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**WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

As a nationally prominent university, Western Kentucky University engages the globe in acclaimed, technologically enhanced academic programs. An inspiring faculty promotes entrepreneurial success and a unique campus spirit to attract an intellectually exciting and diverse family of the nation's best students.

WKU provides students with rigorous academic programs in education, the liberal arts and sciences, business, and traditional and emerging professional programs, with emphasis at the baccalaureate level, complemented by relevant associate and graduate-level programs.

The University places a premium on teaching and student learning. WKU faculty engage in creative activity and diverse scholarship, including basic and applied research, designed to expand knowledge, improve instruction, increase learning, and provide optimum service to the state and nation. The University directly supports its constituents in its designated service areas of Kentucky with professional and technical expertise, cultural enrichment, and educational assistance. The University encourages applied research and public service in support of economic development, quality of life, and improvement of education at all levels, especially elementary and secondary schools. In particular, WKU faculty contribute to the identification and solution of key social, economic, scientific, health, and environmental problems within its reach, but particularly throughout its primary service area.

Maintaining a campus of distinctive history and character, WKU sustains a student population of increasing quality. It fulfills its responsibility for access through its Bowling Green Community College, regional campus programs in Glasgow, Owensboro and Elizabethtown/Radcliff/Ft. Knox, and distance/on-line learning.

WKU's commitment is to ensure value in a holistic learning experience through high standards for student achievement and conduct, a strong faculty, technological innovation, personalized attention, broad access, and public accountability for actions and outcomes.

WKU recognizes that its mission continues to evolve in response to regional, national, and global changes, and the need for lifelong learning.

**WKU ATHLETICS MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Western Kentucky University Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is to support the university vision by providing a comprehensive, high quality education for student-athletes and to serve the university community, alumni, and friends through success and distinction within an environment of uncompromising integrity. The WKU Athletic Department seeks to be a source of pride for the citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and to be recognized as a nationally prominent program by consistently winning Sun Belt Conference championships and achieving frequent success in NCAA post-season competitions. It is also imperative that we compete with dignity, honor and respect in upholding and advancing WKU's rich history and tradition.

We must operate in a manner that embraces the guidelines and principles established by the NCAA and Sun Belt Conference, which promote the principles of sportsmanship and ethical conduct. Fair and equitable opportunities will be a priority and will be provided for student-athletes and staff to participate in intercollegiate athletics at the Division I level regardless of gender and ethnicity. Our ultimate purpose is to provide a world class academic and athletic experience for our student-athletes resulting in the vital personal development necessary for long term success.



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**University Information**

**Location:** Bowling Green, Ky. 42101  
**Founded:** 1906  
**Enrollment:** 20,885  
**Nickname:** Lady Toppers  
**Colors:** Red and White  
**Arena (Capacity):** Bill Powell Natatorium  
**National Affiliation:** NCAA Division I  
**Conference:** Sun Belt Conference  
**President:** Dr. Gary Ransdell (WKU, 1973)  
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**WKU Swimming and Diving History**

**First Year of Men's Swimming:** 1969-70  
**First Year of Women's Swimming:** 1997-98  
**All-Time Men's Record:** 371-78  
**All-Time Women's Record:** 137-22-2  
**Sun Belt Men's Conference Titles:** 11  
**Sun Belt Women's Conference Titles:** 7

**Coaching Staff**

**Head Coach** ..... Bruce Marchionda  
 Alma Mater (Years)..... Westminster College (1979)  
 Record at WKU (Years)..... 95-12-1 (6 seasons)  
 Overall Men's Record.....157-17 (14 seasons)  
 Overall Women's Record. 142-18-1 ( 14 seasons)  
 Women's Record at WKU... 48-7-1 (6 seasons)  
 Men's Record at WKU..... 41- (6 seasons)

**Assistant Coach:** Bill Powell (Western Michigan, 1959)

**Assistant Coach:** Brian Thomas (U Conn, 2009)

**Assistant Coach:** Danielle Grobmyer (St. Bonaventure, 2007)

**Diving Coach:** Bob Benson (Villanova, 1999)

**Team Information**

**2010-11 Men's Record:** 6-1  
**2010-11 Women's Record:** 6-1  
**2010-11 Sun Belt Men's Finish:** 2nd (943.5 pts)  
**2010-11 Sun Belt Women's Finish:** 2nd (795 pts)  
**Final National Men's Ranking:** 4  
**Final National Women's Ranking:** 9

*\*Based on CSCAA Mid-Major Division I Swimming & Diving Team Poll*

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## 2011-12 WKU SWIMMING AND DIVING SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (CT)	LOCATION
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Oct. 15</b>	<b>Red &amp; White</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Bowling Green, Ky.</b>
Saturday	Oct. 29	Kentucky	1:00 PM	Nashville, Tenn.
Saturday	Oct. 29	Vanderbilt	1:00 PM	Nashville, Tenn.
Friday	Nov. 4	Georgia Tech	6:00 PM	Atlanta, Ga.
Friday	Nov. 4	Clemson	6:00 PM	Atlanta, Ga.
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Nov. 18</b>	<b>HILLTOPPER INVITE</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Bowling Green, Ky.</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Nov. 19</b>	<b>HILLTOPPER INVITE</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Bowling Green, Ky.</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov. 20</b>	<b>HILLTOPPER INVITE</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Bowling Green, Ky.</b>
Thursday	Dec. 1	AT&T Winter Nationals	All Day	Atlanta, Ga.
Friday	Dec. 2	AT&T Winter Nationals	All Day	Atlanta, Ga.
Saturday	Dec. 3	AT&T Winter Nationals	All Day	Atlanta, Ga.
Saturday	Dec. 3	Marshall	2:00 PM	Huntington, W. Va.
Saturday	Dec. 3	Fairmount State	2:00 PM	Huntington, W. Va.
Tuesday	Jan. 10	Florida Atlantic	1:00 PM	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
Tuesday	Jan. 10	NOVA Southeastern	1:00 PM	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
Tuesday	Jan. 10	IUPUI	1:00 PM	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Jan. 21</b>	<b>University of the Cumberlands</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Bowling Green, Ky.</b>
Saturday	Jan. 28	Southern Illinois	1:00 PM	Carbondale, Ill.
Wednesday	Feb. 22	Sun Belt Conference Champ.	All Day	Dallas, Texas
Thursday	Feb. 23	Sun Belt Conference Champ.	All Day	Dallas, Texas
Friday	Feb. 24	Sun Belt Conference Champ.	All Day	Dallas, Texas
Saturday	Feb. 25	Sun Belt Conference Champ.	All Day	Dallas, Texas
Thursday	March 15	Women's NCAA Championships	All Day	Auburn, Ala.
Friday	March 16	Women's NCAA Championships	All Day	Auburn, Ala.
Saturday	March 17	Women's NCAA Championships	All Day	Auburn, Ala.
Thursday	March 22	Men's NCAA Championships	All Day	Seattle, Was.
Friday	March 23	Men's NCAA Championships	All Day	Seattle, Was.
Saturday	March 24	Men's NCAA Championships	All Day	Seattle, Was.

All home matches are in **Bold**



# Bruce Marchionda

**7th Season as Head Coach**  
**10th Season Overall**  
**95-12-1 Record**

Bruce Marchionda, who carries 28 years of coaching experience at both the collegiate and prep levels, enters his 10th season on the Hill and his seventh season as head coach of the Western Kentucky University swimming and diving teams.

Marchionda, who was called to replace Bill Powell when he retired in the spring of 2005 after 36 years at the helm of the WKU program, was an associate head coach for three seasons until replacing Powell.

The 2010-11 season saw Marchionda lead the Hilltoppers and Lady Toppers to second-place finishes at the 2011 SBC Swimming and Diving Championships. Marchionda was named the Men's Swimming Coach of the Year while senior Claire Donahue earned her second Women's Swimmer of the Year award. Under Marchionda, Donahue finished her career as the most decorated swimmer in WKU history.

At the conclusion of the four-day conference meet, the two teams combined to set 18 school records, tallied 22 NCAA provisional qualifying times and one automatic qualifying times. Donahue, along with 10 teammates, were named Mid-Major All-Americans by CollegeSwimming.com.

Donahue finished second in the nation in the 100-yard butterfly event at the 2011 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships, the highest finish in WKU history. She finished the 100-yard butterfly in a school-record 51.68 seconds. The second-place finish improved on her fourth-place finish in the same event at last year's NCAA championships.

The Lenior City, Tenn., native finished her WKU career as the school-record holder in both the 100-yard and 200-yard butterfly along with eight individual Sun Belt Conference titles, three conference championships and the highest individual finish at the NCAA championships in school history. She also participated in three NCAA Championships.

The WKU men's and women's swimming programs swept the 2010 Sun Belt Conference Championships, the Hilltoppers claim-



### Head Coaching Records

Record at WKU (Years) .... 95-12-1 (6 seasons)  
 Men's Record at WKU .....47-5 (6 seasons)  
 Women's Record at WKU....48-7-1 (6 seasons)  
 Overall Men's Record ..... 157-17 (14 seasons)  
 Overall Women's Record. 142-18-1 (14 seasons)

ing their first championship since 2007 and the Lady Toppers winning their third consecutive title and eighth in the program's history. Two WKU swimmers picked up Swimmer of the Year honors while Marchionda was named the Coach of the Year on the men's and women's side.

At the 2010 NCAA Championships, Donahue became the first female swimmer, and only the second person in WKU history, to qualify for the finals session at the national meet. She placed fourth in the 100 butterfly and 17th in the 200 fly.

Following the 2009-10 season, Marchionda was recognized by the ASCA as a Coach of Excellence for the 2010 season. The award is given to a coach who guides a swimmer to a top-8 finish at a USA swimming national-level meet or a USA collegiate champion.

Marchionda ended the 2008-09 season by guiding the women's team to their seventh Sun Belt Conference Championship. At the championships, the Lady Toppers posted nine first place finishes and nine second place finishes. The Lady Toppers also concluded the season with a perfect with 12 dual meet victories. Marchionda also guided Lady Topper Claire Donahue to the NCAA Championships and the 2009 ConocoPhillips USA Swimming National Championships, where the sophomore placed ninth in the 100 Fly.

Marchionda guided the men's team to a third place finish at the 2009 SBC Championships. There, the Hilltoppers grabbed eight top five finishes. At the conclusion of the season, Sean Penhale competed in the NCAA Championships placing 30th in the 500 Free and 24th in the 1650 Free. Additionally, the Hilltoppers recorded a 9-1 overall record during the season.

Academically in 2008-09, Marchionda had 21 athletes named to the SBC Commissioner's List and 14 placed on the SBC Academic Honor Roll.

In 2007-08, the Lady Toppers added to their list of Sun Belt Conference Championships after winning the coveted title with 775 points. Additionally, Marchionda guided the Toppers and Lady Toppers to dual meet records of 8-1 and 7-2 respectively and had both teams finish in the top ten in the final Collegeswimming.com polls, with the WKU men's team finishing the season ranked eighth and the women ranked sixth. Under Marchionda, seven student-athletes were also named to the Collegeswimming.com All-America Honorable Mention team. Claire Alexandre, Jessica Aspinnall, Claire Donahue, Brittany Doss, Francis Gilmore and Sean Penhale all picked up the honor in 2008.

Academically in 2007-08, Marchionda had three student-athletes named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District IV team. Wes Brown was named to the first team and Mitch Miller and Jennifer Adams were named to the second team. Additionally, Brown was awarded an NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship after the 2008 season, one of only 29 male student-athletes that competed in winter sports to be awarded the honor and the first WKU student-athlete to win the award since the 2006 season.

In his first season as WKU's head coach, Marchionda guided the men's squad to the Sun Belt Conference Championship after

an undefeated regular season topped off by a No. 10 ranking in the national polls. After finishing the regular season with a record of 8-1 and earning a third-place finish in the Sun Belt Conference Championships, the women's swimming and diving team held the number eight spot in the final CollegeSwimming.com poll. Ten school records were broken or matched during the 2005-06 campaign and two of Marchionda's seniors gained recognition for their achievements out of the pool. Lisa Ross was named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District IV second-team while Karl Swanson was named WKU's male student-athlete of the year and the 2005-06 SBC male student-athlete of the year.

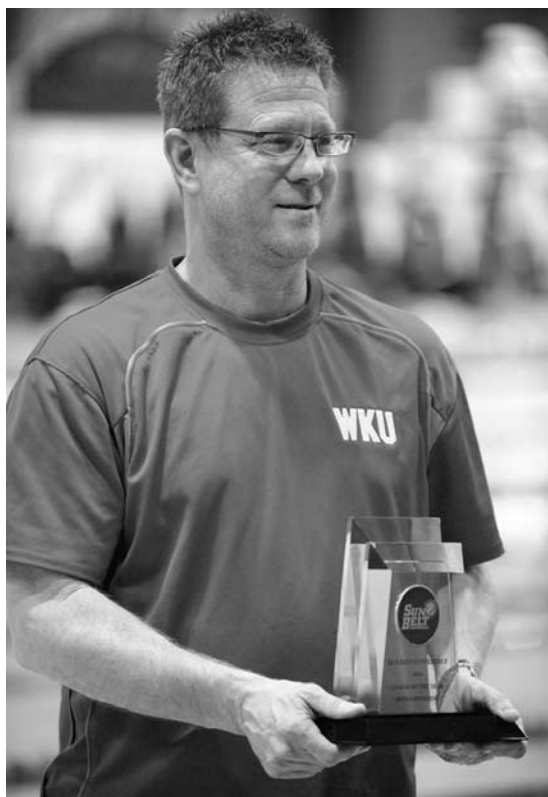
Before coming to WKU, Marchionda helped lead the Tigers to the ACC Championship in 1997 and for his efforts, Marchionda was named the Atlantic Coast Conference Coach-of-the-Year following the 2007 season. At Clemson, he produced 26 Atlantic Coast Conference championships, as well as, several swimmers that attained national and international awards.

Marchionda also has international coaching experience on his resume, spending time as a member of the Peruvian National Staff.

Prior to his stint as the leader of the Tigers, Marchionda served in coaching roles with the Clemson Aquatic Club, Old Dominion and Norfolk Academy. During his 13 years at Norfolk Academy, he won 15 Virginia state championships, and produced 21 high school All-Americans, as well as, 79 high school state champs.

Marchionda graduated from Westminster College in New Wilmington, Pa., in 1979 with a bachelor's degree in biology. At Westminster, he was a six-time NAIA swimming All-American in the sprint events. An Olympic Trials qualifier in 1980, Marchionda was also a three-time Master Swimming All-American.

A native of Aliquippa, Pa., Marchionda is a 1975 graduate of Quigley High School in Baden, Pa., Marchionda and his wife, Hope, have two children, Jacob and Mason.



*WKU head coach Bruce Marchionda was named the 2011 Sun Belt Men's Swimming Coach of the Year. He also earned the award for both teams in 2010.*

#### Men's Year-by-Year

Year	Record	Finish
1969-70	3-4	6th, KIC
1970-71	11-4	3rd, KIC
1971-72	10-5	3rd, KIC
1972-73	9-4	2nd, KIC
1973-74	10-1	2nd, KIC
1974-75	9-4	3rd, KIC
1975-76	7-4	2nd, KIC
1976-77*	7-4	1st, KIC
1977-78	11-0	3rd, KIC
1978-79*	8-1	1st, MIC
1979-80*	9-0	1st, MIC
1980-81*	5-2	1st, MIC
1981-82*	7-2	1st, MIC
1982-83*	7-2	1st, MIC
1983-84*	5-2	1st, MIC
1984-85*	8-1	1st, MIC
1985-86	6-2	2nd, MIC
1986-87	7-2	4th, MIC
1987-88*	9-0	1st, MIC
1988-89	7-1	2nd, MIC
1989-90	7-2	10th, EIC
1990-91	7-4	10th, EIC
1991-92	12-3	8th, EIC
1992-93	10-2	7th, EIC
1993-94	12-1	2nd, EIC
1994-95	15-1	2nd, EIC
1995-96	14-1	4th, NIC
1996-97	11-0	2nd, NIC
1997-98	12-4	6th, NIC
1998-99	15-0	2nd, NIC
1999-00	12-0	2nd, NIC
2000-01	12-2	5th, NIC
2001-02	7-3	4th, NIC
2002-03	15-0	3rd, NIC
2003-04	6-3	3rd, NIC
2004-05	8-3	1st, SBC
2005-06*	9-0	1st, SBC
2006-07*	9-0	1st, SBC
2007-08	8-1	3rd, SBC
2008-09	9-1	3rd, SBC
2009-10*	6-2	1st, SBC
2010-11	6-1	2nd, SBC

#### 42 seasons

#### Women's Year-by-Year

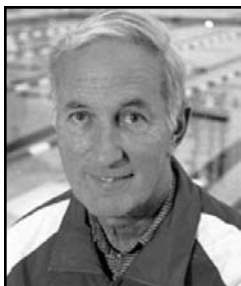
Year	Record	Finish
1997-98	5-7-1	6th, NIC
1998-99	13-1	5th, NIC
1999-00	13-0	2nd, NIC
2000-01*	12-1	4th, NIC
2001-02*	9-1	4th, NIC
2002-03*	17-5	1st, SBC
2003-04*	13-1	1st, SBC
2004-05*	13-0	1st, SBC
2005-06	8-1	3rd, SBC
2006-07	6-2	2nd, SBC
2007-08*	7-2	1st, SBC
2008-09*	12-0	1st, SBC
2009-10*	9-1-1	1st, SBC
2010-11	6-1	2nd, SBC

#### 14 seasons

#### Undefeated Seasons in Bold

\* Denotes conference champion

KIC - Kentucky Intercollegiate Conference  
 MIC - Midwest Intercollegiate Conference  
 EIC - Eastern Intercollegiate Conference  
 NIC - National Intercollegiate Conference  
 SBC - Sun Belt Conference



**Bill  
Powell**  
Assistant Coach  
Western Michigan, 1959

Bill Powell enters his sixth season as assistant coach on the Hill and his 43rd season overall at WKU. After announcing his retirement from head coaching on April 20, 2005, Powell remains a vital part of WKU's success in and out of the water.

After 36 seasons, Powell ranks second in wins on the NCAA All-Time list for Division I coaches after winning a total of 336 men's dual meets.

Powell came to Western Kentucky University in 1969 and founded the school's swim program. In 36 seasons, Powell's Toppers endured just one losing record, which came in the inaugural season when WKU finished 3-4, which included a one-point loss at Tennessee State. Since then, Powell notched 35 consecutive winning seasons, seven undefeated marks and seven one-loss records. The men enjoyed three undefeated seasons between 1998 and 2004 racking up a 69-8 mark (.896) over that span.

Additionally, the Lady Topper program experienced similar success under Powell. After a 5-7-1 record in its inaugural 1997-98 campaign, the women's team enjoyed seven-straight winning seasons (two undefeated and four one-loss marks), while capturing five straight Sun Belt Conference titles. Since that debut season, the Lady Toppers have lost just nine dual meets, going 90-9 (.910 winning percentage) over the past seven years that Powell has controlled the reins.

Over the course of his career, Powell has earned 11 Coach-of-the-Year awards, including being named the Michigan High School Coach of the Year in 1968 and the SBC Coach of the Year four times.

Powell earned a bachelor's degree at Western Michigan where he won three letters as a backstroke from 1957-59, and then went on to earn his master's degree from WMU. In November 2005, he was inducted into the WMU Athletic Hall of Fame. He and his wife, Joanne, have four grown children: Mary Beth, Anne, Dan and Katie and nine grandchildren, Pete, Mike, Will, Ike, Jake, Margaret, Dan, Isabelle and Edie.



**Danielle  
Grobmyer**  
Assistant Coach  
St. Bonaventure, 2007

Danielle Grobmyer was named to the Western Kentucky University staff in July of 2011. Grobmyer arrives at WKU after serving three years as the graduate assistant for the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

With the Minutewomen since 2008, Grobmyer was responsible for assisting in all aspects of running a perennially successful Atlantic 10 program, including training, stroke technique, recruiting and dryland. 16 varsity records were set during her three year stint as an assistant. In addition, over the past two summers, Grobmyer has served as a coach at the Longhorn's Swim Camp at University of Texas in Austin.

Prior to joining UMass, Grobmyer competed for St. Bonaventure University and served as a two year captain of the Bonnies. Grobmyer excelled academically for Bonaventure as well, being named to the Atlantic 10 All Academic Team in 2011 and was a member of the Commissioner's Honor Roll every semester of her collegiate career.

Grobmyer graduated summa cum laude in 2007 from St. Bonaventure earning a bachelor's degree in history. She recently completed a masters degree in Sport Management from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.



**Brian  
Thomas**  
Assistant Coach  
U Conn, 2009

Brian Thomas is entering his second season on The Hill. The Duxbury, Massachusetts native comes to WKU from New Jersey where he spent the past year volunteering with the Women's Swimming program at Rutgers University. During this time, Thomas also worked as a Product Specialist for Event Solutions International, a marketing firm based in East Brunswick, NJ.

Prior to his stint at Rutgers, Thomas served as an assistant coach for the men's and women's swimming and diving program at his alma-mater, the University of Connecticut. Throughout his two seasons at UConn, Thomas was the primary coach for the mid-distance and distance freestylers. During that time, Thomas guided the UConn distance crew to two varsity records, two NCAA "B" cuts and six top-16 finishes in the 1,650-yard freestyle at the 2009 Big East Championship, the most by any school in the conference. In addition to their success in the distance lane, UConn swimmers set twenty-seven varsity records during Thomas' tenure, posting a dual meet record of 28-6 and sending one swimmer to the 2008 NCAA Division I Championships.

In addition to his responsibilities with the Swimming and Diving program at UConn, Thomas also served as Head Coach and Director of Swimming Operations for The University Aquatic Club in Storrs, CT from 2005-2009. Over the course of four years, Thomas guided the USA-Swimming club program back to prominence on both a regional and national scale. At UAC, Thomas' athletes enjoyed many achievements including a Connecticut Resident Record, a National Age Group Top-Ten time, a Junior National and Short Course National qualifier and numerous Speedo Champions Series qualifiers. Thomas' time at UAC culminated with a top-5 combined team finish at the 2009 Connecticut Senior Open.

From 2005-2007, Thomas also served as the Head Coach of the Boys' and Girls' Swimming and Diving Teams at E.O. Smith High School in Mansfield, CT. Thomas' teams at E.O. Smith set several school records, achieved a top-5 finish at the Connecticut Class "L" State Championship and compiled a dual meet record of 28-8.

Thomas, a University of Connecticut graduate and four-year letter winner for the Huskies' Swimming and Diving team, grew up outside of Boston, MA swimming for Bernal's Gator Swim Club under the guidance of former U.S. Olympic Coach Joe Bernal and NCAA All-American Jay Craft.



**Bob  
Benson**  
Diving Coach  
Villanova, 1999

Diving coach Bob Benson enters his eighth season at WKU after being named the 2009-10 Sun Belt Conference Women's Diving Coach of the Year.

Last season, Benson guided freshman Caitlin Dean to the individual title in the one-meter diving event at the 2010 Sun Belt Conference Championships. Fellow freshman Kylie Ruiz finished third in the event. On the three-meter, Ruiz placed third with Dean in fourth.

In August 2010, Benson led divers Jim Ritter and Vinnie Rominger at the AAU Diving National Championships and came away with WKU's first AAU National Diving Champion. In the 3-meter springboard competition, Ritter took gold while Rominger earned the silver after a close battle. The championships started with the 1-meter springboard event. Rominger took third in the finals with a score of 381.60 while Ritter scored 372.45 to place fourth.

In 2007-08, under Benson's direction, senior Emily Waits claimed the women's one-meter diving title and senior Erica Wilson finished third in the event. Also at the championships in the women's three-meter competition, Waits' posted a second place finish while Wilson finished seventh. Benson was named the 2007-08 Sun Belt Conference Women's Diving Coach of the Year following the season.

Benson, who has seven years of professional diving experience, was a two-time team captain at Villanova. Benson attended Villanova from 1995-1999 after graduating from Penn Crest High School in 1995. The Media, Pa. native set a world record after college for the highest tandem dive (two-man dive), diving 83 feet into a 14-foot pool of water.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Event(s)</b>	<b>Height</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Hometown/Previous School</b>
Arrika Bales	IM/FR	5-7	Sr.	Lafayette, Ind. (Jefferson)
Katelyn Cato	Back	5-10	Fr.	Lanesville, Ind. (Floyd Central)
Laurel Chaney	BK/FR	5-8	Jr.	Knoxville, Tenn. (Bearden)
Noufissa Chbihi	Fly	5-8	Jr.	New Haven, Ct. (Belle Vue)
Claire Conlon	Breast	5-6	Fr.	Pietermaritzburg, SA (The Wykeham Collegiate)
Taylor Counter	Breast	5-10	Fr.	Gering, Neb. (Scottsbluff)
Caitlin Dean	Diving	5-2	Jr.	Grand Rapids, Mich. (Northview)
Casey DeRidder	BK/FR	5-9	Sr.	Newnan, Ga. (Northgate)
Paige Drazga	Free	5-2	Fr.	South Lyon, Mich. (South Lyon)
Alexandra Duff	BK/FR/IM	5-6	Fr.	Ontario, Canada (Ernestown Secondary School)
Kristiana Feeser	BK/Fly	5-7	Sr.	Wise, Va. (Sullivan South)
Ashley Forsyth	Free	5-10	Fr.	Colorado Springs, Co. (Cheyenne Mountain)
Victoria Frascino	Free	5-11	So.	Sao Paulo, Brazil (Colegio Visconde de Porto Seguro/North Florida)
Samantha Holmes	Free	5-7	So.	Bloomington, Ill. (Normal Community West)
Chelsea Jordan	Diving	5-2	So.	The Woodlands, Texas (The Woodlands College Park)
Jana Kahrig	FR/Fly	5-3	Sr.	Lancaster, Ohio (Bloom Carroll)
Chelsea Larsen	Fly/IM	5-7	Sr.	New Haven, Ind. (Shider)
Ashley Lewis	BK	5-6	Jr.	Elizabethtown, Ky. (Central Hardin)
Susan Marquess	Free	5-7	Fr.	Hopkinsville, Ky. (Hopkinsville)
Elyse Madigan	Diving	5-4	So.	Chicago, Ill. (Whitney M. Young Magnet)
Stephanie Martin	BR/IM	5-6	Sr.	Dallas, Texas (Woodrow Wilson)
Courtney Marx	Fly	5-6	So.	Cooper City, Fla. (Pembroke Pines Charter)
Kara McCarthy	BR/IM	5-4	Sr.	Alpharetta, Ga. (Northview)
Katie McLean	Fly/IM	5-6	So.	Cumming, GA (Forsyth Central)
Madison Mills	Free	5-7	Fr.	Alberta, Canada (Paul Kane)
Hilary Mishler	BK/FR	5-11	Jr.	Crawfordsville, Ind. (Southmont)
Hannah Runyon-Hass	IM/BR	5-9	Fr.	Franklin, Tenn. (Ensworth)
Kylie Ruiz	Diving	5-3	Jr.	Oklahoma City, Okla. (West Moore)
Georgia Smith	Free	5-8	Sr.	Muscle Shoals, Ala. (Muscle Shoals)
Whitney Spain	Breast	5-4	Fr.	Bartlett, Tenn. (Arlington)
Alexandrea Van Oost	IM/FR	5-6	Jr.	Elgin, Ill. (Burlington Central)
Kreable Young	Free	6-9	Fr.	Birmingham, Ala. (Oak Mountain)

**Classification:**

**Seniors (8):**

Arrika Bales  
Casey DeRidder  
Kristiana Feeser  
Jana Kahrig  
Chelsea Larsen  
Stephanie Martin  
Kara McCarthy  
Georgia Smith

**Juniors (7):**

Laurel Chaney  
Noufissa Chbihi  
Caitlin Dean  
Ashley Lewis  
Hilary Mishler  
Kylie Ruiz  
Alexandrea Van Oost

**Sophomores (7):**

Katelyn Cato  
Victoria Frascino  
Samantha Holmes  
Chelsea Jordan  
Elyse Madigan  
Courtney Marx  
Katie McLean

**Freshmen (10):**

Claire Conlon  
Taylor Counter  
Paige Drazga  
Alexandra Duff  
Ashley Forsyth  
Susan Marquess  
Madison Mills  
Hannah Runyon-Hass  
Whitney Spain  
Kreable Young

**2011-12 Squad Breakdown**

**By State:**

**Georgia (3):**

Casey DeRidder  
Kara McCarthy  
Katie McLean

**Illinois (3):**

Samantha Holmes  
Elyse Madigan  
Alexandrea Van Oost

**Tennessee (3):**

Laurel Chaney  
Hannah Runyon-Hass  
Whitney Spain

**Indiana (4):**

Arrika Bales  
Katelyn Cato  
Chelsea Larsen  
Hilary Mishler

**Kentucky (2):**

Ashley Lewis  
Susan Marquess

**Alabama (2):**

Georgia Smith  
Kreable Young

**Conneticut (1):**

Noufissa Chbihi

**By State:**

**Texas (2):**

Chelsea Jordan  
Stephanie Martin

**Florida (1):**

Courtney Marx

**Nebraska (1):**

Taylor Counter

**Colorado (1):**

Ashley Forsyth

**Michigan (2):**

Caitlin Dean  
Paige Drazga

**Ohio (1):**

Jana Kahrig

**Oklahoma (1):**

Kylie Ruiz

**Virginia (1):**

Kristiana Feeser

**Outside USA (4):**

Claire Conlon- South Africa  
Alexandra Duff- Canada  
Victoria Frascino- Brazil  
Madison Mills- Canada





**Arrika Bales**

**Senior**  
**Lafayette, Ind. (Jefferson)**  
**IM/Freestyle**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** Arrika Bales had a strong season in 2010-11, including recording five top 10 finishes in the 100- and 200-backstroke and the 200 freestyle. Her best performance of the year was a third-place finish in the 200 backstroke against Southern Illinois with a time of 2:09.29. She also put together a run of three fourth-places finishes in the 100 back (1:02.31 vs. Xavier), 200 back (2:09.29 vs. Southern Illinois) and the 200 free (2:00.27 vs. Evansville).

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In her second season at WKU, Arrika Bales posted three top-10 finishes between the 200 fly, 400 IM and the 100 free. Bales' best performance of the year was a second-place finish in the 200 back against Cumberland with a lifetime best 2:09.72. She also finished top 10 in the 400 IM at the Hilltopper Invitational (4:44.46).

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Swam two lifetime best times at the Tennessee Last Chance Meet, a 59.51 in the 100 back and a 57.85 in the 100 fly...Earned two top-10 finishes at the Hilltopper Invite...Recorded a season-best 2:12.90 in the 200 fly at Georgia Tech.

**High School:** Swan for Jefferson High School ... lettered four years for coach Jim Sharp ... was named the team MVP two times ... was an Academic All-American and All-State Honorable Mention selection ... qualified for state for four years.

**Personal:** Born November 16, 1989 in Lafayette, Ind. ... daughter of Richard and Anne Bales ... majoring in broadcasting.

**Bales' Top Times**

500 Free: 5:07.09  
 100 Fly: 57.85  
 100 Back: 59.51



**Casey DeRidder**

**Senior**  
**Newnan, Ga. (Northgate)**  
**Backstroke/Freestyle**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** Casey DeRidder's third season at WKU saw her post 11 top-10 finishes in four different events. In a dual meet against Evansville, DeRidder was runner-up in the 200 back (2:07.73) and third in the 100 back (1:00.11). The second-place finish was her best of the season. DeRidder also placed fourth in the 200 freestyle against Vanderbilt and South Carolina with a mark of 1:57.02.

**As a Sophomore(2009-10):** Casey DeRidder's second season at WKU included four top-five finishes, her highest finish coming against Southern Illinois in the 200-back. She placed third with a time of 2:07.05. DeRidder also placed in the top 10 against Evansville, New Orleans and Tulane and at the Hilltopper Invite. She also scored in two events at the 2010 SBC Championships (200 free and 200 back). DeRidder advanced to the "A" final in the 200 back and placed eighth with a time of 2:06.40.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Claimed first place in the 200 Back against New Orleans and Cumberland (2:08.35) ... finished fourth in the 200 Back at the Oakland Quad Meet (2:10.31) ... placed fifth in the 200 Free against New Orleans and Cumberland (1:57.56) ... finished fourth against Evansville in the 100 Back (1:01.96) ... also placed fifth in the 100 Free against Southern Illinois (1:58.54) and third in the 200 Back (2:07.50).

**High School:** Member of the Northgate High School swim team ... lettered four years under Coach Mahr ... was the team co-captain her junior year and captain her senior year ... also posted the highest point total all four years of high school ... holds the school record in the 50, and 200 Free and the 100 Back and 100 Fly.

**Personal:** Born June 18, 1989 in Coral Springs, Fla. ... Daughter of Roy and Holly DeRidder ...exercise science major ... wants to be a physical therapist.

**DeRidder's Top Times**

100 Back: 58.96  
 200 Back: 2:03.28

**Kristiana Feeser**

**Senior**  
**Wise, Va. (Sullivan South)**  
**Backstroke/Butterfly**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** Kristiana Feeser's third season on the Hill included seven top-five finishes, including three top-five finishes at the Sun Belt Conference Swimming and Diving Championships. She finished runner-up in the 200 butterfly with a mark of 54.79 while placing fifth in both the 200 IM (2:03.31) and the 100 back (55.79). The second-place finish was her highest of the season. Feeser was a member of the Lady Topper 200 freestyle and 200 medley relay teams that finished first at the conference meet. She also had a strong showing at the tri-meet against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic, finishing fourth in the 100 back and third in the 200 IM.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** Kristiana Feeser's second season at WKU included 14 top-five finishes and an NCAA "B" cut time in the 100 back at the 2010 SBC Championships. Feeser finished fourth in the event with a time of 55.57. She also placed fourth in the 200 IM and the 100 Fly. Her time of 2:03.04 in the individual medley was the second-fastest for WKU during the season. Feeser picked up a win in the 200 IM at the Hilltopper Invitational, touching in at 2:07.42 to claim her lone victory of the year. Following the season, Feeser was named the Most Improved and her work in the classroom earned her the team academic award.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Finished second in the 100 Back against New Orleans and Cumberland (59.57) and placed fifth in the 100 Back with a time of 59.58 and second in the 200 IM (2:10.46) ... in the 50 Free against New Orleans and Cumberland, placed second with a time of 24.89 ... finished second in the 200 IM at the Georgia Tech Meet (2:08.66) ... placed fourth in the 200 Free against Evansville (1:59.09) ... finished fourth in the 100 Back against Southern Illinois (59.37) and fifth in the 200 Back (2:09.80).

**High School:** Swam for Sullivan South High School in the Mountain Lakes Conference ... lettered all four years in high school ... coached by Brooke Robbins ... was All-Conference, All-American and Swimmer of the Year in high school ... also holds several records at Sullivan South.

**Personal:** Born January 23, 1990 in Gettysburg, Pa. ... daughter of Kristina Feeser ... psychology major ... hopes to attend graduate school after graduation and become a psychology professor.

### Feeser's Top Times

100 Fly: 54.79  
 100 Back: 55.57  
 200 IM: 2:03.04

**Jana Kahrig**

**Senior**  
**Lancaster, Ohio (Bloom Carroll)**  
**Freestyle/Butterfly**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** Jana Kahrig competed in five different events in her junior season with the Lady Toppers, mainly competing in the 50 freestyle and 100 butterfly events. Also swam the 100 free, 200 fly and 200 IM. Kahrig scored in two events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships, her best finish coming in the 100 fly. She touched in at 56.55 to place 10th in the 100 butterfly event and placed 14th in the 100 freestyle. Her best performances of the season came in a pair of second-place finishes, one in the 50 free (25.07) against Evansville and the other in the 100 fly (59.44) against Xavier. Kahrig ended the season with nine top-10 finishes.

**As a Sophomore(2009-10):** In her second season at WKU, Jana Kahrig posted six top-10 finishes between 50-, 100- and 200-free along with the 100- and 200-fly. Kahrig's best performance of the season was a second-place finish in the 200 fly at the Hilltopper Invitational with a time of 2:12.64. She also scored in two events at the 2010 SBC Championships (the 100- and 200-fly). Her top finish was in the 200 fly where she placed 13th in the B final with a time of 2:09.88. She also finished 15th in the 100 fly.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Finished seventh in the 50 Free against Southern Illinois with a time of 25.66.

**High School:** Coached by Steve Nye and Bloom Carroll High School ... lettered two years for the Bulldogs ... was named All-State for two years and All-Ohio Swimming ... placed sixth and eighth at the state meet.

**Personal:** Born June 19, 1990 in Lancaster, Ohio...parents are Troy and Lillian Kahrig ... majoring in exercise science and hopes to become an occupational therapist.

### Kahrig's Top Times

50 Free: 24.65  
 100 Free: 52.71  
 100 Fly: 56.55



**Chelsea Larsen**

**Senior**  
**New Haven, Ind. (Shider)**  
**Butterfly/IM**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** Chelsea Larsen's third season on the Hill included five top-six finishes and three top-15 finishes at the Sun Belt Conference Swimming and Diving Championships. Larsen placed 12th in the 400 IM (4:31.90), 13th in the 200 butterfly (prelim time 2:06.67) and 14th in the 1,650 freestyle (17:55.97). Her best performance of the year came in a dual meet against Evansville where she swept the 100- and 200-butterfly events. Her 100 butterfly time of 59.06 was a season best. Larsen competed in six events, mostly butterfly and individual medley.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In her second season at WKU, Chelsea Larsen posted four top-five performances between the 100- and 200-fly events. Her top performances of the year included a win in the 200 fly against Xavier with a time of 2:12.46 along with a pair of third-place finishes, one in the 100 fly and one in the 200 fly, against Xavier and Southern Illinois, respectively.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Won the 200 Fly against Evansville with a time of 2:09.22 ... finished third in the 200 Fly against Southern Illinois (2:10.07) and in the 100 Fly (1:00.04).

**High School:** Three year starter and letterwinner at Shider High School in Fort Wayne, Ind. ... head coach was Chris Knoblauch ... swam in the Summit Athletic Conference and was named All-Conferene and All-State ... also was a scholar-athlete.

**Personal:** Born in Fort Wayne, Ind. on June 7, 1990 ... daughter of Dan and Deb Tempel ... majoring in biology and wants to become a dentist.

**Larsen's Top Times**

100 Fly: 57.16  
 200 Fly: 2:06.06



**Stephanie Martin**

**Senior**  
**Dallas, Texas (Woodrow Wilson)**  
**Breaststroke/IM**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** In Stephanie Martin's third season on the Hill, she set the school record in the 200 breaststroke in the preliminaries of the event with a time of 2:17.00 at the Sun Belt Conference Swimming and Diving Championships. Martin went on to finish fourth in the finals. She also placed seventh in the 100 breast (1:05.85) and 10th in the 400 IM (4:29.00). Her lone event win of the season came in the 200 breast (2:19.06) at the Hilltopper Invitational. Martin only finished outside of the Top 10 once. She had a strong performance in the tri-meet against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic, finishing third in the 100 breast and second in the 200 breast.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In her second season at WKU, Stephanie Martin posted 11 top-5 finishes in the 100- and 200-breast events. Martin's best performances of the year came in the 200 breast where she picked up five victories, including her season-best and team-best time of 2:18.74 in a quad-meet against Georgia Tech, Clemson and Miami. She also claimed victory in the 100 breast event against Xavier, touching in at 1:06.52. Martin scored in three events at the 2010 SBC Championships: the 100- and 200-breast along with the 200 IM. She finished third in the 200 breast (2:18.91), fourth in the 100 breast (1:04.36) and 16th in the 200 IM (2:09.87).

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Won the 100 Breast and 200 Breast at the Oakland Quad Meet (1:05.44 and (2:20.65) ... also won the 200 Breast at the Georgia Tech Meet (2:20.18) ... finished first in the 100 and 200 Breast against Southern Illinois (1:06.59 and 2:21.26) ... also picked up the victory in the 200 Breast against New Orleans and Cumberland (2:21.16) ... finished second in the 100 Breast at the Georgia Tech Meet (1:05.39) ... finished second in the 200 Breast at the SBC Championships (2:18.16) and third in the 100 Breast (1:04.39).

**High School:** At Woodrow Wilson High School, lettered four years ... coached by Mike Hovan ... in 2007 and 2008 was named All-Area ... finished in the top three in the 100 Breast three years ... also named All-District ... was the champion in the 100 Breast at the state meet in 2008 ... was a junior national qualifier.

**Personal:** Born May 20, 1990 in Dallas, Texas ... daughter of Maryann Martin ... majoring in exercise science with a minor in nutrition.

**Martin's Top Times**

100 Breast: 1:04.36  
 200 Breast: 2:17.00



### Kara McCarthy

Senior  
Alpharetta, Ga. (Northview)  
Breaststroke/IM

**As a Junior (2010-11):** In her third season on the Hill, Kara McCarthy competed in five different events, mainly breaststroke and individual medley, and did not finish outside of the Top 10. McCarthy scored in three events at the SBC Championships, her highest finish coming in the 200 breaststroke. She placed fifth with a time of 2:18.27 while finishing sixth in the 400 IM (4:25.27) and seventh in the 200 IM. Her top performance of the year was a runner-up finish in the 200 IM in a dual meet against Evansville.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** Kara McCarthy's second season at WKU featured three top-five finishes and participation in the 2010 SBC Championships. During the regular season, McCarthy's best performance came in the 100 breast against Xavier where she placed third with a time of 1:08.61. She also earned a fifth-place finish in the same event against Southern Illinois and a fourth-place finish in the 200 breast against New Orleans and Tulane. McCarthy scored in three events at the conference championship meet. She placed eighth in the 200 breast (2:22.87) and 200 IM (2:07.88) and ninth in the 400 IM (4:27.33).

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Took home the title in the 200 Breast at the SBC Championships with a time of 2:18.13 ... also at the SBC Championships, finished second in the 200 IM (2:03.59) ... Won the 200 Breast against Evansville with a time of 2:27.34 ... took home fifth place in the 100 Breast at the Oakland Quad Meet with a time of 1:07.32, second place in the 200 Breast (2:24.24) and third in the 200 IM (2:11.28) ... finished fifth at the Georgia Tech Meet in the 200 Breast (2:25.75) ... claimed fourth place in the 100 Breast against Evansville (1:09.66) ... finished second against Southern Illinois in the 100 Breast (1:08.15).

**High School:** Competed for Northview High School in Duluth, Ga. ... was a four-year starter ... as a sophomore, junior or senior was named a scholastic All-American for three years ... was a member of the 2007 state championship team ... also competed in the state finals in 2006, 2007 and 2008.

**Personal:** Born on August 30, 1990 in Charlottesville, Va ... parents are Jerry and Donna McCarthy ... majoring in biology with a minor in psychology and hopes to attend graduate school.

#### McCarthy's Top Times

200 Breast: 2:18.13  
200 IM: 2:03.59  
400 IM: 4:25.27



### Georgia Smith

Senior  
Muscle Shoals, Ala. (Muscle Shoals)  
Freestyle

**As a Junior (2010-11):** In her third season with the Lady Toppers, Georgia Smith posted 14 top-10 finishes and scored in two events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. Smith placed sixth in the 1,650 freestyle (17:14.39) and ninth in the 200 free (1:52.09). She won the 500 freestyle against Evansville in her best performance of the season. Smith had a strong meet against South Carolina and Vanderbilt, picking up a pair of top-10 performances, placing eighth in the 50 free and fifth in the 200 free.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In her second year at WKU, Georgia Smith finished her season with 13 top-10 finishes and finished outside of the top-10 only once. Her best performances of the year were a quartet of second-place finishes, two in the 100-fly and two in the 100-breast. Smith scored in two events at the 2010 SBC Championships, including a runner-up finish in the 100 breast with a time of 1:03.11. She also placed fifth in the 100 fly, touching in at 55.76.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Took home second place in the 200 Free at the Oakland Quad Meet with a time of 1:55.26 and finished fourth in the 500 Free (5:13.29) ... finished first in the 200 Free against New Orleans and Cumberland (1:55.31) ... placed sixth in the 100 Free at the Georgia Tech Meet (53.36) and in the 500 Free (5:10.84) ... against Evansville, finished second in the 1000 Free (1:56.45) ... finished fourth in the 200 Free against Southern Illinois (1:56.67).

**High School:** Competed for Jerry Mills at Muscle Shoals High School ... lettered as a freshman ... also played volleyball for the Trojans and lettered three years ... was a member of the Alabama North vs. South volleyball All-Star team ... was named MVP of the 2006 and 2007 volleyball team ... also was named First Team All-State in volleyball in 2006 and 2007.

**Personal:** Born April 10, 1990 in Florence, Ala. ... parents are Edward and Shelia Smith ... exercise science major with a nutrition minor.

#### Smith's Top Times

100 Free: 53.56  
200 Free: 1:51.97  
500 Free: 5:02.38



**Laurel Chaney**

**Junior**  
**Knoxville, Tenn. (Bearden)**  
**Backstroke/Freestyle**

**Chaney's Top Times**  
 100 Back: 55.48 200 Back: 1:59.74  
 200 IM: 2:04.70

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** In her second year at WKU, Laurel Chaney finished her season with nine top-5 finishes and finished outside of the top 10 only three times. Her times in the 100 and 200 backstroke rank among the top 5 on the squad for the year. Chaney scored in three events at the Sun Belt Conference Swimming and Diving Championships, her best finish fourth in the 100 back (55.63). She also finished 15th in the 50 freestyle (24.13) and seventh in the 200 back (2:02.17). Chaney tallied an event win in the 200 back against Evansville with a time of 2:07.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** In her first season at WKU, Laurel Chaney captured six top-five finishes in the 50 free and 100- and 200- freestyle events. Chaney's top performance of the season was a second-place finish in the 200 back in a double-dual meet against New Orleans and Tulane. Chaney also scored in two events at the 2010 SBC Championships (100- and 200-back). Her top finish was fifth place in the 200 back, clocking in at a season-best 2:03.34.

**High School:** Attended Bearden High School and lettered four years ... named an All-American all four years she swam for the Aquadawgs.

**Personal:** Born August 3, 1991 ... daughter of Kim Chaney and the late Rick Chaney ... majoring in health science.



**Caitlin Dean**

**Junior**  
**Grand Rapids, Mich. (Northview)**  
**Diving**

**Dean's Top Scores**  
 One-meter: 271.25 Three-meter: 261.55

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** Caitlin Dean's sophomore season at WKU included qualifying for NCAA Zone Diving with a score of 268.65 on the 1-Meter at the Hilltopper Invitational. She also finished third in that event at the Sun Belt Conference Swimming and Diving Championships. She scored a 271.25 on the 1-Meter at the conference meet and placed 11th in the 3-Meter event (202.55). Dean only finished outside the top four once.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** Caitlin Dean's first season at WKU saw her finish in the top 10 in all her events, including six meets where she finished in the top two. Dean picked up four wins throughout the year, including claiming the individual title in the 1-meter diving event at the 2010 SBC Championships, with a score of 259.95. Her other wins came against Xavier, Evansville and New Orleans and Tulane. Dean also placed fourth in the 3-meter diving event at the conference meet with a mark of 227.00.

**High School:** Four-year starter and letterwinner at Northview High School ... All-State her junior and senior seasons ... also named All-Conference her senior year ... picked up an All-American honor her senior year ... also voted the Most Valuable Diver for three years.

**Personal:** Born February 22, 1991 in Grand Rapids, Mich. ... daughter of Gordon and Brenda Dean ... majoring in elementary education ... hopes to join the Peace Corps after graduation.



**Noufissa Chbihi**

**Junior**  
**North Haven, Ct. (Belle Vue)**  
**Butterfly**

**University of Bridgeport (2009-10):** Swam for two seasons as a member of the Purple Knights swimming team at the University of Bridgeport...Was a member of the women's team that finished 14th at the 2010 NCAA Division II Women's Swimming and Diving Championships...Selected to represent her home country of Morocco at the 2010 African Open Swimming Championships...Individually, placed sixth in the 200-meter IM (2:28.31) and 200m fly (2:23.41) and eighth in the 400m IM (4:17.56)...Also helped the Moroccan team to fourth place finish in the 800-meter freestyle relay in national record time of 8:43.62...Anchored the 400m medley relay team to a second-place finish by swimming 59.32 in the 100m freestyle leg, also in national record time of 4:22.88.

**Personal:** Born June 21, 1990 in Menkes, Morocco...parents are Zakaria Chbihi and Fatiha Abraz...Majoring in civil engineering



**Ashley Lewis**

**Junior**  
**Elizabethtown, Ky. (Central Hardin)**  
**Backstroke**

**Lewis' Top Times**  
 100 Back: 58.12 200 Back: 2:08.25

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** In her second season with WKU, Ashley Lewis put together a season with six top-10 finishes. Lewis' best performance of the year came in a dual meet against Xavier where she finished third in the 100 backstroke (1:01.20). She also put together a pair of top-12 finishes in the meet against South Carolina and Vanderbilt (11th in the 100 back and 12th in the 200 back).

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** In her first season at WKU, Ashley Lewis recorded two top-10 finishes in the 100 back. Her best performance of the year was a fourth-place finish against Xavier on Nov. 7, 2009. She also placed ninth in the 100 back at the Hilltopper Invitational, touching in at 59.31.

**High School:** Four-year starter at Central Hardin High School in Cecilia, Ky. ... named to the All-Region team in 2004, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 ... school record holder in the 100 Back, 100 Free, 50 Free, 400 Free Relay and the 200 Medley Relay ... also holds the Region 3 Record in the 100 Back, 400 Free Relay and 200 Medley Relay.

**Personal:** Born July 5, 1991 ... daughter of Dale and Vicky Lewis ... majoring in communications.



**Hilary Mishler**

**Junior**  
**Crawfordsville, Ind. (Southmont)**  
**Backstroke/Freestyle**

**Mishler's Top Times**  
 100 Back: 54.32 200 Back 1:56.85  
 200 IM: 2:02.38

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** Hilary Mishler continued to build on the success she had as a freshman and put together a stellar sophomore season. Mishler swept the 100- and 200-backstroke events at the Sun Belt Conference Swimming and Diving Championships. She won the 100 back in an NCAA provisional qualifying tie of 54.39 and the 200 back in a school-record time of 1:56.85. Mishler also finished fourth in the 200 IM with a time of 2:02.38. She was part of the 200 medley relay team that swam a school-record time in the event at the SBC Championships. Mishler was named an Honorable Mention All-America by CollegeSwimming.com. On the season, she tallied eight event wins across three events. Against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic, Mishler swept the backstroke events.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** Hilary Mishler had a breakout first season on the WKU swimming and diving team as she was named the WKU Rookie of the Year, WKU Most Improved and earned *CollegeSwimming.com* Honorable Mention All-America honors. Mishler finished the year with 10 top-3 finishes and led the team both in the 100-and 200 back. At the 2010 SBC Championships, she scored in three events including a win in the 200 back with an NCAA "B" cut time of 1:56.92. She also placed second in the 200 IM with a time of 2:02.58 and touched in with another NCAA "B" cut time of 54.32 in the 100 back to place second. Mishler also picked up four additional wins in the 100 and 200 back events through the regular season.

**High School:** Four year starter at Southmont High School in Crawfordsville, Ind. ... selected as the MVP at Southmont all four years ... named all-conference all four years ... also a state qualifier for four years and a state finalist for three years ... was the sectional champion for seven events, the county champion for eight events and the conference champion for eight events in the Sagmore Athletic Conference ... also named an Academic All-American ... a multiple record holder ... placed fifth in the backstroke and eighth in the IM at the high school state meet in 2008.

**Personal:** Daughter of Gregory and Trisha Mishler ... born August 6, 1990 in Orrville, Ohio ... majoring in accounting ... sister, Brittany, and brother, Dane, swam at Ball State.



**Alexandra Van Oost**

**Junior**  
**Elgin, Ill. (Burlington Central)**  
**IM/Freestyle**

**Van Oost's Top Times**  
 100 Back: 57.16 200 Back: 1:57.74  
 400 IM: 4:20.29

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** Alex Van Oost had a strong sophomore season for the Lady Toppers, being named an Honorable Mention Mid-Major All-American at the end of the season. At the Sun Belt Conference Championships, Van Oost scored in three events, recording top-10 finishes in all her events. In the 400 IM, she finished runner-up in a school record time of 4:20.29. Van Oost placed fourth in the 200 backstroke and turned in an NCAA provisional qualifying time in the preliminaries of the event (1:57.74). Her third event was the 500 freestyle and she placed eighth. The sophomore tallied eight event wins on the season, including a win in the 200 backstroke against South Carolina and Vanderbilt. Van Oost also captured a pair of second-place finishes in the 1,000 freestyle and 200 backstroke against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** In her first season at WKU, Alexandra Van Oost proved to her teammates and coaches that she was a hardworker and was awarded the Most Dedicated honor at the end of year banquet. Van Oost posted 11 top-5 finishes on the year, including four wins in the 200 back and the 400 IM. She scored in three events at the 2010 SBC Championships, including a third-place finish in the 400 IM with a season-best time of 4:22.17. Van Oost also placed fourth in the 200 back (1:59.78) and 12th in the 500 free, touching in at 5:01.23.

**High School:** Lettered her freshman year at Burlington Central High School ... named to the All-American Scholastic Team ... competed with the Academy Bullets club team.

**Personal:** Born April 17, 1991 ... daughter of Bob and Anne Van Oost ... majoring in math and education ... hopes to teach high school math and coach high school swimming after college.



**Kylie Ruiz**

**Junior**  
**Oklahoma City, Okla. (West Moore)**  
**Diving**

**Ruiz's Top Scores**  
 One-meter: 251.92 Three-meter: 276.55

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** Kylie Ruiz missed part of her sophomore season due to a wrist injury but came back to posted a pair of top-10 finishes at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. Ruiz finished seventh on the 3-Meter (240.05) and 10th on the 1-Meter (210.40). She led the team in the 3-Meter diving event with a career-best scored of 276.55. Ruiz placed third three times (1-Meter vs. Evansville and at the Hilltopper Invite and 3-Meter at the Hilltopper Invite) and finished outside of the top 10 only once.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** Kylie Ruiz's first season at WKU featured six top-four finishes in the 1- and 3-meter events. Her best performance of the year was a first-place finish against Xavier, where she scored 229.50. Ruiz scored in two events at the 2010 SBC Championships, placing third on the 1-meter (241.00) and third on the 3-meter (242.85).

**High School:** Four-year starter at West Moore High School in Oklahoma City, Okla.

**Personal:** Born October 7, 1990 in Oklahoma City, Okla. ... parents are Scott and Cheryl Ruiz ... majoring in physical therapy.



**Katelyn Cato**

**Sophomore**  
**Lanesville, Ind. (Floyd Central HS)**  
**Backstroke**

**IUPUI (2010-11):** Finished eighth in the 'A' final of the 500 freestyle at the Summit League Championships ... prelim 500 freestyle time of 5:10.66 set a new school record in the event ... swam the anchor leg of the 200 freestyle relay that finished third at the league championships with a school-record time of 1:36.81 ... reached another school-record time in the prelims of the 200 freestyle timing in at 1:55.86, before finishing with a fifth-place time of 1:56:00 in the finals of the conference championships ... was a part of the first 400 medley relay quartet to eclipse four minutes at the Summit League Championships with a new school-record time of 3:57.36 ... secured another fifth-place finish, this time in the 200 backstroke of the Summit League Championships, with a school-record mark of 2:05.80 ... helped the 400 freestyle relay to a fourth-place finish setting a new school record with a time of 3:32.86 at the Summit League Championships ... named Summit League Female Swimmer of the Week on Oct. 12 ... posted 15 podiums in her first season as a Jaguar, which included 11 wins ... named the Sahn's Female Student-Athlete of the Month for February, 2011 ... named to the Academic Advisor's list following both semesters.

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner at Floyd Central High School in Floyd Knobs, Ind...Earned all-conference and all-section honors while qualifying for state all four years.

**Personal:** Born July 9, 1991 in Louisville, Ky...parents are Eddie and Julie Cato...Brother Andrew is also a swimmer at WKU...Majoring in exercise and hopes to pursue a master's degree in physical therapy.

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**Victoria Frascino**

**Sophomore**  
Sao Paulo, Brazil (Colegio Visconde de Porto Seguro)  
**Freestyle**

**University of North Florida (2010-11):** Spent her freshman year as a part of the swimming team at North Florida.

**High School:** Attended Colegio Visconde de Porto Seguro in San Paulo, Brazil...Won the Sao Paulo State Championship in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010...Recorded personal best times in the 200m individual medley short course (2:20), 400m individual medley short course (5:10) and 50m butterfly long course (0:28).

**Personal:** Born March 29, 1992 in Sao Paulo, Brazil...parents are Katia Hermyt Faria and Tito Livio Frascino... Has two older brothers, Juliano and Fabio, and an older sister Isabela... Majoring in advertising.



**Samantha Holmes**

**Sophomore**  
Bloomington, Ill. (Normal Community West)  
**Freestyle**

**Holmes' Top Times**  
200 Free: 1:58.61 500 Free: 5:00.73  
1,650 Free: 17:05.43

**As a Freshman (2010-11):** In her first season with WKU, Samantha Holmes was an important part of the distance team for the Lady Toppers. Holmes scored in two events at the Sun Belt Conference Swimming and Diving Championships. The freshman placed fifth in the 1,650 freestyle with a team-best time of 17:05.43, and 12th in the 500 freestyle (5:00.73). Holmes finished the season with 13 top-10 finishes. In a dual meet against Xavier, she swept the 500- and 1,000-freestyle events. Holmes added her third event win of the year in the 1,000 freestyle against Evansville.

**High School:** One-year letterwinner at Normal Community West High School in Normal, Ill....Also participated on the track and field team...Held several school and pool records as a member of the swim team.

**Personal:** Born February 14, 1992 in Bloomington, Ill....parents are Kevin and Tammy Holmes....majoring in biology, pre-med.



**Chelsea Jordan**

**Sophomore**  
The Woodlands, Texas (The Woodlands College Park)  
**Diving**

**Jordan's Top Scores**  
1-Meter: 220.05 3-Meter: 217.35

**As a Freshman (2010-11):** Chelsea Jordan competed in both diving events during her first season as a Lady Topper. Jordan scored in two events at the SBC Championships, earning her best finish (11th place) on the 1-Meter with a score of 208.65. She also placed 14th in the 3-Meter event with a 185.10. On the year, Jordan earned eight top-seven finishes and place fifth, her top finish of the year, at four different events. Against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic, she finished fifth on both the 1- and 3-Meter.

**High School:** Four-year started at The Woodlands College Park High School in The Woodlands, Texas...Lettered in academics all four years.

**Personal:** Born January 13, 1992 in Miami, Fla....parents are Robert and Lea Ann Jordan...majoring in biochemistry, pre-med.



**Elyse Madigan**

**Sophomore**  
Chicago, Ill. (Whitney M. Young)  
**Diving**

**Madigan's Top Scores**  
1-Meter: 150.80 3-Meter: 124.05

**As a Freshman (2010-11):** Elyse Madigan scored in two events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships in her debut season with the Lady Toppers. Madigan placed 16th (136.20) on the 1-Meter and also finished 16th (121.35) on the 3-Meter. Her best performance of the year was a trio of seventh-place finishes in a meet against Southern Illinois and at the Hilltopper Invitational.

**High School:** Earned two varsity letters as a member of the diving team at Whitney M. Young Magnet High School in Chicago, Ill....Began diving as a junior and was team captain for two seasons...Finished third at sectionals for the state meet her senior year followed a fourth-place finish as a junior...Also earned four varsity letters as a member of the softball team.

**Personal:** Born August 6, 1992 in Hammond, Ind....parents are David and Jean Madigan...majoring in communications.



**Courtney Marx**

**Sophomore**  
Cooper City, Fla. (Pembroke Pines)  
Butterfly

**Marx's Top Times**  
100 Free: 54.54 200 Fly: 2:04.36  
200 IM: 2:07.25

**As a Freshman (2010-11):** In her debut season with the Lady Toppers, Courtney Marx turned in 10 top-five finishes while competing in seven different events. Marx scored in two events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships, placing eighth in the 200 butterfly and 12th in the 200 IM. She had a pair of runner-up finishes on the season, in the 200 free (1:57.88) vs. Evansville and in the 100 butterfly (58.28) against Vanderbilt and South Carolina. That meet was strong for Marx as she also placed 3rd in the 200 butterfly.

**High School:** Four-year starter at Pembroke Pines Charter High School in Cooper City, Fla...Advanced to the Florida High School Athletic Association state finals each year...As a senior, Marx finished third in the 100 fly and was a member of the 400 freestyle relay which placed second... Earned All-American consideration in the 100 fly.

**Personal:** Born January 1, 1992 in Tallahassee, Fla.,,parents are Ed and Marie Marx...major is undecided.



**Katie McLean**

**Sophomore**  
Cumming, Ga. (Forsyth Central)  
Butterfly/IM

**McLean's Top Times**  
100 Fly: 1:00.23 200 Fly: 2:14.45  
200 IM: 2:09.52

**As a Freshman (2010-11):** In her debut season with the Lady Toppers, Katie McLean turned in eight top-10 finishes while competing in five different events. McLean participated in most butterfly and individual medley events. She finished runner-up in the 100 butterfly against Evansville in a season-best time of 1:00.23 and in the 200 IM against Xavier. Against South Carolina and Vanderbilt, McLean placed 12th in the 100 butterfly.

**High School:** Four-year starter at Forsyth Cental High School in Cumming, Ga.

**Personal:** Born June 9, 1992 in Baltimore, Md....parents are Jeff and Margaret McLean...majoring in photo journalism.



**Claire Conlon**

**Freshman**  
Pietermaritzburg, South Africa (The Wykeham Collegiate)  
Breaststroke

**High School:** Won the South African Short Course Championship in the 50-meter breaststroke with a time of 31.88 and the 100-meter breast with a time of 1:10.65.

**Personal:** Born August 19, 1992 in Johannesburg, South Africa...parents are Mickey and Kelley Conlon...Her major is economics.



**Taylor Counter**

**Freshman**  
Gering, Neb. (Scottsbluff)  
Breaststroke

**High School:** Lettered four years at Scottsbluff High School in Scottsbluff, Nebraska...Placed fourth in the 100 breast at the State Championships as a junior...Was state champion in the 100 breast as a senior.

**Personal:** Born May 25, 1993...parents are Ted and Trina Counter...Her major is psychology.





**Paige Drazga**

**Freshman**  
**South Lyon, Mich. (South Lyon)**  
**Freestyle**

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner and starter at South Lyon High School in South Lyon, Mich...The South Lyon Lions went undefeated during the 2011 season on their way to the Michigan State Championship... She was a member of the 200-freestyle relay team that won the event at the 2011 state meet.

**Personal:** Born November 9, 1993...parents are Michael and Lisa Drazga...Majoring in psychology.



**Alexandra Duff**

**Freshman**  
**Ontario, Canada (Ernestown Secondary School)**  
**Back/Free/IM**

**High School:** Swam for the Ernestown Barracudas Swim Club...Won a gold, two silvers and two bronze medals at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations events...Made the North American Challenge Cup team for Canada in 2008...Was also a senior national finalist in 2010 and 2011...She was named to the EBSC Swimmer of the Year from 2008-2011.

**Personal:** Born September 6, 1993...parents are William and Sandra Duff...Majoring in exercise science.



**Ashley Forsyth**

**Freshman**  
**Colorado Springs, Colo. (Cheyenne Mountain)**  
**Freestyle**

**High School:** Was a four-year letterwinner at Cheyenne Mountain High School in Colorado, Springs, Co...Was the Colorado 4A State Champion in the 500 freestyle as a sophomore and followed that up as the Colorado 4A State Champion in both the 200 and 500 freestyle...Was named an All-American in the 500 freestyle...Earned 4A Swimmer of the Year honors in 2010 and 2011...Four-time MVP of her swim team...Also lettered in softball as a freshman.

**Personal:** Born June 24, 1992 in Fort Bragg, N.C...parents are Michael and Maryellen Forsyth...Majoring in dietetics.



**Susan Marquess**

**Freshman**  
**Hopkinsville, Ky. (Hopkinsville)**  
**Freestyle**

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner at Hopkinsville High School in Hopkinsville, Ky...Earned All-State and All-American honors.

**Personal:** Born November 23, 1992 in Hopkinsville, Ky...parents are Charles and Keith Marquess...Plans to major in health care administration.



**Madison Mills**

**Freshman**  
**Alberta, Canada (Paul Kane)**  
**Freestyle**

**High School:** Was a member of the Olympian Swim Club...Earned most improved and most dedicated awards...Was a part of the 4x200 freestyle relay team that finished second at the 2008 Olympic Trials in Montreal.

**Personal:** Born May 4, 1993 in Kentsville, Nova Scotia, Canada...parents are Chris and Koree Mills...Plans to major in nursing.



**Hannah Runyon-Hass**

**Freshman**  
**Franklin, Tenn. (Ensworth)**  
**IM/Breaststroke**

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner at Ensworth High School in Nashville, Tenn...Earned All-State honors in the 100-yard breaststroke and 200 IM in 2010 and 2011 while winning the state championship in the 200 IM as a senior in 2011...Was named the 2011 MTHSSA Swimmer of the Year...Named a USA Swimming All-American in 2010 and 2011...Also ran three years of varsity cross country and one year of varsity track...Earned All-State honors in 2007 and 2009 at the Tennessee State High School Cross Country Championships (earning an 11th place finish both years)... Also earned All-State honors (7th place) in 2008 at the Tennessee State High School Track Championships...Earned Scholastic All-America honors in 2009 and 2011.

**Personal:** Born July 30, 1992 in Nashville, Tenn...parents are Art and Liz Runyon- Hass...Undecided on major.



**Whitney Spain**

**Freshman**  
**Bartlett, Tenn. (Arlington)**  
**Breaststroke**

**High School:** Led Arlington High School to the state championships and earned Team MVP honors...Was also the team captain.

**Personal:** Born May 11, 1993 in Memphis, Tenn...parents are Robin and Bonnie Spain...Plans to major in elementary education.



**Kreable Young**

**Freshman**  
**Birmingham, Ala. (Oak Mountain)**  
**Freestyle**

**High School:** Lettered as a senior at Oak Mountain High School in Birmingham, Ala...Earned most improved and swimmer of the year honors... Also garnered all-county and all-state awards...Was the Alabama High School State Champion in the 200 freestyle...As a part of the Hoover Blue Thunder club team, Young held the 500, 1,000 and 1,650 team records.

**Personal:** Born September 18, 1999 in Birmingham, Ala...parents are Jerome and Nan Young...Both her brothers were swimmers...Majoring in photo journalism.

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Name	Event(s)	Height	Year	Hometown/Previous School
Louis Bunch	BR/IM	6-1	Jr.	Morristown, Tenn. (Morristown West)
Andrew Cato	IM/BK	6-4	Fr.	Lanesville, Ind. (Floyd Central)
Chad Cown	BK/FR	6-5	Jr.	Bishop, Ga. (Oconee County)
Adam Dajka	BK/FR	6-1	Jr.	Budapest, Hungary (Kolcsey Ferenc)
Sam Dalton	BR/IM	5-9	So.	Johns Creek, Ga. (Northview)
Chris Donahue	Free	6-3	Sr.	Pensacola, Fla. (B.T. Washington)
Tyler Essary	Free	6-2	Fr.	Prattville, Ala. (Prattville)
Thomas Gasnick	Free	6-4	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Omaha Creighton Prep/Minnesota St.)
Tyler Groneck	Breast	6-0	Fr.	Taylor Mill, Ky. (Scott)
Jonathan Field	Diving	6-1	Sr.	Magnolia, Texas (Magnolia)
Joshua Hart	Diving	5-10	Fr.	Acworth, Ga. (Allatoona)
Chris Housden	BK/IM	6-4	Sr.	Franklin, Tenn. (Franklin)
Kevin Knezevich	FR/Fly	6-2	Sr.	Richmond, Ky. (Model Laboratory)
Billy Kunkel	Free	6-6	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Omaha Creighton Prep)
Llewellyn Little	Fly/IM	6-4	Fr.	Melbourne, Australia (Cadfield Grammar)
Elliott Lorson	Free	6-1	So.	Acworth, Ga. (North Cobb)
Adam Mayer	Free	5-11	Jr.	Munster, Ind. (Munster)
Luke Musser	BR/IM	5-9	Jr.	Overland Park, Kan. (Home School)
Seth Musser	BK/IM	5-8	Fr.	Overland Park, Kan. (Home School)
Ben Nichols	BR/IM	5-11	Jr.	Lexington, Ky. (Dunbar)
Zachary Payne	BK/Fly	5-7	Sr.	Tyrone, Ga. (Sandy Creek)
Adam Pendry	Fly/FR	5-6	Sr.	Lisle, Ontario (Home School)
David Rayner	IM/FR	5-9	Jr.	Baton Rouge, La. (Robert E. Lee)
Heitor Rodrigues	Fly/FR	5-9	So.	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Colegio Pitagoras)
Jim Ritter	Diving	6-4	Sr.	Bowling Green, Ky. (Bowling Green)
Vincent Rominger	Diving	6-0	Sr.	Battle Creek, Mich. (Lakeview)
Neal Rushing	Fly	6-4	So.	Jackson, Tenn. (Madison Academic Magnet)
Jacob Schoeff	Fly/BK	5-8	Fr.	Kennesaw, Ga. (Kennesaw Mountain)
Jordan Vorst	Free	6-6	Jr.	Independence, Ky. (Simon Kenton)
Michael Walsh	Free	5-10	Jr.	Ft. Wright, Ky. (Covington Catholic)
Cameron Watkins	Free	5-10	Sr.	Indianapolis, Ind. (North Central)
Lucas Zelehowsky	Fly/IM	5-7	So.	Auburn, NY (Auburn)

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## Classification:

### Seniors (9):

Chris Donahue  
Chris Housden  
Jonathan Field  
Kevin Knezevich  
Zachary Payne  
Adam Pendry  
Jim Ritter  
Vincent Rominger  
Cameron Watkins

### Juniors (11):

Louis Bunch  
Chad Cown  
Adam Dajka  
Thomas Gasnick  
Billy Kunkel  
Adam Mayer  
Luke Musser  
Ben Nichols  
David Rayner  
Jordan Vorst  
Michael Walsh

### Sophomores (5):

Sam Dalton  
Elliott Lorson  
Heitor Rodrigues  
Neal Rushing  
Lucas Zelehowsky

### Freshman (7):

Andrew Cato  
Tyler Essary

## 2011-12 Squad Breakdown

### Classification:

#### Freshman (7) cont:

Tyler Groneck  
Joshua Hart  
Llewellyn Little  
Seth Musser  
Jacob Schoeff

#### By State:

#### Kentucky (6):

Tyler Groneck  
Kevin Knezevich  
Ben Nichols  
Jim Ritter  
Michael Walsh  
Jordan Vorst

#### Georgia (5):

Chad Cown  
Sam Dalton  
Elliott Lorson  
Zachary Payne  
Jacob Schoeff

#### Tennessee (3):

Louis Bunch  
Chris Housden  
Neal Rushing

#### Alabama (1):

Tyler Essary

### By State:

#### Indiana (2):

Andrew Cato  
Adam Mayer  
Cameron Watkins

#### Florida (1):

Chris Donahue

#### Kansas (2):

Luke Musser  
Seth Musser

#### Louisiana (1):

David Rayner

#### Michigan (1):

Vincent Rominger

#### Nebraska (2):

Thomas Gasnick  
Bill Kunkel

#### New York (1):

Lucas Zelehowsky

#### Ohio (1):

Sean Shannon

#### Texas (1):

Jonathan Field

#### Outside USA (2):

Adam Dajka- Hungary  
Adam Pendry- Canada  
Heitor Rodrigues- Brazil  
Llewellyn Little- Australia

**Chris Donahue**

Senior  
Pensacola, Fla. (B.T. Washington)  
Freestyle

**As a Junior (2010-11):** In his third season on the Hill, Chris Donahue put together a season with nine top-10 finishes and capped it by scoring in three events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. His best finish at the conference meet was sixth in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 56.94. Donahue also placed 11th in the 200 breast (2:06.95) and 12th in the 50 free (21.23). He was also strong in meets against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic and South Carolina, posting a pair of top-10 finishes at each event. Donahue finished fourth in the 100 breast against the Gamecocks.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In his second season at WKU, Chris Donahue finished in the top-10 in all seven of the events in which he competed. His best performances of the year were a pair of second-place finishes, one in the 100 breast against Xavier (1:00.60) and one in the 200 breast against the Cumberlandds (2:16.44).

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Posted a time of 1:00.12 in the 100 Breast against New Orleans and Cumberland to place fifth ... picked up a fourth place finish against Evansville in the 200 Free (1:49.95) ... finished fifth in the 100 Breast against Southern Illinois (59.86).

**High School:** Attended B.T. Washington High School in Pensacola, Fla. ... lettered four years for Washington ... coached by Megan Blyth ... is the district record holder in the 200 Free Relay and recorded a time of 59.20 in the 100 Breast during high school.

**Personal:** Born on September 28, 1989 in Gulfport, Miss. ... Full name is Christopher Joseph Donahue ... parents are William and Beverly Donahue ... management major.

#### Donahue's Top Times

100 Breast: 56.94  
200 Breast: 2:06.95  
50 Free: 21.23

**Jonathan Field**

Senior  
Magnolia, Texas (Magnolia)  
Diving

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** In his first season with the Hilltoppers after transferring from New Orleans, Jonathan Field was an important part of the WKU diving team. Field won the 3-Meter event at the Sun Belt Conference Championship after qualifying for the finals with a season-best score of 325.25. He also placed fourth in the 1-Meter with a mark of 281.60. Following the conference meet, he competed at the NCAA Zone C Diving Championships. Field never finished lower than fourth in any meet during the season. He also won the 1-Meter at the Hilltopper Invitational. Against South Carolina, Field tallied a pair of third-place finishes.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** Member of the diving team at the University of New Orleans...Finished runner-up in the 3-meter diving event at the 2010 Sun Belt Conference Championships with a score of 336.20...Also placed sixth on the 1-meter (271.05).

**High School:** Dove for Magnolia High School...Broke high school record with a score of 461.36 at the 5A regional meet in 2008 at 1-meter...Top mark of 407.90 in the 3-meter competition at the USA Spring Junior West Championships...All-State in 2006, All-American in 2007 and 2008...AAU national finalist...2008 USA Diving West National Finalist...Age-group qualifier at 2008 Age Group Nationals...Finished in the top 10% with a 4.86 GPA... Graduated cum laude...Dove for Conroe Diving Club

**Personal:** Born Oct. 17, 1989 in Conroe, Texas ... son of Jack and Beth Field ... majoring in mechanical engineering.

#### Field's Top Scores

1-Meter: 281.60  
3-Meter: 325.25



**Chris Housden**

**Senior**  
**Franklin, Tenn. (Franklin)**  
**Backstroke/IM**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** In his third season with the Hilltoppers, Chris Housden competed in mostly backstroke and butterfly events while collecting 11 top-five finishes. Housden scored in three events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships, finishing in the top 10 in all events. His best finish was eighth in the 200 back. Housden also placed ninth in the 100 back (50.33) and 10th in the 100 fly (50.28) and was part of the 200 medley relay team that set a school record and placed first at the league meet. He picked up four event wins on the season between the 100-and 200-back and 100 fly. Housden won the 100 back against Georgia Tech with a time of 51.18. He also won both the 200 back (1:53.37) and the 100 fly (51.41) in a dual meet against Evansville.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In his second season at WKU, Chris Housden posted 10 top-five finishes between the five different events in which he competed. Housden's best performances of the year were a pair of first-place finishes in the 100 back, one against New Orleans (52.27) and another against Southern Illinois (50.70). He scored in three events at the 2010 SB Championships (100- and 200- back and 100 fly). Housden's top finish at the league meet was fifth place in the 100 back, touching in at 50.01. He placed eighth in both the 200 back and 100 fly. Housden never finished outside of the top 10 throughout the entire season.

**As a Freshman:** Finished fifth in the 200 Free at the Oakland Quad Meet with a time of 1:44.50 ... took home fourth in the 200 Free against New Orleans and Cumberland (1:45.52) ... placed third in the 100 Back against Evansville (53.57) ... also claimed fourth place in the 200 Free against Southern Illinois (1:44.35).

**High School:** Lettered four years for head coach Kate Chronic at Franklin High School ... was team captain his junior and senior years ... was a country (Williamson Co.) and region (Middle Tennessee region) record holder ... seven-time High School Athletic Association All-American ... was MVP his freshman, sophomore and junior seasons ... won the Rebel award his senior year.

**Personal:** Born March 25, 1990 in Kokomo, Indiana ... parents are Jerry and Charlotte Housden ... biology/pre-med major ... hopes to graduate and pursue a career in sports medicine.

**Housden's Top Times**

100 Fly: 49.42  
 100 Back: 50.33  
 200 Back: 1:48.67



**Kevin Knezevich**

**Senior**  
**Richmond, Ky. (Model Laboratory)**  
**Freestyle/Butterfly**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** In his second season with the Hilltoppers, Kevin Knezevich finished the year with six top-five finishes and was named a Mid-Major Honorable Mention All-American after posting an NCAA provisional qualifying time. He also scored in two events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships, including a runner-up finish in the 50 freestyle. Knezevich qualified for the finals with a season-best time of 20.54. He also earned fifth place in the 100 free with a time of 45.50. Knezevich picked up one event win on the season, capturing the 100 fly against Xavier. He also tallied a pair of top 10 finishes against South Carolina.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** Kevin Knezevich saw action in one dual meet against Evansville during his second season at WKU. He posted a time of 22.48 in the 50 free. Knezevich earned the WKU Coaches Award for his efforts during the year.

**High School:** Attended Model Laboratory High School in Richmond, Ky... lettered four years for Model Laboratory...coached by Tim Cahill...Earned all-conference and all-region honors...Holds the school record in the 100 fly with a time of 50.79...Was the 2007 state champion in the 100 Fly... Won the region championships in the 100 fly three straight-years...Also lettered in soccer, tennis, baseball, basketball and track.

**Personal:** Born on July 9, 1989 in Dallas, Texas ... parents are Richard and Karen Knezevich...majoring in exercise science.

**Knezevich's Top Times**

50 Free: 20.54  
 100 Free: 21.75  
 100 Fly: 50.57



**Zachary Payne**

**Senior**  
**Tyrone, Ga. (Sandy Creek)**  
**Backstroke/Butterfly**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** Zack Payne competed in three events and tallied six top-10 finishes in his third season at WKU. Payne finished runner-up in the 100 butterfly against Evansville with a season-best time of 52.15. He also placed third in the 100 fly against Xavier. In the meet against South Carolina, Payne picked up top-10 finishes in the 100 backstroke and 100 fly.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In Zack Payne's second season at WKU, he saw action in five meets and recorded six top-10 finishes. His best performance came against Evansville where he finished second in the 200 fly with a time of 1:59.54. Payne competed in the 100- and 200-fly and 100 back.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Finished fifth in the 200 Fly against New Orleans and Cumberland (1:57.09) ... picked up a fourth place finish at the Georgia Tech Meet in the 100 Fly (51.68) ... finished fourth in the 200 Fly against Evansville (1:57.24).

**High School:** Swam for Sandy Creek High School and lettered four years ... head coach was Evan Martin ... named to the All-County Team and was named MVP.

**Personal:** Born Zachary Jordan Payne on December 2, 1989 ... parents are Robert and Catherine Payne ... biology major with a minor in chemistry.

**Payne's Top Times**

100 Fly: 51.53  
 200 Fly: 1:54.56



**Adam Pendry**

**Senior**  
**Lisle, Ontario (Home School)**  
**Butterfly/Freestyle**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** In his third season with the Hilltoppers, Adam Pendry tallied 12 top-10 finishes among several freestyle and butterfly events. Pendry also scored in three events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships, finishing in the top 10 in each. He finished sixth in the 1,650 free (15:57.61), sixth in the 200 fly and ninth in the 500 free (4:33.85). His times in the 500 and 1,650 free ranked among the top five on the team. Pendry won a pair of events during the season, capturing the top spot in the 1,000 free against Evansville, and placing first in the 1,650 free at the Hilltopper Invitational. He also tallied a pair of top-10 finishes against South Carolina.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** Adam Pendry's second season at WKU included nine top-10 finishes, including one in the 200 fly at the 2010 SBC Championships. He finished ninth with a time of 1:52.96. Pendry also placed 11th in the 1,650 free, touching in at 16:05.68. His best performance in the regular season was a third-place finish in the 200 fly against the University of the Cumberlands, stopping the clock at 1:56.72.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Took home second in the 1000 Free in the Georgia Tech Meet (9:37.65) and in the 500 Free (4:39.54) ... finished fourth in the 200 Fly at the Oakland Quad Meet with a time of 1:55.17 ... posted a time of 1:56.32 to place fourth in the 200 Fly against New Orleans and Cumberland ... finished third in the 200 Fly against Evansville (1:55.69) ... also placed third in the 200 Fly against Southern Illinois (1:54.68) and fifth in the 500 Free (4:45.14).

**High School:** Coached by Kevin Thorburn and swam for ESwim ... was home schooled ... was a Canadian Olympic Trials finalist in the 200 Fly.

**Personal:** Born April 16, 2989 in Barrie, Ontario Canada ... parents are Steve and Lin Pendry ... a math major.

**Pendry's Top Times**

500 Free: 4:29.87  
 1,650 Free: 15:56.49  
 200 Fly: 1:49.34



**Jim Ritter**

**Senior**  
**Bowling Green, Ky. (Bowling Green)**  
**Diving**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** In his third season at WKU, Jim Ritter was an important part of the Hilltopper's diving team. Ritter did not finish below fifth-place during the regular season. At the Sun Belt Conference Championships, he placed third on both the 1- and 3-Meter. His season-best score of 325.55 in the preliminaries of the 3-Meter qualified him for the NCAA Zone C Diving Championships. Ritter competed in the prelims of both events at the Zone meet. His lone event win of the season came on the 1-Meter against Evansville.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In his second season at WKU, Jim Ritter recorded 11 top-five finishes and picked up four event wins. Ritter posted two wins on the 1-meter and two on the 3-meter, including his highest score in that event against Xavier where he scored 298.65. He scored in two events at the 2010 SBC Championships, placing third on the 1-meter (276.10) and seventh on the 3-meter (277.35). Over the summer, Ritter claimed a gold medal in the 3-meter event at the 2010 AAU Diving National Championships with a total score of 404.10. He finished fourth on the 1-meter.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Posted 194.50 points to place fifth at the Oakland Quad Meet in the one meter dive and placed fourth in the three meter dive with 208.75 points ... racked up 207.53 points in the three meter dive against New Orleans and Cumberland and 203.77 points to finish fourth in the one meter dive ... finished sixth in the one meter dive with 215.75 points at the Georgia Tech Meet and fifth in the three meter dive (246.55 points) ... finished fourth against Evansville in the three meter dive with 221.99 points and fifth in the one meter dive with 177.07 points ... finished fifth against Southern Illinois in the one meter dive with 221.47 points and fifth in the three meter dive (244.27).

**High School:** Lettered four years and started seven at Bowling Green High School ... attended his first state meet in seventh grade ... placed fifth at the state meet ... broke six dive meet pool records.

**Personal:** Born on April 13, 1990 in Louisville, Ky. ... parents are Mark and Lisa Ritter ... international business major ... full name is James Dallas Ritter.

**Ritter's Top Scores**

One-meter: 298.80  
 Three-meter: 325.55



**Vincent Rominger**

**Senior**  
**Battle Creek, Mich. (Lakeview)**  
**Diving**

**As a Junior (2010-11):** In his third season at WKU, Vincent Rominger continued to be a vital part of the Hilltoppers' diving team. Rominger did not finish below sixth-place during the regular season. At the Sun Belt Conference Championships, he placed second on the 1-Meter and fourth on the 3-Meter. His season-best score of 323.85 against Evansville qualified him for the NCAA Zone C Diving Championships. Rominger competed in the prelims of both events at the Zone meet. His lone event win of the season came on the 3-Meter at the Hilltopper Invitational.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In his second season at WKU, Vinny Rominger posted eight top-five finishes and placed second four times during the season. Rominger finished second three times on the 1-meter and once on the 3-meter. He scored in two events at the 2010 SBC Championships, placing fourth on the 1-meter (275.75) and eight on the 3-meter (260.50). Both marks represented season high's for Rominger. Over the summer, he picked up two medals at the 2010 AAU Diving National Championships. Rominger claimed silver on the 3-meter and bronze on the 1-meter.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Won the one meter diving title against Evansville with 249.15 points and placed third in the one meter dive (233.40 points) ... placed second against Southern Illinois in the one meter dive (251.17 points) and third in the three meter dive (249.45 points) ... collected 245.47 points to finish second in the three meter dive against New Orleans and Cumberland and finished second in the one meter dive with 216.22 points ... finished fifth in the one meter dive at the Georgia Tech Meet with 224.90 points and fourth in the three meter dive (252.55 points).

**High School:** Swam for coach Racheal Herpin at Lakeview High School ... lettered and started all four years ... named SMAC EAsT All-Conference for years ... a four-time All-State selection ... also named an All-American for times ... served as the Spartans' team captain for two years ... led the team to two state championships.

**Personal:** Born on January 14, 1990 in Pittsburgh, Pa. ... parents are Bill and Kathy Rominger ... interdisciplinary studies major.

**Rominger's Top Scores**

One-meter: 301.80  
 Three-meter: 323.85



### Cameron Watkins

Senior  
Indianapolis, Ind. (North Central)  
Freestyle

**As a Junior (2010-11):** Cameron Watkins' third season on the Hill saw him place among the top seven 11 times and score in three events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. Watkins' placed seventh in the 100 back (50.05) and seventh in the 200 back, qualifying with a season-best mark of 1:49.06. He also touched in at 51.19 in the 100 butterfly to place 11th. Watkins tallied three third-place finishes during the year, including placing third in the 100- and 200-back against Southern Illinois. He had a strong meet against South Carolina, finishing fourth in the 100 back and sixth in the 200 back.

**As a Sophomore (2009-10):** In his second season at WKU, Cameron Watkins led the Hilltoppers in the 100 back with a time of 49.58 and claimed the Sun Belt Conference individual title in the event at the league championships. Watkins scored in two other events at the event, placing sixth in the 200 back (1:49.20) and 12th in the 100 fly (51.22). He posted eight top-five finishes on the season, including three additional event wins coming in the 100- and 200-back.

**As a Freshman (2008-09):** Took home fifth place at the Oakland Quad Meet in the 100 Back (52.96) and fourth place in the 200 Back (1:55.09) ... finished third in the 100 Back against New Orleans and Cumberland (52.49) ... placed fifth in the 200 Back at the Georgia Tech Meet (1:55.11) ... claimed fourth place against Evansville in the 100 Back (53.62) ... also placed fifth in the 100 Back against Southern Illinois (52.83) and in the 200 Back (1:54.99).

**High School:** Lettered four years at North Central High School and won two team state championships with the Panthers ... was named All-State six times and is a seven-time All-American in the Metropolitan Interscholastic Conference ... was named Academic All-Conference four times.

**Personal:** Born May 3, 1990 in Indianapolis, Ind. ... parents are Roy and Carol Watkins ... majoring in mechanical engineering ... wants to attend graduate school.

#### Watkins' Top Times

100 Back: 49.58  
200 Back: 1:49.06  
200 IM: 1:55.61



### Louis Bunch

Junior  
Morristown, Tenn. (Morristown West)  
Breaststroke/IM

**Bunch's Top Times**  
200 Free: 1:41.91 200 Breast: 2:06.15  
200 IM: 1:52.53 400 IM: 4:00.83

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** Louis Bunch had a strong second season for the Hilltoppers, competing mostly in breaststroke and individual medley events. Bunch posted 10 top-10 finishes on the year and scored in three events at the Sun Belt Conference Swimming and Diving Championships. His best finish at the league meet was ninth in the 400 IM with a time of 4:01.45. He also placed 10th in the 200 breast (2:06.15) and 15th in the 200 IM. Bunch picked up two-fourth place finishes, one against Evansville in the 200 free and the other in the 400 IM at the Hilltopper Invitational.

**As a Freshman(2009-10):** Louis Bunch's first season at WKU included nine top-10 finishes and scoring in three events at the 2010 SBC Championships. His best performance of the year came against Evansville with a third-place finish in the 200 IM with a time of 2:01.97. At the conference meet, Bunch placed in the top-16 in the 200 breast, 200- and 400-IM. His highest finish was 10th in the 400 IM with a time of 4:02.96.

**High School:** Swam at Morristown West High School in Morristown, Tenn. ... four-year letterwinner for the Trojans ... was named an All-American in 2008 in the 200 IM.

**Personal:** Born on August 23, 1990 ... son of Arnold Jr. and Caroline Bunch ... majoring in economics.



### Chad Cown

Junior  
Bishop, Ga. (Oconee County)  
Backstroke/Freestyle

**Cown's Top Times**  
50 Free: 20.73 100 Free: 47.30  
100 Fly: 52.28

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** In his second season on the Hill, Chad Cown put together a season with six top-10 finishes in four different events. Cown picked up his best finish of the year in a dual meet against Evansville. He finished fifth in the 50 freestyle with a time of 22.82. He also placed ninth in the 50 free against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic. Cown also competed in the 100 free in that tri-meet.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** In his first season at WKU, Chad Cown saw action in two dual meets with his best performance, a third-place finish in the 50 free against Cumberland.

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner at Oconee County High School ... team captain for the Warriors ... Junior National Qualifier ... named Most Improved Swimmer ... also named to the All-State team.

**Personal:** Born June 14, 1991 ... son of Gene and Nancy Cown ...majoring in marketing.





**Adam Dajka**

**Junior**  
 Budapest, Hungary (Kolcsey Ferenc)  
 Backstroke/Freestyle

**Dajka's Top Times**  
 200 Free: 1:44.45 500 Free: 4:25.47  
 100 Back: 49.64 200 Back: 1:46.40

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** Adam Dajka had a breakout season in his first year with the Hilltoppers. Dajka was named a Mid-Major Honorable Mention All-American by CollegeSwimming.com after posted an NCAA provisional qualifying time in the 500 freestyle and the 200 back. He touched in at 4:25.47 in a runner-up finish in the 500 free at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. Also at the conference meet, he finished third in the 200 back with a 1:46.40. Dajka wrapped his first SBC meet with a fifth-place finish in the 100 backstroke, touching in a 49.46. He was also a part of the relay team that set a school record in the 800 freestyle relay. Dajka posted four event wins on the season, including sweeping the 100- and 200-backstroke at the Hilltopper Invitational. He also had strong performances against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic and South Carolina, picking up a pair of top-five finishes at both meets.

**High School:** Swam for BVSC in Budapest, Hungary...In 2007, finished fifth in the 400-meter freestyle at the European Junior Championships with a time of 3:55.67...Also placed third as a member of the 400m medley relay...At the 2010 European Championships, placed 22nd in the 200m backstroke.

**Personal:** Born on August 5, 1989 in Budapest, Hungary...parents are Gabor Dajka and Veronica Toth.....majoring in business economics.



**Billy Kunkel**

**Junior**  
 Omaha, Neb. (Omaha Creighton Prep)  
 Freestyle

**Kunkel's Top Times**  
 50 Free: 20.51 100 Free: 44.72  
 200 Free: 1:37.84

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** In only his second season with the Hilltoppers, Billy Kunkel had a breakout season that saw him win the 200 freestyle at the Sun Belt Conference Championships and be named a Mid-Major Honorable Mention All-American with an NCAA provisional time of 1:37.84 in the 200 freestyle. Kunkel also finished third in the 100 free with a time of 44.72 and place fourth in the 50 free. Also at the conference meet, he was part of three relay teams (200 freestyle, 800 freestyle and 400 medley) that set school records. On the season, Kunkel tallied 13 event wins over the 50-, 100- and 200-freestyle and 100 breaststroke and he never finished lower than fourth in any event. In the dual meet against South Carolina, he swept the 50- and 100-freestyle while placing second in the 200 free. He also swept the 100- and 200-freestyle events against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** Bill Kunkel had a breakout season in 2009-10, being named WKU Rookie of the Year and winning the individual title in the 100 free at the 2010 SBC Championships. Kunkel claimed the title with a team-leading time of 44.91. He also placed second in the 50 free (20.70) and third in the 200 free (1:39.67) at the conference meet. On the season, Kunkel finished in the top five in 16 events, including nine event wins, six of which came in the 100 free.

**High School:** Started and lettered four years at Omaha Creighton Prep school ... five-time state champion ... US Open qualifier ... three-time team state champion.

**Personal:** Born July 10, 1991 ... son of Tom and Geraldine Kunkel ... majoring in accounting ... hopes to climb Mt. Everest one day.



**Thomas Gasnick**

**Junior**  
 Omaha, Nebraska (Omaha Creighton Prep)  
 Freestyle

**Minnesota State (2009-11):** Was the school record holder in the 200 freestyle...Was the conference champion in the 50 and 200 freestyle...Also qualified for the Division II National Championship meet in the 50, 100 and 200 freestyle as a freshman.

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner and starter at Creighton Prep High School in Omaha, Neb...Part of a state championship his sophomore, junior and senior years...Also a state qualifier and All-American as a junior and a senior...Named a team captain his senior year.

**Personal:** Born December 22, 1990...parents are Joe Gasnick and Maureen Dolson...Plans to major in business with an emphasis in finance.



**Adam Mayer**

**Junior**  
 Munster, Ind. (Munster)  
 Freestyle

**Mayer's Top Times**  
 100 Free: 49.80 200 Free: 1:45.75  
 100 Fly: 52.75

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** In his second season with WKU, Adam Mayer collected nine top-10 finishes on the year while mostly competing in freestyle events. Mayer placed fourth in the 200 freestyle (1:46.26) at the Hilltopper Invitational and matched that season best finish in the 1,000 free against Evansville. He also picked up a pair of top-10 finishes against Georgia Tech and South Carolina, the best sixth place in the 200 free against Georgia Tech.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** In his first season at WKU, Adam Mayer posted four top-5 finishes between the 100-, 200-, 500- and 1,000-free events. Mayer's best performance of the season came with a win in the 500 free against Evansville. He touched in at a season-best 4:50.78 to claim his first collegiate victory.

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner at Munster High School ... won the Most Improved swimmer award his junior year ... named All-Conference his senior year ... was also a high school sectional champion and an all-state participant.

**Personal:** Born March 29, 1991 ... son of Michael and Sharon Mayer ... social studies major.



**Luke Musser**

**Junior**  
**Overland Park, Kan.**  
**Breaststroke/IM**

**Musser's Top Times**  
 100 Breast: 54.84 200 Breast: 2:01.83  
 200 IM: 1:50.60

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** In only his second season with the Hilltopper, Luke Musser had a breakout season that included winning the 100 breaststroke event at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. Musser claimed the win in a school-record time of 54.84. The time also represented an NCAA provisional qualifying time, leading Musser to earn Mid-Major Honorable Mention All-America honors from CollegeSwimming.com at the end of the year. Also at the SBC meet, he finished sixth in the 200 breast (2:01.96) and ninth in the 200 IM (1:51.62). Musser was also a member of the 200- and 400-medley relay teams that set school records. He tallied eight event wins on the season and never finished outside the top 10 in the breaststroke and individual medley events. He was critical in meets against South Carolina and Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic, claiming a pair of top-three finishes in both events. Musser finished the year with a total of 12 top-three finishes.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** In his first season at WKU, Luke Musser led the Hilltoppers in the 100 breast with a time of 55.70 and the 200 breast with a mark of 2:01.83. Both times came at the 2010 SBC Championships where he was runner-up in the 100 breast and placed fourth in the 200 breast. Musser also placed 12th in the 200 IM, touching in at 1:52.19. On the year, he recorded 11 top-2 finishes with three wins in the 100 breast and five wins in the 200 breast.

**High School:** Competed for the Kansas City Blazers ... holds the state record in the 100 Breast ... named an All-American in the 100 Breast and the 200 IM.

**Personal:** Born October 10, 1990 in Kansas ... son of Philip and Cathy Musser ... majoring in electrical engineering.



**Ben Nichols**

**Junior**  
**Lexington, Ky. (Dunbar)**  
**Breaststroke/IM**

**Nichols' Top Times**  
 100 Breast: 59.94 200 Breast: 2:16.44  
 200 IM: 2:02.17

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** Ben Nichols competed in four events and tallied a pair of top-10 finishes in only his second season at WKU. Nichols placed fifth in the 100 breaststroke against Evansville, his best of the year. He also finished sixth in the 100 breast against Southern Illinois with a career-best time of 59.94.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** In Ben Nichol's first season at WKU, he saw action in four meets and recorded three top-10 finishes. His best performance came against the University of the Cumberland where he finished fourth in the 100 breast with a time of 1:01.44. Nichols competed in the 50 free, 100- and 200- breast and the 200 IM.

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner at Dunbar High School ... set the team record in the 200 Medley Relay ... named to the Academic All-State team.

**Personal:** Born August 21, 1991 in Lexington, Ky. ... son of Ernie and Sandy Nichols ... majoring in biology and pre-medicine ... hopes to attend medical school.



**David Rayner**

**Junior**  
**Baton Rouge, La. (Robert E. Lee)**  
**IM/Freestyle**

**Rayner's Top Times**  
 200 Free: 1:40.28 500 Free: 4:33.01  
 1,000 Free: 9:18.85 400 IM: 4:02.63

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** In his second season with WKU, David Rayner was a versatile member of the team, competing in nine different events during the year. At the Sun Belt Conference Championships, Rayner scored in two events, finishing among the top 10 in both the 1,650 free and the 400 IM. He finished fifth in the 1,650 free (15:51.41) and seventh in the 400 IM (4:02.80). Rayner scattered three runner-up finishes over the season, two coming in distance freestyle events and the other coming in the 200 IM against Evansville. He had a strong event against Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic, placing third in the 500 free and fifth in the 1,000 free. Against Xavier, Rayne finished third in the 100-, 200- and 500-freestyle events. He finished the year with 14 top-five finishes.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** David Rayner's first season at WKU included 10 top-five finishes, including an event win in the 1,000 free against the University of the Cumberland. He touched in at a season-best 9:43.74. Rayner scored in three events at the 2010 SBC Championships (200- and 500-free and 1,650 free). His best finish came in the 1,650 free when he placed fourth with a time of 15:50.65. Rayner placed eighth in the 200 free (1:44.85) and 11th in the 500 free (4:35.72).

**High School:** Attended Robert E. Lee High School ... named All-Conference, All-State and was the team MVP ... broke the Division 4 1993 Steve Carter record in the 500 and 200 Free ... won the Damon McCoy award for three years ... was the high point winner for seven consecutive years ... a Senior National Qualifier in the 1000 Free.

**Personal:** Born August 10, 1990 ... son of Harry and Ellen Rayner ...majoring in pre-medicine ... brothers, Alex and Ben, swam at Delta State ... Alex coaches the Crawfish Aquatics.

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**Jordan Vorst**

**Junior**  
Independence, Ky. (Simon Kenton)  
Freestyle

**Vorst's Top Times**  
50 Free: 21.20 100 Free: 47.37  
100 Breast: 56.71 100 Fly: 49.57

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** Jordan Vorst's second season the Hill saw him post 11 top-10 finishes while placing in the top-10 in two events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. Vorst finished fourth in the 100 breast (56.71) and eighth in the 100 butterfly (49.57). He also placed 11th in the 50 free with a time of 21.20. Vorst's best swim of the season came when he finished runner up in the 50 free against Evansville. He also finished sixth in the 50 free against South Carolina.

**As a Freshman (2009-10):** In his first season at WKU, Jordan Vorst saw action in five meets and recorded three top-10 finishes. His top performance of the year came at the University of Tennessee qualifier meet where he posted times of 21.67 in the 50-free, 47.83 in the 100-free, and 1:01.29 in the 100-breaststroke.

**High School:** Five year starter ... named All-Region and team MVP for the Pioneers ... set high school records in the 50 Free, 100 Free, 100 Breast, 200 Medley Relay, 200 Free Relay, 500 Free and the 200 Free.

**Personal:** Born April 22, 1991 ... son of David and Janet Vorst ... majoring in exercise science ... hopes to be a physical therapist.



**Sam Dalton**

**Sophomore**  
Johns Creek, Ga. (Northview)  
Breaststroke/IM

**Dalton's Top Times**  
100 Breast: 58.82 200 Breast: 2:04.18  
200 IM: 1:51.29 400 IM: 3:56.98

**As a Freshman (2010-11):** Sam Dalton had a stellar season as a freshman for the Hilltoppers. Dalton finished the season with 15 top-five finishes and placed in the top 10 in three events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. His best finish was fifth in the 400 IM with a time of 3:56.98. Dalton also placed sixth in the 200 IM and seventh in the 200 breast. He picked up a pair of event wins on the season, claiming the 200 IM at both the Hilltopper Invitational and the dual meet against Southern Illinois. Dalton was stellar in the meet against South Carolina, placing fifth in the 100 breast, 200 breast and the 200 IM.

**High School:** Attended Northview High School in Johns Creek, Ga....lettered four years for Northview...coached by Collin Maloney...is the school record holder in 200 IM and 100 breast along with being a member of the record setting 400 freestyle relay, 200 medley relay and 200 freestyle relay teams...Placed second in the 200 IM at the state championships...earned All-State honors in 2008 and 2010... was team captain both junior and senior year.

**Personal:** Full name is Charles Samuel Dalton...parents are Charles and Su Dalton...born on April, 8, 1992 in Singapore... majoring in biology, pre-med.



**Michael Walsh**

**Junior**  
Ft. Wright, Ky. (Covington Catholic)  
Freestyle

**Walsh's Top Times**  
50 Free: 22.46 100 Free: 47.15  
100 Back: 53.31

**As a Sophomore (2010-11):** Michael Walsh's second season on the Hill saw him compete in the 100- and 200-backstroke along with the 100 freestyle events. Walsh turned in his best finish of the year against Evansville where he placed fourth in the 100 back with a time of 55.08. He swam his season-best time of 54.65 against Southern Illinois. Walsh finished the year with four top-10 finishes.

**As a Freshman(2009-10):** In his first season at WKU, Michael Walsh saw action in three meets and posted two top-10 finishes. His top performance of the year came at the Hilltopper Invitational where he finished eighth in the 100 back with a time of 54.52. Walsh competed in the 50- and 100-free and 100- and 200-back.

**High School:** Four-year starter at Covington Catholic ... was a member of the 4x4 Free Relay state championship team.

**Personal:** Born October 11, 1990 ... son of Craig and Peggy Walsh ... majoring in pre-medicine.



**Elliott Lorson**

**Sophomore**  
Acworth, Ga. (North Cobb)  
Freestyle

**Lorson's Top Times**  
500 Free: 4:44.52 1,000 Free: 9:54.64  
1,650 Free: 16:49.86

**As a Freshman (2010-11):** In his debut season with WKU, Elliot Lorson finished top 10 in all races in which he competed. Lorson saw action in several distances of freestyle and also the 200 butterfly. He finished runner up in the 1,000 freestyle against both Xavier (10:02.59) and Evansville (10:06.20). Lorson also tallied a pair of top-10 finishes against South Carolina, placing fifth in the 500 free and seventh in the 1,000 free.

**High School:** Attended North Cobb High School in Kennesaw, Ga., lettered four years for North Cobb...Made the junior national cut in the 1,000 free as a junior...Finished third in Cobb County in the 500 free...Finished fourth in 500 free at state championships meet...Member of first-place 800 free relay team as a senior... Still holds the school record in the 200 and 500 free...high school coach attended WKU.

**Personal:** Full name is Elliott Wayne Lorson...parents are Philippe and Milla Lorson...born on August 11, 1991...majoring in chemistry with a minor in broadcasting.



**Heitor Rodrigues**

Sophomore  
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Colegio Pitagoras)  
Butterfly/Freestyle

**Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (2010-11):** Was a two time finalist in World Cup of Rio de Janeiro and a finalist for Brazil Open

**High School:** Was a four-time junior nationals champion (2005-2007)...Also was a finalist at Brazilian Nationals (2007) and World Cup-Belo Horizonte Stage (2007)

**Personal:** Born September 9, 1990 in Bareetos, Spain...parents are Welerson and Hercilia Rodrigues...plans to major in economics.



**Neal Rushing**

Sophomore  
Jackson, TN (Madison Academic Magnet)  
Butterfly

**Rushing's Top Times**  
500 Free: 4:34.24 1,650 Free: 15:59.82  
200 Fly: 1:53.96

**As a Freshman (2010-11):** In his debut season with the Hilltoppers, Neal Rushing posted nine top-10 finishes and scored in three events at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. Rushing placed seventh in the 1,650 free (15:59.82) and seventh in the 200 fly. He also finished 11th in the 500 free with a time of 4:34.24. His best finish of the regular season came with third-place finishes in the 100 fly against Evansville and the 200 fly at the Hilltopper Invitational. Rushing also had a pair of top-10 finishes against South Carolina; placing sixth in the 200 fly (1:59.42) and sixth in the 500 free (4:59.10).

**High School:** Attended Madison Academic Magnet High School in Jackson, Tenn....started swimming in seventh grade for Union Swim Club in Jackson...After his junior year in high school, started swimming for the Nashville Aquatic Club and dropped 12 seconds on his time in the 200 butterfly.

**Personal:** Full name is Neal Taylor Rushing...parents are Wayne and Lisa Rushing...born May, 6, 1991 in Jackson, Tenn....major is undecided.



**Lucas Zelehowsky**

Sophomore  
Auburn, NY (Auburn HS)  
Butterfly/IM

**Zelehowsky's Top Times:**  
200 IM: 1:51.58 400 IM: 4:05.47  
100 Breast: 58.54

**As a Freshman (2010-11):** In Lucas Zelehowsky's debut season with the Hilltoppers, he tallied 15 top-eight finishes and captured three top-10 finishes at the Sun Belt Conference Championships. Zelehowsky placed seventh in the 200 IM and placed eighth in both the 400 IM (4:05.47) and the 100 breast (58.45). He won the 200 butterfly in a meet against Evansville. He also tallied top-five finishes in the 200 fly against both Georgia Tech and Florida Atlantic and versus South Carolina.

**High School:** Attended Auburn High School in Auburn, NY...lettered four years for Auburn...four-time High School All-American...also earned scholastic All-American honors for his work in the classroom.

**Personal:** Full name is Lucas Zelehowsky...parents are Gary and Barbara Zelehowsky...born on September 27, 1991 in Auburn, NY...majoring in civil engineering.



**Andrew Cato**

Freshman  
Lanesville, Ind. (Floyd Central)  
IM/Backstroke

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner and starter at Floyd Central High School in Floyd Knobs, Ind...Earned all-conference honors four times and all-state honors three times...Was named an All-American in 2009, 2010 and 2011...Held the school record in the 100 backstroke, 100 breaststroke, 100 freestyle and the 200 IM... Also the conference record holder in the 100 backstroke and the 200 IM.

**Personal:** Born September 24, 1992 in Louisville, Ky...parents are Eddie and Julie Cato...Sister Katelyn is also a member of the WKU swimming team...Plans to major in business.

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**Tyler Essary**

**Freshman**  
**Prattville, Ala. (Prattville)**  
**Freestyle**

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner and starter at Prattville High School in Prattville, Ala...Was a team captain...Qualified for the YMCA Nationals and the SE Championships...Advanced to the finals at the Alabama State Championships...Held the Prattville Swim League records in the 50 free, 100 free, 200 free, 100 back and 200 back.

**Personal:** Born September 8, 1992 in Great Falls, Montana... parents are Gary and Christine Essary...Plans to major in photo journalism.



**Tyler Groneck**

**Freshman**  
**Taylor Mill, Ky. (Scott)**  
**Breaststroke**

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner at School High School in Taylor Mill, Ky....Named Second-team All-State and earned all-region honors...Was the school record holder in the 100 butterfly (51.01) and the 100 breaststroke (58.44)...At the Kentucky State Championships, he placed second in the 100 butterfly and fourth in the 100 breaststroke.

**Personal:** Born September 10, 1993 in Taylor Mill, Ky...parents are Jeff and Dawn Groneck...Plans to major in mechanical engineering and after graduation pursue a career in the automobile industry.



**Joshua Hart**

**Freshman**  
**Acworth, Ga. (Allatoona)**  
**Diving**

**High School:** Four-year letterwinner and starter at Allatoona High School in Acworth, Ga...Led his team to a third place finish at the state meet as a junior and a senior...Also place first in the county in his senior season.

**Personal:** Born February 2, 1993 in Kennesaw, Ga...parents are Eric and Laura Hart...plans to major in computer science.



**Llewlynn Little**

**Freshman**  
**Melbourne, Australia (Caulfield Grammar)**  
**Butterfly/IM**

**High School:** Was Australian age champion in 2007...Also the Australian National Age Medalist from 2006-2011...Competed at the World School Games in 2009.

**Personal:** Born March 12, 1992 in Hong Kong, China...mother is Denise Tucker...plans to major in international affairs and politics.



### Seth Musser

Freshman  
Overland Park, Kan.  
Backstroke/IM

**High School:** Musser was a part of the relay team that held the state record in the 400-freestyle relay...Also placed first in the 50 free and 100 free at the state meet...Part of a relay team that was first in the 200-freestyle relay at the conference meet.

**Personal:** Born December 9, 1992 in Missouri...parents are Phil and Cathy Musser...Brother Luke is also a member of the WKU Swimming Team...Plans to major in business economics.



### Jacob Schoeff

Freshman  
Kennesaw, Ga. (Kennesaw Mountain)  
Butterfly/Backstroke

**High School:** Four-year letter winner at Kennesaw Mountain High School in Kennesaw, Ga. Earned team MVP honors three years and was a team captain as a senior. Two time Scholastic All-American and All-Time High Point Scorer for his high school team. Swam Tidal Wave Swimming club team for coach Jim McGinnis. Seven time Georgia All-Star.

**Personal:** Born November 8, 1992 in Atlanta, Ga...parents are Tim and Elise Schoeff...plans to major in biology (pre-med) and attend medical school after graduation.

## 2010-11 WKU Women's Swimming and Diving Results

Date	Opponent/Event	Result
October 16	(1) South Carolina	L, 104-195
October 16	(1) Vanderbilt	W, 235-58
October 23	(2) Florida Atlantic	W, 210-85
October 23	(2) Georgia Tech	W, 152.5-147.5
November 6	Xavier	W, 119-80
November 19-21	(3) Hilltopper Invitational	1st (1,161 pts)
December 4	Evansville	W, 164-111
January 15	Indian River State College	W, 112-62
January 29	Southern Illinois	W. 170-127
February 23-26	(4) Sun Belt Championships	2nd (795 pts)

- (1) Vanderbilt Tri Meet (Nashville, Tenn.)
- (2) Georgia Tech Tri Meet (Atlanta, Ga.)
- (3) Hosted by Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Ky.
- (4) Dallas, Texas

## 2010-11 WKU Men's Swimming and Diving Results

Date	Opponent/Event	Result
October 16	(1) South Carolina	L, 97-203
October 23	(2) Florida Atlantic	W, 185-113
October 23	(2) Georgia Tech	W, 151-149
November 6	Xavier	W, 119-80
November 19-21	(3) Hilltopper Invitational	1st (1,347 pts)
November 20	Eastern Illinois	W, 79-68
December 4	Evansville	W, 163-94
January 15	Indian River State College	W, 108-100
January 29	Southern Illinois	W, 170-127
February 23-26	(4) Sun Belt Championships	2nd (943.5 pts)

- (1) Vanderbilt Tri Meet (Nashville, Tenn.)
- (2) Georgia Tech Tri Meet (Atlanta, Ga.)
- (3) Hosted by Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Ky.
- (4) Dallas, Texas

**Sun Belt Conference Championship Women’s Team Results**

- 1. Denver .....924.5
- 2. Western Kentucky University ..... 795**
- 3. North Texas .....677
- 4. FIU .....391.5
- 5. Florida Atlantic .....291
- 6. UALR.....168

**2011 WKU Team Award Winners**

- Most Valuable: Claire Donahue
- Most Dedicated: Alex Van Oost
- Most Improved: Alex Van Oost
- Rookie of the Year: Samantha Holmes
- Academic Award: Hilary Mishler
- Oil Can Award: Kaitlyn Casper
- Most Dedicated-Dryland: Laurel Chaney

**2010-11 Sun Belt Conference  
Championship WKU Individual Scoring**

- 1. Claire Donahue - 97
- 2. Kristiann Feeser - 81.5
- 3. Claire Alexandre - 79
- 4. Hilary Mishler - 73.5
- 5. Chelsea Stephens - 48
- 6. Brittany Doss - 45.5
- 7. Alex VanOost - 41
- 8. Kara McCarthy - 40
- 9. Laurel Chaney - 37
- 10. Stephanie Martin - 34
- 11. Meredith DeMent - 22.5
- 12. Caitlin Dean - 22
- 13. Georgia Smith - 21.5
- 14. Margaret Stringer - 20
- 15. Kylie Ruiz - 19
- 16. Sam Holmes - 19
- 17. Courtney Marx - 16
- 18. Krista Mantay - 15
- 19. Kaitlin Casper - 13
- 20. Chelsea Larsen - 12
- 21. Jana Kahrig - 10
- 22. Chelsea Jordan - 6
- 23. Shelby Smith - 4
- 24. Elyse Madigan - 2

**Sun Belt Conference Championship Men’s Team Results**

- 1. Denver .....1,009
- 2. Western Kentucky University .....943.5**
- 3. Florida Atlantic .....694.5

**2011 WKU Team Award Winners**

- Most Valuable: Nick Slattery
- Most Dedicated: Nick Slattery
- Most Improved: Jordan Vorst
- Rookie of the Year: Sam Dalton
- Academic Award: Sean Shannon
- Oil Can Award: Michael Walsh
- Most Dedicated-Dryland: Adam Pendry

**2010-11 Sun Belt Conference  
Championship WKU Individual Scoring**

- 1. Billy Kunkel - 88
- 2. Nick Slattery - 87
- 3. David Menchinger - 78.5
- 4. Kevin Knezevich - 76.5
- 5. Luke Musser - 60.5
- 6. Adam Dajka - 55.5
- 7. Sean Shannon - 41.5
- 8. Sam Dalton - 39
- 9. Chris Housden - 35.5
- 10. Adam Pendry - 35
- 11. Johnny Field - 35
- 12. Lucas Zelehouski - 34
- 13. Ethan Arave - 34
- 14. Jim Ritter - 32
- 15. Vinny Rominger - 32
- 16. Jordan Vorst - 32
- 17. Cameron Watkins - 30
- 18. David Rayner - 30
- 19. Neil Rushing - 30
- 20. Chris Donahue - 24
- 21. Louis Bunch - 18
- 22. William Varley - 16



## Hilltoppers, Lady Toppers Finish Runner Up at 2011 SBC Championships

**DALLAS, Texas** - The Western Kentucky University men's and women's swimming and diving teams each finished in second-place as the 2011 Sun Belt Conference Swimming and Diving Championships came to a close Saturday at Rockwall Aquatics Center of Excellence in Rockwall, Texas.

The University of Denver swept both the men's and women's team titles with 1,009 points and 924.5 points, respectively. The Hilltoppers finished with 943.5 points while the Lady Toppers tallied 795 points.

"Obviously our main goal was to win both and with the men it basically came down to the last couple of events, and over a four-day competition, I couldn't be more proud of them," WKU coach Bruce Marchionda said. "On paper Denver was just supposed to win by a landslide and for us to be up by two points going into the last day and battling back and forth, I just can't say enough about the men's team and really stepping up and meeting the challenge.

"On the women's side we obviously fell short, but we had some great swims and a lot of school records."

WKU head coach Bruce Marchionda was named the Men's Swimming Coach of the Year and senior Claire Donahue earned Women's Swimmer of the Year honors for the second consecutive season.

"We got second place and I got coach of the year basically because nobody thought anybody could challenge Denver and they did it," Marchionda said. "We will regroup and our goal will be to win both next year."

Donahue capped her fourth and final conference meet with a first-place finish in the 200-yard butterfly event, touching in at 1 minute, 57.77 seconds. Donahue has won both the 100y and 200y butterfly events at the conference meet each of the last four seasons. Courtney Marx (2:06.56) and Chelsea Larsen (2:07.12) also finished in the top 16.

Lady Toppers sophomore Hilary Mishler set a new SBC meet, school and conference record in the 200y backstroke on her way to a first-place finish in the event. Mishler's time of 1:56.85 also represented an NCAA provisional qualifying mark. Alex Van Oost also finished in the top five with a time of 1:58.66.

WKU senior Claire Alexandre finished runner up in the 100y freestyle with a mark of 50.16, just four-hundredths of a second behind Denver's Rachel Burns.

Samantha Holmes was the top finisher for the Lady Toppers in the 1,650 freestyle as was Stephanie Martin in the 200y breaststroke. Holmes placed fifth with a time of 17:05.43 while Martin finished fourth with a time of 2:17.98. In the preliminaries of the 200y breast, Martin posted a time of 2:17.00, setting a new school record.

The quartet of Donahue, Kristiana Feeser, Alexandre and Meredith Dement posted a school-record time of 3:22.14 in the women's 400y freestyle relay.

In women's 3-meter diving, sophomore Caitlin Dean placed third with a score of 271.25. Margaret Stringer and Kylie Ruiz also placed in the top 10.

Hilltoppers senior Nick Slattery capped his final conference meet by setting a school record in the 200y butterfly, posting a time of 1:46.56, breaking the previous record of 1:47.73 set by Endi Babi in 2009. Adam Pendry, Neal Rushing and Ethan Arave all placed in the top 10.

The 200y backstroke event was the strongest event of the night on the men's side. The Hilltoppers tried to keep pace with the Pioneers by placing five swimmers in the top eight, led by sophomore Adam Dajka. Dajka placed third with a time of 1:46.40. David Menchinger (1:47.01) finished fourth followed by Arave (1:48.46) in fifth, Cameron Watkins (1:49.71) in seventh and Chris Housden (1:51.53) in sixth.

WKU sophomore Billy Kunkel picked up a third-place finish in the 100y freestyle, posting a 44.72 and classmate Luke Musser finished sixth in the 200y breaststroke with a time of 2:01.96. Both were the top finishers in their event for the Hilltoppers.

In the 1,650y freestyle event, David Rayner led the way for WKU with a fifth-place finish, touching in at 15:51.41. Pendry (15:57.61) and Rushing (15:59.82) finished sixth and seventh, respectively.

Over the four-day meet, the two teams combined to set 18 school records, tallied 22 NCAA provisional qualifying times and one automatic qualifying time.

"Right now what we are going to do is regroup and see who makes the NCAA meet and prepare them to do that so that Western Kentucky gets the name out and gets national recognition," Marchionda said."

**2011 Sun Belt Men's  
Head Coach of the Year  
Bruce Marchionda**

**2011 Sun Belt Women's  
Swimmer of the Year  
Claire Donahue**

**50 Free**

Claire Donahue.....	22.72
Claire Alexandre.....	23.23
Claire Donahue.....	23.53
Meredith Dement.....	24.02
Claire Alexandre.....	24.07

**100 Free**

Claire Alexandre.....	50.16
Claire Alexandre.....	51.25
Claire Donahue.....	51.75
Meredith Dement.....	51.76
Jana Kahrig.....	52.71

**200 Free**

Claire Alexandre.....	1:50.91
Claire Alexandre.....	1:51.97
Georgia Smith.....	1:51.97
Claire Alexandre.....	1:52.22
Claire Alexandre.....	1:54.72

**500 Free**

Alex Van Oost.....	4:57.62
Samantha Holmes.....	5:00.73
Alex Van Oost.....	5:01.14
Krista Mantay.....	5:03.35
Samantha Holmes.....	5:04.82

**1000 Free**

Samantha Holmes.....	10:27.96
Alex Van Oost.....	10:28.28
Samantha Holmes.....	10:28.99
Samantha Holmes.....	10:29.30
Alex Van Oost.....	10:32.10

**1650 Free**

Samantha Holmes.....	17:05.43
Georgia Smith.....	17:14.39
Krista Mantay.....	17:17.91
Samantha Holmes.....	17:31.69
Georgia Smith.....	17:45.31

**100 Back**

Hilary Mishler.....	54.39
Hilary Mishler.....	55.53
Laurel Chaney.....	55.63
Kristiana Feeser.....	55.79
Hilary Mishler.....	56.29

**200 Back**

Hilary Mishler.....	1:56.85
Alex Van Oost.....	1:57.74
Hilary Mishler.....	1:58.81
Alex Van Oost.....	1:59.47
Laurel Chaney.....	2:02.17

**100 Breast**

Brittany Doss.....	1:02.27
Brittany Doss.....	1:03.43
Chelsea Stephens.....	1:03.58
Chelsea Stephens.....	1:03.75
Brittany Doss.....	1:04.86

**200 Breast**

Stephanie Martin.....	2:17.00
Kara McCarthy.....	2:18.27
Stephanie Martin.....	2:19.06
Stephanie Martin.....	2:19.12
Chelsea Stephens.....	2:20.13

**100 Fly**

Claire Donahue.....	51.68
Claire Donahue.....	51.95
Claire Donahue.....	52.79
Claire Donahue.....	54.69
Kristiana Feeser.....	54.79

**200 Fly**

Claire Donahue.....	1:56.50
Claire Donahue.....	1:57.77
Claire Donahue.....	1:59.50
Claire Donahue.....	2:02.38
Claire Donahue.....	2:02.77

**200 IM**

Hilary Mishler.....	2:02.38
Kristiana Feeser.....	2:03.31
Kara McCarthy.....	2:04.42
Claire Alexandre.....	2:04.48
Kaitlyn Casper.....	2:07.61

**400 IM**

Alex Van Oost.....	4:20.29
Kara McCarthy.....	4:25.27
Alex Van Oost.....	4:25.35
Stephanie Martin.....	4:29.00
Chelsea Larsen.....	4:31.90

**1-Meter Diving**

Caitlin Dean.....	271.25
Caitlin Dean-Z.....	268.65
Caitlin Dean.....	261.90
Caitlin Dean.....	253.65
Caitlin Dean.....	251.02

**3-Meter Diving**

Kylie Ruiz.....	276.55x
Caitlin Dean.....	261.55
Kylie Ruiz.....	255.80
Caitlin Dean.....	253.65
Kylie Ruiz.....	251.92

**200 Yard Freestyle Relay**

1:32.16- Claire Donahue, Claire Alexandre, Chelsea Stephens, Kristiana Feeser
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**400 Freestyle Relay**

3:22.14- Claire Donahue, Kristiana Feeser, Claire Alexandre, Meredith Dement
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**800 Freestyle Relay**

7:27.17- Claire Alexandre, Kristiana Feeser, Laurel Chaney, Alex Van Oost
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**200 Yard Medley Relay**

1:39.79- Hilary Mishler, Brittany Doss, Claire Donahue, Kristiana Feeser
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**400 Yard Medley Relay**

3:39.60- Hilary Mishler, Brittany Doss, Claire Donahue, Claire Alexandre
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## 2010-11 MEN'S TOP TIMES

### 50 Free

Billy Kunkel.....	20.51
Kevin Knezevich.....	20.54
Billy Kunkel.....	20.78
Billy Kunkel.....	20.87
William Varley.....	20.87

### 100 Free

Billy Kunkel.....	44.72
Billy Kunkel.....	45.09
Kevin Knezevich.....	45.50
Billy Kunkel.....	45.69
Sean Shannon.....	45.83

### 200 Free

Billy Kunkel.....	1:37.84
David Menchinger.....	1:38.90
Billy Kunkel.....	1:39.41
Billy Kunkel.....	1:39.73
Billy Kunkel.....	1:39.95

### 500 Free

Adam Dajka.....	4:25.47
David Menchinger.....	4:28.65
David Menchinger.....	4:33.69
Adam Pendry.....	4:33.69
Sean Shannon.....	4:33.85

### 1000 Free

David Rayner.....	9:44.04
David Rayner.....	9:50.88
Adam Pendry.....	9:51.51
Sean Shannon.....	9:53.49
Elliot Lorson.....	9:54.64

### 1650 Free

David Rayner.....	15:51.41
Adam Pendry.....	15:57.61
Neal Rushing.....	15:59.82
Adam Pendry.....	16:19.33
David Rayner.....	16:30.03

### 100 Back

Nick Slattery.....	49.41
Adam Dajka.....	49.64
Cameron Watkins.....	50.05
Ethan Arave.....	50.10
Chris Housden.....	50.33

### 200 Back

Adam Dajka.....	1:46.40
David Menchinger.....	1:47.01
Ethan Arave.....	1:48.46
Adam Dajka.....	1:48.51
Chris Housden.....	1:48.57

### 100 Breast

Luke Musser.....	54.84
Luke Musser.....	56.45
Jordan Vorst.....	56.71
Chris Donahue.....	56.94
Billy Kunkel.....	57.18

### 200 Breast

Luke Musser.....	2:01.96
Sam Dalton.....	2:04.18
Luke Musser.....	2:05.41
Sam Dalton.....	2:05.79
Louis Bunch.....	2:06.15

### 100 Fly

Nick Slattery.....	47.45
Nick Slattery.....	48.82
Nick Slattery.....	49.34
Jordan Vorst.....	49.57
Nick Slattery.....	49.74

### 200 Fly

Nick Slattery.....	1:45.56
Nick Slattery.....	1:49.92
Adam Pendry.....	1:51.52
Nick Slattery.....	1:52.11
Nick Slattery.....	1:52.29

### 200 IM

Sam Dalton.....	1:51.29
Lucas Zelehowsky.....	1:51.58
Luke Musser.....	1:51.62
Louis Bunch.....	1:53.16
David Rayner.....	1:53.19

### 400 IM

Sam Dalton.....	3:56.98
Sam Dalton.....	4:00.91
Louis Bunch.....	4:01.45
David Rayner.....	4:02.80
Lucas Zelehowsky.....	4:05.47

### 1-Meter Diving

Vinny Rominger.....	301.80
Jim Ritter.....	298.80
Jim Ritter.....	291.35
Jonathan Field.....	281.60
Vinny Rominger.....	279.95

### 3-Meter Diving

Jim Ritter.....	325.55
Jonathan Field.....	325.25
Vinny Rominger-Z.....	323.85x
Vinny Rominger.....	312.80
Jim Ritter.....	302.25

### 200 Yard Freestyle Relay

1:20.43- Kevin Knezevich, David Menchinger,  
Billy Kunkel, Nick Slattery

### 400 Yard Freestyle Relay

2:59.03- Kevin Knezevich, Billy Kunkel,  
David Mechinger, Nick Slattery

### 800 Yard Freestyle Relay

6:30.94- David Menchinger, Adam Dajka,  
Billy Kunkel, Sean Shannon

### 200 Yard Medley Relay

1:29.00- Chris Housden, Luke Musser,  
Nick Slattery, David Menchinger

### 400 Yard Medley Relay

3:14.56- Nick Slattery, Luke Musser,  
Kevin Knezevich, Billy Kunkel

**50 Free**

Brandi Carey.....	22.61.....	2001
Claire Donahue.....	22.72.....	2011
Claire Alexandre.....	23.16.....	2009
Stephanie Terrell.....	23.21.....	2009
Jennifer Adams.....	23.40.....	2009

**100 Free**

Brandi Carey.....	49.47.....	2001
Claire Alexandre.....	50.16.....	2011
Claire Donahue.....	50.27.....	2011
Jennifer Adams.....	50.34.....	2009
Megan Zerhusen.....	50.34.....	2002

**200 Free**

Brandi Carey.....	1:48.11.....	2001
Claire Alexandre.....	1:49.11.....	2011
Sydney Mountford.....	1:49.24.....	2000
Megan Zerhusen.....	1:51.41.....	2002
Maggie Skiles.....	1:51.62.....	2009

**500 Free**

Sydney Mountford.....	4:51.64.....	2002
Claire Alexandre.....	4:54.78.....	2009
Krista Mantay.....	4:56.57.....	2008
Raichelle King.....	4:57.06.....	2006
Maggie Skiles.....	4:57.46.....	2009

**1000 Free**

Raichelle King.....	10:13.84.....	2006
Krista Mantay.....	10:16.44.....	2008
Samantha Holmes.....	10:18.11.....	2011
Sydney Mountford.....	10:22.05.....	2000
Georgia Smith.....	10:22.85.....	2011

**1650 Free**

Raichelle King.....	16:55.54.....	2008
Krista Mantay.....	16:58.15.....	2008
Samantha Holmes.....	17:05.43.....	2011
Jennifer Piloto.....	17:14.15.....	1998
Georgia Smith.....	17:14.39.....	2011

**100 Fly**

Claire Donahue.....	51.68.....	2011
Chelsea Stephens.....	54.75.....	2008
Kristiana Feeser.....	54.79.....	2011
Brandi Carey.....	55.68.....	2001
Jana Kahrig.....	56.42.....	2011

**200 Fly**

Claire Donahue.....	1:56.41.....	2009
Jordan Beck.....	2:03.64.....	2006
Courtney Marx.....	2:04.26.....	2011
Jennifer Johnson.....	2:04.91.....	2004
Brandi Carey.....	2:05.00.....	2001

**100 Back**

Stephanie Terrell.....	53.88.....	2009
Hilary Mishler.....	54.32.....	2010
Jessica Aspinall.....	55.02.....	2009
Jennifer Adams.....	55.24.....	2009
Kristiana Feeser.....	55.57.....	2010

**200 Back**

Hilary Mishler.....	1:56.85.....	2011
Alex Van Oost.....	1:57.74.....	2011
Stephanie Terrell.....	1:58.89.....	2009
Jessica Aspinall.....	1:59.09.....	2009
Laurel Chaney.....	2:02.17.....	2011

**100 Breast**

Brittany Doss.....	1:02.27.....	2011
Chelsea Stephens.....	1:02.93.....	2010
Cassie Fahlender.....	1:03.25.....	2005
Brandi Carey.....	1:04.15.....	2002
Stephanie Martin.....	1:04.36.....	2010

**200 Breast**

Stephanie Martin.....	2:17.00.....	2011
Kara McCarthy.....	2:18.13.....	2009
Cassie Fahlender.....	2:18.73.....	2005
Bev Robertson.....	2:19.52.....	2000
Brittany Doss.....	2:19.96.....	2008

**200 IM**

Brandi Carey.....	1:59.56.....	2001
Hilary Mishler.....	2:02.38.....	2011
Kristiana Feeser.....	2:03.04.....	2010
Kathryn Sutton.....	2:03.46.....	2010
Kara McCarthy.....	2:03.59.....	2009

**400 IM**

Alex Van Oost.....	4:20.29.....	2011
Kathryn Sutton.....	4:21.95.....	2010
Kara McCarthy.....	4:25.27.....	2011
Kate Sweeney.....	4:26.13.....	2009
Courtney Sorrell.....	4:26.38.....	2009

**One-Meter Dive (6 Dives)**

Marci Kacsir.....	284.03.....	2003
Michelle Lynch.....	276.25.....	2000
Emily Waits.....	276.08.....	2009
Caitlyn Dean.....	271.25.....	2011
Trish Mupfudze.....	261.90.....	2003

**Three-Meter Dive (6 Dives)**

Bridget Carreiro.....	287.40.....	2005
Michelle Lynch.....	277.90.....	1999
Marci Kacsir.....	267.53.....	2003
Trisha Mupfudze.....	267.45.....	2005
Erica Wilson.....	253.50.....	2009

## WKU MEN'S ALL-TIME TOP PERFORMERS

### 50 Free

Steve Crocker	19.75	1985
Kicker Vencill	20.08	2000
Kyle Johnson	20.18	2009
Dan Powell	20.20	1986
David Tucker	20.28	2002

### 100 Free

Kicker Vencill	43.78	2000
Mike Podbielski	44.59	2009
Lukasz Herbst	44.71	2007
Billy Kunkel	44.72	2011
Steve Crocker	44.90	1985

### 200 Free

David Menchinger	1:37.79	2011
Billy Kunkel	1:37.84	2011
Kicker Vencill	1:38.02	2000
Lukasz Herbst	1:38.18	2006
Sean Penhale	1:38.19	2009

### 500 Free

Sean Penhale	4:20.18	2009
Adam Dajka	4:25.47	2011
Scott Cummins	4:28.15	1994
Karl Swanson	4:28.49	2005
David Menchinger	4:28.65	2011

### 1000 Free

Sean Penhale	9:00.97	2009
Karl Swanson	9:24.49	2004
Scott Cummins	9:27.69	1995
Sean Shannon	9:28.56	2009
Dean Cheek	9:31.04	2002

### 1650 Free

Sean Penhale	14:54.14	2009
Karl Swanson	15:27.74	2005
Scott Cummins	15:33.38	1995
Dean Cheek	15:43.59	2001
Sean Shannon	15:46.76	2008

### 100 Fly

Nick Slattery	47.45	2011
Kevin Knezevich	47.70	2011
Chad Waits	48.53	2004
Ryan Crosby	48:74	2002
Jordan Vorst	49.07	2011

### 200 Fly

Nick Slattery	1:46.56	2011
Endi Babi	1:47.73	2009
Chad Waits	1:48.74	2004
Cameron Higdon	1:49.02	2010
Adam Pendry	1:49.39	2009

### 100 Back

Gord Veldman	47.96	2001
Nick Slattery	49.30	2011
Francis Gilmore	49.50	2008
Ethan Arave	49.58	2011
Cameron Watkins	49.58	2010

### 200 Back

Gord Veldman	1:46.18	2000
Adam Dajka	1:46.40	2011
Ethan Arave	1:47.29	2010
David Menchinger	1:47.01	2011
Francis Gilmore	1:47.31	2008

### 100 Breast

Luke Musser	54.84	2011
Cameron Brown	55.53	2009
Byan Mell	55.93	2009
Travano McPhee	56.19	2006
Jon Myers	56.36	2009

### 200 Breast

Cameron Brown	2:00.69	2009
Andrew Priest	2:00.86	2006
Luke Musser	2:01.83	2010
Travano McPhee	2:02.88	2006
Pete Carey	2:03.09	1999

### 200 IM

Greg Gerum	1:48.85	2010
Brian Lewis	1:50.03	2008
Cameron Higdon	1:50.07	2009
Sam Dalton	1:51.29	2011
Paul Graves	1:51.44	2005

### 400 IM

Karl Swanson	3:55.18	2005
Greg Gerum	3:56.27	2010
Sam Dalton	3:56.32	2011
Lucas Zelehowsky	3:57.69	2011
Paul Graves	3:58.32	2005

### One-Meter (6 Dives)

Rick Kral	318.00	1978
Peyton Thomas	317.55	2008
Vinny Rominger	301.80	2011
Jim Ritter	298.80	2011
Jonathan Field	296.80	2011

### Three-Meter (6 Dives)

Peyton Thomas	329.45	2007
Jim Ritter	325.55	2011
Jonathan Field	325.25	2011
Vinny Rominge	296.35	2011
Matt Kragh	291.05	1993

**Western Kentucky University Swimming and Diving  
Women's Records**

<b><u>EVENT</u></b>	<b><u>RECORDHOLDER</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>
50 Freestyle	Brandi Carey	22.61	11/29/01
100 Freestyle	Brandi Carey	49.47	12/1/01
200 Freestyle	Brandi Carey	1:48.11	11/30/01
500 Freestyle	Sydney Mountford	4:51.64	2/14/02
1,000 Freestyle	Raichelle King	10:13.84	2/4/06
1,650 Freestyle	Raichelle King	16:55.25	3/1/08
100 Butterfly	Claire Donahue	51.68	3/18/11
200 Butterfly	Claire Donahue	1:56.41	3/21/09
100 Backstroke	Stephanie Terrell	53.88	2/19/09
200 Backstroke	Hilary Mishler	1:56.85	2/26/11
100 Breaststroke	Brittany Doss	1:02.27	2/25/11
200 Breaststroke	Stephanie Martin	2:17:00	2/26/11
200 Individual Medley	Brandi Carey	1:59.56	11/30/01
400 Individual Medley	Alex Van Oost	4:20.29	2/25/11
One Meter Dive (6)	Marci Kacsir	284.03	1/11/03
Three Meter Dive (6)	Bridget Carriero	287.40	11/13/04
Three Meter Dive (11)	Michelle Lynch	465.60	2/15/01
Three Meter Dive (12)	Emily Watts	426.75	2/16/06
200 Medley Relay	Mishler (26.03) Doss (28.12) Donahue (22.95) Feeser (22.69)	1:39.79	2/23/11
400 Medley Relay	Mishler (54.99) Doss (1:02.73) Donahue (51.58) Alexandre (50.20)	3:39.50	2/19/10
200 Freestyle Relay	Alexandre (23.16) Donahue (22.68) Terrell (23.05) Adams (22.74)	1:31.63	2/19/09
400 Freestyle Relay	Donahue (50.27) Feeser (50.89) Alexandre (49.93) Dement (51.05)	3:22.14	2/26/11
800 Freestyle Relay	Alexandre (1:49.20) Feeser (1:52.38) Chaney (1:52.19) Van Oost (1:53.40)	7:27.17	2/23/11

**Western Kentucky University Swimming and Diving  
Men's Records**

<b><u>EVENT</u></b>	<b><u>RECORDHOLDER</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>
50 Freestyle	Steve Crocker	19.75	3/28/85
100 Freestyle	Kicker Vencill	43.78	12/4/99
200 Freestyle	David Menchinger	1:37.79	2/23/11
500 Freestyle	Sean Penhale	4:20.18	2/20/09
1,000 Freestyle	Sean Penhale	9:00.97	2/21/09
1,650 Freestyle	Sean Penhale	14:54.14	2/21/09
100 Butterfly	Nick Slattery	47.45	2/25/11
200 Butterfly	Nick Slattery	1:46.56	2/26/11
100 Backstroke	Gord Veldman	47.96	12/1/01
200 Backstroke	Gord Veldman	1:46.18	2/26/00
100 Breaststroke	Luke Musser	54.84	2/25/11
200 Breaststroke	Cameron Brown	2:00.69	2/21/09
200 Individual Medley	Greg Gerum	1:48.85	2/18/10
400 Individual Medley	Karl Swanson	3:55.18	2/18/05
One Meter Dive (6)	Rick Kral	318.00	2/30/78
Three Meter Dive (6)	Peyton Thomas	321.08	10/25/08
Three Meter Dive (11)	Chris Jircitano	459.60	11/21/81
Three Meter Dive (12)	R.J. King	488.20	2/18/06
200 Medley Relay	Housden (23.44) Musser (24.65) Slattery (20.89) Menchinger (20.02)	1:29.00	2/23/11
400 Medley Relay	Slattery (49.30) Musser (53.99) Knezevich (47.41) Kunkel (43.86)	3:14.56	2/25/11
200 Freestyle Relay	Knezevich (20.60) Menchinger (20.07) Kunkel (19.47) Slattery (20.29)	1:20.43	2/24/11
400 Freestyle Relay	Podbielski (44.59) Johnson, K. (44.52) Herbst (44.41) Miller (45.30)	2:58.82	2/20/09
800 Freestyle Relay	Menchinger (1:37.79) Dajka (1:37.14) Kunkel (1:36.18) Shannon (1:39.83)	6:30.94	2/23/11

**Men**

Alabama A&M.....	4-0
Appalachian State.....	1-0
Arkansas-Little Rock.....	4-0
Auburn.....	0-1
Ball State.....	8-9
Berea.....	1-0
Boston College.....	1-0
Bowling Green State.....	2-0
Bradley.....	3-3
Butler.....	6-0
John Brown.....	1-0
Centenary.....	1-0
Central Michigan.....	1-0
Centre.....	7-0
Cincinnati.....	3-0
<b>Clemson.....</b>	<b>0-1</b>
College of Charleston.....	7-0
Colby.....	1-0
<b>Cumberland College.....</b>	<b>5-0</b>
Davidson.....	1-0
Delta State.....	3-0
Drury.....	3-2
Duke.....	1-0
Eastern Illinois.....	14-5
Eastern Kentucky.....	10-4
Emory.....	6-0
Evansville.....	43-0
<b>Fairmont State.....</b>	<b>First Meeting</b>
Florida A&M.....	1-0
<b>Florida Atlantic.....</b>	<b>1-0</b>
Georgia Southern.....	3-0
Georgia State.....	1-0
<b>Georgia Tech.....</b>	<b>12-4</b>
Hanover.....	1-1
Henderson State.....	2-0
Illinois-Chicago.....	2-0
Indianapolis.....	5-0
Indiana State.....	2-0
Indian River State College.....	1-0
IUPUI.....	1-0
Kalamazoo.....	1-0
<b>Kentucky.....</b>	<b>2-8</b>
ULM.....	7-1
Louisiana State.....	0-1
Louisville.....	24-2
<b>Marshall.....</b>	<b>3-0</b>
Maryland.....	1-0
Miami (Fla.).....	1-0
Michigan State.....	0-1
Millikin.....	1-0

Missouri-Rolla.....	10-0
Missouri-St. Louis.....	4-0
Morehead State.....	9-1
Morris Harvey.....	5-0
New Orleans.....	2-0
North Carolina-Charlotte.....	1-0
Northeastern Illinois.....	1-0
Notre Dame.....	2-1
Oakland.....	3-0
Ohio.....	1-1
Oklahoma.....	0-1
Oral Roberts.....	1-0
Queens.....	1-0
Rhode Island.....	1-0
Saint Louis.....	2-0
Sewanee.....	2-0
Shippensburg State.....	3-0
South Carolina.....	0-1
Southeast Missouri.....	10-0
<b>Southern Illinois.....</b>	<b>8-4</b>
Southwest Missouri State.....	3-4
Tampa.....	1-0
Tennessee State.....	12-1
Transylvania.....	2-0
Tulane.....	1-0
Union.....	10-1
Valparaiso.....	1-0
<b>Vanderbilt.....</b>	<b>9-7</b>
Vincennes.....	2-0
Wabash.....	2-1
Wayne State.....	2-0
West Virginia.....	2-2
Western Illinois.....	2-0
Wisconsin-Green Bay.....	18-0
Wisconsin-Milwaukee.....	2-0
Wright State.....	14-9
Xavier.....	13-0

**2011-12 Opponents in Bold**

**Women**

Air Force.....	0-2
Ball State.....	4-2
Boston College.....	1-0
Butler.....	6-0
Centenary.....	1-0
Cincinnati.....	3-0
<b>Clemson.....</b>	<b>1-0</b>
College of Charleston.....	7-0
<b>Cumberland College.....</b>	<b>8-0</b>
Davidson.....	1-0
Delta State.....	3-0
Denver.....	4-0
Eastern Illinois.....	1-0-1
Evansville.....	13-1
Emory.....	1-1
<b>Fairmont State.....</b>	<b>First Meeting</b>
<b>Florida Atlantic.....</b>	<b>2-0</b>
Florida International.....	4-0
Georgia Southern.....	23-0
<b>Georgia Tech.....</b>	<b>2-2-1</b>
Henderson State.....	1-0
Illinois-Chicago.....	2-0
Indian River State College.....	1-0
IUPUI.....	1-0
<b>Kentucky.....</b>	<b>First Meeting</b>
ULM.....	8-0
Louisiana-State.....	0-1
Louisville.....	2-2
<b>Marshall.....</b>	<b>First Meeting</b>
Miami (Fla.).....	2-1
New Mexico State.....	4-0
New Orleans.....	3-0
Northeast Louisiana.....	2-0
North Florida.....	1-0
North Texas.....	4-0
Oakland.....	2-1
Rhode Island.....	1-0
Shippensburg State.....	3-0
South Carolina.....	0-1
<b>Southern Illinois.....</b>	<b>10-1</b>
Southwest Missouri State.....	1-2
Tampa.....	1-0
Tulane.....	2-0
Wayne State.....	2-0
Western Illinois.....	1-0
West Virginia.....	1-0
Wisconsin-Green Bay.....	9-2
Wisconsin-Milwaukee.....	2-0
Wright State.....	9-1
<b>Vanderbilt.....</b>	<b>1-0</b>
Xavier.....	8-0



## AWARDS AND HONORS

### All-American

1985 Steve Crocker  
(50 Freestyle - 4th)  
2010 Claire Donahue  
(100 Butterfly- 4th)  
2011 Claire Donahue  
(100 Butterfly-2nd)

### World Rankings (Top 50)

1985 Steve Crocker  
(50 Freestyle - 8th)  
1988 Dan Powell  
(50 Freestyle - 23rd)

### Olympians

1980 Enrique Ledesma  
(200 Butterfly - Ecuador)  
2004 Jevon Atkinson  
(Jamaica)

### NCAA Qualifiers

1973 Rick Yeloushan (100 Free)  
1974 Rick Yeloushan (50 Free)  
1976 Rick Kral (1M Diving)  
1977 Enrique Ledesma (200 Fly)  
1978 Rick Kral (1M Diving)  
1984 Steve Crocker (50 Free)  
Steve Crocker (100 Fly)  
1986 Dan Powell (50 Free)  
1988 Dan Powell (50 Free)  
Dan Powell (100 Free)  
1999 Kicker Vencill (100 Free)  
2002 Gord Veldman (100 Back)  
2003 Gord Veldman (100 Back)  
2009 Claire Donahue (100 Fly, 200 Fly)  
2010 Claire Donahue (100 Fly, 200 Fly)  
2011 Claire Donahue (100 Fly, 200 Fly, 50 Free)

### Midwest Intercollegiate Swimmer-of-the-Year

1980 Ron Finley  
1981 Ron Finley  
1982 Bob Peck  
1984 Steve Crocker  
1985 Steve Crocker  
1986 Dan Powell

### Eastern Intercollegiate Swimmer-of-the-Year

1995 Scott Cummins

### Missouri Valley Conference Swimmer-of-the-Year

2004 Karl Swanson

### Sun Belt Conference Swimmer-of-the-Year

2005 Karl Swanson  
2006 Karl Swanson  
2010 Claire Donahue, Sean Penhale  
2011 Claire Donahue

### Sun Belt Conference Athlete-of-the-Year

2006 Karl Swanson

### WKU Male Athlete-of-the-Year

1974 Rick Yeloushan (tie)  
1983 Bob Peck  
1985 Steve Crocker  
1988 Dan Powell  
1999 Travis Mandigo  
2000 Kicker Vencill  
2006 Karl Swanson

### WKU Female Athlete-of-the-Year

2002 Brandi Carey  
2011 Claire Donahue

### WKU Female Scholar-Athlete-of-the-Year

2006 Lisa Ross

### ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District IV

2005 Karl Swanson  
2006 Lisa Ross  
2008 Wes Brown, Mitch Miller, Jennifer Adams, Brittany Waiz

### Most Valuable Swimmer

1971 Bob Carr  
1972 Rick Yeloushan  
1973 Rick Yeloushan  
1974 Rick Yeloushan  
1975 Jeff Wells  
1976 Jeff Wells  
1977 Enrique Ledesma  
1978 Rick Kral  
1979 Ron Finley  
1980 Ron Finley  
1981 Ron Finley  
1982 Bob Peck  
1983 Steve Crocker  
1984 Steve Crocker  
1985 Steve Crocker  
1986 Dan Powell  
1987 Sean Herbert  
1988 Dan Powell  
1989 Mike Gonzales  
1990 Scott Drescher  
1991 Chan Ferguson  
1992 Seth Reetz  
1993 Chan Ferguson  
1994 Joel Wihebrink  
1995 Scott Cummins, Joel Wihebrink  
1996 Scott Cummins, Adam Heeg  
1997 Scott Cummins  
1998 Kicker Vencill, Jennifer Piloto  
1999 Kicker Vencill, Brandi Beckwith  
2000 Kicker Vencill, Brandi Carey  
2001 David Tucker, Brandi Carey  
2002 Gord Veldman, Brandi Carey  
2003 Gord Veldman, Meredith Mountjoy  
2004 Karl Swanson, Audrey Barnard  
2005 Nick Bracco, Cassie Fahrlender  
2006 Karl Swanson, Megan Rames  
2007 Francis Gilmore, Brian Lewis, Mallory Neltner  
2008 Francis Gilmore, Claire Donahue  
2009 Claire Donahue, Chelsea Stephens, Sean Penhale  
2010 Claire Donahue, Sean Penhale  
2011 Claire Donahue, Nick Slattery

### Scholar-Athlete Award

1971 Bob Carr  
1972 Dick Torp  
1973 Todd Urban  
1974 Allan Logan  
1975 Bill Lowendick  
1976 Bill Lowendick  
1977 James Mullikin  
1978 James Mullikin  
1979 Jeff Cavan, James Mullikin  
1980 Ton Angsten  
1982 Steve Crocker  
1983 Pat Leeloy, Mike Neal  
1984 Jerry Smith  
1985 Jerry Smith  
1986 Jeff Whalen  
1987 Jack Hodges  
1988 Jack Hodges, Mike Sims  
1989 Jeff Braak  
1990 Chris Healy  
1991 Jay Glick, Rodney Kirk  
1992 Seth Reetz  
1993 Richard Rutherford  
1994 Matt Kragh  
1995 Michael Price  
1996 Matt Atkinson  
1997 Matt Atkinson  
1998 Josh Barrett, Jennifer Piloto  
1999 Pete Carey, Brandi Beckwith  
2000 Aaron Terry, Brandi Carey, Sara Eddi

2001 Clayton Delaney, Brandi Crarey, Lori Faulk  
2002 David Tucker, Brandi Carey, Marci Kaccir  
2003 Chris Tarter, Carol Brown  
2004 Aaron Smith, David Morse, Rachel Buncher, Lisa Ross  
2005 Wes Brown, Lisa Ross, Rachel Buncher, Laura Graves  
2006 Wes Brown, Lisa Ross  
2008 Mitch Miller, Rana Johnson  
2009 Rana Johnson, Mitchell Miller  
2010 Kristiana Feeser, Scott Johnson  
2011 Hilary Mishler, Sean Shannon

### Rosencrans Award (Most Dedicated Swimmer)

1973 Gary Binger  
1974 Dave Kowalewski  
1975 Dave Kowalewski  
1976 Bill Lowendick  
1977 Dave Kowalewski  
1978 Ron Finley  
1979 Ron Finley  
1980 Bob Peck  
1981 Bob Peck  
1982 Rich Lowe  
1983 Bob Peck  
1984 Bob Couch  
1985 Dan Powell  
1986 John Crawford  
1987 Jim Rogers  
1988 Rob Migliaccio  
1989 Tim Vandersloot  
1990 Aaron Magan  
1991 B.D. Diercks  
1993 John Dissinger  
1994 John Dissinger  
1995 John Dissinger  
1996 Scott Cummins  
1997 Scott Cummins  
1998 Pete Carey, Jennifer Piloto  
1999 Pete Carey, Lori Fault  
2000 Brent Foland, Sara Eddie  
2001 Dean Cheek, Megan Zerhusen  
2002 Greg Strickler, Megan Zerhusen  
2003 Karl Swanson, Amber Miller  
2004 John Higgins, Penta Stanley  
2005 James Campbell, Amber Miller  
2006 Lukasz Herbst, Jennifer Adams  
2007 Lukasz Herbst, Maggie Skiles  
2008 Cameron Brown, Sean Penhale, Jessica Aspinall, Krista Mantay  
2009 Kate Sweeney, Mitchell Miller  
2010 Alex Van Oost, Nick Slattery  
2011 Alex Van Oost, Nick Slattery

### Most Improved Swimmer

1971 Bob Shaw  
1972 Tate Nation  
1973 Bob Carr  
1974 Dave Kowalewski  
1975 Doug Mullikin  
1976 Jim Massey  
1977 Jeff Stringer  
1978 Mark Ritter  
1979 Mark Ritter  
1980 Kevin Swaidner  
1981 Bob Couch  
1982 Rick Peck  
1983 Tyler Nelson  
1985 Jerry Smith  
1986 Jeff Braak, Jim Rogers  
1987 Allan Kain  
1988 Scott Drescher  
1989 Richard Rutherford  
1990 Dave Clark  
1991 B.D. Diercks  
1992 John Dissinger  
1993 Ben Graves  
1994 Jason Gager  
1995 Brandon Ungetheim  
1996 Joe Hutchinson

1997 Aaron Terry  
1998 Kicker Vencill, Jennifer Johnson  
1999 Kicker Vencill, Amanda Shafer  
2000 Shawn Dade, Lori Faulk  
2001 Chuck Delong, Sarah Besco  
2002 Nick Bracco, Brandi Carey  
2003 Karl Swanson, Trisha Nailor, Jordan Beck  
2004 Brett Molash, Carrie Redmon  
2005 Brett Molash, Charlotte Martin  
2006 Wes Brown, Emily Waits  
2007 Trey Chelf, Cameron Brown, Emily Waits  
2008 Nick Slattery, Brittany Doss  
2009 Stephanie Terrell, Cameron Brown  
2010 Kristiana Feeser, Hilary Mishler, Ethan Arave, David Menchinger  
2011 Alex Van Oost, Jordan Vorst

### Oil Can Award (Best Sense of Humor)

1971 Tom Foltz  
1972 Tom Foltz  
1973 Bill Lowendick  
1974 Steve Merrill  
1975 Larry Holmes  
1976 Steve Merrill  
1977 Steve Merrill  
1978 Roberto Ledesma  
1979 Mark Ritter  
1980 Joe Mason  
1981 Tim Ring  
1982 Cliff Hardin  
1983 Jay McAtee  
1984 David Frederick  
1985 David Frederick  
1986 David Frederick  
1987 John Brooker  
1988 Mike Dingfield  
1989 Mike Dingfield  
1990 Mike Dingfield  
1991 Craig Smart  
1992 Craig Smart  
1993 Craig Smart  
1994 Doug Evans  
1995 Mike Liggett  
1996 Mike Liggett  
1997 Mike Liggett  
1998 Richard Roy, Beth Carey  
1999 Richard Roy, J.P. Piloto  
2000 Gord Velman, Lisa Cummins  
2001 Jay Smith, Shannon Jones  
2002 Jay Smith, Carol Brown  
2003 Jay Smith, Whitney Logan  
2004 Alex Handley, Veronick Cullen  
2005 Richie Chapman, Anna Clark  
2006 Francis Gilmore, Brian Lewis, Courtney Sorrell, Anna Clark  
2007 David Morse, Katie Marquess  
2008 Andrew Bloink, Katie Marquess, Kaitlyn Casper  
2009 Kaitlyn Casper, Andrew Bloink  
2010 Chelsea Larsen, Scott Johnson  
2011 Kaitlyn Casper, Michael Walsh

### Most Dedicated In Dryland

2009 Kaitlyn Casper, Kurt Greene  
2011 Laurel Chaney, Adam Pendry

### Coach's Award

2009: Katie Marquess, Kristiana Feeser, Michael Podbielski, Vincent Rominger  
2010 Laurel Chaney, Chelsea Stephens, Kevin Kenezvich, Vincent Rominger

### Mitch Miller Award

2010 Katie Marquess