

BRUIN TENNIS 2006

QUICK FACTS

General Information

Location J.D. Morgan Center
 325 Westwood Plaza
 Los Angeles, CA 90095-1639
 Founded 1919
 Colors Blue and Gold
 Nickname Bruins
 Enrollment 36,890
 Conference Pacific-10
 National Affiliation NCAA Division-I
 Athletics Phone (310) 825-8699
 Ticket Office (310) UCLA-WIN
 Bruins' website uclabruins.com
 Pac-10 website pac-10.org
 Athletics Hotline (310) 825-8575

Key Personnel

Chancellor Dr. Albert Carnesale
 Faculty Rep. Donald Morrison
 Athletic Director Dan G. Guerrero
 Assoc. A.D. Glenn Toth
 Event Manager Paul Brown
 Athletic Trainer Robin Ward
 Student Trainer Andrew Armstrong

Tennis Staff

Head Coach Stella Sampras Webster
 Alma Mater UCLA '91
 Record at UCLA (Yrs) 150-83 (9)
 Career Record (Yrs) Same
 Assistant Coach Rance Brown
 Volunteer Assistant Coach Bill Zaima
 Team Manager Alana Pfeffinger

Tennis Information

2005 Record 17-6
 2005 NCAA Finish T-9th
 2005 Pac-10 Rec. (Finish) 6-2 (3rd)
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 6/3
 Home Court Los Angeles
 Tennis Center (LATC)
 Capacity 5,800
 Surface Outdoor Hardcourt
 Coach's Office Phone (310) 206-6787
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MEDIA INFORMATION

UCLA SPORTS INFORMATION

The UCLA Sports Information Office handles all media requests for student-athletes and coaches. Media members wishing to speak to one of the UCLA women's tennis players 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.

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 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon.

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 Sports Information Office.

THE LOS ANGELES TENNIS CENTER

The Los Angeles Tennis Center is located on the campus of UCLA 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. East. 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.

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. The NCAA requires that all working press obtain a press pass to cover the event. Those looking to obtain a working press pass for the NCAA Round of 16 at Stanford, Calif., must call Gary Migdol in the Stanford Media Relations Office at (650) 725-2957.



Head coach Stella Sampras Webster addresses the media following the 2004 NCAA Final.

POSTMATCH PROCEDURES

Members of the UCLA women's tennis team are not to be interviewed until the complete conclusion of a dual match. Media personnel wishing to obtain an interview with a player who is done competing, must notify a member of the sports information staff prior to beginning the interview process.

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.

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SEASON PREVIEW

Q&A WITH HEAD COACH STELLA SAMPRAS WEBSTER

Q: How do you see the singles lineup shaping up this year?

A: Realistically, it's a unique year because as of right now, the two through six positions are essentially up for grabs. It's really just going to depend on who steps up to fill those spots. The good thing is that I feel the players are aware of this and I can only hope that it will create a healthy, competitive environment for our team. There are no guarantees for anyone. Every player on this team needs to prove themselves to earn their spot.

Q: Would you say that Riza Zalameda has earned the No. 1 position based on last year's results and her success over the summer?

A: I think it is fair to say that Riza will start out the year as our No. 1 player. I truly believe she has earned that right after reaching the semifinals at last year's NCAA Championships, and then by having a solid summer playing some professional events. She played a lot of tennis this summer and fall, and she turned in some great results. We're excited that she's back and we're expecting some outstanding things from her. It's going to be challenging because she will be playing some of the best players in the country every time she takes the court. When you play at the No. 1 position there are no easy matches. But with that being said, I have total confidence that she is going to do well because even though she is only a sophomore, she is one of the top players in the country already. I expect her to win a lot of matches for us this year.

Q: Who do you expect to step up and be a leader on this team?

A: Without a doubt Laura Gordon is our leader. She is a veteran who has played in the finals of the NAATs. She knows what it is going to take for this team to be successful. With it being her last year, I believe that she really wants to lead this team. I know that the players respect her and respond to what she says. She really sets the tone for this team because we don't have a lot of vocal players.

Q: Ashley Joelson and Anna-Viktoria Lind are the two newcomers to this year's team. Do you expect them to play a major role this season?

A: Definitely. Being out on maternity leave, I didn't get to see too much of Ashley in the fall, but I've heard she did some great things. She is our fighter. Her key asset is her competitiveness. She is a player who will go to war for you and we love that about her. She wins a lot of matches because she just wants it more than her opponent. That's a quality that's hard to teach, and the fact that she has brought that attitude to this team is something that we are extremely excited about. I can

Sophomore Riza Zalameda reached the semifinals in singles at last year's NCAA Championships. She is one of the top returning players in the country in 2006.



Stella Sampras Webster brings a 150-83 overall record into her 10th season as head coach at UCLA.

only hope that it rubs off on some of our other players. The key with Anna-Viktoria is going to be how well she transitions to being in a new environment. She just joined the team in January so I know she is going to have to make some adjustments in a short amount of time because the season is right around the corner. She doesn't have the luxury of taking the fall to settle in like some of our other players. But I know that she has a great attitude and competes extremely well. We're excited that she's here and I can't wait to start working with her and help her become a great player.

Q: What will determine if this team has a successful season or not?

A: It's really going to come down to just getting players to step up. Quite honestly, players are going to have to play a little bit above what they are used to. If that doesn't happen, it's going to be a long season. It's going to take a lot of hard work, but I believe our players are up for the challenge. Doubles is also going to be key. We weren't able to really find the right combinations in the fall, but I'm optimistic that it will come together now that we have our full team practicing on a daily basis. I think Riza and Laura, as two of the best doubles players on the team, have a good shot at finding some success playing together. But with Riza taking the fall off and Laura being hurt for much of the last few months, it's really just up in the air right now. But that is something we will try out to begin the season.

Q: Is this year's schedule as competitive as usual?

A: We actually get a little bit of a break by not going to the National Team Indoors this year. I feel that it was the right decision not to go, especially since there were so many question marks after the fall. This gives us a little more time to worry about what we need to work on instead of playing in an extremely competitive event right off the bat. We will use that extra time to really improve and get ready for the conference part of our season. By being in the Pac-10, we're fortunate enough to get a number of quality matches throughout the year so I don't feel like missing the Indoors will really affect us too much. This team will have faced some of the top teams in the nation by the time the NCAA Tournament rolls around so I expect us to be ready to make a postseason run.

THE 2006 UCLA BRUINS

Roster

Name	Ht.	Yr.	R/L	Hometown (Previous School)
Laura Gordon	5-5	Sr.	R	Aspen, CO (Aspen HS)
Ashley Joelson	5-7	Fr.	R	Austin, TX (New Braunfels HS)
Kate Jolson	5-7	Sr.	R	Beverly Hills, CA (Beverly Hills HS)
Tracy Lin	5-5	So.	R	Anaheim, CA (Canyon HS)
Anna-Viktoria Lind	5-9	Fr.	R	Stockholm, Sweden (Bromma Gymnasium)
Elizabeth Lumpkin	5-9	So.	R	Naperville, IL (Naperville Central HS)
Alex McGoodwin	5-7	Jr.	R	Ft. Lauderdale, FL (Keystone National HS)
Amber Ray	5-7	Jr.	R	Carmel Valley, CA (Santa Catalina School)
Riza Zalameda	5-4	So.	R	Los Angeles, CA (Beverly Hills HS)

Pronunciation Guide

Riza ZalamedaZal-a-MAY-da

By Class

Freshmen: Joelson, Lind

Sophomores: Lin, Lumpkin, Zalameda

Juniors: McGoodwin, Ray

Seniors: Gordon, Jolson

Head Coach: Stella Sampras Webster, 10th year (UCLA '91)

Assistant Coach: Rance Brown, 9th year (Long Beach State)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Bill Zaima (UCLA '69)

Manager: Alana Pfeffinger

Staff Trainer: Robin Ward

Student Trainer: Andrew Armstrong



THE 2006 UCLA BRUINS - Front Row (l-r): Ashley Joelson, Anna-Viktoria Lind. Middle Row (l-r): Riza Zalameda, Tracy Lin, Amber Ray, Kate Jolson. Back Row (l-r): Head coach Stella Sampras Webster, Alex McGoodwin, Laura Gordon, Elizabeth Lumpkin, Team Manager Alana Pfeffinger, Assistant Coach Rance Brown. (Not Pictured: Volunteer Assistant Coach Bill Zaima).

