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2007 Willamette University Track & Field Schedule

Date	Event/Host	Time
Mar. 3	Willamette Opener <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	9 a.m.
Mar. 10	Willamette Mini Meet <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	10 a.m.
Mar. 16	Linfield Open Linfield College	12 p.m.
Mar. 17	Oregon Preview Univ. of Oregon	11:30 a.m.
Mar. 23	Charles Bowles Classic <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	12 p.m.
Apr. 6-7	Willamette Invite <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	4 p.m./ 10:30 a.m.
Apr. 9-10	NWC Multi Champs <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	9 a.m.
Apr. 14	Willamette Mini Meet <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	11 a.m.
Apr. 20-21	NWC Championships <i>Univ. of Puget Sound</i>	2 p.m./ 10:30 a.m.
Apr. 27	WOU Twilight <i>Western Oregon Univ.</i>	TBA
May 5	Oregon Twilight <i>Univ. of Oregon</i>	3:30 p.m.
May 11	Western Oregon Last Chance <i>Western Oregon Univ.</i>	2 p.m.
May 12-13	Ultimate Multi-Events <i>George Fox University</i>	All Day
May 16	WU Last Chance <i>Willamette Univ.</i>	3:30 p.m.
May 24-26	NCAA Championships <i>Univ. of Wis-Oshkosh</i>	All Day

Home games in **Bold Face**

Men's & Women's Track & Field

Last Weeks Results:

Jordan Smith Runs Automatic Qualifying Time at 800 Meters

Willamette University junior track and field athlete Jordyn Smith (Henderson, NV/Green Valley HS) earned an automatic qualifying mark for the NCAA Division III National Championships in the women's 800-meter run during competition at the Western Oregon Last Chance Meet on Friday, May 11. Smith completed the race in 2:10.87 to beat the automatic qualifying standard of 2:11.80 by almost a full second.

Smith took fourth place in the event, finishing just 0.26 seconds behind Sarah Howell of Western Oregon, who took third. The top two places went to runners from Eugene Health & Performance, a club team.

The Willamette women's 4 x 100-meter relay team was timed at 48.19 seconds to improve its school record and NCAA provisional qualifying mark. Autumn Schmeck (Fr., Beaverton, OR/Aloha HS) ran the first leg for the Bearcats and was followed by Lydia Marsalli (Fr., Klamath Falls, OR/Klamath Union HS), Kaitlin St. John (Fr., Bend, OR/Mountain View HS) and Andrea May (Sr., Bellingham, WA/Sehome HS).

WU's previous record was set by the same four runners this season with a time of 48.39 seconds at the Oregon Twilight Meet on April 27. Willamette needs to cut another 0.69 seconds to reach the NCAA automatic qualifying standard of 47.50 seconds.

May barely missed recording an NCAA provisional time in the 200-meter dash. She crossed the finish line in 25.53 seconds, just 0.24 away from the provisional standard. May, who achieved a provisional time in the 100-meter hurdles earlier this year at 14.72 seconds, earned another solid time at WOU (14.86 seconds).

Jennifer Luecht (Fr., Milwaukie, OR/Rex Putnam HIS) and Katie Klein (So., Forest Grove, OR/Forest Grove HS) both registered quality times in the women's 100-meter dash. Luecht won the event in 12.90 seconds, while Klein took second in 13.04 seconds. The NCAA provisional standard in the 100-meter dash is 12.32 seconds. In the women's 400-meter dash, Marsalli earned first place in 57.95 seconds for a time that was just 0.35 seconds away from the provisional standard of 57.60.

Julio Vieyra (Sr., Salem, OR/McKay HS) ran a 1:54.32 in the men's 800-meter run for a personal best that moved him within 1.12 seconds of the provisional standard of 1:53.20. Joel Flachsbarb (Jr., Oregon City, OR/Oregon City HS) also recorded a personal best, while finishing the race in 1:56.55.

In the men's 1,500-meter run, Ian Batch (Jr., Eagle, ID/Capital HS) clocked in at 3:56.38, only 1.18 seconds from the provisional standard of 3:55.20. Batch took fifth place, while Kyle Kotaich (Fr., Florence, OR/Siuslaw HS) took sixth in 3:56.78.

Drew Lackman (So., Gig Harbor, WA/Gig Harbor HS) and Garrison Coy (So., Gig Harbor, WA/Gig Harbor HS) both ran well in the hurdle events. Lackman won the 110-meter hurdles in 15.42 seconds, as he moved within 0.52 seconds of the NCAA provisional standard. Coy took second place in 15.65 seconds. Lackman finished third in the 400-meter hurdles, recording a time of 55.78 seconds and missing the provisional standard by 1.64 seconds. Coy's time in the 400-meter hurdles was 55.97 seconds.

Melinda Fahey (Jr., Salem, OR/McKay HS) won the women's discus throw at 126' 9" and finished fourth in the hammer throw with a toss of 136' 2". Holly Winter (Fr., Dundee, OR/Newberg HS) registered a throw of 36' 8.25" as the only entrant in the women's shot put. Winter also took fifth in the hammer throw at 118' 4".



**Bearcat Track & Field
NCAA Division III
Automatic Qualifying Marks**

Women's

Sarah Zerzan	
1,500-meter run	4:31.52
Sarah Zerzan	
5,000-meter run	16:28.54
Jordyn Smith	
800-meter run	2:10.87

**Bearcat Track & Field
NCAA Division III
Provisional Qualifying Marks**

Women's

Maddie Coffman	
1,500-meter run	4:35.68
Melinda Fahey	
Discus Throw	136' 10"
Mariah Hanson	
400-meter dash	56.86
Andrea May	
100-meter hurdles.....	14.72
Jordyn Smith	
400-meter hurdles.....	1:02.34
Jena Winger	
3,000-meter steeple	10:52.71

Women's Relays

Autumn Schmeck, Lydia Marsalli, Kaitlin St. John, Andrea May	
4 x 100-meter relay	48.19
Andrea May, Jordyn Smith, Jennifer Luecht, Mariah Hanson	
4 x 400-meter rela	3:50.19

Men's

Grant Piros	
Javelin	199' 3"
Julio Vieyra	
1,500-meter run	3:53.32

Sophomore Jacob Monroe (Keizer, OR/McNary HS) entered three throwing events. He sent the shot 45' 2.25" and threw the discus 141' 2". He launched the hammer with a 142' 4" toss. Monroe's top finish was third place in the shot put. Also for Willamette, Craig Sather (Fr., Junction City, OR/Junction City HS) threw the shot 45' 1.75", just one-half inch behind Monroe. Sather also earned a distance of 134' 5" in the hammer.

Willamette entered 28 athletes in the meet. Most of Willamette's team members achieved personal best results.

**Up Next for the Bearcats:
Willamette Will Host WU Last Chance Meet on May 16**

Willamette will close out the regular season on Wednesday, May 16, by hosting the WU Last Chance Meet. Action at the Charles Bowles Track in Salem, Ore., is set to get underway at 3:30 p.m. (PDT). The meet will provide a final opportunity for Willamette athletes and other NCAA Division III competitors to achieve automatic or provisional qualifying times and distances before the NCAA National Championships.

Bearcat Notes:

- Brooke Smith (So., Idleyld Park, OR/Glide HS) took fifth place in the heptathlon against strong competition, May 12-13 at the Ultimate Multi-Events, hosted by George Fox University. Brooke Barker of Pacific University finished in first place by a single point, scoring 4,363 to edge out Kristen Dormaier of Whitworth College, who concluded the competition at 4,362. Smith completed the seven events with a score of 3,579.
- Smith recorded her top score (695 points) in the 100-meter hurdles, as she reached the finish line in 16.16 seconds. Dormaier took first in the hurdles with a time of 16.03 seconds. Smith also scored over 600 points in the high jump, as her successful attempt at 1.50 meters resulted in third place and 621 points. She was second in the javelin throw with a toss of 32.75 meters.
- Willamette has achieved three automatic qualifying marks and 10 provisional qualifying marks (including two relays) for this year's NCAA Division III National Championships at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh from May 24-26. Official selections will be made by the NCAA on Sunday, May 20.



NWC Baseball Standings Final Standings

	NWC		Overall		
	W	L	W	L	T
Pacific Lutheran	21	3	32	7	0
George Fox	19	5	30	9	0
Linfield	17	7	22	16	0
Puget Sound	13	11	16	21	1
Willamette	9	15	18	21	0
Lewis & Clark	9	15	13	21	0
Whitworth	9	15	14	25	0
Pacific	7	17	14	26	0
Whitman	4	20	6	29	0

2007 Willamette University Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Feb. 3	Corban	9-7 W
Feb. 10	at Lewis & Clark*	9-8 L
Feb. 10	at Lewis & Clark#*	8-3 L
Feb. 17	at Pomona-Pitzer	9-7 L
Feb. 17	at Pomona-Pitzer	11-6 L
Feb. 18	at CSU-San Marcos	9-6 W
Feb. 24	at CSU-East Bay	13-4 W
Feb. 24	at CSU-East Bay	8-1 L
Feb. 25	at CSU-East Bay	9-1 L
Mar. 3	George Fox*	9-1 L
Mar. 3	George Fox*	10-4 L
Mar. 4	George Fox*	12-2 L
Mar. 9	Menlo	6-4 W
Mar. 10	Menlo	3-0 W
Mar. 10	Menlo	4-3 W
Mar. 17	at Whitman*	7-6 L
Mar. 17	at Whitman*	6-1 W
Mar. 18	at Whitman*	6-2 W
Mar. 25	Whitworth* (DH)	9-3 L
Mar. 25	Whitworth	7-4 W
Mar. 26	Whitworth*	2-1 W
Mar. 31	at Puget Sound*	6-3 W
Mar. 31	at Puget Sound*	4-1 L
Apr. 1	at Puget Sound*	8-4 W
Apr. 3	at Corban	5-4 W
Apr. 6	Pacific Lutheran*	7-0 L
Apr. 6	Pacific Lutheran*	14-6 L
Apr. 7	Pacific Lutheran*	4-0 L
Apr. 10	vs. Western Oregon%	13-3 L
Apr. 14	at Linfield* (DH)	9-0 L
Apr. 14	at Linfield*	6-3 L
Apr. 15	at Linfield*	9-8 W
Apr. 17	Corban	8-5 W
Apr. 22	Pacific*	12-11 L
Apr. 22	Pacific*	9-7 W
Apr. 23	Pacific*	5-2 W
Apr. 25	vs. Corban%	8-7 L
Apr. 26	vs. Lewis & Clark	7-5 L
Apr. 26	vs. Lewis & Clark	8-7 W

* Northwest Conference

At Tigard HS

^ Suspended in middle of 7th inning and will be completed on Apr. 26 prior to scheduled game
Home games in **Bold Face**

Baseball (18-21 Overall, 9-15 NWC)

Last Weeks Results:

Willamette Puts Five Bearcats on NWC Honorable Mention List

Five members of the Willamette University baseball team have been selected Honorable Mention All-Northwest Conference for the 2007 season in voting by the conference's head coaches. Willamette's All-NWC players are senior right fielder Kelly Gilmore (Keizer, OR/McNary HS), senior shortstop Matt Rasmussen (Sandy, UT/Bingham HS), sophomore right-handed pitcher Jarrid Summers (Boise, ID/Boise HS), senior first baseman Grant Yamaguchi (Aiea, HI/Mid Pacific Institute) and junior left fielder Colin Young (Portland, OR/Lincoln HS).

Overall, 64 athletes from the league's nine teams received All-NWC recognition. The First Team included 17 players, with 17 more on the Second Team and 27 on the Honorable Mention list. Outfielder Dan Wentzell from George Fox University was chosen NWC Player of the Year and starting pitcher Joe DiPietro of Pacific Lutheran University was named NWC Pitcher of the year. PLU Head Coach Geoff Loomis was selected NWC Coach of the Year.

Two Willamette players were repeat selections to the All-NWC squad. In 2006, Gilmore was chosen Second Team All-NWC and Yamaguchi was named Honorable Mention All-NWC.

This year, Gilmore tied for the team lead with five home runs -- all in the final 12 days (8 games) of the season. He played in 37 games and started 36 contests. He hit .250, scored 23 runs and earned 24 RBIs. He ranked second on the team with a .433 on-base percentage and was third with a .438 slugging percentage. Gilmore led the Bearcats with 36 walks and ranked fifth in NCAA Division III in walks per game (0.97). In 2006, he ranked first in Division III with 1.22 walks per game (44 in 36 games).

During his career, Gilmore saw action in 126 games with 113 starts. He achieved a .290 career batting average. In four seasons with the Bearcats, he accumulated 113 hits, with 85 runs and 71 RBIs. He pounded out 24 doubles and hit eight home runs. He established Willamette records for walks in a season (44 in 2006) and walks in a career (115). On defense, he achieving a .952 career fielding percentage.

Rasmussen batted .280 this spring, while playing in 35 games (all starts). He scored 15 times, recorded 16 RBIs and walked 16 times. He hit .296 against NWC opponents, with 24 hits in 81 at bats. He ranked second on the team with 11 doubles. He was the primary starter at shortstop, where he registered 52 putouts and 102 assists.

Rasmussen was 4 for 4 with two runs and an RBI in WU's 6-2 win over Whitman College on March 18. He hit two doubles during the contest.

In four seasons with the Bearcats, Rasmussen earned a .266 career batting average. He scored 50 runs and produced 45 RBIs. He belted 20 doubles and hit three home runs. On defense, Rasmussen achieved 321 assists during his career.

Summers led the Bearcats in victories, while achieving a 6-4 record and a 5.27 earned run average on the mound. For the season, he held opponents to a .275 batting average. He earned 39 strikeouts in 82 innings pitched and threw four complete games.

During his two seasons at Willamette, Summers has seen action in 20 games, with nine starts. He has thrown 97 1/3 innings and has built a 5.27 ERA. He owns an 8-5 record to go with 48 career strikeouts. He has provided solid defense, including 17 assists in 12 appearances in 2007.

Yamaguchi hit .296 this spring and played in 37 games (35 starts). He scored 16 runs and contributed 18 RBIs. He belted out eight doubles, a team-high three triples and one home run. He ranked third on the team in batting average and was second with 135



WU Offensive Statistics

Player	Avg.	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
C. Young	.351	74	14	26	7	0	2	14
S. Anderson	.312	138	32	43	15	0	3	21
G. Yamaguchi	.296	135	16	40	8	3	1	18
D. Tufo	.290	124	21	36	9	0	1	17
M. Rasmussen	.280	118	15	33	11	0	1	16
T. Eriksen	.264	87	14	23	3	0	3	14
K. Gilmore	.250	128	23	32	7	1	5	24
R. Peterson	.241	54	6	13	1	0	0	9
Z. Kimball	.236	55	6	13	0	1	1	9
D. Maslanik	.213	61	13	13	1	0	0	8
K. Stalker	.207	87	13	18	2	0	5	14
E. Webster	.198	106	16	21	3	0	0	10

J. Perez	.400	5	3	2	0	0	0	0
J. Roberts	.350	20	3	7	1	0	0	1
K. Struble	.250	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
C. Clark	.238	21	2	5	1	0	0	1
J. McGee	.226	31	4	7	2	0	0	4
A. Ross	.179	28	0	5	1	0	0	0

Totals	.265	1276	202	338	72	5	22	180
Opponents	.284	1371	257	390	68	3	24	224

WU Pitching Statistics

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	SV	IP	H	BB	SO
T. Sundlee	4.42	5-3	15	0	79.1	82	25	51
J. Summers	5.27	6-4	12	0	82.0	90	22	39
C. Moran	6.62	2-4	14	1	53.0	65	53	53

C. Young	0.00	0-0	1	0	1.0	1	1	0
J. McGee	0.00	0-0	1	0	1.0	0	1	2
R. Smith	3.45	0-1	15	1	28.2	34	8	12
J. Meuel	4.68	1-2	18	1	25.0	25	8	8
S. Martin	4.80	0-3	10	0	15.0	19	8	4
K. Nakata	4.96	3-2	16	2	32.2	33	9	9
T. Mitchell	6.75	0-0	3	0	2.2	4	1	0
M. Bicocca	9.00	0-2	14	2	15.0	30	5	4
C. Clark	9.00	0-0	1	0	1.0	1	1	0
J. Penkala	13.50	0-0	4	1	2.2	3	8	2
S. Lane	18.00	1-0	1	0	1.0	3	1	0

Totals	5.29	18-21	39	8	340.0	390	151	184
Opponents	4.58	21-18	39	8	341.2	338	181	229

at bats. He registered a team-leading 313 putouts at first base, to go with 22 assists and just six errors. Yamaguchi earned a solid .982 fielding percentage.

In four years at WU, Yamaguchi saw action in 97 games with 80 starts. He earned 93 hits, including 22 doubles and seven homers. He scored 44 runs and registered 54 RBIs. He also accumulated 647 putouts and a .983 career fielding percentage on defense.

Young played in 30 games with 19 starts this year. He led the team with a .351 batting average, as he connected for 26 hits in 74 at bats. He scored 14 runs and added 14 RBIs. He blasted two homers and hit seven doubles on his way to a team-high .527 slugging percentage. He was 7 of 10 on stolen bases. In the outfield, he recorded 32 putouts and made just two errors.

Through his first three seasons at Willamette, Young has played in 52 games (25 starts) and has achieved a .343 career batting average. He has supplied the Bearcats with 57 putouts and a .950 fielding percentage on defense.

Bearcat Notes:

- Willamette concluded the 2007 season with an 18-21 overall record and a 9-15 mark in the Northwest Conference (5th place tie). Six of Willamette's losses were by two runs or less and another three losses were by three runs apiece. The Bearcats won two of three conference games against each of four NWC opponents: Whitman (March 17-18), Whitworth College (March. 25-26), the University of Puget Sound (March 31-April 1) and Pacific (April 22-23).