

2024-25 Santa Clara University MEN'S TENNIS

2024-25 Roster & Coaches

Name	Hometown	Year
Luca Bluett	London, England	Fr.
Tiago Boschmans	Lisbon, Portugal	So.
Alexander Watanabe Eriksson	Stockholm, Sweden	Jr.
Valentin Faure	Strasbourg, France	RS-Fr.
Mahir Khurana	The Woodlands, Texas	Fr.
John Kim	Sunnyvale, Calif.	Jr.
Luca Lemaitre	Mérida, Mexico	So.
Lukas Maskow	Berlin, Germany	So.
Payton Jim On	Honolulu. Hawaii	Fr.

Head Coach: Niall Angus (9th season, Texas A&M '13) **Assistant Coach:** Josh Page (1st season, San Diego '17)

Student Assistant Coach: Sebastian Buxman (1st season, Santa Clara '24)

2024-25 Team

- Santa Clara is led by head coach Niall Angus who is in his ninth season at the helm and assisted by Josh Page who is in his first season.
- The Broncos roster is comprised of nine players this fall with four returnees and five newcomers.
- The returnees are: junior Alexander Watanabe Eriksson, sophomores Tiago Boschmans, Luca Lemaitre and Lukas Maskow.
- This is the first fall season for Boschmans and Lemaitre who were mid-year enrollees last year.
- The newcomers are: transfer John Kim from Cal, freshmen Luca Bluett, Valentin Faure, Mahir Khurana and Payton Jim On.
- The Broncos lost five players Sebastian Buxman, Guillaume Dalmasso, Arjun Honnappa, Christian Lerby and Matthew Rodriguez to graduation who helped the team finish No. 59 in the final ITA rankings, the highest year-end ranking since 2014, with a 19-8 record last season. They advanced to the semifinal rounds at both the WCC tournament and the UTR Sports NIT Championship.
- The 19 win total in 2023-24 was the most since 2011-12. The Broncos were nationally ranked in 12 straight weeks reaching a high of No. 53, the highest since 2014-15, defeating four nationally ranked teams along the way. The last time the program has been ranked this many times in a season was the 2013-14 campaign when they were ranked 15 times.
- Buxman currently serves as a student assistant coach while he completes his Master of Science degree in computer science and engineering.

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West Coast Conference Tournament

#3 Seed Santa Clara (14-8, 5-2 WCC) vs.
#6 Seed Saint Mary's (5-16, 2-5 WCC)

San Diego · Aztec Tennis Center · Thursday, April 24 · 1 p.m. PT

Live Stats and Live Stream Links on WCC Tournament Central

Match/Season Notes

Coming Up:

- No. 70 Santa Clara earned the third seed in the West Coast Conference Tournament by finishing tied for second in the regular season with Pepperdine and Pacific.
 With the tiebreaker scenario, Pepperdine is the second seed and Pacific, the fourth seed.
- It is the seventh straight time that Santa Clara has qualified for the WCC Tournament (tournament was canceled in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID pandemic) making it every year since 2017.
- Santa Clara faces sixth seed Saint Mary's on Thursday at 1 p.m. PT at the Aztec Tennis Center on the campus of San Diego State University. The winner of the match faces Pepperdine on Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the semifinals.
- The Broncos blanked the Gaels 4-0 in the regular season meeting.
- Refer to the <u>WCC Tournament Central home page</u> for details including links to live stats and live stream.

Last Time Out:

 Santa Clara wrapped up the regular season with a 4-1 win over Gonzaga last Saturday and finish tied for second in the WCC. It was the third straight win for the Broncos.

National Ranking:

• Santa Clara is ranked for the 10th straight week coming in at No. 70 nationally this week. They have been ranked No. 60, 60, 67, 72, 71, 69, 70, 75 and 67 the previous nine weeks.

Court 3 through 6 Dominance:

• In the Broncos 14 wins this season, they are 47-2 at the No. 3-6 spots in the singles lineup.

WCC Accolades:

- Luca Bluett and John Kim were named <u>West Coast Conference Doubles Team of</u> the Week on Feb. 11.
- Watanabe Eriksson was named <u>WCC Singles Player of the Week</u> on March 4.

Stats:

- · John Kim leads the team with 10 singles wins.
- · Boschmans leads the team with 12 doubles wins this spring.

Head Coach Niall Angus:

• Santa Clara head coach Niall Angus became the second winningest coach in program history with 117 career victories (117-79) this season. He surpassed Derek Mills, who preceded Angus, who coached from 2007-16 and had a 114-93 record. Sean Burns is SCU's all-time winningest coach at 130-91.

2025 Preseason

• Santa Clara was picked to finish fourth in the 2025 West Coast Conference preseason poll, as voted by the league's nine head coaches. The Broncos garnered 28 points, behind perennial national power houses San Diego (48 points including six first place votes), Pepperdine (44 points, two first place votes) as well as Pacific (36).