

Facilities

Indoor

In Smith's four-building sports complex, you'll find an indoor track and tennis facility, two gymnasiums, locker facilities, ergometer room, rock climbing wall, fitness studio with spring wood floor and fencing lines, an athletic training room, five ASB glass-backed international squash courts and a human performance laboratory as well as coaches' and administrative offices. Surrounding the four indoor tennis courts is a 200-meter, six-lane Tartan track; adjacent to the oval are two eight-lane straightaways, 55m sprint-and-hurdle segments as well as all field-event stations. The track, one of the fastest on the East Coast, has been the setting for New England, ECAC regionals and three NCAA Division III championships. The aquatic facilities include a six-lane, 25-yard pool, one- and three-meter diving boards, an underwater observation window and a Colorado timing and diving judging system and scoreboard. The new \$4 million Olin Fitness Center that opened in January 2004 will accommodate all your fitness needs. The 4,816-square-foot space has glass walls facing the north and south, which form a 1,600-square-foot skylight, and houses 35 aerobic machines with individual television monitors, 40 selectorized weight machines and multiple free-weight stations.

Outdoor

Our equestrian center consists of a 100'x250' indoor arena with a large, heated observation area; two outdoor rings; turnout paddocks; a five-acre field and miles of wooded trails. The barn has 40 stalls, two tack rooms, a laundry, a wash stall and offices. Smith's 400-meter Eurotan S track includes two long- and triple-jump pits with dual runways; two pole-vault pits with adjacent runways; two shot circles; a dual-purpose hammer and discus cage; and a javelin area just inside the oval. Smith's athletic grass fields, with two field hockey fields (one with lights for night play) and a soccer/lacrosse field, are adjacent to the 12 lighted tennis courts. The 6,000-meter championship cross-country course, which is considered to be one of the top five in New England, is adjacent to the athletic fields and winds through scenic New England countryside. Softball practice and games take place in our fully enclosed softball diamond with skinned infield, dugouts and batting cage. The Pioneers row on the nearby Connecticut River. The Smith boathouse houses shells (eights and fours) for use in training and competition. The ski team does most of its dryland training on campus. The team's on-hill training is at Berkshire East Ski Area in Charlemont, Massachusetts, a 45-minute drive from campus. Berkshire East has excellent training facilities and hosts several races each year, including the high school state championships and all levels of USSA and FIS races.

If you want to combine academic challenge with athletic competition, consider Smith. Come see our facilities. Talk to our coaches and current softball team members. We think you'll find ours to be one of the nation's outstanding athletic programs!



Interim Coach Victoria Moshier

- ▶ First year at Smith
- ▶ Four years' coaching experience
- ▶ Assistant softball coach, SUNY New Paltz, 2006
- ▶ Graduate assistant softball and volleyball coach, Trinity College, 2007–09
- ▶ Softball clinician
- ▶ Member of NFCA and NEISCA
- ▶ 2006 graduate of Trinity College
- ▶ M.A. in American studies, Trinity College, 2009

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Softball



Softball at Smith

The Season

Smith competes as a member of the New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC). The NEWMAC has consistently been a very competitive conference for softball since its inception in 1988. The conference has a post-season tournament sending the champion as an automatic qualifier to the NCAA Division III tournament. In 20 years of existence, the conference has had eight different tournament champions, including Smith College, which undoubtedly shows its competitive nature.

The team begins its playing schedule in Orlando, Florida, to compete against some of the top softball programs from other NCAA regions across the country. Upon returning to New England, Smith's traditional non-NEWMAC rivals include Amherst, Elms, Trinity, Western New England and Westfield State colleges.

Smith softball turned in many strong performances during the 2009 season. Senior outfielder/pitcher Erin Quinn led the team at the plate and finished the season with a .341 batting average with nine RBI's.

In the circle, senior Emily Hiltzik, threw the majority of the innings (164.1), had an ERA of 4.73, struck out 102 and walked only 28 batters. Junior third baseman Megan Kiefer finished the season earning NEWMAC All-Conference Second Team honors with a .324 batting average that included six doubles, two triples, nine RBI's and was 14-17 in stolen bases.

With the graduation of four seniors, Smith will look to fill the vacancies with the members of the class of 2013 but retains great experience and talent in returning players Kirstie Beaton, Kate Durkin, Sarah Goodman, Megan Kiefer, co-captain Lauren Martinez, Salma Mehter, co-captain Laura Robitzek and Sally Stulberg.



Lauren Martinez '11, economics major, Phoenix, AZ

Individual Honors

NEISCA All-New England*

Megan Kiefer, 2008, 2nd team
Debbie Sasges, 2004, 1st team;
2005, 2nd team; 2007, 1st team

Sara Watson, 2004, 2nd team;
2005, 3rd team; 2006 1st team
Katie Maroney, 2004, 3rd team
Dasen Woitkowski, 2004, 3rd team
Nicole Caffrey, 2003
Christine Patterson, 1998
Bronwyn Williams, 1998
Bonnie Benson, 1997-98

NFCA All-Region

Megan Kiefer, 2008, 1st team
Debbie Sasges, 2004, 1st team;
2005, 2nd team; 2006, 3rd team; 2007, 1st team
Sara Watson, 2004, 2nd team;
2006, 1st team
Niki Banton, 2005, 2nd team
Chloe Pete, 2005, 3rd team
Katie Maroney, 2004, 1st team;
2005, 2nd team
Nicole Caffrey, 2005, 2nd team
Lorian Jenkins, 2004, 3rd team
Dasen Woitkowski, 2004, 3rd team
Amber Bourque-Laycsak, 2004,
3rd team

Stephanie Butler, 1999
Andrea Smith, 1999-2000
Bronwyn Williams, 1998-99
Christine Patterson, 1998
Bonnie Benson, 1997-2000

ECAC New England All Stars

Bonnie Benson, 1st team, 2000
Christine Patterson, 1st team, 1998
Bonnie Benson, 2nd team, 1998
Bronwyn Williams, 2nd team,
1998

NFCA Scholar Athlete

Debbie Sasges, 2004-05
Sarah Beaudry, 2004

Elizabeth Rist, 1999
Lexi Cordiano, 1998
Bonnie Benson, 1998-99
Bronwyn Williams, 1998-99
Shannon Bryant, 1998-99

NEISCA Scholar Athlete

Bonnie Benson, 2000
Bronwyn Williams, 1999
Lexi Cordiano, 1998

GTE-CoSIDA Academic All America (District 1)

Bronwyn Williams, 1999
Bonnie Benson, 1999-2000

NEWMAC Player of the Year

Bonnie Benson, 1998
Lisa Cook, 1994-95
Nancy Blanchard, 1990

NEWMAC Rookie of the Year

Katie Maroney, 2003

NEWMAC All-Conference Team*

Megan Kiefer, 2008, 2009, 2nd team
Debbie Sasges, 2004, 2nd team;
2005, 1st team; 2006, 2nd team; 2007, 1st team
Sara Watson, 2004, 2nd team;
2005, 2nd team; 2006, 1st team
Katie Maroney, 2004, 1st team;
2005, 1st team
Dasen Woitkowski, 2002; 2004,
2nd team
Erica Hubbard, 2003
Christine Patterson, 2000
Elizabeth Rist, 2000-01
Bonnie Benson, 1997-2000

NEWMAC Academic All-Conference*

Jessie Paull, 2008-09
Debbie Sasges, 2005-07
Chloe Pete, 2005-07
Roberta St. Peters, 2003
Elizabeth Rist, 2001
Bronwyn Williams, 1999
Bonnie Benson, 1998-2000



Sarah Goodman '12, Pittsford, NY

Team Honors Returning Players

NEWMAC Championship*

2009, did not qualify
2008, quarterfinalist
2007, quarterfinalist
2006, 3rd place
2005, 3rd place
2004, quarterfinalist
2003, semifinalist
2002, 6th place
2001, 6th place
2000, 3rd place

NEWMAC Sportsmanship Award

2008

ECAC Championship

2005, 3rd place
2004, champion
2000, semifinalist
1999, 2nd place

NCAA Championship Tournament

1998, 2nd seed New England Regional

Kirstie Beaton '12, Osterville, MA, *infield*
Kate Durkin '12, Victor, NY, *catcher/outfield*
Sarah Goodman '12, Pittsford, NY; *catcher*
Megan Kiefer '10, Oak Park, IL; biological sciences major; *infield*
Lauren Martinez '11, Phoenix, AZ; economics major; *infield*
Salma Mehter '11, Seattle, WA; engineering major; *outfield*
Laura Robitzek '10, Auburn, ME; economics major; *outfield*
Salome Stulberg '11, Brooklyn, NY; engineering major; *outfield*

* Covers past 10 years only

2010 Schedule

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| Mar. 13-20 | Spring Break in Florida | TBA |
| Mar. 23 | Westfield State | 4 p.m. |
| Mar. 26 | Clark (2)* | 3 p.m. |
| Mar. 27 | WPI (2)* | noon |
| Mar. 29 | Elms | 4:30 p.m. |
| Mar. 31 | Western New England | 4:30 p.m. |
| Apr. 2 | MIT (2)* | 3 p.m. |
| Apr. 3 | Babson (2)* | noon |
| Apr. 7 | Trinity | 4:30 p.m. |
| Apr. 9 | U.S. Coast Guard (2)* | 3 p.m. |
| Apr. 10 | Wheaton (2)* | noon |
| Apr. 14 | Amherst (2) | 4 p.m. |
| Apr. 16 | Springfield (2)* | 3 p.m. |
| Apr. 17 | Wellesley (2)* | noon |
| Apr. 21 | NEWMAC Quarterfinals | TBA |
| Apr. 24-25 | NEWMAC Championship | TBA |

*NEWMAC Conference contests. Home events in brown type.



Megan Kiefer '10, biological sciences major, Oak Park, IL