Mattel Children's Hospital at UCLA, is under construction and is scheduled to open in 2005. Santa Monica-UCLA renovations are scheduled for completion in 2006. Groundbreaking research is constantly taking place in the Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Gonda (Goldschmied) Neuroscience and Genetics Research Center and in many other centers and laboratories on campus.

### Outreach & Community Service

From its founding, UCLA has been an integral and contributing part of the greater Los Angeles community. Outreach programs and volunteerism are as much a part of UCLA as academics and research, with hundreds of UCLA-sponsored programs providing a wide range of opportunities. Nearly 30 percent of UCLA's undergraduates volunteer for these programs, including tutoring youths, adults and incarcerated youths; addressing health and educational needs of underserved communities; combating poverty and homelessness; aiding the elderly and disabled; and providing legal, social, medical and educational assistance to community residents.

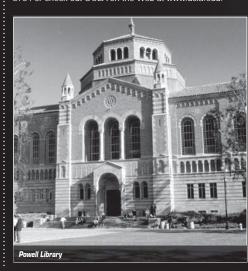
Through academic outreach, UCLA works with K-12 schools throughout Los Angeles to help greater numbers of students prepare to compete successfully for college. UCLA also is partnering with community colleges to increase the number of underrepresented students transferring to the university. Additionally, UCLA faculty, researchers and students provide leadership and public service in health care, law, economic development, social welfare, urban planning, public policy, arts and the environment. Most academic departments have research projects, field studies or student internships that affect people's lives in Los Angeles, the state and the nation.

#### The Arts

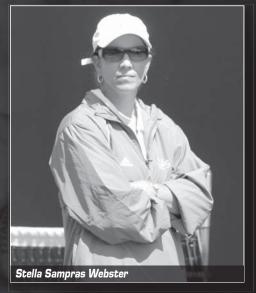
A diverse array of public arts programming makes UCLA the leading arts and cultural center of the West. More than 500,000 people annually attend arts events including theater, music, opera and dance performances, lectures, poetry readings, exhibitions, film screenings, and media arts that are presented by UCLA's two professional arts schools. Check the websites at www.arts.ucla.edu and www.tft.ucla.edu for more information.

### Lifelong Learning

Another prime example of UCLA's connecting with the community is through UCLA Extension, one of the nation's largest divisions of continuing higher education, offering more than 4,500 courses each year in diverse fields of study. In addition, the university conducts guided walking tours and distributes self-guided tour maps. For further information, call (310) 825-8764 or check out UCLA on the Web at www.ucla.edu.



### SEASON PREVIEW WITH STELLA SAMPRAS WEBSTER





A: Oh, without a doubt we're excited about this season. Collectively, it's probably the best group of players that we have had in my 12 years. It's a mature group that knows what it takes to succeed at the highest level. We are fortunate to have four extremely talented seniors in Tracy Lin, Riza Zalameda, Elizabeth Lumpkin and Alex McGoodwin. They will lead the team this year and I'm confident that they will do an excellent job. I truly believe that there is no substitute for senior leadership and that is something that we have an abundance of. And from an experience standpoint I'd say we're in extremely good shape. We return everyone from a team that made an incredible run in the NCAAs last year so needless to say, we're expecting big things for this team.

# **Q:** Speaking of last year, how much do you think that experience will help the team this season?

A: I'd say it has already played a big part in this team's development. To come so close and come up just a little bit short in the end was a real eye opener for this team. I think they are fired up and excited because they have another shot at it. I can see it in practice. They



believe that they have what it takes to win a national championship. As a coach, it's exciting to see that kind of enthusiasm and that kind of drive from our players.

I'd say that we were excited to make the final last year but this team wants a championship and is going to do whatever it takes to get back there again this year.

## **Q:** Were you pleased with how the team performed during the fall season?

A: I thought we turned in some decent results in the fall. We didn't have all of the results that maybe we wanted, but the team worked hard and showed great desire so I wasn't that concerned. I think the attitude has been incredible. They came in very excited for this year knowing that we have one of the best teams in the country. It was encouraging. It's exciting to be a part of. Everyone is very focused on wanting to do well. But we also know that we can't rely on the past. Just because we made the final last year doesn't mean we are going to go that far again this season. It's going to take a lot of hard work, focus, and commitment to do that well again.

## **Q:** With so many players returning, do you expect many changes to the lineup?

A: Well we have a very talented newcomer in Andrea Remynse so I expect her presence to change things Ashley Joelson

up a little bit because I think she is definitely talented

up a little bit because I think she is definitely talented enough to play in our top six. We have a lot of experience, but I think one difficult thing about that is that we are probably going to have a player who played last year who may not play as much this year.

# **Q:** Riza Zalameda has the chance to become just the sixth player in UCLA history to earn four straight All-America honors. What do you expect from her in her final season?

A: Riza has obviously had a great career and I expect her to have a very solid senior season to really go out on a positive note. She is our best doubles player and probably one of the best doubles players in the country. Her contribution in that area is going to be huge for us this year. She did a great job leading at No. 1 doubles last year with a freshman (Yasmin Schnack). They had an excellent season together. This year, Riza is really working on her game and looking to have a more consistent season. I know a real focus of hers is to try and avoid the highs and lows that she has experienced in the past. Some of her greatest wins have been followed by some tough losses. Hopefully she can avoid that this year. Playing No. 1 is a tough position because there are no easy matches. You have to bring your best every match and I think if she can find that level of consistency she will have an outstanding senior season.







### Q: The Pac-10 season is always tough, but what is your overall assessment of this year's schedule?

A: Well, we are going to be tested right off the bat with Baylor coming to LA in what will be just our second match of the year. They are always a strong team so we're going to have to be ready from the start. We don't really have the luxury of easing into the season like we've done in the past. And then not long after that we have the ITA National Team Indoors in Wisconsin. That's a tournament that we have not done that well in the last five or six years so it's a great opportunity for us to go in and try to win it. It's a national tournament where we are going to face the top teams in the country so it will be an early test to see where we are at and what we need to work on. As far as the Pac-10 goes, I know USC, Stanford, Cal - they are all going to be extremely tough teams. When you play in the Pac-10 you don't really get any breaks. But it prepares us for what we will face in May so we welcome the competition.

### Q: Other than winning a national championship, what other goals have you set for this year's team?

A: It might sound kind of obvious, but I think one of our goals is to win every match. It sounds simple, but I think for the first time since I've been here we have a team that knows that it is good enough to do just that. This team doesn't think it should lose to anybody. That doesn't mean we are going to go undefeated this season, but the attitude of this team is that we are good enough to win every match we go into. I think in the past we would take some losses and then turn it up in May when it really counted. This team wants to win all the big matches not just the ones at the end of the year. Also winning the Pac-10 is always a goal. The conference title always seems to go through Stanford so we obviously have a tough road to get there. But this team has a great opportunity to do it.

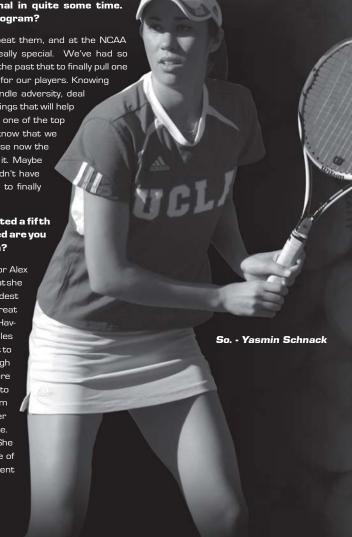
Q: Speaking of Stanford, last year marked UCLA's first victory over the Cardinal in quite some time. How big was that for this program?

A: It was huge. To be able to beat them, and at the NCAA Tournament of all places, was really special. We've had so many close matches with them in the past that to finally pull one out was a huge confidence boost for our players. Knowing that we can win big matches, handle adversity, deal with the pressure - these are all things that will help us this year. Stanford is obviously one of the top programs in the country and to know that we can beat them is a big deal because now the players actually believe they can do it. Maybe some of our teams in the past didn't have that same confidence so it's nice to finally

Q: Alex McGoodwin was granted a fifth year by the NCAA. How excited are you to have her back this season?

get over that hump.

A: It was great news, especially for Alex because I knew it was something that she really wanted. She is one of the hardest working players on the team and a great role model for the underclassmen. Having her back not only helps in singles but doubles as well because we get to keep our teams together. It's tough because it obviously means that there isn't a spot open for someone else to get the chance to play, but this team knows that we are better with her than without her so it's not an issue. We're excited that she is back. She didn't play much in the fall because of a wrist injury, but she is 100 percent heading into the spring.



### 2008 Roster

Name	Ht.	Yr.	R/L	Hometown (Previous School)
Becky Duesler	5-4	So.	R	Santa Ana, Calif. (Foothill HS)
Ashley Joelson	5-7	Jr.	R	Austin, Texas (New Braunfels HS)
Tracy Lin	5-5	Sr.	R	Anaheim, Calif. (Canyon HS)
Anna-Viktoria Lind	5-9	Jr.	R	Stockholm, Sweden (Bromma Gymnasium)
Elizabeth Lumpkin	5-9	Sr.	R	Naperville, III (Naperville Central HS)
Alex McGoodwin	5-7	RSr.	R	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (Keystone National HS)
Andrea Remynse	5-8	Fr.	R	Battle Creek, Mich. (Miami Online HS)
Brittany Rosen	5-2	Fr.	R	Laguna Hills, Calif. (Laguna Hills HS)
Yasmin Schnack	5-10	So.	R	Sacramento, Calif. (Visions in Education)
Stephanie Wetmore	5-11	So.	R	Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada (Appleby College)
Sarah Yang	5-5	So.	R	Anaheim, Calif. (Singapore American School)
Riza Zalameda	5-4	Sr.	R	Los Angeles, Calif. (Beverly Hills HS)

Head Coach: Stella Sampras Webster, 12th year (UCLA '91) Assistant Coach: Rance Brown, 11th year (Long Beach State)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Bill Zaima (UCLA '69)

Managers: Alexandra Fleming, Lisa Cates

### 2008 ITA Rankings (Jan. 8)

### Singles Top 20

- Aurelija Miseviciute, .
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   Aurelija Mosolova, Northwestern
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   Aurelija Miseviciute, .

- 5. Ellah Nze, Duke
- 6. Maya Johansson, Georgia Tech : 6. Granson/Mang, Duke 7. Kristi Miller, Georgia Tech
- 8. Megan Falcon, LSU
- 10. Susie Babos, Cal 11. Anastasia Petukhova, Fresno St.
- 13. Courtney Ulery, Vanderbilt
- 14. Sanaz Marand, North Carolina 15. Zuzana Zemenova Baylor
- 16. Katie Rybakova Florida St.
- 17. Reka Zsilinszka Duke
- 18. Lenka Broosova Baylor 19. Kellie Schmitt Marshall
- 20. Samantha Murray, Northweste
- 25. Riza Zalameda
- 27. Andrea Remynse
- 28. Yasmin Schnack
- 41. Tracy Lin

### Doubles Top 10

- 1. Gloria/Rowe, Fresno St. 2. Whoriskey/Zubor, Tenness

- 5. Fink/Niculescu, USC
- 7. Lui/Murray, Northwes
- 9. Schofield / Zubori, South Carolina 10. McCray/Miller, Georgia Tech

### 16. Schnack / Zalameda

### Team Top 10

- 1. Georgia Tech (25)
- 2. Stanford
- 3. UCLA (1)
- 4. Florida
- 5. Georgia 6. Cal
- 9. Notre Dame
- 10. Clemson