



# 2025-26 Santa Clara University MEN'S TENNIS

## 2025-26 Roster & Coaches

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

**Head Coach:** Niall Angus (10th season, Texas A&M '13)

**Assistant Coach:** Josh Page (2nd season, San Diego '17)

## 2025-26 Team

- Santa Clara is led by head coach Niall Angus who is in his 10th season at the helm and assisted by Josh Page who is in his second season.
- Angus is currently the second winningest coach in Santa Clara men's tennis history with 118 wins entering the 2026 spring dual match season. Sean Burns is the Broncos all-time winningest coach with 130 career wins.
- The spring roster is comprised of nine players including eight returnees and one newcomer, Ferran Redza, who joined as a mid-year enrollee. Redza reached a career-high World Junior ITF ranking of 307 and played in the main draw of the 2025 Junior Wimbledon doubles.
- In 2024-25, the Broncos finished 15-9 overall including 5-2 in the West Coast Conference, tied for second in the WCC.
- Last season the Broncos were ranked nationally for 11 straight weeks and finished No. 73 nationally, qualifying for the WCC Tournament for the seventh straight season.
- In the mid-major rankings, they finished No. 25 and in the Northwest Regionals rankings, No. 6. Luca Bluett and Kim were ranked No. 8 in the Northwest Regional doubles list.
- Four returners garnered All-WCC recognitions: Bluett and Kim were named to the doubles second team. Bluett also made singles honorable mention along with Watanabe Eriksson and Luca Lemaitre.
- The team lost just one player from last season, Payton Jim-On.

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## 2026 ITA Kickoff Weekend

Starkville, Miss. • A.J. Pitts Tennis Centre/Rula Tennis Pavilion

### Santa Clara (2-0) vs. No. 7 Mississippi State (4-0)

Friday, Jan. 23 • 4 p.m. PT

Watch: [Live Stream](#) | Stats: [LiveStats](#)

### Santa Clara (2-0) vs. Alabama (\*2-0) or Auburn (\*5-0)

\*Record as of Jan. 22. Plays each other on Jan. 23.

Saturday, Jan. 24 • Consolation or Championship Match Times TBD

Watch: [Live Stream](#) | Stats: Link available on Saturday

## Season Notes

- The ITA Kickoff is being [moved up a day due to predicted inclement weather](#) in Mississippi. The matches will now be played on Friday/Saturday instead of the originally planned Saturday/Sunday.
- Santa Clara enters the ITA Kickoff Weekend with a 2-0 record after a season opening 4-1 win at UC Davis and a 5-2 home win over San Diego State last weekend.
- The 18th annual Kickoff Weekend takes place at 14 sites across the country. The host sites were determined based on 2025 year-end rankings so the remaining schools selected where they play based on their year-end finish starting with the 15th ranked team and running until all the spots were filled.
- Last season, Santa Clara finished No. 73 nationally and Bronco head coach Niall Angus selected the Starkville Region in the draft that was held last June where they are in the same group as host, No. 10 Mississippi along with No. 30 Auburn and No. 36 Alabama (last year's rankings).
- SCU faces Mississippi State, who are ranked No. 7 this season, on Saturday and play in either the consolation or championship match against Auburn or Alabama on Sunday.
- The Kickoff Weekend provides a chance to qualify for the ITA National Team Indoor Championships (Feb. 13-17), co-hosted by Baylor and SMU. The 16 team championship draw will be comprised of the two host schools plus winners from each of the 14 ITA Kickoff Weekend sites.
- This year's host sites on the men's side are: Wake Forest, TCU, Texas, Stanford, Virginia, Ohio State, NC State, Columbia, San Diego, Mississippi State, Arizona, Cal, South Carolina and UCLA.
- With four teams per site, a total of 56 teams comprise the 2026 ITA Kickoff Weekend draw.
- This will be Santa Clara's second straight appearance at the ITA Kickoff Weekend and the seventh overall having played in it for four straight seasons from 2011-14.
- Santa Clara was [picked to finish third in the West Coast Conference preseason poll](#) as voted by the league's eight head coaches.
- During the 2025-26 fall season, Luca Bluett and John Kim became the first-ever Santa Clara men's tennis players to qualify for the NCAA Individual Championships. They were one of the 32 doubles teams that competed in the 2025 NCAA Division I Men's Tennis Singles and Doubles Championship. They fell in the opening round in three sets to the doubles team from Penn, Aaron Sandler and Manfredi Graziani.
- The last and only time Santa Clara had a qualifier at the NCAA Individual Championships was in 2014 when women's player Katie Le played in her third consecutive singles championship from 2012-14.
- The 2012 SCU men's team qualified for the NCAA Team Championships.
- To qualify for the NCAA Individual Championships, Bluett and Kim won three straight matches at the ITA Sectional Championships. The finalists and third place finisher at the sectionals received a qualifying bid to the NCAA Championships.
- Bluett and Kim finished the fall with a 6-4 record while paired together.
- Last season, their first playing together, Bluett and Kim were a combined 14-7 including 12-6 in dual matches and 2-1 over the fall. All 12 wins in the spring came atop the doubles lineup helping them land second team All-West Coast Conference honors.
- Kim and Alexander Watanabe Eriksson recorded a team-high six singles victories during the fall campaign.