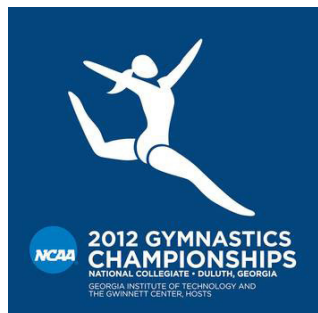


2012 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS



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ALINA WEINSTEIN AT THE 2012 NCAA NATIONAL COLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

April 20-22
Gwinnett Center // Duluth, Ga.
Hosted by the Gwinnett Center and Georgia Tech

2012 ILLINOIS SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Time/Result
J 14	#22 MINNESOTA	W, 194.725-192.800
J 21	@ Iowa	Tie, 195.075-195.075
J 27	@ #19 Michigan	L, 193.700-194.225
F 4	#11 OHIO STATE^	W, 195.700-195.575
F 10	vs. #7 UCLA, #15 Boise State & #18 Missouri (@ Navy Pier - Chicago, Ill.)	4th of 4, 195.100
F 17	MICHIGAN STATE	TIE, 195.175-195.175
F 19	@ Arizona State	W, 195.775-195.525
F 25	@ UIC	L, 193.975-195.250
M 2	KENTUCKY	L, 195.750-195.950
M 11	@ Western Michigan	W, 195.400-194.025
M 17	STATE OF ILLINOIS CLASSIC	1ST OF 4, 196.150
M 24	@ Big Ten Championships^ (Iowa City, Iowa)	2nd of 4 in Session 5th of 8 Overall, 195.850
A 7	NCAA REGIONAL (@ Assembly Hall - Champaign, Ill.)	3RD OF 6, 195.725
A 20-22	@ NCAA Championships (Duluth, Ga.)	
A 20	Team Prelims and AA Finals	11 a.m./5 p.m. CT
A 21	Super Six Team Final	3 p.m. CT
A 22	Individual Event Finals	12 p.m. CT

Record: 12-9-2
High Score: 196.150
Average Score: 195.238
RQS: 195.695

Home meets are in **BOLD** and held at Huff Hall
^ Meet will be aired on Big Ten Network

WEINSTEIN TO REPRESENT ILLINOIS AT NATIONALS

Junior Alina Weinstein (*pronounced wine-STEEN*) will travel to the NCAA Championships this weekend in Duluth, Ga., after punching her ticket to nationals with a victory in the all-around at the NCAA Champaign Regional. Weinstein, who scored a career-high 39.450 to win the title, will compete at the national meet for the second year in a row. Last season, she earned second-team All-America honors on floor while helping the Illini to their best national finish (11th) in program history. Weinstein also tied for first on beam with a career-high 9.900 at this year's regional, making her the second Illini ever to win multiple regional titles, as she shares that honor with Nancy Thies, who won a combined seven crowns from 1976-77.

Weinstein, who will rotate with Nebraska, is set to compete in Session I on Friday, April 20 (11 a.m. CT) at the NCAA Championships, which are being hosted by the Gwinnett Center and Georgia Tech. The top four individuals including ties on each event from Friday's competition will move onto Sunday's event finals (12 p.m. CT). The individual all-around crown will be decided on Friday by combining the the scores from the two sessions. To earn All-America status, an individual must finish in the top eight on an event or in the all-around, with the top four earning first team honors and the next four picking up second team honors. The top three teams from each Friday session will advance to the Super Six team finals on Saturday, April 21 (3 p.m. CT).

CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE

Friday, April 20 - Team Semifinals and All-Around Finals

11 a.m. (CT) - Session I - UCLA, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Utah, Stanford, LSU

5 p.m. (CT) - Session II - Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Arkansas, Oregon State, Ohio State

Saturday, April 21 - Super Six Team Final - 3 p.m. (CT)

* Top three teams from each of Friday's sessions

Sunday, April 22 - Individual Event Finals - 12 p.m. (CT)

** Top four individuals on each event (plus ties) from each of Friday's sessions

LIVE STATS AND STREAMING INFORMATION

Live stats and live video of Friday's semifinal sessions will be available via ncaa.com and linked on fightingillini.com. The Super Six Team Finals and Individual Event Finals will be broadcast live by ESPN3, while a tape-delayed program showcasing the championships is set to air Wednesday, May 2 at 7:30 p.m. CT on ESPNU.

WEINSTEIN TO ROTATE WITH NEBRASKA DURING AFTERNOON SESSION

In a random draw conducted by the NCAA, Weinstein will be rotating with Nebraska in Session I. The Corn Huskers will rotate as follows: bars, beam, bye, floor, vault, bye

Rotation Order for Friday's Afternoon Session (11 a.m. CT)

**Weinstein will rotate with Nebraska*

Rotation	Vault	Bye I	Bars	Beam	Bye II	Floor
1	UCLA	LSU	Nebraska	Oklahoma	Stanford	Utah
2	Utah	UCLA	LSU	Nebraska	Oklahoma	Stanford
3	Stanford	Utah	UCLA	LSU	Nebraska	Oklahoma
4	Oklahoma	Stanford	Utah	UCLA	LSU	Nebraska
5	Nebraska	Oklahoma	Stanford	Utah	UCLA	LSU
6	LSU	Nebraska	Oklahoma	Stanford	Utah	UCLA

Rotation Order for Friday's Evening Session (5 p.m. CT)

Rotation	Vault	Bye I	Bars	Beam	Bye II	Floor
1	Florida	Ohio State	Georgia	Alabama	Oregon State	Arkansas
2	Arkansas	Florida	Ohio State	Georgia	Alabama	Oregon State
3	Oregon State	Arkansas	Florida	Ohio State	Georgia	Alabama
4	Alabama	Oregon State	Arkansas	Florida	Ohio State	Georgia
5	Georgia	Alabama	Oregon State	Arkansas	Florida	Ohio State
6	Ohio State	Georgia	Alabama	Oregon State	Arkansas	Florida

ILLINOIS HISTORY AT THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Junior Alina Weinstein is the 10th Illini to qualify individually for nationals since the NCAA began sponsoring the event in 1982. Prior to 1982, when nationals were sponsored by the AIAW, Illinois had five individuals compete at the national meet. As a team, the Illini have qualified for the NCAA Championships twice in school history, including appearances in 2009 (12th) and 2011 (11th).

Illinois gymnasts have earned 11 All-America honors in school history, including a school-record six laurels a year ago. Nancy Thies was an AIAW All-American in 1976 on the uneven bars, while Allison Buckley was the first NCAA All-American in school history in 2008 when she earned second-team honors on the balance beam. In 2009, a pair of gymnasts were All-Americans, as Melissa Fernandez became the school's first first-team selection on beam and Sarah Schmidt was named to the second team on floor. Last season, Fernandez collected a program-record three accolades, leading the way with a pair of first-team All-America honors on beam and in the all-around along with a second-team nod on floor. Buckley and Weinstein were also second-team All-Americans on floor, while Kelsey Joannides garnered the distinction on vault for placing among the top eight in the session.

ILLINI PLACE THIRD AT NCAA REGIONAL

Junior Alina Weinstein earned a trip to the NCAA Championships after winning the all-around title at the NCAA Champaign Regional with a career-high score of 39.450. The Plainsboro, N.J., native led No. 22 Illinois to a third-place finish with a total of 195.725, as the Illini finished behind No. 2 Oklahoma (197.025) and No. 11 Stanford (196.675) to come up one spot short of advancing to nationals for the second-straight year. Illinois, which hosted its first-ever regional at the Assembly Hall, will be represented at the national meet for the fifth year in a row.

Weinstein, who also tied for first on beam with a career-high 9.900, became just the second Illini to win multiple regional titles, sharing that honor with Nancy Thies, who won a combined seven crowns from 1976-77. She was also just the second regional all-around champion from Illinois along with Thies and the fourth individual event champion in program history, joining Thies, Allison Buckley (2009-10) and Cara Pomeroy (2004) with that distinction. Weinstein hit all four routines on vault (9.850), bars (9.825), beam (9.900) and floor (9.875) to equal the fifth-best all-around score in school history of 39.450.

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ILLINOIS ALL-AMERICANS

Year	Gymnast	Place in Session (Score)
1976	Nancy Thies, UB (AIAW)	T-6th (9.15)
2008	Allison Buckley, BB (2nd Team)	T-6th (9.825)
2009	Melissa Fernandez, BB (1st Team)	T-1st (9.900)
	Sarah Schmidt, FX (2nd Team)	T-6th (9.850)
2010	Allison Buckley, VT (1st Team)	T-3rd (9.900)
2011	Melissa Fernandez, AA (1st Team)	T-3rd (39.375)
	Melissa Fernandez, BB (1st Team)	T-4th (9.850)
	Melissa Fernandez, FX (2nd Team)	T-8th (9.850)
	Allison Buckley, FX (2nd Team)	T-6th (9.875)
	Kelsey Joannides, VT (2nd Team)	T-7th (9.875)
	Alina Weinstein, FX (2nd Team)	T-8th (9.850)

ILLINOIS INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL QUALIFIERS

Year	Gymnast	Place in Session (Score)
1976	Nancy Thies, AA	8th (35.55)
1977	Patty Carmichael, AA	32nd (33.23)
	Nancy Thies, AA	Did not compete
1979	Gayle Fleischmann, AA	31st (33.85)
1981	Heidi Helmke, AA	T-71st (32.45)
1982	Heidi Helmke, AA	T-40th (34.30)
	Karen Brems, AA	T-40th (34.30)
1987	Denise Lamborn, AA	T-42nd (34.95)
2004	Ashley Williams, AA	T-19th (38.450)
	Cara Pomeroy, UB	T-28th (9.800)
2008	Nicole Cowart, AA	15th (38.925)
	Allison Buckley, AA	18th (38.525)
2010	Allison Buckley, VT	T-3rd (9.900)
	Sarah Schmidt, AA	15th (38.425)

TOP SCORES IN ILLINOIS HISTORY

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

ALL-AROUND

1.	39.550	Allison Buckley	2011
2.	39.525	Allison Buckley	2010
3.	39.475	Allison Buckley	2011
	39.475	Ashley Williams	2004
5.	39.450	Alina Weinstein	2012
	39.450	Allison Buckley	2011
	39.450	Allison Buckley	2008
8.	39.425	Alina Weinstein	2012
	39.425	Sarah Schmidt	2010
	39.425	Allison Buckley	2009

VAULT

1.	9.950	Marijka Botterman	2009
2.	9.925	Amber See	2012
		Kelsey Joannides	2011
		Kelsey Joannides	2009
		Marijka Botterman	2009
		Jessica Cole	2003
		Nicole Viernes	1996
8.	9.900	Amber See	2011 (twice)
		Allison Buckley	2010 (5 times)
		Allison Buckley	2009
		Nicole Cowart	2009
		Marijka Botterman	2009
		Allison Buckley	2008
		Allison Buckley	2008
		Marijka Botterman	2007
		Carissa Ericson	2001

BAR

1.	10.0	Cara Pomeroy	2004
2.	9.975	Sarah Schmidt	2010
3.	9.950	Cara Pomeroy	2007
		Cara Pomeroy	2007
		Cara Pomeroy	2005
6.	9.925	Alina Weinstein	2010
		Melissa Fernandez	2010 (twice)
		Sarah Schmidt	2010
		Cara Pomeroy	2007
		Cara Pomeroy	2007
		Cara Pomeroy	2005
		Ashley Williams	2004
		Cara Pomeroy	2004
		Cara Pomeroy	2004
		Kelli Farrar	1997
		Kelli Farrar	1997
		Natalie Forsthoefel	1996

BEAM

1.	9.950	Allison Buckley	2011
		Allison Buckley	2009
		Stacy Redmond	1995
4.	9.925	Kelsey Joannides	2012
		Allison Buckley	2010
		Melissa Fernandez	2010
		Allison Buckley	2009
		Allison Buckley	2009
		Melissa Fernandez	2009
		Allison Buckley	2008
		Kara Kapernekas	2003
		Kara Kapernekas	2003
		Jana Gallagher	2001
		Jana Gallagher	2001
		Jana Gallagher	2001
		Jana Gallagher	2001
		Kim Berres	1997

FLOOR

1.	9.950	Sarah Schmidt	2010
		Sarah Schmidt	2009
		Kara Kapernekas	2004
		Kara Kapernekas	2003
		Amanda Kaufman	2003
		Phaedra Dixon	2000
7.	9.925	Amber See	2011
		Allison Buckley	2011 (3 times)
		Sarah Schmidt	2010 (5 times)
		Allison Buckley	2010
		Allison Buckley	2009
		Sarah Schmidt	2009
		Lauren Newcomb	2004
		Kara Kapernekas	2004
		Carissa Ericson	2000
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MEET-BY-MEET SCORING BREAKDOWN

MEET	RESULT	TEAM	VAULT	BAR	BEAM	FLOOR
#22 Minnesota	W	194.725	48.300	48.750	48.900	48.775
at Iowa	Tie	195.075	48.575	48.675	49.000	48.825
at #19 Michigan	L	193.700	48.600	48.950	47.050	49.100
#11 Ohio State	W	195.700	48.925	49.025	48.775	48.975
vs. #7 UCLA, #15 Boise State, #18 Missouri	4th of 4	195.100	48.500	48.850	48.875	48.875
Michigan State	Tie	195.175	48.575	48.750	48.950	48.900
at #25 Arizona State	W	195.775	48.750	48.875	48.950	49.200
at UIC	L	193.975	48.900	46.850	49.050	49.175
Kentucky	L	195.750	48.975	48.900	49.175	48.700
at Western Michigan	W	195.400	49.000	48.825	49.000	48.575
State of Illinois Classic	1st of 4	196.150	48.900	49.025	49.025	49.200
at Big Ten Championships	5th of 8	195.850	48.975	49.100	48.900	48.875
NCAA Regional Championships	3rd of 6	195.725	49.000	48.775	48.975	48.975
Season Average	--	195.238	48.767	48.719	48.817	48.935
Season High Scores	--	196.150	49.000	49.100	49.175	49.200
Regional Qualifying Score	--	195.695	48.935	48.955	49.005	49.070



ALINA WEINSTEIN

5-2 // Junior // All-Around

Plainsboro, N.J. // West Windsor Plainsboro South HS

Club: Arena Gymnastics

Major: Communications

2012 HIGHLIGHTS

- Earned a trip to the NCAA Championships after winning the all-around title at the NCAA Champaign Regional with a career-high score of 39.450
- Tied for first on beam with a career-high 9.900 at the NCAA Champaign Regional, making her the second Illini ever to win multiple regional titles, as she shares that honor with Nancy Thies, who won a combined seven crowns from 1976-77
- Second-team All-Big Ten selection
- Named Big Ten Gymnast of the Week on Jan. 30
- Turned in two of the top-10 all-around scores in school history with a personal-best 39.450 (No. 5) and a 39.425 (No. 8)
- Second on the team with 13 individual titles and has 42 top-five finishes
- Hit 45-of-49 routines, including all 12 on vault and beam
- Set career highs on vault (9.875), beam (9.900) and floor (9.900)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Earned second-team All-America honors on floor after tying for eighth at nationals in 2011
- Career-high 9.925 on bars is tied for sixth-best in program history
- Named the team's Most Improved Gymnast in 2011

2012 MEET-BY-MEET RESULTS

Opponent	Vault	Bars	Beam	Floor	AA
Minnesota	9.725	9.675	9.825 (2)	9.175	38.400
at Iowa	9.775 (4)	9.700	9.775 (4)	9.825 (2)	39.075 (3)
at Michigan	9.825 (3)	9.875 (1)	9.825 (1)	9.875 (3)	39.400 (1)
Ohio State	9.775 (5)	8.650	9.700	9.825 (2)	37.950 (5)
at Navy Pier	9.825	9.825 (5)	9.800 (3)	9.725	39.175 (4)
MSU	9.750 (4)	9.475	9.775	9.600	38.600 (2)
at ASU	9.775 (3)	9.750 (5)	9.800 (2)	9.900 (1)	39.225 (2)
at UIC	--	9.175	--	--	--
Kentucky	9.875 (1)	9.850 (1)	9.875 (2)	9.650	39.250 (1)
at WMU	9.850 (1)	9.775 (3)	9.825 (2)	9.800 (2)	39.250 (1)
Illinois Classic	9.825 (1)	9.875 (1)	9.850 (2)	9.875 (3)	39.425 (1)
at Big Tens	9.850	9.875 (4)	9.750	9.850	39.325 (6)
NCAA Regional	9.850 (3)	9.825 (8)	9.900 (1)	9.875 (4)	39.450 (1)
Average	9.808	9.640	9.808	9.748	39.044
Season High	9.875	9.875	9.900	9.900	39.450
Career High	9.875	9.925	9.900	9.900	39.450

