

## TENNIS HEAD COACHES

### Russ Sluchinski – Tennis (1995 to present)

University of Alberta Pandas Tennis Head Coach Russ Sluchinski was born and raised in Drayton Valley, AB. Sluchinski took over as coach of the men's team in 1995 and coached the team for four years as a club team. In 1999 he was appointed as the Golden Bear Tennis team's first head coach, after the team joined the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) as University of Alberta's 20<sup>th</sup> Varsity Sport.

Since taking over the helm in 1995, the Bear's tennis program has arguably established itself as the flagship tennis program in the country. The Bears have won seven Western Collegiate Tennis Championships and five Canadian Collegiate Tennis Championships in this period. Since joining the NAIA, the Bears finished third at the Regional Championship in their inaugural year and have finished second several times in recent years.

Sluchinski graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Physical Education Degree in 1986. After graduating he began coaching at the University of Alberta Tennis Centre where he developed a number of provincial and nationally ranked tennis players over the next ten years. During this period he represented Alberta ten times at the Canadian Junior Nationals as provincial coach, coached at the Canada Summer Games, and represented Alberta as the under twelve Regional Scout.

He has coached tennis for twenty-three years, but the highlight of his coaching career came in 2001 when he coached the Canadian contingent at the World Universiade Games in Beijing, China. What made the experience even more memorable was that three of the four men and two of the four women who made up the Canadian Team were members of his Golden Bear and Pandas Teams.

In 2004, the new Saville Sports Centre opened with eight tennis courts and 10 curling sheets, along with viewing area, banquet facilities, lounge, sporting goods store and full access to adjoining Foote Field. Sluchinski played a key role in making this new facility a reality. The Centre has become the home of Golden Bears and Pandas Tennis and has had an immediate impact on the University of Alberta program.

For 2005-06 Russ gave way to Corey Stewart, who took over the Golden Bears Tennis program, allowing Sluchinski to concentrate his time on the women's team and still pursue involvement in other tennis development programs.

<b>Alberta/Men's Tennis History</b>					
<i>Season</i>	<i>Coach</i>	<i>Conf.</i>	<i>Playoffs</i>	<i>Overall</i>	<i>NAIA Winner</i>
1995-96	Russ Sluchinski	5-0		5-0	
1996-97	Russ Sluchinski	4-1		4-1	
1997-98	Russ Sluchinski	5-0		5-0	
1998-99	Russ Sluchinski	6-2		6-2	
1999-00	Russ Sluchinski	6-3		8-5	
2000-01	Russ Sluchinski	8-1		12-4	
2001-02	Russ Sluchinski	5-0		7-2	
2002-03	Russ Sluchinski	3-1		4-2	
2003-04	Russ Sluchinski	2-3		2-3	
2004-05	Russ Sluchinski				

<b>Alberta/Women's Tennis History</b>					
<i>Season</i>	<i>Coach</i>	<i>Conf.</i>	<i>Playoffs</i>	<i>Overall</i>	<i>NAIA Winner</i>
1995-96	Russ Sluchinski				
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1997-98	Russ Sluchinski				
1998-99	Russ Sluchinski				
1999-00	Russ Sluchinski	1-3		4-6	
2000-01	Russ Sluchinski	5-0		9-4	
2001-02	Russ Sluchinski	3-0		7-3	
2002-03	Russ Sluchinski	4-0		5-6	
2003-04	Russ Sluchinski	5-3		5-3	
2004-05	Russ Sluchinski				
2005-06	Russ Sluchinski				

### **Corey Stewart - Golden Bears Tennis (2005 to present)**

Corey Stewart took over as University of Alberta Golden Bears Tennis Head Coach in 2005-06 when Russ Sluchinski decided to concentrate on coaching Pandas Tennis, along with other programs at the Saville Centre in Edmonton.

Stewart has a B.A. Psychology from the University of Alberta. He is has a Tennis Canada Coach III and has been a full-time teaching tennis pro since 1997.

He is a Provincial Course Conductor in order to certify instructors in Alberta. Stewart was a speaker at the 2005 USTA Tennis Teachers Conference during the U.S. Open in New York and volunteered at the 2005 Arthur Ashe Kids Day held at the U.S. Open, where over 30,000 kids took part.

Corey was also a U14 Nationals Coach for Indoor Nationals during 2004 and 2005.

## **U of A Tennis History**

<b>Alberta/Men's Tennis History</b>					
<b>Season</b>	<b>Coach</b>	<b>Conf.</b>	<b>Playoffs</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>NAIA Winner</b>
1995-96	Russ Sluchinski	5-0		5-0	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)
1996-97	Russ Sluchinski	4-1		4-1	Mobile (Ala.)
1997-98	Russ Sluchinski	5-0		5-0	Oklahoma City
1998-99	Russ Sluchinski	6-2		6-2	Oklahoma City
1999-00	Russ Sluchinski	6-3		8-5	Oklahoma City
2000-01	Russ Sluchinski	8-1		12-4	Oklahoma City
2001-02	Russ Sluchinski	5-0		7-2	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)
2002-03	Russ Sluchinski	3-1		4-2	Oklahoma Christian
2003-04	Russ Sluchinski	2-3		2-3	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)
2004-05	Russ Sluchinski				

<b>Alberta/Women's Tennis History</b>					
<b>Season</b>	<b>Coach</b>	<b>Conf.</b>	<b>Playoffs</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>NAIA Winner</b>
1995-96	Russ Sluchinski				
1996-97	Russ Sluchinski				
1997-98	Russ Sluchinski				
1998-99	Russ Sluchinski				
1999-00	Russ Sluchinski	1-3		4-6	
2000-01	Russ Sluchinski	5-0		9-4	
2001-02	Russ Sluchinski	3-0		7-3	
2002-03	Russ Sluchinski	4-0		5-6	
2003-04	Russ Sluchinski	5-3		5-3	
2004-05	Russ Sluchinski				

NAIA Men's Tennis History					
Year	Site	Champion	Pts	Runner-up	Pts
1952	Abilene, Texas	Pepperdine (Calif.)	-	-	-
1953	Abilene, Texas	Hardin-Simmons (Texas)	-	-	-
1954	Abilene, Texas	Redlands (Calif.)	-	-	-
1955	Abilene, Texas	Lamar Tech (Texas)	-	-	-
1956	San Diego, Calif.	Lamar Tech (Texas)	-	-	-
1957	Beaumont, Texas	Lamar Tech (Texas)	-	-	-
1958	Beaumont, Texas	Lamar Tech (Texas)	-	-	-
1959	Charleston, Ill.	Lamar Tech (Texas)	-	-	-
1960	Kansas City, Mo.	Lamar Tech (Texas)	59	Pan American (Texas)	22
1961	Kansas City, Mo.	Pan American (Texas)	29	Southeastern Oklahoma	10
1962	Kansas City, Mo.	Pan American (Texas)	29	Southeastern Oklahoma	11
1963	Kansas City, Mo.	Pan American (Texas)	31	East Texas State	16
1964	Kansas City, Mo.	Pan American (Texas)	33	Corpus Christi (Texas)	30
1965	Kansas City, Mo.	Pan American (Texas)	29	East Texas State	15
1966	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	30	Corpus Christi (Texas)	18
1967	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	25	Corpus Christi (Texas)	17
1968	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	34	Southeastern Oklahoma	19
1969	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	43	Southeastern Oklahoma	32
1970	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	44	Southeastern Oklahoma	33
1971	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	41	Presbyterian (S.C.)	36
1972	Kansas City, Mo.	East Texas State	37	Redlands (Calif.)	35
1973	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	32	Presbyterian (S.C.)	28
1974	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	34	California Baptist	33
1975	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	30	Presbyterian (S.C.)	28
1976	Kansas City, Mo.	Mercyhurst (Pa.)	39	Redlands (Calif.)	27
1977	Kansas City, Mo.	Flagler (Fla.)	31	Southwest Texas State	24
1978	Kansas City, Mo.	East Texas State	28	Atlantic Christian (N.C.)	25
1979	Kansas City, Mo.	Atlantic Christian (N.C.)	28	Gustavus Adolphus (Minn.)	26
1980	Kansas City, Mo.	Redlands (Calif.)	36	Southwest Texas State	26
				Gustavus Adolphus (Minn.)	26
1981	Kansas City, Mo.	Southwest Texas State	36	Redlands (Calif.)	31
1982	Kansas City, Mo.	Southwest Texas State	36	Redlands (Calif.)	24
1983	Kansas City, Mo.	Belhaven (Miss.)	33	Lander (S.C.)	32
1984	Kansas City, Mo.	Atlantic Christian (N.C.)	29	Belhaven (Miss.) (3rd place)	28
		Southwest Baptist (Mo.)	29		
1985	Kansas City, Mo.	Lander (S.C.)	33	Flagler (Fla.)	27
1986	Kansas City, Mo.	Flagler (Fla.)	33	Lander (S.C.)	30
1987	Kansas City, Mo.	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	26	Charleston (S.C.)	25
1988	Kansas City, Mo.	Lander (S.C.)	33	Texas-Tyler	30
1989	Kansas City, Mo.	Texas-Tyler	35	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	24
1990	Kansas City, Mo.	Elon (N.C.)	31	North Florida	26
1991	Kansas City, Mo.	Lander (S.C.)	35	Brigham Young-Hawaii	27
				West Florida	27
1992	Kansas City, Mo.	Lander (S.C.)	31	Brigham Young-Hawaii	26
1993	Kansas City, Mo.	Mobile (Ala.)	28	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	23
				North Florida	23
1994	Tulsa, Okla.	Texas-Tyler	39	Oklahoma City	32
1995	Tulsa, Okla.	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	31	Oklahoma City	27
1996	Tulsa, Okla.	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	34	Mobile (Ala.)	22
1997	Tulsa, Okla.	Mobile (Ala.)	33	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	26
1998	Tulsa, Okla.	Oklahoma City	31	Mobile (Ala.)	26
1999	Boca Raton, Fla.	Oklahoma City	35	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)	30
2000	Lexington, Ky.	Oklahoma City	6	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)	3
2001	Lexington, Ky.	Oklahoma City	5	Georgia Southwestern State	2
2002	Peachtree City, Ga.	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)	5	Vacated +	0
2003	Peachtree City, Ga.	Oklahoma Christian	5	Azusa Pacific (Calif.)	1
2004	Mobile, Ala.	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)	5	Azusa Pacific (Calif.)	0

NAIA Women's Tennis History					
Year	Site	Champion	Pts	Runner-up	Pts
1981	Overland Park, Kan.	Grand Canyon (Ariz.)	27	East Texas State (3rd)	22
		Guilford (N.C.)	27		
1982	Overland Park, Kan.	Westmont (Calif.)	28	Guilford (N.C.)	25
1983	Overland Park, Kan.	Charleston (S.C.)	33	Centenary (La.)	30
1984	Overland Park, Kan.	Arkansas-Little Rock	33	Texas-Permian Basin	29
1985	Overland Park, Kan.	Arkansas-Little Rock	33	North Florida	28
1986	Overland Park, Kan.	North Florida	30	Arkansas-Little Rock	29
				Texas-Tyler	29
1987	Overland Park, Kan.	Flagler (Fla.)	28	North Florida	25
1988	Overland Park, Kan.	Flagler (Fla.)	45	Boca Raton (Fla.)	29
1989	Overland Park, Kan.	Flagler (Fla.)	32	Grand Canyon (Ariz.)	27
1990	Overland Park, Kan.	Flagler (Fla.)	30	Boca Raton (Fla.)	26
1991	Overland Park, Kan.	Flagler (Fla.)	27	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	25
1992	Overland Park, Kan.	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	38	Flagler (Fla.)	36
1993	Overland Park, Kan.	Lynn (Fla.)	36	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	34
1994	Tulsa, Okla.	Mobile (Ala.)	35	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	30
1995	Tulsa, Okla.	Lynn (Fla.)	34	Mobile (Ala.)	32
1996	Tulsa, Okla.	Lynn (Fla.)	35	Mobile (Ala.)	31
1997	Tulsa, Okla.	Brigham Young-Hawaii	46	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	30
1998	Tulsa, Okla.	Brigham Young-Hawaii	39	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	31
1999	Boca Raton, Fla.	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)	37	Oklahoma City	30
		Brenau (Ga.)	37		
2000	Lexington, Ky.	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	5	Brenau (Ga.)	4
2001	Lexington, Ky.	Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.)	5	Brenau (Ga.)	2
2002	Peachtree City, Ga.	Brenau (Ga.)	5	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)	2
2003	Peachtree City, Ga.	Northwood (Fla.)	5	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)	3
2004	Mobile, Ala.	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)	5	Azusa Pacific (Calif.)	0

**Krista Frohlich Trophy**  
(*Pandas Tennis MVP*)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>
1999-00	Lindsay Anderson
2000-01	Lindsay Anderson
2001-02	Zuzanna Triska
2002-03	Allison Twiss

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>
2003-04	Susi Fleischhacker
2004-05	Ingrid McKibbin
2005-06	Shaira Somani
2006-07	Olga Weber

**Rob Bell Trophy**  
(*Golden Bears Tennis MVP*)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>
1995-96	
1996-97	
1997-98	
1998-99	
1999-00	David Spady
2000-01	Pierre Gasparotto

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>
2001-02	Jacob Komar
2002-03	Andrew Peglau
2003-04	Thomas Balle
2004-05	Michael Marren
2005-06	Jordan Richard
2006-07	Lane Richard

## Priscilla Hammond Memorial Trophy

One of the school's oldest, most beautiful sports trophies is the Priscilla Hammond Memorial Tennis Trophy, created in 1933-34 and awarded as recently as 1968 to the Western Inter-Collegiate mixed doubles tennis champion.

The trophy was donated by the Hammond family to the U of A in 1933 after the school's young tennis champion of the time, Priscilla Hammond, passed away earlier that year.

In her final event, Hammond teamed to win the 1932-33 WIT doubles title in Saskatoon.

1932 (honourary)	Priscilla Hammond & Gordon Keel, Alberta <i>(records unavailable)</i>
1945-46 (shared)	Jean Martyn & Gordie McLaws, Alberta Mary Counsell & Alex Miles, Manitoba
1947-48	Jean Martyn & Gordie McLaws, Alberta
1949-50	Tom Jackson & Patricia Lawson, Saskatchewan
1950-51	Tom Jackson & Patricia Lawson, Saskatchewan
1952-53	Evelyn Linke & Nick Romano, Alberta
1953-54	Donna Kinlock & Don MacIntosh, Alberta
1954-55	Barbara Shortreed & Ron Ghitter, Alberta
1955-56	Barbara Shortreed & Ron Ghitter, Alberta
1956-57	Eileen Nicol & Ron Ghitter, Alberta
1958-59	Judy Walls & Don Pookay, Alberta
1959-60	Sharon Whittaker & John Sutherland, UBC
1960-61 (shared)	Alberta UBC
1961-62	Monika Ahlem & Bob Johnson, UBC
1962-63	Heather McPherson & Lyall McCurdy
1963-64	Diana Farris & Francis VanHesteren, Alberta
1964-65	Heather McPherson & Francis VanHesteren, Alberta
1965-66	Sheila Wilson & Tom Hardy, Alberta
1966-67	Carol Clute & Wes Alexander, Alberta
1967-68	Maureen Hahill & Peter Burwash, Alberta