Amherst College

Women’s Tennis
2018-19 Season Program
Amherst College prepares students to use ideas to make a difference in the world. Since its 1821 founding in Western Massachusetts, Amherst has demonstrated steadfast confidence in the value of the liberal arts and the importance of critical thinking. Today, its financial aid program is among the most substantial in the nation, and its student body is among the most diverse. Small classes, an open curriculum and a singular focus on undergraduate education ensure that leading scholars engage daily with talented, curious students, equipping them for leadership in an increasingly global and complex world.

50:50
Male to Female Ratio

850 / 40
Courses / Majors

8:1
Student-Faculty Ratio

22,000+
Active Alumni

19
Average Class Size

45%
U.S. Students of Color

AMHERST ATHLETICS

Amherst College has the oldest athletics program in the nation, dating back to a compulsory physical fitness regimen that was put in place for all students in 1860. Today, over a third of the student body participates in varsity sports and eighty percent are involved in intramural and club sports teams.

With 27 intercollegiate athletic teams, Amherst College student-athletes have successfully blended academics and athletics for decades. In addition to capturing 13 NCAA Division III team championships - including 11 in the past 11 years - and 78 NCAA individual titles, Amherst student-athletes have also excelled in the classroom - earning 35 prestigious CoSIDA Academic All-America selections, including 21 selections since 2008.

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2018-19 WOMEN’S TENNIS SEASON PREVIEW

Season Outlook:
AMHERST, Mass. – The Amherst women’s tennis team will begin their home slate of spring competition on Saturday, March 30 against Trinity (Conn.) after a productive Florida trip where the Mammoths faced ranked opponents and prevailed with four wins out of their five matches played, which improved their record to 5-1 overall.

SCHEDULE
The Mammoths will open play in the northeast on the road against Trinity (Conn.) in a conference match up on Saturday (March 30th) before their home opener on April 6th when they take on Bowdoin at 10:00 AM. Amherst will then travel to Colby College for another conference match the next day before returning to Amherst on April 13th to host Bates College at 4:00 PM.

The Mammoths, who took down Williams College in the fall (6-3) for the first time in four years, are set to face the Little Three foe again on April 20th in Williamstown, Massachusetts. Amherst will then compete against Wesleyan (April 21st) before rounding out their regular season against Tufts (April 24th) at home and Middlebury (April 27th) on the road.

MEET THE TEAM
The Purple & White returned 10 student-athletes to this seasons roster while adding six first-years to the mix. Kelsey Chen ’19, Jane Fraley ’19, Ashley Park ’19, Camilla Trapness ’19, and Kelly Yang ’19 lead the team as the returning senior class. The veteran corps lend experience as Chen, Trapness, Fraley, and Yang serve as the 2018-19 captains.

Juniors Anya Ivenitsky ’20 and Camille Smukler ’20 return for their third season after a sophomore campaign that landed Smukler as the ITA Player to Watch and Ivenitsky an All-American in doubles. Smukler currently sits with a singles record of 3-1 and 2-0 in doubles so far this season while Ivenitsky is 2-2 in singles and 3-1 in doubles.

“The spring break trip was definitely an exciting week for us as a team because these are our first matches of the season. I am confident that our energy will carry over into our home schedule and we are all really pumped” said Ivenitsky regarding the spring break competition. Smukler added “The competition in Orlando was really strong this year, as even the lower-ranked teams gave us some good, competitive matches.”

Jen Chen ’20 and Maddie Dewire ’20 round out the junior class this season. Dewire is a perfect 3-0 in singles competition while also posting a 1-1 record in doubles so far this season. Catie Burkhart is the lone student-athlete representing the Sophomore class. The native of Wayne, Pennsylvania adds depth to the Mammoths roster alongside Chen and will be vying for an increased role this season.

Coach Bagwell added six first-years to this roster, the largest incoming class in the last three years. Among them are Jackie Bukzin ’22 and Claire Evans ’22 who have already accrued ITA accolades. In the fall, Bukzin became an ITA Regional Champion after taking down Wesleyan’s Venia Yeung 6-1, 6-0 in the singles draw. Evans notched an ITA Championship appearance in doubles alongside Bukzin to top off the regional championship for Amherst. The duo also won the A-Draw Championship at the New England Intercollegiate Tennis Tournament (NEWITT) before heading into the winter break.

“Heading into the winter break, we really knew that practicing hard and often was necessary in order to have a successful start to the spring” said Evans regarding the off-time. Bukzin commented on her impressive opening semester saying, “Being an ITA singles champion gave me a lot of confidence going into the spring season. We produced great results in the fall, and the only way to keep that momentum going was to push ourselves and hold each other to a higher level.”

Any Ramras ’22 and Maggie Owensby ’22 also join the Amherst women’s tennis team for their first season. Owensby will enter their home slate with an undefeated 5-0 record in singles while Ramras sits with a record of 3-2 in doubles. Madeline Clinton ’22 and May Zhu ’22 cap off the season roster for the Mammoths, aiming to make an impact in their first season in the purple and white.

MEET THE COACHES
Jackie Bagwell enters her 28th season at the helm of the Amherst College women’s tennis program. With over 400 career wins, Bagwell has had five 20-plus win seasons including an undefeated record in her 1998-99 campaign in which she led Amherst to the college’s first ever NCAA title in any sport. Her teams have also taken home at least a share of the NESCAC crown in nine of the past 13 seasons.

Benay Weintraub began her first season with the Purple & White after being named the assistant coach in the fall of 2018. The Memphis, Tennessee native served as the Assistant Graduate Tennis coach at Smith College from 2017-2018 before joining Amherst. The 2015 graduate from Whittier College from 2017-2018 before joining Amherst as the assistant coach in the fall of 2018. The veteran corps lend experience as Chen, Trapness, Fraley, and Yang serve as the 2018-19 captains.

“Playing against nationally ranked opponents in Orlando showed us that if we can improve 1% more each day, then we can do great things” said the coaches. “The team being able to bond with each other and spend time with their families was also a major benefit of the trip. We have a really cohesive group and this trip reinforced that bond.”

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2018-19 WOMEN’S TENNIS ROSTER

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Bagwell graduated from the University of Indiana in 1986 with a degree in history/physical education and worked as a teaching pro at the Jimmy Connors United States Tennis Center in Florida. Prior to moving to Amherst, Bagwell spent two seasons coaching at Hamilton College.

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## 2018-19 Schedule & Results

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- **14** Tufts / MIT Invitational | TBA
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- **28** ITA Regional Championships | TBA
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### October
- **06** Williams | W, 6-3
- **12** Newitt | TBA
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### March
- **09** Kenyon | W, 9-0
- **11** Carnegie Mellon | W, 6-3
- **12** Washington (Mo.) | W, 7-2
- **13** Case Western Reserve | W, 8-1
- **14** Emory | L, 8-1
- **30** Trinity (Conn.) * | W, 8-1

### April
- **06** Bowdoin * | 10:00 AM
- **07** Colby * | 12:00 PM
- **13** Skidmore | 12:00 PM
- **17** Bates * | 4:00 PM
- **20** Williams * | 1:00 PM
- **21** Wesleyan (Conn.) * | 3:00 PM
- **24** Tufts * | 3:30 PM
- **27** Middlebury * | 1:00 PM

### May
- **03** NESCAC Tournament % | TBA

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**Home matches in bold**

**Conference * Post-season %**

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### A Message from the NESCAC & NCAA

The NESCAC and the NCAA promote good sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches, and spectators. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner. Profanity, racial, sexist, homophobic, or other derogatory comments, or other intimidating actions directed at officials, spectators, student-athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site of competition. Also, the consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited at the site of competition.
Meet The Seniors

Kelsey Chen
San Diego, Calif.

“Kelsey Chen is the powerhouse of AWT. She has played a key role in the team’s overall success over her 4 years at Amherst. She has continued to become a dominant figure on the court especially in doubles. In her senior year, Kelsey has stepped up her level to play outstanding doubles. Kelsey is a hard worker who loves to laugh and keep us entertained.”

Jane Fraley
Edina, Minn.

“Jane Fraley has been a such an asset to our program. She is a true doubles specialist who represented Minnesota well with Kelly Yang as the Minnesota Twins/PB&J when they played doubles together. Jane has been one of the first faces our incoming student-athletes see when they come on campus. Her generous spirit has helped shape the strong bond our team shares. Jane is a team player, and one of AWT’s biggest fans.”

Ashley Park
Seoul, South Korea

“Ashley Park has the most beautiful strokes on the team. Ashley shows up everyday to work hard. She is a great team player who is kind and supportive. Her dedication to improving her own tennis game also challenges her teammates to step up as well. Ashley is a phenomenal person who is going to do great things in the future.”

Camilla Trapness
Hong Kong, China

“Camilla Trapness has continued to improve her tennis game every season of her collegiate career. She has an incredible work ethic and always does her best. At the 2019 NEWITTs, Camilla was honored with the Lynn Miller Warrior Award, which perfectly describes her character and dedication to Amherst Women’s Tennis. She has always been an important figure in the team’s strong foundation.”

Kelly Yang
Plymouth, Minn.

“Kelly Yang has a fantastic game, and one of the meanest slices around. She is the other half to the Minnesota Twins/PB&J double team. Despite having an injury, it never set her back from being a leader. Kelly stepped up and became a Player Assistant Coach and excelled at communicating to her teammates during matches. Her calm yet honest demeanor helped guide her teammates to victory.”
Meet The Team

Jen Chen
Junior / East Brunswick, N.J.

Maddie Dewire
Junior / Hingham, Mass.

Anya Ivenitsky
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Camille Smukler
Junior / Villanova, Pa.

Catie Burkhart
Sophomore / Wayne, Pa.

Jackie Bukzin
First Year / Manorville, N.Y.

Madeline Clinton
First-year / Manhasset, N.Y.

Claire Evans
First-year / Bethesda, Md.

Maggie Owensby
First-year / Boca Roton, Fla.

Anya Ramras
First-year / Paradise Valley, Ariz.

May Zhu
First-year / Shanghai, China
AMHERST MAMMOTH

Catie Burkhart
Sophomore

AMHERST (8-2, 2-1) VS BATES (5-6, 1-1)
Wednesday, April 17, 2019
Amherst Tennis Courts
4:00 PM

BATES
The Amherst women’s tennis team enter today’s match up with a record of 8-2 overall and 2-1 in New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) action. Most recently, the Mammoths have swept the doubles matches in their last two competitions when they defeated Colby and Skidmore by an 8-1 score line, respectively.

Bates College won their last match against Wheaton by an 8-1 margin to help improve to 5-6 overall. In their last conference meeting, the Bobcats were thwarted by No. 8 Tufts University 9-0, dropping to 1-1 in conference.

Last season, the two sides met in early April with the Mammoths walking away with an 8-1 triumph.

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AMHERST MAMMOTHS

AMHERST (6-1) VS BOWDOIN (7-2)
Saturday, April 6, 2019
Amherst Tennis Courts
10:00 AM

Camille Smukler
Junior

ORACLE / ITA TOP-25 RANKINGS

1 Emory University
2 Claremont-Mudd-Scripps
3 Amherst College
4 Pomona-Pitzer Colleges
5 Middlebury College
6 Wesleyan University
7 Tufts University
8 Williams College
9 Univ. of Chicago
10 Carnegie Mellon University
11 Kenyon College
12 University Of Mary Washington
13 Skidmore College
14 Bowdoin College
15 New York University
16 Washington University in St. Louis
17 MIT
18 Brandeis University
19 Trinity University (Texas)
20 California Institute of Technology
21 Southwestern University (TX)
22 Washington & Lee University
23 Johns Hopkins University
24 Christopher Newport University
25 Swarthmore College

SCHEDULE / RESULTS

AMHERST CATEGORY BOWDOIN

Amherst, Mass. Location Brunswick, Maine
1821 Founded 1794
1,849 Enrollment 1,816
Purple & White Colors Black & White
NESCAC Conference NESCAC
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**Amherst Match Notes**

Amherst Tennis enters today’s match up with a record of 6-1 and are coming off an 8-1 win over Trinity (Conn.) on March 30th when the Mammoths swept the singles matches to notch their first conference win. During their Florida stint, the Purple & White walked away with four wins, including taking down three top-25 teams to maintain their #3 overall ranking.

Bowdoin began their spring competition on a seven match win streak and settle with a record of 7-2 on the season. Most recently, the Polar Bears split their last two competitions against NESCAC foes Tufts and Wesleyan (Conn.). Bowdoin thwarted the Jumbos 7-2 before dropping 6-3 to the Cardinals.

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