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# **Spring Sports In Review**

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#### Softball

The Seattle University Softball team ended their 2022 season with a loss against Stephen F. Austin University in the semifinals of the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) tournament. Finishing with a record of 32-24, the season marked the fourth time in five years that the Redhawks finished the season over .500. Junior pitcher Stefanie Madrigal was dominant from the circle, with a 2.85 ERA and 15-6 W-L



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record. Offensively, Senior Olivia Viggiano hit a team leading .317 batting average (avg.) with 58 hits on the year. As a dual threat, Graduate student Carley Nance won the WAC Player of the Year award, crushing 15 home runs from the plate and pitching to a 2.71 ERA from the circle.

#### Baseball

The Seattle U Baseball team's season came to a quick end this spring after they lost both of their opening games of the WAC tournament. They lost 4-6 against Lamar University and 3-10 against Abilene Christian University. The Redhawks ended their season with a disappointing 16-34 record. Senior Matt Boissoneault led the team in almost every major offensive category: .352 avg., 1.013 on base plus slugging (OPS), eight home runs and 46 runs batted in (RBI). On the mound, Junior Peter Chronowski led the Redhawks. He pitched a team high 77.2 innings on the season with a 4.75 ERA.

#### Women's Golf

Seattle U women's golf ended their 2021-22 season in April when they finished third out of nine teams in the WAC Championships. Those who received WAC honors for their performances this season included Graduate student Keisha Lugito, Senior Samantha Bruce and Freshman Rivekka Jumagulova. Jumagulova was awarded the WAC Freshman of the Year. She and Lugito got second team honors and Bruce earned first team honors. Bruce was the stand out for the WAC championships, placing fifth overall individually, with a score of 220 (74-73-73). She came in first in par five scoring, shooting four under par.

## Men's Golf

As a team, Seattle U men's golf team officially ended their season with a seventh place finish out of the ten teams competing at the WAC Championships, shooting nine-over 873. However, this was not the end of the season for everyone. Senior Nathan Cogswell claimed medalist honors. He finished with a total of nine-under 207 (73-67-67), securing his advancement to the NCAA regional tournament. Unfortunately, it was at the regional tournament that Cogswell's run came to an end, finishing 72nd with a three-round score of 16 over 232 (78-78-76). In regards to season awards, Cogswell and fellow senior Jack Rahon were both named to all-WAC teams. Cogswell earned his second consecutive first team honors and Rahon secured his first naming to the second team.

#### Women's Tennis

The Seattle U women's tennis team reached their first ever WAC championships title match in April. Unfortunately, the Redhawks came up short against New Mexico State University, losing 4-0 in the final round. Three of the team's freshmen: Liliya Dimova, Mireia Fehr and Elena Kraleva were named to the WAC all-tournament teams for their standout performances. In regards to season awards, Dimova and Kravela were a dominant doubles pair, earning all-WAC doubles second team honors. The pairs record on the season was 5-1 and they went 4-0 in their WAC matchups throughout the regular season.

#### Men's Tennis

The Seattle U Men's tennis team's season came to an end after a 1-6 loss against Chicago State University in early April. Freshman Filip Stipic finished the season as the team's wins leader in singles with 14. Sophomore Mats Krause and Freshman Michael Frank held the most wins for any doubles pairing with eight.

#### Track and Field

After hosting their first-ever WAC track and field championship, the Seattle U Track and field team had an impressive end to their season. At the end of the season event, the Redhawks earned six All-WAC Second Team awards, set four school records, had eight top-ten marks and set 24 personal records. Overall, both the men's and women's teams finished in 10th place. The women's team improved their score by eight points, while the men increased by four when compared to the indoor championships earlier in the year. At the WAC championship, Sophomore Maya McCabe had a standout performance. She was named Second Team All-WAC in the 800 meters in which she placed fourth overall with a time of 2:08.82. In addition, McCabe competed with the Redhawks in the 4×400 m relay alongside Freshman Taylor Marks, Junior Ellie Postma and Senior Tricht Jocelyn who together set the new school record with a time of 3:53.43. Sophomore Gus Harquail was another standout performer for the Redhawks, placing sixth in the 3000m steeplechase and setting a school record with a time of 8:59.44.