

ANNUAL REPORT

2017-18



DIVISION OF ENROLLMENT AND STUDENT SERVICES
Department of Athletics & Recreation

Department Overview

The Department of Athletics and Recreation is responsible for the function of the intercollegiate athletic teams, intramurals, and the operation of the fitness center, natatorium and outdoor athletic facilities.

Leadership

SUNY Fredonia Athletics saw its first change in leadership in nearly 20 years, as long-time Director of Athletics Greg Prechtl retired on June 19. The athletic department's administrative suite was named in honor of Greg and his wife Linda during a ceremony on Homecoming Weekend.

List of Significant Achievements

1. Facility Improvements
 - a. Dods Gymnasium upgraded for Blue Devil Basketball
 - b. Addition of turf field and press box for Women's LaCrosse
 - c. Enhancements to Country Cross Track course
2. Team success - Two SUNYAC Championship Tournament Finalist and Runner - up, Women's Volleyball and Men's Hockey
3. Student-Athlete Athletic and Academic Recognition
 - i. Cumulative GPA of student-athletes: 2.95 gpa with nine team having a cumulative GPA over 3.0 gpa.

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***Jerry Fisk, Director of
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- ii. Jacque Law, women's basketball, and Ethan Francis, men's cross country, won the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Academic Excellence in their respective sports.
- iii. Jamie Young, men's hockey, and Courtney Poirier, volleyball, were recognized as the Scholar Athletes of the Year.
- iv. 17 student-athletes were inducted into Chi Alpha Sigma, graduating with a 3.4 or higher gpa.
- v. Luke Kuczewski, a pitcher on the baseball team, was named Male Athlete of the Year. Brittany Feldman, women's track & field, and Courtney Poirier, volleyball, were selected Co-Female Athletes of the Year.
- vi. SUNYAC recognition:
 - 1. SUNYAC champions:
 - a. Sarah Couperus, women's outdoor high jump
 - b. Brittany Feldman, women's outdoor 400 meters
 - c. Justyn Haines, men's outdoor pole vault
 - d. Damone Brown, men's indoor shot put
 - 2. All-America
 - a. Christian Krasnek, men's springboard diving
 - 3. All-SUNYAC
 - a. Volleyball
 - i. Courtney Poirier, Hallie Christopher, Kristen Stanek, Kailey Falk
 - b. Men's Cross Country
 - i. Ethan Francis, Merlin Joseph Jr.
 - c. Women's Cross Country

Scholar Athletes of the Year



Jamie Young and Courtney Poirier accept the Scholar Athletes of the Year Award at the Athletics Gala on May 9. L to R: Jamie Young, Director of Athletics Jerry Fisk, Faculty Athletics Representative Dr. Eileen Lyon, and Courtney Poirier.

Athletic Gala: Rolling Out The Red Carpet



Coach Arthur Wang and members of the swimming and diving teams pose for a picture on the red carpet before the 2018 Athletics Gala.

- i. Brenna Donovan
 - d. Women's Soccer
 - i. Lauren Cullinan
 - e. Tennis
 - i. Olivia Miller
 - f. Men's Basketball
 - i. Ian Helps (4-time All SUNYAC)
 - g. Women's Basketball
 - i. Jenna Einink, Jacque Law
 - h. Men's Swimming & Diving
 - i. Graham Jones, Bill Bradley, Christian Krasnek
- 4. SUNYAC All-Tournament
 - a. Men's Ice Hockey: Jacob Haynes, Oskar Gerhardson

4. Community Service

- a. The Celebrate Mondays initiative with Fredonia Elementary School began in January. Student-athletes welcome the elementary schoolers to school every Monday that both Fredonia Elementary and the University are open.
- b. Luke Rivera and Ally Zwerka-Gentle received the inaugural Athletic Director's Award for their service and dedication to helping others.

Coaching Milestones

Women's Volleyball Coach Geoff Braun and Men's Hockey Coach Jeff Meredith each earned their 400th career victory during the 2017-18 year.



Coach Braun



Coach Meredith

Yearly Competitions

Fredonia State Athletics reclaimed the I-90 Cup and retained the Lake Erie Cup in 2017-18.

Baseball bested Penn State Behrend to bring the cup back to Fredonia. Fredonia has won 3 of the 5 I-90 Cup battles.

Fredonia won the Battle for Lake Erie for the 4th consecutive year. The Lake Erie Cup is awarded to the school that claims more victories in all sports, head-to-head between Buffalo St. and Fredonia.

SERIES HISTORY

2014-15: Fredonia 18, Buffalo State 14

2015-16: Fredonia 18.5, Buffalo State 13.5

2016-17: Fredonia 17.5, Buffalo State 14.5

2017-18: Fredonia 19, Buffalo State 13

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