

AMY FULLER KEARNEY

HEAD COACH
13th Season
UC Santa Barbara '90



Amy Fuller Kearney enters her 13th season at the helm of the UCLA women's rowing program in 2013-14 and has established the Bruins as a national competitor. After having made a successful transition from a club team to a varsity program in 2001-02, UCLA earned its first-ever team bid to the NCAA Championships in May 2010 and returned to the national event in May 2012 and May 2013.

In 2013, the Bruins finished ninth overall at the NCAA Championships. That marked the program's second-best finish at NCAA Championships in school history (finished eighth in May 2012). UCLA's varsity eight finished in first place in the Petite Final (places 7-12), crossing the finish line ahead of Harvard, Michigan, Stanford, Yale and Brown. At season's end, Britta Syverson capped her four-year career by earning first-team All-America honors (CRCA) to become UCLA's second three-time All-America selection, along with Vanessa Teff.

In 2012, UCLA secured an eighth-place finish at the NCAA Championships, the best team result in program history. The varsity eight finished first in the Petite Final (places 7-12), besting Stanford, Harvard, Ohio State, Cornell and Yale. The Bruins' second varsity eight finished sixth in the Grand Final, and the varsity four finished first in the Petite Final. In 2010, the Bruins finished 12th overall at the NCAA Championships.

Additionally, Fuller Kearney guided the Bruins' varsity eight crew to an at-large selection at the NCAA Championships in three consecutive

Amy Fuller Kearney's Key Accomplishments at UCLA

- Led UCLA to three NCAA Tournament appearances in the last four seasons
- Guided the Bruins to their first team trip to the NCAA Tournament in 2010
- Coached UCLA to a school-record 8th-place overall finish at NCAA Championships in 2012
- Saw UCLA's varsity eight crew finish first in the Petite Final in the 2013 NCAA Championships
- Responsible for the development of five first-team CRCA All-America selections
- Has produced 18 CRCA All-West Region selections since the spring of 2002
- In 12 seasons as head coach, 41 Bruins have secured CRCA National Scholar-Athlete honors
- Has seen her student-athletes secure 70 total Pac-12 All-Academic Team selections
- Developed two three-time All-Pac-12 Team selections (Britta Syverson and Vanessa Teff)
- Helped UCLA transition from club team to NCAA varsity status in 2001-02

seasons (2005-07). The eight crew's highest finish in that three-year span was a 12th place finish in 2006. UCLA's eight finished ninth at the 2010 NCAA Championships, placing higher than any Pac-12 program in the Petite Final.

Fuller Kearney led the Bruins' varsity and second varsity eights to the Pac-10 Championship Grand Final from 2004 through 2007. In 2010, UCLA's varsity four finished third while the program's varsity eight was fourth, allowing the Bruins to earn a fifth-place team finish at the conference championships. UCLA's second varsity eight won the silver medal in 2005 and 2006 at the Pac-10 Championships

The past six seasons, Fuller Kearney has guided UCLA to a consistent spot in the national rankings. UCLA has secured a ranking as high as No. 3 in 2012, No. 5 in 2013, No. 11 in 2010, No. 13 in 2008 and 2009, and No. 17 in 2011. The Bruins finished the 2013 campaign ranked No. 10 in the CRCA national poll.

In 2013, UCLA posted a fourth-place team finish at Pac-12 Championships, securing a team bid to the NCAA Championships for the second straight season and for the third time in the last four years. UCLA's varsity four crew finished second at the conference championships, while

the two eights and novice eight each finished fourth.

In 2012, UCLA finished third at Pac-12 Championships, posting its highest-ever finish since the rowing program was elevated to varsity status in 2001-02. The varsity eight finished fourth while the second varsity and varsity four posted third-place finishes. UCLA's performance at the 2012 conference championships was its best since winning the event in 1991.

In 2011, the Bruins kicked off the spring season with back-to-back victories over Loyola Marymount and San Diego State. UCLA's novice eight then earned consecutive victories over Pac-12 foes California and Stanford. The Bruins varsity eight earned a second place finish at the San Diego Crew Classic while the varsity four and novice eight squads took home second place as well. At the Virginia Invitational, UCLA's second varsity eight earned a victory over Texas while the varsity four defeated the Clemson Tigers on the final day of competition. After the team finished the season with a sixth place finish at the Pac-12 Championships, UCLA's Britta Syverson secured CRCA All-West Region honors for the second straight year.

In 2010, UCLA registered dual-meet victories against Loyola Marymount and San Diego State to open the spring season. UCLA's varsity eight finished third on consecutive days, including in Sunday's Grand Final at the San Diego Crew Classic, while the team's open eight earned two first-place finishes. The varsity eight defeated Clemson and Notre Dame at the SoCal Challenge before cruising past Oregon State and San Diego the next week in Dexter Lake, Ore.

UCLA's fifth-place team finish at Pac-10 Championships was highlighted by a third-place effort from the varsity four. Six Pac-10 teams earned berths to the NCAA Championships, as UCLA secured its first team berth in program history. At the NCAA Championships, UCLA varsity eight finished third in its first-day elimination heat, allowing the crew to advance to Saturday's semifinal. After a fifth-place finish in the semifinal, the varsity eight closed its season with a third-place finish in the Petite Final.

In 2009, the Bruins opened the season with strong dual-meet wins against local opponents Loyola Marymount and San Diego State. UCLA's



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varsity eight won races on consecutive days against No. 12 Ohio State and No. 13 Clemson, respectively, at the Pac-10 Challenge. The Bruins finished strong at the San Diego Crew Classic, as the first eight raced to a first-place finish in the Petite Final, while the second eight cruised to a third-place finish. On day two of the Lake Natoma Challenge, UCLA's first eight won its heat against Minnesota and Tennessee. At the season-culminating Pac-10 Championships, the varsity eight won the petite final while the second eight finished in second place.

At season's end, Vanessa Teff secured CRCA All-West Region honors and All-Pac-10 accolades for a school-record fourth consecutive season. In addition, five Bruins were honored as CRCA National Scholar-Athlete selections. Three of those student-athletes were also selected to the Pac-10 All-Academic team.

In 2008, UCLA claimed dual-meet wins over the University of Victoria and the University of Central Florida. The second eight rowed to wins over Saint Mary's first eight and the University of Central Florida. Both crews had strong performances at the San Diego Crew Classic. Both eights finished their seasons with wins in the petite final at the Pac-10 Championships. For the third consecutive year, Vanessa Teff earned Pocock All-America honors, CRCA All-West Region accolades and All-Pac-10 honors. Eight Bruins were named All-Pac-10 Academic selections.

Under the guidance of Fuller Kearney in 2007, UCLA's varsity eight crew advanced to the NCAA Championships in Oak Ridge, Tenn., finishing 14th overall. Fuller Kearney guided UCLA to first-place finishes in back-to-back dual meets against Loyola Marymount and San Diego State to open the season. In the fourth weekend of the season, the Bruins performed well at the San Diego Crew Classic, placing its varsity crews fourth and third, respectively, in the grand finals. Midway through the season, UCLA's second varsity raced past USC in the annual dual meet between the crosstown rivals. UCLA finished fourth overall at Pac-10 Championships.

In 2006, the first eight raced to a 12th-place finish at the NCAA Championships. UCLA began the 2006 spring season earning first-place dual-meet finishes against Loyola Marymount, UC

Irvine and Minnesota before posting a sixth-place finish at Pac-10 Championships in May. At the San Diego Crew Classic, UCLA advanced to the Grand Final in all three events and finished fifth in the varsity eight race. The Bruins finished first in all four events at the Miller Cup, and later capped their season with a strong performance at the NCAA Championships.

In the spring of 2005, the Bruins sent an at-large eight to the NCAA Championships, where UCLA finished 15th overall. That spring, UCLA reached the Grand Final in every event at the Pac-10 Championships. The first eight raced to a top-16 ranking and an at-large invite to the NCAA Championships for the first time in program history. The second eight made history, bringing home a silver medal from the Pac-10 Championships, a first at UCLA since rowing was elevated to NCAA varsity status.

Named UCLA's head coach on July 2, 2001 – the sport's inaugural NCAA season – Fuller Kearney came to Westwood after having served one year as assistant coach for the Stanford women's crew program (2000-01). At Stanford, she guided the Cardinal to its first top-20 national ranking in the program's NCAA history.

Prior to serving as assistant coach at Stanford, Fuller Kearney was an assistant coach at San Diego State for two years (1998-2000). She worked with the Aztecs while training for the 2000 Olympics with the U.S. National Team. Fuller Kearney has also spent time working as an assistant coach at the University of Tennessee, Chattanooga (1996-98) and for the U.S. National Team (1997).

From 1993-96, Fuller Kearney served as a motivational speaker for Champion International, a U.S. Rowing sponsor. She began her coaching career at UC Santa Barbara, her alma mater. From 1990-91, she led the women's novice program. Two years later, from 1992-93, she was the head coach of the women's team.

A three-time Olympian and world record holder, Fuller Kearney has accrued a strong national and international rowing background. In 1993, she earned U.S. Rowing Female Athlete of the Year honors. Two years later, she was a finalist for the Sullivan Award, presented annually to the nation's top amateur athlete. She spent the fall and winter of 1995 competing with the

America's Cup Syndicate, America 3. She was a member of the first ever all-women's team to challenge for the America's Cup.

As a starboard aft grinder, Fuller Kearney used her strength and endurance to earn a starting spot among the world's top female sailors. In the spring and summer, Fuller Kearney again turned her focus to rowing and helped the women's eight to a World Championship in Tampere, Finland.

Fuller Kearney earned trips to the Olympics in 1992, 1996, and 2000. In 1992, she brought home a silver medal in the Women's 4-. In 1996 and 2000, she placed in the top 6 in the Women's 8+.

Additionally, Fuller Kearney has competed in eight World Championships, earning one gold medal and six silver medals (1989, 1991, 1993-94, 1997-98 and 1999). An extension of Fuller Kearney's international experience includes the Goodwill Games, the Lucerne International Regatta, and the Henley Royal Regatta. At the 1994 Goodwill Games, her women's 8+ team captured the bronze. Competing at the Lucerne International Regatta (1991, 1994-96 and 1998), she brought home five medals - three gold, one silver, and one bronze. At the 1998 Henley Royal Regatta, Fuller Kearney added another gold medal.

Fuller Kearney continued her rowing success at the C.R.A.S.H. B Sprints. She was the 2000 and 2001 World Record holder on the rowing ergometer and placed first for open women. On the national level, Fuller Kearney rowed for the U.S. National Team for 11 years (1989, 1991-2000). During this era, she recorded 12 gold medals, two silver and one bronze.

As a sophomore at UC Santa Barbara, Fuller Kearney discovered a passion for rowing. She later earned one gold medal and one bronze medal on the collegiate national level. In 1990, she was honored with the school's Associated Students Athlete of the Year Award. In 2006, Fuller Kearney was an inaugural inductee into the UC Santa Barbara Recreational Sports Hall of Fame.

A Westlake Village, Calif., native who prepped at Westlake High School, Fuller Kearney graduated from UC Santa Barbara in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in biology. She earned her masters degree in education from University of Tennessee, Chattanooga in 1998.

Fuller Kearney has also been certified by the American College of Sports Medicine as a Health Fitness Instructor and is a U.S. Rowing certified coach. She resides in Newhall, Calif., with her husband, Joe, and daughter, Shannon.

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JUSTIN PRICE

ASSISTANT COACH

**5th Season
UCLA '06**

Justin Price enters his fifth season as an assistant coach for the UCLA women's rowing team in 2012-13. Over the past four seasons at UCLA, Price has been instrumental in the development of UCLA's freshmen and novice rowers.

Price's primary responsibilities include identification, development and coaching of all walk-on athletes. Price also coordinates recruiting efforts for the program's non-rowing athletes. Off the water duties include the management and maintenance of equipment and gear.

Price rowed for the UCLA men's team before graduating in 2006. Prior to arriving at UCLA in the summer of 2009, he spent the three seasons as an assistant coach with the men's rowing program at the University of Notre Dame.

Over the last five seasons, Price's work with UCLA's program has been instrumental in leading the Bruins to three appearances at the year-end NCAA Championships. In 2013, UCLA's novice eight finished third in the Grand Final at the San Diego Crew Classic one day after posting a first-place finish in its initial heat. For the second consecutive seasons, the novice crew finished ahead of USC at the two programs' annual dual meet.

In 2012, Price worked with novice crews that earned multiple victories and sustained success. UCLA's novice eight finished second at the Pac-12 Championships, helping the team earn a third-place finish, UCLA's highest since the women's program was elevated to varsity status in 2001-02. The novice bested USC's crew at the annual crosstown race by more than 35 seconds. In addition, the Bruins' novice eight finished second in its final heat the San Diego Crew Classic.

In 2010, Price helped lead the novice crew to multiple victories. After opening the spring season with convincing dual-meet wins over local foes Loyola Marymount and San Diego State, the novice eight earned a second-place finish in the Grand Final of the San Diego Crew Classic. The novice eight defeated Notre Dame in the afternoon portion of the SoCal Challenge and bested crosstown rival USC in the annual dual-meet showdown.



Price served as the freshman/novice coach for the men's rowing program at Notre Dame from 2005-2008, working primarily with walk-on athletes. He helped lead the Notre Dame novice crews to their best finishes in program history.

During the 2007-08 season at Notre Dame, Price coached two national championship novice crews as his student-athletes won both the novice eight and novice lightweight four at the American Collegiate Rowing Association's (ACRA) National Championship Regatta. Price's crews finished third overall in the team points competition at the 2008 ACRA Regatta.

Price led Notre Dame to similar success in 2008-09. That year, he recruited the largest group of freshman/novice athletes in team history and coached three novice eights. Price's novice rowers showcased their depth at the 2009 ACRA Regatta, leading the Fighting Irish to a second place finish in the overall team points competition. The novice lightweight four won the event for the second consecutive year, the first novice eight finished in third place and the second novice eight finished second.

Price spent four years (2003-06) rowing in UCLA's men's program. As a Bruin oarsman, he stroked the novice eight as a freshman and rowed in the varsity eight his final three seasons. In 2006, Price earned the bronze medal rowing in the men's varsity four at the Pac-10 Championships. He received the Coach's Award for his performance and leadership in 2004-05. In addition, Price was a three-time Pac-10 All-Academic Team selection – first team (2005, 2006) and honorable mention (2004).

Price graduated from UCLA in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in political science. He earned his law degree (J.D.) from the University of Notre Dame in 2009.

VICTORIA BURKE

ASSISTANT COACH

**1st Season
Virginia '09**

Victoria Burke enters her second season as an assistant women's rowing coach at UCLA. She joined the staff on a full-time basis in July 2012 and oversees UCLA's novice rowers and assist with recruiting efforts.

Burke arrived at UCLA after having worked as an assistant coach at her alma mater, the University of Virginia, during the 2011-12 school year and helped the Cavaliers win their second consecutive NCAA Division I Championship.

As a student-athlete at Virginia, Burke competed in three NCAA Championships, leading the varsity eight to a second-place finish in June 2009 and winning the NCAA Division I Team title in 2010.



At the elite level, Burke has spent the past five summers rowing at GMS in Connecticut, medaling in several national regattas. Her international results include winning the silver medal at the 2009 U-23 World Championships in the Lightweight Women's Quad and winning the gold medal in the Lightweight Women's Single at the 2009 SilverSkiff Regatta in Turin, Italy.

Burke won the silver medal at the 2010 Senior World Championships in New Zealand, competing in the Lightweight Women's Quad.

Burke also served as an assistant coach for the U.S. U-23 Lightweight Women's Quad in the summer of 2012, overseeing a team that competed in Trakai, Lithuania at the 2012 U-23 World Rowing Championships. UCLA junior Carolina Painsi was one of the competitors on that crew that Burke coached that summer.

Burke graduated with a bachelor's degree in art history and a minor in Italian from the University of Virginia in 2009 and competed for Saugatuck Rowing Club.