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**WGCA COACHES POLL PRESEASON RANKINGS ANNOUNCED**

CORAL SPRINGS, Florida (August 27, 2021) – The Women's Golf Coaches Association (WGCA) has announced the results of the 2021-22 Preseason WGCA Coaches Poll.

In Division I, Stanford University received 17 first-place votes to open the season at No. 1, while Duke University received two first-place votes to finish at No. 2. Wake Forest University comes in at No. 3, while Louisiana State University and 2021 NCAA runner-up Oklahoma State University tie for the No. 4 spot.

Opening at No. 1 in Division II is defending NCAA Champion Dallas Baptist University, who received 13 first-place votes, while 2021 runner-up Lynn University received the remaining first-place vote to come in at No. 2. University of Indianapolis opens the season at No. 3, followed by Limestone University and St. Mary's University at No. 4 and No. 5, respectively.

In Division III, reigning NCAA Champion Methodist University takes the No. 1 spot with nine first-place votes, followed by NCAA runner-up Carnegie Mellon University, who received two first-place votes. George Fox University received one first-place vote to open the season at No. 3, with University of Redlands coming in at No. 4. Williams College rounds out the top five after receiving one first-place vote.

In NAIA, 2021 National Champion Keiser University opens the season at No. 1 after receiving all but one first-place vote. Dalton State College claimed the remaining vote to come in at No. 2., while Taylor University takes the No. 3 spot.

The next WGCA Coaches Poll will be released on Friday, September 17.

**DIVISION I WGCA COACHES POLL**

Rank	University (First Place Votes)	Points
1	Stanford University (17)	513
2	Duke University (2)	489
3	Wake Forest University	435
T4	Louisiana State University	423
T4	Oklahoma State University	423
6	University of Mississippi (2)	420
7	Florida State University	360
8	Arizona State University	351
9	University of Texas	350
10	University of South Carolina	338
11	University of Southern California	336
12	Auburn University	317
13	University of Arizona	266

14	University of Oregon	234
15	Baylor University	224
16	University of California, Los Angeles	196
17	University of Virginia	179
18	University of Arkansas	172
19	University of Georgia	156
20	Virginia Tech	127
21	University of Florida	70
22	Vanderbilt University	64
23	University of Kentucky	58
24	University of Michigan	58
25	Kent State University	57
<b>Others Receiving Votes:</b> University of Alabama (55); Michigan State University (42); University of Maryland (35); Northwestern University (18); University of Houston (11); Texas Tech University (10); University of Oklahoma (9); Mississippi State University (6); University of Miami (6); Texas A&M University (5); University of Tennessee (5); Pepperdine University (4); The University of Tulsa (1); University of Central Florida (1); University of Illinois (1)		

#### **DIVISION II WGCA COACHES POLL**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>University (First Place Votes)</b>	<b>Points</b>
1	Dallas Baptist University (13)	349
2	Lynn University (1)	334
3	University of Indianapolis	294
4	Limestone University	288
5	St. Mary's University (Texas)	270
6	University of Findlay	263
7	Barry University	215
8	University of Tampa	210
9	Anderson University	206
10	Florida Southern College	205
11	Texas A&M University - Commerce	203
12	West Texas A&M University	166
13	Rollins College	163
14	Arkansas Tech University	143
15	Nova Southeastern University	137
16	Oklahoma Christian University	120
17	University of Missouri-St. Louis	113
T18	Flagler College	109
T18	University of North Georgia	109
20	Grand Valley State University	98
21	California State University San Marcos	81
22	University of Arkansas Fort Smith	77
23	Lee University	72
24	University of West Florida	62
T25	Saint Leo University	45
T25	Wingate University	45

**Others Receiving Votes:** University of Central Oklahoma (37); University of West Georgia (22); Academy of Art University (19); University of Central Missouri (19); Rogers State University (15); Carson-Newman University (14); Northeastern State University (12); Henderson State University (11); Midwestern State University (6); Lindenwood University (5); Colorado Christian University (4); Lincoln Memorial University (4); Simon Fraser University (3); Sonoma State University (1); Tiffin University (1)

### DIVISION III WGCA COACHES POLL

Rank	University (First Place Votes)	Points
1	Methodist University (9)	320
2	Carnegie Mellon University (2)	312
3	George Fox University (1)	286
4	University of Redlands	277
5	Williams College (1)	262
6	Centre College	247
7	Emory University	224
T8	St. Catherine University	183
T8	Washington and Lee University	183
10	University of Mary Hardin-Baylor	160
11	Illinois Wesleyan University	143
12	Christopher Newport University	129
13	Rhodes College	119
14	Berry College	117
15	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	114
16	York College of Pennsylvania	105
17	Bethel University	104
18	Washington University in St. Louis	89
19	University of Texas at Dallas	87
20	Pomona-Pitzer	81
21	New York University	77
22	University of California, Santa Cruz	68
23	Amherst College	64
24	Carleton College	63
T25	Denison University	48
T25	Trinity University (Texas)	48

**Others Receiving Votes:** Rose Hulman Institute of Technology (45); Southwestern University (38); Gustavus Adolphus College (36); Saint Mary's College (36); University of Wisconsin, Whitewater (33); Middlebury College (26); Carthage College (25); DePauw University (17); California Lutheran University (15); Grinnell College (12); Oglethorpe University (12); Wittenberg University (9); Sewanee: The University of the South (3); University of Wisconsin-Stout (3); Whitman College (3); Calvin University (1); Huntingdon College (1)

**NAIA WGCA COACHES POLL**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>University (First Place Votes)</b>	<b>Points</b>
1	Keiser University (7)	79
2	Dalton State College (1)	70
3	Taylor University	57
T4	Oklahoma City University	54
T4	SCAD Savannah	54
6	Embry Riddle Aeronautical University	35
7	Loyola University New Orleans	30
8	William Carey University	23
9	Ottawa University - Arizona	11
10	Morningside College	10
<b>Others Receiving Votes:</b> Texas Wesleyan University (6); Cumberland University (5); Milligan College (5); Indiana Wesleyan University (1)		

**About the Women's Golf Coaches Association**

The Women's Golf Coaches Association, founded in 1983, is a non-profit organization representing women's collegiate golf coaches. The WGCA was formed to encourage the playing of college golf for women in correlation with a general objective of education and in accordance with the highest tradition of intercollegiate competition. Today, the WGCA represents over 650 coaches throughout the U.S. and is dedicated to educating, promoting and recognizing both its members and the student-athletes they represent.

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