The 2017–18 season saw the Haverford men’s squash team take another step forward after winning the Chaffee Cup in 2016–17. The Fords finished with the College Squash Association’s No. 28 overall ranking after winning their first match at the Conroy Cup. Haverford competed in the Conroy Cup at the CSA Team Championships for the first time since the 2012–13 campaign. The Fords finished with 10 wins, highlighted by victories over No. 29 Connecticut College, No. 30 Wesleyan, and No. 27 Hamilton. Co-captain Peter Dudley ’18 took over the program’s all-time individual wins lead with 46 career victories, while Zach Cole ’18 also reached the 40 win plateau for his career. Fitz Dougherty ’21 had a standout start to his career, compiling a 14–3 record as a first year.

Looking Ahead
The Fords lose the veteran leadership of Dudley and Cole, but return a solid ladder that includes Dougherty and a pair of fellow sophomores—Davis Chase ’21 and Thomas Kaye ’21—who posted winning records in their initial campaigns. Junior Tate Miller ’20 figures to be a key contributor at the top of the ladder while Ryan Dukarm ’19, Yash Singh ’19, and Alex Liu ’19 will all be called upon for senior leadership as Haverford looks to continue its rise up the national rankings.

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Ryan Dukarm ’19 has been a constant force in the ladder for the Fords during his three years on campus and tied the program single-season record with 15 individual wins in 2016-17. Dukarm has 28 wins entering his senior season and look spoised to enter the top 10 for most career victories at Haverford. Dukarm, an Economics major and statistics minor from Buffalo, New York, also serves as the president and treasurer of the Haverford Golf Club. Additionally, he is the senior intern in the Office of Admissions, where he serves as a student interviewer, tour guide and host. Dukarm is also the lead writer and editor for a football analysis website, Inside the Pylon, and has a passion for the NFL Draft.

Yash Singh ’19 was an integral part of the ladder for the Fords in 2017-18, posting nine wins. In 2016-17, Singh eclipsed the previous single-season program record with 15 individual wins and heads into his senior season with 34 career victories. Singh is a biology major on a pre-medicine track. In November of 2017, he published an abstract in The Journal of Clinical Oncology and will be completing his senior thesis in the Luning Prak lab at the University of Pennsylvania, researching the antibody repertoire in multiple myeloma. In his spare time, he plays the piano—a passion he rediscovered through a course at Haverford.
Fitz Dougherty ‘21

“The Haverford student-athlete experience has been a blessing. I have learned more than I thought possible about resiliency, commitment, collaboration, the world, and of course, squash. The close relationships we have developed within Haverford’s close-knit community have maximized our potential as a team and as individuals, giving us the opportunity to do our very best on and off the court.”

—Fitz Dougherty ’21

Niki Clement
Head Men’s and Women’s Squash Coach

Niki Clement joined Haverford College in the summer of 2010 as head men’s and women’s squash coach. On the national level, Clement serves as the secretary for the Women’s College Squash Association (WCSA), which is the governing body for all national collegiate women’s teams.

A 2006 Bowdoin College graduate, Clement was a two-time All-American and four-time most valuable player for the Polar Bears as the squad’s number one player. A two-year captain, she received Bowdoin’s Lucy L. Shulman Trophy for the Most Outstanding Female Athlete in 2006 after earning the Most Outstanding Female Freshman Athlete Award in 2003. Clement’s career win total remains the highest in program history.

Following her graduation and an internship with the United States Squash Racquets Association, Clement moved to California to earn a master’s degree in sport management at the University of San Francisco. She joined the staff at the Decathlon Club as a squash professional and also gained collegiate coaching experience working with Mark Talbott’s Stanford University squad during the 2006-07 season.

After completing her master’s degree, Clement joined the Women’s Squash Association, the professional world squash tour. She reached a world tour ranking of No. 78 in early 2012.

• The 2017-18 team finished with the No. 28 ranking, the best year-end ranking for the program since the 2004-05 season.
• The 2016-17 team finished with 15 wins, the most in program history.
• Haverford won the Chaffee Cup at the College Squash Association Team Championships in 2016-17.
• The Fords have won at least one match at the College Squash Association Team Championships during each of the last five seasons.
• Clement’s men’s squad also captured the CSA Serres Cup at the 2012 team championships.

FACILITIES

The Douglas B. Gardner ’83 Integrated Athletic Center (GIAC)

• The Douglas B. Gardner ’83 Integrated Athletic Center (GIAC), a $40 million state-of-the-art indoor facility, houses the Arn ‘76 and Nancy Tellem Fitness Center and a conference room with video analysis capabilities.
• Located on the main level of the GIAC are five international squash courts which are the home of Haverford Squash.

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