



# 2025 Santa Clara University MEN'S WATER POLO

## 2025 Schedule (6-5, 0-0 WCC)

Date	Opponent	Network	Time (PT)
<u>Bobcat Mini (Merced, Calif.)</u>			
Aug. 29	UC Merced	Team1Sports	W, 26-3
Aug. 29	Fresno Pacific		W, 17-7
<u>Princeton Invitational (Princeton, N.J.)</u>			
Sept. 5	#18 George Washington		W, 17-8
Sept. 6	#13 Princeton	ESPN+	L, 11-12
Sept. 6	Mount St. Mary's		W, 23-13
Sept. 7	#4 Fordham		L, 15-20
Sept. 13	~ American River College		W, 22-6
<u>Overnight MPSF Invite (Los Angeles)</u>			
Sept. 19	#5 Stanford	Overnight	L, 7-19
Sept. 20	#15 California Baptist	Overnight	L, 11-14
Sept. 20	Redlands	Overnight	W, 17-7
Sept. 21	#17 UC Santa Barbara	Overnight	W, 11-10
Sept. 27	#9 UC Davis	ESPN+	L, 15-17
Oct. 3	#14 UC Santa Barbara	ESPN+	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	* #15 Pacific	ESPN+	Noon
Oct. 11	#9 Long Beach State	ESPN+	Noon
Oct. 11	~ Alumni Game		2 p.m.
Oct. 16	* California Baptist	ESPN+	Noon
Oct. 5	* #6 San Jose State	ESPN+	1 p.m.
<u>Julian Frasier Memorial (Santa Clara, Calif.)</u>			
Oct. 24	* #12 LMU	ESPN+	2:40 p.m.
Oct. 25	#18 Brown	ESPN+	11:40 a.m.
Oct. 26	Harvard	ESPN+	9:20 a.m.
Nov. 5	#4 Stanford	ESPN+	5 p.m.
Nov. 8	* Air Force	ESPN+	11 a.m.
Nov. 14	#10 Pepperdine	ESPN+	1 p.m.
Nov. 21-23	WCC Championship (@ USAF Academy, Colo.)		TBA
Dec. 5-7	NCAA Championship (@ Stanford, Calif.)		TBA

Home games in **BOLD** | Neutral games in *Italics*

\* WCC game | ~ Exhibition | Rankings are ACWPC Men's Top-20

All times are Pacific and subject to change

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## #17 Santa Clara (6-5, 0-0 WCC)

vs.

## #14 UC Santa Barbara (12-9, 0-0 Big West)

## #15 Pacific (6-4, 0-0 WCC)

Santa Clara • Sullivan Aquatic Center • 2:30 p.m. / Noon

Watch Live: **ESPN+**  
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## Series History

### vs. #14 UC Santa Barbara

Series History (since 2008)..... UC Santa Barbara leads, 5-1  
in Santa Clara ..... UC Santa Barbara leads, 2-0  
Current Streak ..... W1, Santa Clara  
Last Meeting ..... Sept. 21, 2025 | W, 11-10

### vs. #15 Pacific

Series History (since 2005)..... Pacific leads, 16-2  
in Santa Clara ..... Tied, 2-2  
Current Streak ..... W1, Pacific  
Last Meeting ..... Nov. 8, 2024 | L, 5-13

## Game Notes

- The No. 16 Santa Clara University men's water polo team opens a four-game home stand Saturday hosting No. 9 UC Davis. The two former Western Water Polo Association rivals and future West Coast Conference foes both played last weekend at the Overnight MPSF Invitational.

- The teams split their two meetings last season, with the Broncos beating then-No. 13 UC Davis on the road, 14-12, on Sept. 27, and the Aggies exacting revenge a week later at San Jose State, beating the Broncos, 14-7.

- Santa Clara's 14-7 win last season in Davis, Calif., over the Aggies snapped a 20-game winning streak in the series for UC Davis. The Broncos hadn't beaten UCD before then since Oct. 9, 2011.

- Last season's victory over the Aggies was a milestone one for head coach Keith Wilbur, who logged his 300th career victory with the men's program in that game.

## Season Notes

- Fans planning to attend this weekend's games versus UC Santa Barbara (Friday) and Pacific (Sunday) are *Encouraged to purchase tickets ahead of time.* Fans can purchase single-game tickets at ::

[scubroncos.scu.edu/section/mens-water-polo-xvck](https://scubroncos.scu.edu/section/mens-water-polo-xvck)

- No. 17 Santa Clara battled back and took a second-half lead Saturday at home versus then-No. 9 UC Davis, but one late miscue allowed the Aggies to escape with a 17-15 non-conference win at Sullivan Aquatic Center. The Broncos (6-5) UC Davis (6-6) stayed tied at 14-14 late into the fourth quarter, with neither team scoring for two minutes after the Broncos had knotted it up. Santa Clara came up with a key defensive stop under the two-minute mark, but a miscommunication when securing the ball sent a routine toss back toward the goalie directly into the net. The own goal put UC Davis ahead 15-14, and the Aggies held on from there—adding an empty-net goal in the final seconds for the 17-15 win.

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Season Notes

• Santa Clara swept the KAP7 West Coast Conference weekly awards Tuesday, with **Riccardo De Simon** earning his second consecutive Player of the Week accolade, and freshman **Imme van der Schaaf** collecting his first Newcomer of the Week recognition.

The two underclassmen were key in the No. 16 Broncos’ narrow defeat at the hands of then-No. 9 UC Davis Saturday. De Simon was the team’s leading scorer with four goals, and van der Schaaf added three. De Simon also drew four exclusions, swiped three steals and dished two assists for six total points. Van der Schaaf dished an assist along with his three scores for four points, swiped a steal and drew an exclusion.

• De Simon’s first WCC Player of the Week award came on Sept. 25 after scoring 13 goals in four games on Sept. 19-21 at the prestigious Overnight MPSF Invitational in Los Angeles. De Simon posted four multi-goal performances in four games, including a career-high six goals on Sept. 20 to beat Redlands. He scored three times on Sept. 19 in the tournament opener versus No. 5 Stanford, scored two against No. 17 UC Santa Barbara on Sept. 21 to help the Broncos beat the Gauchos for the first time in program history, and he scored two more on Sept. 20 versus No. 15 California Baptist.

The sophomore from Bologna, Italy, grabbed 11 steals and dished six assists over the three-day tournament. He was a perfect 10-for-10 in sprint victories during the weekend, and he also drew nine exclusions and recorded six field blocks.

• Senior center **Reese Jenican** was named to the 2025 Cutino Award Watch List on Sept. 25, the program’s second selection in as many seasons following Zach Fales’ inclusion in 2024. Jenican has appeared in 86 career games for the Broncos as a starting center, totaling 77 goals, 16 assists, 38 steals, and 127 drawn exclusions. This season, he’s fourth on the team with 14 goals, and tied for the team lead with 22 drawn exclusions. He has also contributed four steals and three field blocks. He scored a season-high four goals in the Broncos’ 23-13 win over Mount St. Mary’s on Sept. 6 and has drawn a season-high four exclusions in three different games.

• Freshmen powered Santa Clara to its most goals in a game in at least 18 years on Opening Day at UC Merced on Aug. 29. Rookies **Imme van der Schaaf**, **Ashton Brown**, **Beck Early**, **Jamie De Zwart** and **Weston Bancroft** all shined in their collegiate debuts with multi-goal games, leading the Broncos to a dominating, 26-3, victory. Van der Schaaf led SCU with four goals, Brown scored three, while Early, De Zwart and redshirt freshman Weston Bancroft all scored two each.

• Santa Clara finished fifth in the West Coast Conference a year ago, posted its first over-.500 record in five years and nearly upset eventual WCC Tournament champion California Baptist in the first round of the tourney. The Broncos won 13 games last season and have won double-digit games in four consecutive years and six straight when not including the COVID-19-shortened 2020 season.

• **Riccardo De Simon** was named to the WCC Preseason Team on Aug. 22. De Simon quickly established himself last year as one of the WCC’s top all-around players. He earned All-American Honorable Mention from the Association of Collegiate Water Polo Coaches, all-WCC Honorable Mention, and was named WCC Newcomer of the Week three times in his debut season. He also excelled in the classroom, earning AC-WPC All-Academic “Superior” honors and a spot on the WCC Commissioner’s Honor Roll with “Bronze” accolades.

• De Simon leads the WCC in steals (39), sprint wins (20) and field blocks (9) through the first five weeks of the season. He’s also fourth in the conference with 36 goals.

• Santa Clara returns two of its top-three point scorers from a year ago in De Simon (77 total points) and **Henry Engs** (61 total points). De Simon was the Broncos’ second-leading scorer with 51 goals, while Engs was No. 2 in assists with 36.

• The Broncos also return starting goalkeeper **Harrison Labrosse**, who totaled 363 saves across his first two seasons. He also brought 22 career steals and 20 games of 10 or more saves into 2025. Labrosse is already off to a hot start this season with three double-digit saves performances and 54 saves overall -- third in the WCC.

2025 Men’s Water Polo Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown
1	Tyler Swensen	GK	6-4	200	R-Fr.	Laguna Beach, Calif.
1A	Owen Van Stralen	GK	6-0	185	R-Jr.	Orinda, Calif.
1B	Harrison Labrosse	GK	6-5	170	Jr.	Lafayette, Calif.
1C	Ryland Pierce	GK	6-3	200	Fr.	Pleasant Hill, Calif.
2	Jason Alietti	CDef.	6-5	200	Jr.	Pasadena, Calif.
3	Henry Engs	Util.	6-1	220	So.	Orinda, Calif.
4	Jensen Welton	Util.	6-2	195	R-Fr.	Austin, Texas
5	Ashton Brown	Cen.	6-4	216	Fr.	Sydney
6	Charlie Kosinski	Att.	6-0	180	R-So.	Greenwich, Conn.
8	Harrison Villella	Cen.	6-3	205	R-Jr.	Bainbridge Isl., Wash.
9	Reese Jenican	Cen.	6-4	215	Sr.	Yorba Linda, Calif.
10	Thomas Wisdom	Util.	6-1	190	R-So.	Saratoga, Calif.
11	Julien Chow	Util.	6-2	195	R-So.	Palo Alto, Calif.
12	Grant Roesch	Util.	6-3	185	Jr.	Moraga, Calif.
13	Beck Early	Att.	5-10	175	Fr.	Newport Beach, Calif.
14	Imme van der Schaaf	Util.	6-1	185	Fr.	Veldhoven, Neth.
15	Dylan Hazen	Att.	6-0	190	Fr.	Huntington Beach, Calif.
16	Jamie De Zwart	Util.	6-7	180	Fr.	League City, Texas
20	Hank Woodman	Util.	6-2	180	Fr.	Winnetka, Ill.
21	Riccardo De Simon	Util.	6-3	187	So.	Bologna, Italy
22	Luke Baird	CDef.	6-5	240	R-So.	Springfield, Va.
23	Charlie Engs	Att.	6-2	175	R-So.	Orinda, Calif.
24	Weston Bancroft	Util.	6-3	195	R-Fr.	La Jolla, Calif.
26	Reece Hammond	Util.	6-5	190	R-So.	Long Beach, Calif.
28	Mikhail Popov	Utility	6-0	195	Fr.	Pleasant Hill, Calif.

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WCC Men’s Water Polo Standings

Pl.	Team	Conf.	Overall	Streak
1.	Air Force	0-0	13-5	W1
2.	California Baptist	0-0	11-7	W1
3.	Pacific	0-0	6-4	L3
t-4.	Pepperdine	0-0	8-6	L2
t-4.	San Jose State	0-0	4-3	L2
6.	<b>Santa Clara</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>L1</b>
7.	LMU	0-0	4-7	L5

2025 WCC Men’s Water Polo Preseason Poll

Pl.	Team (1st Pl.)	Pts
1.	San José State (4)	33
2.	Pepperdine (1)	29
3.	LMU (1)	24
3.	Pacific (1)	24
5.	California Baptist	16
6.	<b>Santa Clara</b>	<b>15</b>
7.	Air Force	6

2025 Men’s Water Polo Preseason All-WCC Team

Name	School	Yr.
Tommaso Baldineti	LMU	Gr.
Mateja Bosic	San José State	Sr.
Adam Csapo	Pepperdine	Sr.
<b>Riccardo De Simon</b>	<b>Santa Clara</b>	<b>So.</b>
Brendon Gyapjas	San José State	Jr.
Erik Ionescu	Pepperdine	So.
Tom Leggett	Air Force	Jr.
Andrea Nuzzo	California Baptist	Fr.



ACWPC NATIONAL TOP-20 POLL

( Week of Oct. 1 )

Rk.	School	Prev. Rank
1.	UCLA	1
2.	California	2
3.	Southern California	3
4.	Stanford	4
5.	Fordham	5
6.	San Jose State	6
7.	UC San Diego	8
8.	UC Davis	9
9.	Long Beach State	7
10.	Pepperdine	10
11.	Princeton	13
12.	LMU	12
13.	UC Irvine	15
14.	UC Santa Barbara	17
t-15.	California Baptist	14
t-15.	Pacific	11
17.	<b>Santa Clara</b>	<b>16</b>
18.	Brown	18
t-19.	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	NR
t-19.	George Washington	19
t-19.	Navy	19

Dropped from poll: N/A

CWPA NATIONAL TOP-20 POLL

( Week of Oct. 1 )

Rk.	School	Previous Rank	Pts.
1.	UCLA	1	100
2.	California	2	95
3.	Southern California	3	90
4.	Stanford	4	85
5.	Fordham	t-5	81
6.	San Jose State	t-5	75
7.	UC San Diego	7	70
8.	UC Davis	8	65
9.	Long Beach State	9	60
10.	Pepperdine	11	54
11.	LMU	12	47
12.	Princeton	13	46
t-13.	California Baptist	14	38
t-13.	UC Irvine	15	38
15.	<b>Santa Clara</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28</b>
16.	UC Santa Barbara	17	26
17.	Pacific	10	25
18.	Brown	18	15
t-19.	George Washington	19	7
t-19.	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	20	7

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Season Notes

• Santa Clara head coach **Keith Wilbur** reached his 300th career men’s water polo win last season thanks to a 14-12 win at No. 13 UC Davis on Sept. 27, 2024. He’s earned all 300 of his wins at the helm of the Broncos’ program. Wilbur is in his 24th season as head coach of the program and is the winningest coach in program history. He began his tenure at Santa Clara in the fall of 2002.

Keith Wilbur Career Milestone Wins

No.	Opponent	Score	Date
1.	Whittier College	7-5	Sept. 9, 2002
50.	Air Force	8-6 (OT)	Oct. 16, 2005
100.	University of Redlands	10-9	Nov. 21, 2008
150.	University of La Verne	18-5	Sept. 25, 2011
200.	St. Francis (NY)	8-4	Sept. 12, 2015
250.	Occidental College	18-10	Oct. 5, 2019
300.	UC Davis	14-12	Sept. 27, 2024

• The Broncos (13-10 in 2024) finished 2024 ranked 18th in the final ACWPC poll. Santa Clara has 13 matches scheduled in 2024 against teams ranked in the CWPA preseason top-20 poll, including showdowns against top-10 teams like its battle versus No. 4 Fordham on Sept. 7, two upcoming clashes versus Stanford (No. 5) on Friday and Nov. 5, and one against Long Beach State (No. 7) on Oct. 11. They’ll also face San Jose State (No. 6) and Pacific (No. 10) in conference play.

• All seven members of the WCC received votes in the CWPA preseason national poll, with six of them earning placement in the poll. WCC Preseason Coaches’ Poll favorite San Jose State was tabbed No. 10. Pepperdine was the highest-ranked WCC member at No. 7. Pacific landed at No. 9, California Baptist was No. 13, LMU was placed at No. 16, and the Broncos came in at No. 18. Air Force earned two votes in the CWPA poll.