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Cal Poly Claims Lead After Fall Season in Commissioner's Cup

IRVINE, CA – Thanks to strong performances across the board, Cal Poly came away with the pole position after the fall season in the 2017-18 Big West Commissioner's Cup race.

The Mustangs averaged 125.0 points over their five sports, recording championships in men's cross country and women's volleyball to go along with a second place showing in women's cross country. Cal Poly continued its tradition of strong fall showings as it recorded a top three finish after the first season for the fourth time in the last five years.

Second place after the fall belonged to the Mustangs' Central Coast rival UC Santa Barbara with a 117.0-point average. The Gauchos claimed the women's cross country championship to go along with second place finishes in men's cross country and men's soccer. UCSB is looking to parlay the strong fall into the overall Cup title, a crown it was last awarded after the 2015-16 season.

Right behind the Gauchos is UC Davis which amassed an average of 115.0 points in the fall. The Aggies claimed the North Division title in men's soccer while also recording top four showings in men's cross country and women's volleyball. The point average after the fall is the highest for the Aggie program since the 2013 season when it recorded 114.0 points.

Wrapping up the triple-digit averages after the fall is Cal State Fullerton with 108.0 points. The Titans were co-champions of the South Division in men's soccer and recorded third place finishes in both men's and women's cross country. CSF has now recorded 100-point averages in three consecutive fall seasons, the first time in its Cup history that it has accomplished that feat.

Fifth place was UC Irvine with 99.0 points, buoyed by the women's soccer crown. CSUN, co-champions of the men's soccer South Division, were right behind the Anteaters with 98.0 points, while UC Riverside was seventh with 81.0 points. Defending Cup champion Long Beach State (73.5) and Hawai'i (66.7) wrap up the standings after the fall.

The Big West Commissioner's Cup, which started during the 1998-99 season, is awarded to the institution with the highest average point total following the 18 Conference sport seasons. Points are not awarded if the institution or conference does not sponsor the sport.

In determining a champion, the following round robin sports have points awarded on the basis of the final regular season standings, including a 20-point bonus for the champion. These sports are baseball, basketball, soccer, softball, women's tennis and women's volleyball. In the sports of cross country, golf, men's tennis, track & field, women's beach volleyball and women's water polo, the points are awarded based on finish at the Conference Championship. In the case of ties in all sports, points shall be awarded by combining points and dividing them equally among the tied teams.

A complete recap of the point system is available on the following pages.

2017-18 Big West Commissioner's Cup Standings

	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Championships Competed</u>	<u>Total Points</u>	<u>Average</u>
1.	Cal Poly	5	625	125.0
2.	UC Santa Barbara	5	585	117.0
3.	UC Davis	5	575	115.0
4.	Cal State Fullerton	5	540	108.0
5.	UC Irvine	5	495	99.0
6.	CSUN	5	490	98.0
7.	UC Riverside	5	405	81.0
8.	Long Beach State	4	294	73.5
9.	Hawai'i	3	200	66.7

Big West Commissioner's Cup All-Time Champions

<u>Year</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Championships Competed</u>	<u>Total Points</u>	<u>Average</u>
2016-17	Long Beach State	15	1,750	116.7
2015-16	UC Santa Barbara	15	2,006.7	133.8
2014-15	Long Beach State	14	1,640	117.1
2013-14	Long Beach State	14	1,740	124.3
2012-13	Long Beach State	14	1,950	139.3
2011-12	Long Beach State	14	1,960	140.0
2010-11	Long Beach State	14	1,830	130.7
2009-10	UC Santa Barbara	17	1,970	115.9
2008-09	Long Beach State	14	1,540	110.0
2007-08	UC Santa Barbara	16	2,046	127.9
2006-07	UC Santa Barbara	16	1,800	112.5
2005-06	Long Beach State	13	1,640	126.2
2004-05	UC Santa Barbara	16	2,180	136.3
2003-04	UC Santa Barbara	16	2,210	138.1
2002-03	UC Santa Barbara	16	2,070	129.4
2001-02	UC Santa Barbara	16	2,020	126.3
2000-01	UC Santa Barbara	16	870	54.4
1999-00	Pacific	12	600	50.0
1998-99	Pacific	12	620	51.7

2017-18 POINT BREAKDOWN BY SEASON

FALL	<u>MCC</u>	<u>WCC</u>	<u>WSOC</u>	<u>MSOC</u>	<u>WVB</u>	<i>Chmps.</i>	Pts	<i>Avg.</i>
CP	180	160	50	30	200	5	625	125.0
UCSB	140	200	50	110	80	5	585	117.0
UCD	100	100	90	160	120	5	575	115.0
CSF	120	140	120	135	20	5	540	108.0
UCI	80	40	200	30	140	5	495	99.0
CSUN	60	60	150	135	80	5	490	98.0
UCR	20	120	150	70	40	5	405	81.0
LBSU	40	80	90		80	4	294	73.5
UH		20	20		160	3	200	66.7

Point Breakdown

No. of Teams	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
9 Team	200	160	140	120	100	80	60	40	20
8 Team	180	140	120	100	80	60	40	20	
7 Team	160	120	100	80	60	40	20		
6 Team	140	100	80	60	40	20			