



WSU BASEBALL

THE COUGAR WAY...



**"The relentless
daily pursuit of
championship
attitude,
championship
effort, and championship
play that leads to the
common goal of success
for the Cougars."**

—Tim Mooney

Washington State University Baseball has a tradition of winning ball games. This tradition stretches back to the University's beginnings over 100 years ago. Baseball was the Cougars' first collegiate sport. The program started out a winner, posting an 11-1 record in 1892. The Cougars have produced winning teams 91 times in the 107 seasons of baseball, including a streak of 37 straight winning campaigns. The program boasts 41 conference championships, 22 NCAA appearances and four College World Series appearances. In 107 years of Cougar baseball the program has a .635 (2282-1309-17) winning percentage and ranks 6th in all-time victories of all NCAA Division I baseball programs.

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BAILEY-BRAYTON



Jan. 22, 2000 the Cougar baseball complex was renamed from Bailey Field to Bailey-Brayton Field as part of a "Celebration of the Ages." The renaming of the field highlighted a weekend honoring Brayton and the lasting impression he made on Cougar baseball and Washington State University. Brayton, who maintained a 1,162-523-8 record in 33 years as WSU's head coach, also earned eight varsity letters for the Cougars in football, basketball and baseball. Cougars young and old, including several of the players Brayton tutored into the Major Leagues, came back to Pullman to honor Brayton's storied playing and coaching career.

BASEBALL FIELD



FIELDTURF ADORNS WSU BASEBALL DIAMOND



Cougars Boast Only NCAA Division I
Baseball Field with FieldTurf.






TRADITION




runs in the family

The success of WSU's baseball program is due in part to fathers, sons, and brothers who have helped make WSU baseball a family affair, like these father and son Cougars:




*All-America First
Team John Olerud,
Catcher 1965*



All-Star selection Hal Brunstad, First Baseman 1966



*All-Star selection Kevin Brunstad,
First Baseman 1994*



*All-America First Team
John Olerud, Pitcher 1988*

CHALLENGES

Few teams in the nation face the week to week challenges of playing nationally ranked opponents on a regular basis, but that is the cornerstone of WSU Baseball. The Cougars play in one of the toughest athletic leagues in the country, the Pacific-10 Conference, against perennial College World Series foes like Stanford, USC and Arizona State. Challenging and competitive early season action may take WSU to tournaments like the Hormel Foods Baseball Classic in Minneapolis, or the Texas A&M Continental Classic in College Station, against nationally ranked opponents. Texas, Miami, Oklahoma, Wichita State, Hawaii, BYU, Fresno State, Arkansas, Florida State and Minnesota are just a few of the strong teams the Cougars challenge during non-conference action.



WSU's student recreation center, one of the largest and most well equipped in the nation, is just beyond the walls of Bailey-Brayton Field.

MISSION

It is the mission of the Athletic Department to create and foster an environment which provides opportunities for all student-athletes to enrich their collegiate experience through participation on athletic teams which are competitive at the conference and national level. In concert with the mission and values of Washington State University, the department is dedicated to providing opportunities, which will enhance the intellectual, physical, social, moral and cultural development of the whole person, while conducting all activities with honesty and integrity in accordance with the principles of good sportsmanship and ethical conduct. The Athletic Department values gender and ethnic diversity and is committed to providing equitable opportunities for all students and staff. The department will pursue its mission while upholding the values, purposes and policies of Washington State University, the Pacific-10 Conference, and the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

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Colleges

WSU has 10 colleges and offers 150 majors and options spanning the liberal arts and sciences, as well as architecture, business education, nursing, pharmacy and agriculture, engineering, home economics, and veterinary medicine.

Students from all 50 states and 103 foreign countries attend WSU.



Agriculture

Education

Sciences

Veterinary Medicine

STATE

A collage of images representing various academic fields. The background features a large window with a semi-circular top, showing a landscape with trees and a building. Overlaid on this are several smaller images: a woman in a nurse's uniform, a woman in a pharmacy setting, a man sitting on a bench, a person at a computer, two men working on a project, and a person playing a keyboard.

Business

Nursing
Education

Honors

Engineering

Pharmacy

Liberal Arts

WASHINGTON

Notable



STATE Alumni

Left Page, clockwise from upper left:

- Phil Abelson**, Father of the atomic submarine;
- Aaron Sele**, Pitcher, Anaheim Angels;
- Patty Murray**, U.S. Senator;
- Pete Rademacher**, Former president of Kiefer McNeil swimming equipment manufacturer, whose first professional boxing match was for the World Heavyweight Championship;
- Mel Hein**, A charter member of both College and Professional Football Halls of Fame;
- Gary Larson**, Creator of the Far Side cartoons;
- William Julius Wilson**, Harvard University Professor, recognized by Time magazine as one of America's 25 most influential people;
- Cindy Brunson**, ESPN News;
- Mark Fields**, linebacker for the Carolina Panthers.

Right Page, clockwise from top:

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- Anne Haley**, Executive Director of Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum Authority;
- Paul Allen**, Owner of the Portland Trailblazers;
- Edward R. Murrow**, the Father of modern day news reporting and namesake for WSU's Murrow School of Communications;
- Sherman Alexie**, Screenwriter, Poet, Novelist;
- Keith Jackson**, ABC TV's Voice of College Football;
- Barry Serafin**, ABC News correspondent;
- Charles Glen King**, Leading researcher in the development of Vitamin C;
- Jerry Sage**, Teacher of the Year and WW II escape artist who was played by Steve McQueen in the movie Cooler King;
- Drew Bledsoe**, quarterback for the Buffalo Bills;
- Hugh Campbell**, General Manager, Edmonton Eskimos of the Canadian Football League.

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AGE



WASHINGTON STATE the University

A friendly environment

The Pullman campus straddles College Hill in Pullman, a college town of 25,000 located among the rolling hills of the Palouse region of eastern Washington.

The University is the largest residential university west of the Mississippi, which enhances the friendly, traditional collegiate atmosphere for which WSU is known.

WSU is located within easy traveling distance of Spokane and Coeur d'Alene to the north. Seattle and Portland are less than 300 miles to the west.



Enter the future with the confidence that comes from real preparation.

As an athlete, you know that if you've practiced hard you feel more confident for a big game. At WSU, the education you receive together with the programs available and great faculty provide you with that same confidence for the biggest game of all—your future.

WSU is the No. 1 public **Most Wired College** according to Yahoo Internet Life in "America's Top 100 Wired Colleges," 1999.

WSU ranks in the top five in intercollegiate **athletic opportunities** for women among colleges and universities nationwide.

A recent survey placed WSU fourth among the nation's **top broadcast schools**.

U.S. News and World Report says **WSU is No. 1** in the percent of alumni giving among all public universities for 1997-98.

WSU's Honors College ranked in the top eight of all U.S. public university programs by *Money magazine*.

Great Teaching

Few major universities can claim WSU's high level of interaction between teachers and students. Special mentoring and caring are combined with a nationally recognized general education curriculum, university-wide writing requirements, and fully integrated support services for students with special learning needs. WSU's statewide teaching corps of nearly 1,200 faculty has a reputation for world-class research and teaching. 92 percent of the faculty hold Ph.D. degrees.

The Result?

WSU graduates include highly respected business leaders, engineers, scientists, journalists, and artists. Employers say the leadership and communication skills of WSU graduates make them valued and sought-after employees.

It's a refrain repeated by alumni time and again. WSU professors were their inspiration and their friends.

Dedicated to diversity

Washington State University seeks to enrich every student's educational experience through exposure to different cultures, philosophies, and scholarly perspectives. This atmosphere of interchange and inquiry is fostered through programs that can take students around the globe or to a quiet corner on campus for a discussion with a new-found friend offering a different point of view.

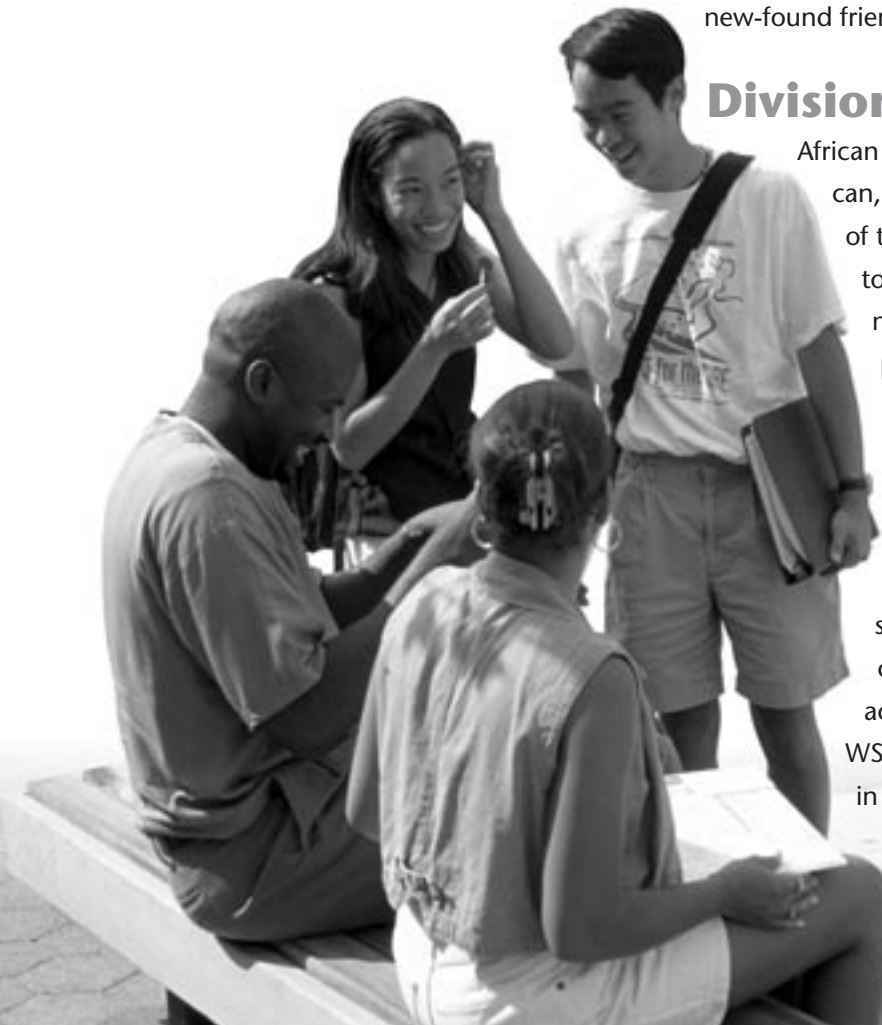
Division of Minority Affairs

African American, Asian/Pacific American, Hispanic American, and Native American students find support in each of the ethnic centers. The centers were established to address the academic, cultural, social, and ethnic needs and concerns of minority students. Qualified professional counselors and trained peer mentors are on staff.

The Multicultural Center

At the Multicultural Center, students of all backgrounds share the richness of their cultures and sponsor multicultural programs for the entire WSU community. The Center also serves as a base for academic support and social activity.

WSU is nationally recognized for its extensive program in international education. More than 30 exchange programs; study abroad programs in more than 20 countries; and internships in Europe, Asia, and the Middle East are available.





WASHINGTON STATE

Student-Athlete Development



STUDENT-ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT

Our Student-Athlete Development unit initiates support for academic and personal success during on-campus recruiting visits with prospective student-athletes, and continues providing support and services until student-athletes graduate from WSU. Our student-athlete development staff is committed to developing and implementing comprehensive and effective programs to assist student-athletes in identifying and meeting their academic and career goals leading to graduation and career development. We take a "life skills" approach when assisting student-athletes with class selection, major selection, graduation planning, career development, time management, goal setting, study skills, and learning strategies.

Our focus is the student-athlete and personal development. We reinforce the value of maximizing the educational and career opportunities at WSU. And, most importantly, our staff emphasizes the importance of student-athletes taking personal responsibility and ownership in developing their academic and career plans. Our 91 percent graduation rate for those seniors who have exhausted their eligibility (over the past 10 years) reflects our consistent commitment to academic success while striking a balance between academics and athletics.



Thad S. Hathaway Sr. Academic Counselor

Thad Hathaway graduated from the University of Idaho in 1997 with a sport science degree, emphasis in sports management. He immediately began working with the University of Idaho Athletic Department in the fall of

1998 as a graduate assistant and one year later accepted the Academic Program Advisor position for Athletics while working on his master's. He received his master's degree in recreation, emphasis in sport administration in fall 2002.

Hathaway came to WSU in the fall of 2002. His team assignments include soccer, men's and women's track, baseball and volleyball.

UNIVERSITY



ACADEMIC SERVICES

- New Student-Athlete Orientation
- General Academic Counseling
- Learning Assessment
- Individual And Group Tutoring
- Assistance With Team Travel
- Writing And Math Assistance
- Graduation Planning
- Computer Lab with internet and library access
- Priority Registration
- Summer School And Degree Completion Programs

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

- Senior Planning Meetings
- Etiquette Dinner
- Access To SIGI Website For Career Exploration
- Majors Fair And Career Fair
- Interview Skills And Workshops
- Job Search Strategies
- Professional Development Portfolio
- Senior Folder
- Alumni Connections

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

- New Student-Athlete Seminar
- Community Outreach – Team Care
- Mentoring Programs
- P.R.O.W.L. Resource And Referral Center
- NCAA Lifeskills Materials And Resources



STUDENT-ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT STAFF

back row from left: Pippa Pierce, Thad Hathaway, Wanda Tennant, Chris Cook
front row from left: Matt Leituala, Pam Bradetich, Eric Kile, Anna Plemons.



WASHINGTON STATE



the weight room



With two floors covering 14,000 square feet and featuring state-of-the-art equipment, WSU's weight room is considered one of the top facilities in the nation.



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2004 OUTLOOK

Team Execution Focus for 2004 Cougar Squad Full of New Faces

The Cougar baseball squad returns six starters, eight letterwinners, and three redshirts from last year. But, along with a newly renovated Bailey-Brayton Field, WSU will gain 13 transfers, five freshman and two new coaches. So what does that mean for the 2004 season?

"For Washington State to be successful, this team has to play the game of baseball better than our opponent," head coach Tim Mooney said. "Instead of the team taking the approach that we are going to beat them with athletic ability, we have to say we're going to play baseball better. We have to play our system better than the other team."

This means WSU needs to win what Mooney calls the "freebie war," by having positive numbers in hit-by-pitch, walks, errors and stolen bases categories.

"This means we're not going to walk batters, hit batters, make errors or give up 90 feet," Mooney said. "That means we are going to play the game of baseball more so than playing against an opponent. That is what we must do. We cannot beat ourselves by playing against the game."

Last year the Cougs had a .958 fielding percentage for all games and a .960 fielding percentage for Pac-10 games, making 90 errors in 56 games. However, two returning players, Jay Miller and Collin Henderson, played errorless ball last season in the Pac-10.

To win the pitching aspect of the "freebie war" the Cougs will have to improve on their 228 walks and 81 hit batters in 56 games last season. But with returning seniors Aaron Mackenzie, Bryce Chamberlin, Brandon Hundt and Garrett Alwert, plus newcomers Aaron Trolia and Wayne Damon, Mooney thinks WSU will be very solid on the mound.

"We are an execution team," Mooney said. "Offensively, we are not going to just put runners on base and hope for somebody to hit a three-run home run."

"We have to handle the bat, run the bases aggressively and intelligently. We will have to be able to hit and run, hit behind the runner and if you make an

out, is it a productive out? Are you advancing runners? It's those little things that we must do to win."

On defense Mooney is looking to his pitching staff to set the tone for the rest of the team.

"We have to control the game from the mound. Everything starts with the pitchers," Mooney explains. "We have to control the count and locate the ball in certain zones that will give us a better chance to force ground balls. This is very important to us."

After the pitch, the defense will need to make the pitcher better. Mooney stresses that the defense needs to get the out when our pitcher forces ground balls. We can't rely on him making three strikeouts. We need to make it easy on him."

"This team needs to play as a unit. We can't depend on one guy to make the play," Mooney explains. "Washington State will win with team execution. We're not going to win with one swing of the bat by one guy. One guy is not going to carry the offense. One pitcher is not going to strike everyone out."

"We're going to locate the ball and we're going to expect our defense to make plays behind it. We are going to run the bases, get ourselves in scoring position, and get the ball in play," said Mooney. "Eventually the other team is going to beat itself. They are going to give us an extra out in an inning or an error. Now it turns into a four-run inning."

WSU's first home games will be in Pasco, March 19-21 hosting Washington in three non-conference games. Pac-10 play begins the weekend of March 26-28 at Arizona.

The first games on the renovated Bailey-Brayton Field, the first NCAA Div. I stadium with FieldTurf, will take place April 2-4, against Birmingham-Southern, followed by an April 6, match against LCSC. The Cougs will also host Pac-10 teams USC, Arizona State, Oregon State and California, plus Sacramento State at Pullman.



Jay Miller (L), and Grant Richardson (R).



2004 OUTLOOK

2004 WSU Baseball Facts

HEAD COACH: Tim Mooney, University of Idaho, 1980
WSU Record: 55-109 (4th season)
Career Record: 582-346-3 (19th season)

ASSISTANTS: Don Marbut (Portland State '97), Infielders
Ryan Brust (Santa Clara '89), pitchers
Brent Fattore (Washington '01)

2003 RECORD: 19-37 overall; 7-17 in Pacific-10 (8th-Tie)

2003 POST-SEASON: None

LETTERMAN RETURNING: 13

STARTERS RETURNING FROM 2003: (6)

OF Jay Miller, R/R, 5-10, 169, SO, 1V (G/GS: 55/50, BA: .341, HR: 2, RBI: 36)
OF Justin Hart, L/R, 5-10, 180, SR, 2V (G/GS: 47/34, BA: .338, HR: 2, RBI: 13)
1B Grant Richardson, R/R, 6-0, 218, JR*, 2V (G/GS: 53/52, BA: .318, HR: 13, RBI: 50)
OF Jeremy Farrar, R/R, 5-9, 172, SR*, 1V (G/GS: 42/38, BA: .279, HR: 8, RBI: 27)
RHP Aaron MacKenzie, R/R, 6-4, 207, SR, 1V (G/GS: 18/13, W-L: 5-5, ERA: 5.56, IP: 92.1, SO: 81, BB: 41)
RHP Bryce Chamberlin, R/R, 6-2, 193, JR, 2V (G/GS: 16/14, W-L: 4-6, ERA: 7.65, IP: 80.0, SO: 48, BB: 46)

OTHER RETURNING LETTERWINNERS (8)

OF Collin Henderson, R/R, 6-1, 186, SR*, 2V G/GS: (40/24, BA: .213, HR: 0, RBI: 5)
C Brandon Reddinger, R/R, 6-1, 206, SR, 3V (G/GS: 33/16, BA: .208, HR: 1, RBI: 6)
RHP Brandon Hundt, R/R, 6-0, 192, SR*, 1V (G/GS: 4/1, W-L: 0-2, ERA: 6.19, IP: 16.0, SO: 11, BB: 9)
LHP Garrett Alwert, L/L, 6-2, 188, SR*, 3V (G/GS: 14/2, W-L: 3-5, ERA: 6.58, IP: 39.2, SO: 19, BB: 10)
RHP Brett Beetham, R/R, 6-2, 203, SR*, 1V (G/GS: 17/0, W-L: 2-1, ERA: 7.24, IP: 27.1, SO: 23, BB: 10)
LHP James Freeman, L/L, 6-0, 190, JR*, 2V (G/GS: 13/3, W-L: 0-1, ERA: 9.82, IP: 22.0, SO: 14, BB: 17)
C Zach Franklin, R/R, 5-9, 171, SO*, 1V, dnp

REDSHIRTS (3)

OF Chad Spellman, L/L, 5-11, 160, SO*, SQ (G/GS: 6/0, BA: .000, HR: 0, RBI: 0)
INF Dusty Druffel, S/R, 5-9, 184, JR*, SQ, dnp
1B Shawn Evenhus, R/R, 6-5, 243, SO*, SQ, dnp

TRANSFERS (13)

INF Jeremy Burruss, S/R, 5-11, 175, Jr., TR, Henderson, Nev. (Green Valley/Central Arizona College)
OF Jason Freeman, L/L, 5-9, 161, Jr., TR, Kennewick, Wash. (Kamiakin/Columbia Basin CC)
RHP Daniel Greenwalt, R/R, 5-10, 174, Jr., TR, La Habra, Calif. (Downey/Cypress JC)
OF Zach Kosturos, L/L, 5-11, 180, So*, TR, Olympia, Wash. (Olympia/Edmonds CC)
2B Zach McAngus, R/R, 6-0, 190, So., TR, Honolulu, Hawaii (Kamehameha/Air Force Academy)
RHP Dane Renkert, R/R, 6-0, 209, Jr., TR, Bellingham, Wash. (Sehome/Lower Columbia CC)
RHP Mike Ridgway, L/L, 6-2, 190, Jr., TR, Port Angeles, Wash. (Port Angeles/Tacoma CC)
LHP Kaeo Rubin, L/L, 5-8, 165, Jr., TR, Spanaway, Wash. (Bethel/Edmonds CC)
INF/P Bradley Selinger, R/R, 5-11, 217, So*, TR, (Sacred Heart Griffin/Springfield College)
RHP Brett Sommer, L/R, 6-4, 272, Jr., TR, Elverta, Calif. (Woodcreek/American River College)
OF/P Bryan Stone, R/R, 5-10, 174, Jr., TR, Phoenix, Ariz. (East Valley/Central Arizona College)
RHP Aaron Trolia, R/R, 6-2, 219, Sr., TR, Tacoma, Wash. (Curtis/Clemson University)
SS Adrian Valdez, R/R, 6-0, 169, Jr., TR, Wapato, Wash. (Wapato/Yakima Valley CC)

FRESHMEN (5)

RHP Wayne Daman Jr., R/R, 6-0, 206, Fr., Beaver, Wash. (Forks)
UTL Greg Keim, R/R, 5-10, 169, Fr., Ontario, Ore. (Ontario)
INF Justin McClure, R/R, 6-0, 185, Fr., Anaheim Hills, Calif. (Comanche)
INF Jeff Miller, R/R, 5-10, 183, Fr., Bellevue, Wash. (Newport)
RHP Tribbett, Tom, 5-11, 197, Fr., Colfax, Wash. (Colfax)

STARTERS LOST (6)

SS Derek Bruce, R/R, 6-2, 190, SO, 2V (G/GS: 56/56, BA: .294, HR: 6, RBI: 29)
DH Wes Falkenborg, R/R, 6-2, 215, SR*, 3V (G/GS: 41/29, BA: .282, HR: 4, RBI: 19)
2B Jonathan Fender, R/R, 5-10, 173, JR, 1V (G/GS: 30/25, BA: .280, HR: 0, RBI: 6)
3B Bruce Jacobsen, R/R, 6-0, 200, SR, 2V (G/GS: 46/33, BA: .252, HR: 3, RBI: 16)
C Jon Baeder, R/R, 6-0, 205, SR, 4V (G/GS: 51/40, BA: .228, HR: 0, RBI: 16)
LHP Tony Banaszak, L/L, 6-3, 280, SR*, 2V G/GS: (15/15, W-L: 2-9, ERA: 6.13, IP: 94.0, SO: 42, BB: 25)

OTHER LETTERWINNERS LOST (10)

1B Steve Mortimer, L/L, 6-2, 200, SR, 2V (G/GS: 43/26, BA: .260, HR: 3, RBI: 13)
DH Robert Stahlke, R/R, 6-1, 180, SR, 2V (G/GS: 41/12, BA: .232, HR: 0, RBI: 11)
2B Jeff LaRue, R/R, 6-0, 194, SR, 2V (G/GS: 44/28, BA: .205, HR: 1, RBI: 13)
3B Dustin Realini, R/R, 6-1, 195, SO, 1V (G/GS: 32/23, BA: .185, HR: 0, RBI: 6)
OF Zapper McGrath, R/R, 6-0, 172, JR, 1V (G/GS: 37/17, BA: .174, HR: 0, RBI: 4)
RHP Nick Kenyon, R/R, 6-0, 220, SR, 4V (G/GS: 25/2, W-L: 1-4, ERA: 6.84, IP: 51.1, SO: 34, BB: 28)
RHP Jamin Svendsen, R/R, 6-1, 213, SR, 3V (G/GS: 5/0, W-L: 0-0, ERA: 8.76, IP: 12.1, SO: 6, BB: 3)
RHP Billy Gorrell, R/R, 5-11, 190, SR, 2V (G/GS: 9/0, W-L: 0-0, ERA: 12.79, IP: 6.1, SO: 2, BB: 8)
RHP Karl Meijholm, R/R, 6-4, 177, SO, 1V (G/GS: 11/4, W-L: 2-3, ERA: 8.62, IP: 31.1, SO: 13, BB: 18)
LHP Greg Goetz, L/L, 6-4, 195, SO, 1V (G/GS: 6/2, W-L: 0-1, ERA: 19.29, IP: 4.2, SO: 3, BB: 7)
RHP Billy Hetherington, R/R, 6-2, 205, SR, 1V (G/GS: 1/0, W-L: 0-0, ERA: 0.00, IP: 0.0, SO: 0, BB: 0)

LOCATION: Pullman, WA 99164-1602 **STADIUM:** Bailey-Brayton Field (3,500, lighted)

SID: Rod Commons (W) 509-335-2684 (H) 509-332-8309 (FAX) 509-335-0267 **ASSISTANTS:** Linda Chalich
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Jason Krump
Jason Hickman

BASEBALL SID: Ilsa Gramer (W) 509-335-4296 **SID OFFICE:** Bohler Addition 195 Pullman, WA 99164-1602

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OFFICIAL NAME: Washington State University

PRESIDENT: Dr. V. Lane Rawlins

FOUNDED: 1890 (Land Grant University) **ENROLLMENT:** 22,000

COLORS: Crimson and Gray **NICKNAME:** Cougars/Cougs

CONFERENCE: Pacific-10-WSU is a member of the Pacific-10 Conference Baseball League, along with Arizona, Arizona State, California, Oregon State, Stanford, UCLA, USC, and Washington.

FIGHT SONG: "The Fight Song," 1919, with words by Zella Melcher and music by Phyllis Sayles.

ALMA MATER: "Washington, My Washington," 1913, with words and music by J. DeForest Cline.



GOING PRO

MAJOR LEAGUE PLAYERS FROM WSU, ALL-TIME (39)

Norm Angelini, P, Kansas City (1972-73)
 Rick Austin, P, Cleveland (1970-71), Milwaukee (1975-76)
 Tom Baker, P, Chicago-N (1963)
 Todd Belitz, P, Colorado (2002)
 Ed Bouchee, 1B, Philadelphia (1956-60), Chicago-N (1960-61), New York-N (1962)
 Ron Cey, 3B, Los Angeles (1971-82), Chicago-N (1983-86), Oakland (1987)
 Cliff Chambers, P, Chicago-N (1948), Pittsburgh (1949-51), St. Louis (1951-53)
 Gene Conley, P, Boston-N (1952), Milwaukee (1954-58), Philadelphia (1959-60), Boston-A (1961-63)
 Pete Coscarart, INF, Brooklyn (1938-41), Pittsburgh (1942-46)
 Don Crow, C, Los Angeles (1982)
 Dave Edler, 3B, Seattle (1981-83)
 Dan Frisella, P, New York-N (1967-72), Atlanta (1967-74), San Diego, (1975), St. Louis (1975-76), Milwaukee (1976)
 Gregory Garrett, P, California (1970), Cincinnati (1971)
 Scott Hatteberg, C, Boston (1995-2000), Oakland (2002-P)
 Mark Hendrickson, LHP, Toronto (2002-2003), Tampa Bay (2004-P)
 Mike Kinkade, N.Y. Mets (1998-00), Baltimore (200-01), Los Angeles (2002-2003)
 Mike Kinnunen, P, Minnesota (1980), Baltimore (1986-87)
 Steve Kline, P, New York Yankees (1970-74)
 Johnny Lazor, OF, Boston Red Sox (1943-46)
 Tom McGraw, P, St. Louis (1997-P)
 Joe McIntosh, P, San Diego (1974-75)
 Art McLarney, INF, New York Giants (1932)
 Gary Martz, OF, Kansas City (1975)
 Tom Niedenfuer, P, Los Angeles (1981-87), Baltimore (1987-88), Seattle (1989-90), St. Louis (1990)
 Paul Noce, INF, Chicago-N (1987), Cincinnati (1990)
 John Olerud, 1B, Toronto (1989-1996), New York Mets (1997-1999), Seattle Mariners (1999-P)
 Ken Phelps, 1B/OF, Seattle (1983-88), New York-A (1988-90), Cleveland (1990)
 Robert Ramsay, P, Seattle (1999-2000), San Diego (2003)
 Rob Ryan, OF, Arizona (1999-2001), Oakland (2001)
 Aaron Sele, P, Boston (1993-1997), Texas Rangers (1998-1999), Seattle Mariners (1999-P), Anaheim (2002-P)
 Doug Sisk, P, New York (1982-87), Baltimore (1988), Atlanta (1991-92)
 Mark Small, P, Houston, (1996)
 Jack Spring, P, Philadelphia (1955), Boston (1957), Washington (1958), Los Angeles (1961-64), Chicago-N (1964), St. Louis (1964), Cleveland (1965)
 Wes Stock, P, Baltimore (1959-64), Kansas City (1964-67)
 Ted Tappe, 1B, Cincinnati (1950-51, 55)
 David Wainhouse, P, Montreal (1991), Seattle (1993), Pittsburgh (1996-1997), Colorado (1998-99), St. Louis (2000)
 Don White, OF, Philadelphia (1948-49)
 Eric Wilkins, P, Cleveland (1979)
 Sandy Wihtol, P, Cleveland (1979-80, 82)
 Richard Young, 2B, Philadelphia (1951-52)
 Note: Baker earned three football letters, but did not play baseball; Coscarart attended WSU one semester (1933); Lazor attended WSU one semester (1932); Phelps freshman ball only; White did not play baseball; Wihtol freshman baseball only; Young freshman baseball only.

The road from high school baseball to the Major Leagues is long, usually winding, and full of detours. But for many, the gate to the professional fields seems to open easier when Cougar Baseball has been a part of the trip.

Take former Cougar John Olerud for example, Toronto plucked him out of WSU's program in 1988 and rather than send him to the minors for instruction on the basics, they sent him right to the parent club. Olerud, who was the college baseball player of the year in 1988, went straight to the top.

Olerud, who never spent a day in the minor leagues, won the American League batting title in 1993 and was the starting first baseman for the Blue Jays when they won the 1992 and 1993 World Series Championships.

But Olerud, who was signed by the Seattle Mariners in December, isn't the only example of Cougars having success in the pros. The list (to the left) of former Cougs who went on to the Major Leagues numbers 39, with most of them a product of the last 30 years.

The latest includes Mike Kinkade, Aaron Sele, Scott Hatteberg and Mark Hendrickson round out the former Cougars who played in the majors last year.



Tampa Bay's Mark Hendrickson played both baseball and basketball for the Cougars, then went to the NBA and MLB.



*John Olerud
Seattle Mariners*



*Mark Hendrickson
Tampa Bay Devil Rays*



*Aaron Sele
Anaheim Angels*



*Scott Hatteberg
Oakland Athletics*



*Mike Kinkade
Han Shin Tigers*