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## 2006 MOUNTAIN PACIFIC SPORTS FEDERATION WOMEN'S WATER POLO STANDINGS

	MPSF					OVERALL						
	W	L	PCT	HOME	AWAY	W	L	PCT	HOME	AWAY	NEUT	STREAK
1. USC <2>	12	0	1.000	6-0	6-0	27	3	.900	9-0	7-0	11-3	Lost 1
2. UCLA <4>	11	1	.916	6-0	5-1	29	4	.878	8-0	7-1	14-3	Won 4
3. Stanford <1>	10	2	.833	6-0	4-2	24	5	.827	8-0	5-2	11-3	Won 1
4. California <5>	9	3	.750	5-1	4-2	18	9	.666	8-1	5-3	5-5	Won 2
5. Hawaii <3>	7	5	.583	3-2	4-3	18	12	.600	5-2	5-3	8-7	Lost 2
6. UC Irvine <9>	6	6	.500	3-3	3-3	18	15	.545	5-3	6-5	7-7	Lost 3
7. Arizona State <6>	5	7	.416	4-2	1-5	15	13	.535	4-2	3-6	8-5	Lost 1
8. San Jose St <12>	5	7	.416	3-3	2-4	13	14	.481	6-3	4-4	4-6	Won 1
9. San Diego St <7>	5	7	.416	3-3	2-4	22	12	.647	4-3	3-3	14-5	Won 1
10. Long Beach St <13>	4	8	.333	2-4	2-4	15	14	.517	5-4	4-6	6-4	Lost 3
11. UCSB <14>	3	9	.250	2-4	1-5	18	17	.514	11-7	4-6	3-4	Won 1
12. CS Northridge <19>	1	11	.083	0-6	1-5	12	21	.363	4-7	1-7	7-7	Lost 4
13. Pacific <NR>	0	12	.000	0-6	0-6	0	22	.000	0-6	0-11	0-5	Lost 23

*MPSF Championship Apr. 27-30 at the Univ. of California, Irvine, CA < > Brackets denote National Ranking. Final Standings=Champ. Seeding.*

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### UCLA TAKES HOME 4<sup>TH</sup> NCAA TITLE IN LAST SECOND VICTORY

The MPSF placed four teams in the 2006 NCAA Championship held May 12-14<sup>th</sup> at UC Davis. No. 4 UCLA snuck in the backdoor with an at-large bid and a fourth place national ranking but put it together when it counted and came home with their fourth NCAA title in six years and eighth national title. The third seeded Bruins easily handled sixth seed Hartwick 15-2 in the first round. In the semis they drew the number two seed and MPSF champion Stanford going on to defeat the Cardinal 8-5 to set up the championship round against number one seed USC. The teams battled back and forth with tournament MVP **Kelly Rulon** scoring her last of four goals at the end of the third quarter to give the Bruins a 8-7 lead. Both teams went scoreless in the fourth quarter until the Trojans tied it up at 8-8 with 30 seconds to go. It looked like OT when **Courtney Mathewson** scored a six on five goal with one second on the clock to secure the win and the championship title.....No. 2 USC came in with a 25-2 record, a number one seed and hopes for their second NCAA title. The Women of Troy easily defeated SCAC champion and eight seed Claremont Mudd-Scripps in the first round 27-2. In the semi-final they had a battle on their hands with Hawaii. **Moriah Van Norman** led the way with three goals while goalkeeper **Whitney Morgan** stopped nine from the cage as USC took the game 9-7. In the championship game **Patty Cardenas** led the way with three goals and scored with 30 seconds left in the game to tie it at 8-8. There was still enough time for the Bruins to swim down, draw and ejection and dash the Women of Troy's hopes for victory in overtime.....No. 1 Stanford came in to the tournament as MPSF Champions, a number two seed and hopes for their second NCAA title. The first day looked good as the Cardinal easily defeated number seven seed Marist 17-2. The semi-final with UCLA was a little more problematic. **Scotti Shafer** led with three goals but could not make up the 3-6 deficit at the half and the Bruins won the game 8-5. The Cardinal faced Hawaii in the third place game. Goalkeeper **Meridith McColl** posted 10 saves and **Scotti Shafer**, **Jessica Steffens** and **Lauren Silver** each tossed in two goals in the 8-5 victory and a 24-5 overall season record.....No. 3 Hawaii received an at-large invitation and a number four seed resulting in a first round matchup with WWPAC Champion, tournament host and number five seed UC Davis. The Aggies played tough but the Rainbow Wahine came out on top 12-7 to set up a déjà vu semi-final rematch with USC. This time the Wahine got close but not close enough falling 7-9 to the Women of Troy. **Kelly Mason** led all scorers with three goals in the loss. In the final round, Hawaii faced Stanford and went home with fourth place after losing to the Cardinal 5-8. Hawaii could not make up for Stanford's three unanswered goals in the second period. The Rainbow Wahine finished in fourth place in the 2005 NCAA tournament and fourth in the 1998 National Collegiate Championship.....

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WATER POLO COACHES ASSN.  
WOMEN'S COLLEGIATE TOP 20

May 10, 2006

Rank	Team	Last Wk	Points
1	STANFORD	1	99
2	USC	2	94
3	HAWAII	3	90
4	UCLA	4	88
5	CALIFORNIA	5	80
6	ARIZONA STATE	6	74
7	SAN DIEGO STATE	7	67
8	Loyola Marymount	8	63
9	UC IRVINE	9	58
10	UC Davis	10	45
11	Hartwick College	11	52
12	SAN JOSE STATE	12	48
13	LONG BEACH STATE	13	42
14	UC SANTA BARBARA	14	36
15	Santa Clara University	15	32
16	Michigan	16	25
17	UC San Diego	17	21
18	Princeton	18	14
19	CS NORTHRIDGE	19	9
20	Indiana	20	5

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NCAA ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

1 <sup>st</sup> Team – MVP	Kelly Rulon	UCLA
1 <sup>st</sup> Team – Goalie	Emily Feher	UCLA
1 <sup>st</sup> Team – Field	Thalia Munro	UCLA
1 <sup>st</sup> Team – Field	Scotti Shafer	Stanford
1 <sup>st</sup> Team – Field	Anna Sieprath	Hawaii
1 <sup>st</sup> Team – Field	Iefke Van Belkum	Hawaii
1 <sup>st</sup> Team – Field	Moriah Van Norman	USC
1 <sup>st</sup> Team – Field	Lauren Wenger	USC
2 <sup>nd</sup> Team - Goalie	Meike DeNooy	Hawaii
2 <sup>nd</sup> Team – Field	Erika Figge	USC
2 <sup>nd</sup> Team – Field	Brittany Hayes	USC
2 <sup>nd</sup> Team – Field	Christina Hewko	Stanford
2 <sup>nd</sup> Team – Field	Bronwen Knox	Hartwick
2 <sup>nd</sup> Team – Field	Kacy Kunkel	UCLA
2 <sup>nd</sup> Team – Field	Katherine O'Rourke	UC Davis
2 <sup>nd</sup> Team – Field	Lauren Silver	Stanford

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2006 NCAA WOMEN'S WATER POLO  
CHAMPIONSHIP

May 12-14 at the University of California - Davis

MPSF champion Stanford gained automatic qualification into the NCAA 8-team tournament along with the conference champions from the Western Water Polo Association UC Davis; the Collegiate Water Polo Association, Marist; the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Claremont Mudd-Scripps; and the MAC, Marist. Three at-large teams, USC, UCLA and Hawaii were chosen by the NCAA Women's Water Polo Committee.

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NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP SEEDING

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. USC – At Large       | 2. Stanford – MPSF Champ  |
| 3. UCLA – At Large      | 4. Hawaii – At Large      |
| 5. UC Davis – WWPA Chmp | 6. Hartwick – CWPA Champ  |
| 7. Marist – MAC Champ   | 8. Claremont Mudd-Scripps |

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NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Friday May 12<sup>th</sup>

- Game 1 # 2 Stanford 17, # 7 Marist 2  
 Game 2 # 3 UCLA 15, # 6 Hartwick 2  
 Game 3 # 1 USC 27, # 8 Claremont Mudd-Scripps 2  
 Game 4 # 4 Hawaii 12, # 5 UC Davis 7

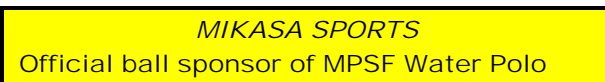
Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup>

- Game 5 UC Davis 13, Claremont Mudd-Scripps 4  
 Game 6 Hartwick 14, Marist 5  
 Game 7 USC 9, Hawaii 7  
 Game 8 UCLA 8, Stanford 5

Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup>

- Game 9 Claremont Mudd-Scripps 10, Marist 9 (7<sup>th</sup>)  
 Game 10 UC Davis 12, Hartwick 10 OT (5<sup>th</sup>)  
 Game 11 Stanford 8, Hawaii 5 (3<sup>rd</sup>)  
 Game 12 UCLA 9, USC 8 (1<sup>st</sup>)

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