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Aurora University
Getting to AU

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AU Quick Facts

Location ................................................................. Aurora, Illinois
Founded ............................................................... 1893
Enrollment ............................................................ More than 4,000
Nickname ............................................................... Spartans
Colors ................................................................. Royal Blue/White
National Affiliation ................................................ NCAA III
Conference ......................................................... Northern Illinois-Iowa Conference
President ............................................................ Dr. Rebecca L. Sherrick
Director of Athletics .............................................. Mark Walsh
Head Golf Coach .................................................. John Cegielski
Head Tennis Coach ............................................... Jessi Laffey
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Director of Sports Information ............................... Brian Kipley
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**Local Print**

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Bill Kindt, Sports Editor 630-844-5911
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Kane County Chronicle .................. 1000 Randall Rd., Geneva, IL 60134
Brian Schaumburg, Sports Editor 630-232-9222
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Fox Valley Labor News .................. P.O. Box 4155, Aurora, IL 60507
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Fax: 630-892-3873

Daily Herald .......................... 3805-A Main St., St. Charles, IL 60174
630-587-8623
Fax: 630-587-8639

Kendall County Publications ............... 222 Bridge St., Yorkville, IL 60560
630-533-7034
Fax: 630-533-7085

Oswego Ledger-Sentinel .................. Box 669, Oswego, IL 60611
630-554-8565
Fax: 630-554-7560

**Regional Print**

Chicago Tribune .......................... 435 N. Michigan, Chicago, IL 60611
Metro Sports 312-222-3474
Fax: 312-828-9392

Chicago Sun Times .................. 401 N. Wabash, Chicago, IL 60611
College Sports 312-321-2664

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Bill Baker, Station Manager 630-898-1580
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Comcast (ch. 4) ...................... 800 W. 5th Street, Naperville, IL 60563
630-552-1000

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United Press International ............... 360 N. Michigan, Chicago, IL 60601
Sports Desk 312-781-1600
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Al Benson, Media Relations Director, at 630-844-5150.
For other information contact Brian Kipley,
Director of Sports Information, at 630-844-7575.
Media should call in advance, as seating in the press area is limited.
JOHN CEGIELSKI  
Head Coach  
(First Season)

Golf professional and Chicago area golf standout John Cegielski has brought women's golf to Aurora University. In his first year as a head coach and Aurora's inaugural year of women's golf, Cegielski has assembled a team and a schedule of veteran proportion.

Cegielski has an extensive background in both amateur and professional golf. While growing up in the Chicago area, he was ranked as one of the top ten junior golfers in Illinois for three years (1990-92) and was Junior Golf Player of the Year in 1990. Cegielski went on to a four-year golf scholarship at NCAA Division I Xavier University. After college, Cegielski became a golf professional.

In 2000, Cegielski became the General Manager of Tamarack Golf Club in Naperville, IL. In 2002, he took on additional management responsibilities as the General Manager of Mill Creek Golf Club in Geneva, IL. Mill Creek will be the home course for both the men’s and women’s golf teams at Aurora. Cegielski received his bachelor of arts degree in public relations in 1996, and a master of education in sports management in 1997. Both degrees were earned at Xavier University.

The women's golf program is a perfect fit for Aurora while the personnel, resources, and facilities are in place for great success in the sport.

The women practice and play 20 minutes from campus at Mill Creek Golf Club. The facility has a state-of-the-art practice facility, which includes practice holes and a nine-hole pitch-and-putt course. The golf course is a championship layout set on the rolling hills of the Fox River Valley. In addition, the women have access to professional golf instruction from coach John Cegielski or any of the other golf professionals at Mill Creek Golf Club.

The schedule is competitive even for a first-year program, which speaks volumes for the future success of this program. The Chicago area is noted for great golf courses, as well as competitive golfers and this includes the current team. In addition, strong junior golfers are abundant in the area, making for a fast rise to prominence on the national collegiate scene for women's golf at AU.

The success of Spartan women's golf resides in the talent that will start the program. Senior Michelle Lexow (Conant HS), who was a successful high school golfer and a four-year women's basketball player for the Spartans, will bring her talents to the golf course while attending graduate school. Senior Tina Brooks (Streamwood HS), an athletic Spartan women's basketball player as well, will bring her athletic talents to the links when she tees it up in the fall.

The philosophy of the Aurora University women's golf team can be summed up by saying great success is just a tap away.
Meet the Spartans

TINA BROOKS, SR, Streamwood, IL/Streamwood HS

College ('00-'02): Attended Aurora University and was a member of the Aurora University women's basketball team. High School: Attended Streamwood HS and played varsity basketball under Coach George Rosner. Personal: Born 8/11/82 in Elgin, IL. Parents: Francis Wallace and Will Brooks. She has two sisters, Lashekia and Brittany. Major: Biology

MICHELLE LEXOW, SR, Hoffman Estates, IL/Conant HS

College ('99-'02): Attended Aurora University and was a member of the Aurora University women's basketball team. High School: Attended Conant HS and played golf her senior year under coach Diana Johanasen. She was a sectional qualifier. Personal: Born 5/4/81 in Hoffman Estates, IL. Parents: Paul and Linda Lexow. Major: History
Coach Jessi Laffey is beginning her third season as Aurora University’s head women’s tennis coach. Laffey has an extensive tennis background. She began playing as a youth in New Jersey at the suggestion of family friend and coach Billie Jean King and Frank Brennan. She found tennis to be a great way to meet people, as she moved often. Laffey enjoyed playing tournament, high school, and college tennis and has taught individuals and groups of all ages and levels for park districts and tennis clubs. She has taught tennis classes at Waubonsee Community College and coached the Junior Wightman Cup Team. Laffey has participated in USTA events as both an organizer and referee. She worked at the Aurora Tennis Club for 25 years as a teaching pro, junior coordinator, and manager.

At AU, she looks forward each year to recruiting and working with these talented, hard-working student athletes. Her goals include expanding the existing program, adding playing opportunities for all current and future students, and increasing family and community involvement.

Her personal philosophy is “whether you begin tennis at age six or 60, it is truly a life-long learning experience. I believe tennis requires its players to develop interpersonal skills which will serve them well throughout their lives. Does any other sport require its youngest players to perform physically and mentally, keep track of the score, follow the rules of etiquette, as well as referee their own calls?”

Laffey received her BS from Knox College and an MS in education from Northern Illinois University. Laffey currently resides in Aurora with her husband (Joel Ulven) and their two teenage sons.
# 2003 Official NCAA Roster

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**Head Coach:** Jessi Laffey

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**Meet the Spartans**

![Image of the Spartans]
Meet the Spartans

JENNIE ASKREN, SR, Booneville, MO/Booneville HS
College as a Junior ('02): Played tennis and was named team MVP. College as a Sophomore ('01): Played tennis and was named team MVP. College as a Freshman ('00): Played tennis and was named team MVP. High School: Attended Booneville High School...Played tennis under Coach Llewellen...She also played volleyball under Coach Herzog and swam under Coach Ruble. Personal: Born 12/7/81 in Missouri. Parents: Ken and Linda Askren. She has one sister Elizabeth. Some of her hobbies include camping and pool. Major: Recreation Administration

BRIDGET CUNNINGHAM, SO, Aurora, IL/East Aurora HS
College as a Freshman ('02): Played tennis for the Spartans. High School: Attended East Aurora High School...Played tennis under Coach Skelly and was team captain her senior year. Personal: Born 2/28/84 in Aurora, IL. Parents: Cheryl and Neil Cunningham. She has one sister Becky. Some of her hobbies include playing the flute, hanging with friends, being online, talking on the phone, and watching and playing with little kids. Major: Elementary Education

KIM DELLES, FR, Aurora, IL/East Aurora HS
High School: Attended East Aurora High School and played varsity tennis under Coach Skelly and four years of varsity softball under Coach Deleone. Personal: Born 2/28/85 in Aurora, IL. Parents: Renae and Kurt Delles. She has two brothers, Matt and Nathan. Hobbies include writing poetry. Major: Math and English Secondary Education

MICHELE FABER, JR, Maple Park, IL/Kaneland HS
High School: Attended Kaneland High School and played two years of varsity tennis. Personal: Born 4/11/83 in Geneva, IL. Parents: Debi and Michael Faber. She has one brother, Chris. Hobbies include playing tennis. Major: Elementary Education. Minor: Spanish
JESSICA FERBA, SO, Markham, IL/Tinley Park HS
College as a Freshman (’02): Played tennis for the Spartans. High School: Attended Tinley Park High School. Played tennis under Coach Haynes… She also played basketball under Coach Jurges. Personal: Born 5/31/84 in Harvey, IL. Parents: Eric and Elaine Ferba. She has one brother, Eric, and one sister, Melissa. Some of her hobbies include tennis and music. Major: Nursing

KHRYSTAL JAQUEZ, FR, Aurora, IL/East Aurora HS
High School: Attended East Aurora High School and played four years of varsity tennis…Was named team MVP as a sophomore, team MVP as a senior and All-Conference all four years. Personal: Born 5/14/85 in Chicago, IL. Parents: Nohemi and Raul Jaquez. She has one sister, Marina. Hobbies include tennis and nursing. Major: Nursing

DANIELLE MUSKOVIN, SO, Machesney Park, IL/Harlem HS
High School: Attended Harlem High School and played three years of varsity tennis. Personal: Born 8/20/84 in Fairfield, OH. Parents: Jon and Dottie Muskovin. She has one sister, Joy, and one brother, Shaun, who attends Aurora University. Hobbies include singing, music, and swimming. Major: Health Science

ARIANA PEREZ, SO, Aurora, IL/East Aurora HS
College as a Freshman (’02): Played tennis for the Spartans. High School: Attended East Aurora High School. Personal: Born 04/13/84 in Cuernavca, Mexico. Parents: Francisco and Marcellina Perez. She has one sister, Jennifer. Some of her hobbies include music, reading, and BPA. Major: Business
ANABEL RUIZ, SO, Aurora, IL/East Aurora HS
College as a Freshman ('02): Played tennis for the Spartans. High School: Attended East Aurora High School…Played tennis under Coach Skelly. Personal: Born 6/22/84 in Mexico City, Mexico. Parents: Virginia and Joaquin Ruiz. She has one brother, Joaquin, and three sisters: Ivonne, JoAnna, and Duoce. Her hobbies include drama and choir. Major: Criminal Justice

SAMIRAH WATKINS, JR, Chicago, IL/Amundsen HS
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<td>Jennifer Buckley</td>
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<td>Gabriel Castillo</td>
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<td>Jerry Angle</td>
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Other Important Numbers

- Admission: 844-5533
- Alumni Office: 844-5486
- Physical Education Office: 844-6181
- Public Relations: 844-5481
- Security: 844-5450
- Training Room: 844-4891
- Wellness Center: 844-5434

AU Women’s Golf & Tennis

- Brian Kipley: Director of Sports Information
- Dave Griffin: Assistant Sports Information Director
Currently in her fourth year as Aurora University president, Dr. Sherrick is a true Spartan booster and often attends athletic events. She earned her BA from Illinois Wesleyan and Ph.D. from Northwestern University.

Previously Dean of the University College of Arts and Sciences, 1998-2000. Dr. Manion earned his BA degree from Saint Norbert College and his Ph.D. in experimental psychology from Adelphi University.

Moser assumed duties as assistant provost in July, 2003. He has a BA from North Central College and a Master of Divinity from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary.

Walsh assumed the duties of the Director of Athletics in 1998. Previously, Walsh was the head baseball coach from 1992-2002 and an assistant coach from 1987-1992. Walsh led the Spartans to nine NIIC Conference Championships and nine NCAA Tournament appearances while posting a 320-85 (.790) won-lost record in ten seasons. Walsh also served as an assistant football coach at Aurora from 1986-1996, and was part of the coaching staff that reinstated football at Aurora after it had been dropped in 1952. Walsh earned both his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Aurora University.
Aurora University is a private, independent, comprehensive institution with an enrollment of more than 4,000 students. AU is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Aurora University traces its origins to the 1893 founding of Mendota Seminary. In 1985, Aurora College changed its name to Aurora University to reflect the growth of curricular offerings at the graduate level. Today the university enrolls more than 4,000 students in the College of Arts, Sciences and Business; College of Education; and George Williams College of Health and Human Services. More than 40 undergraduate majors are offered, and at the advanced level, the institution offers master's degrees in business, education, recreation administration, and social work, as well as a doctoral degree in education.

Aurora University is located in west Aurora, within an hour's drive of Chicago and at the western end of the Illinois Research and Development Corridor. It is accessible via Interstate 88 at the Orchard Road exit.

Through its merger with George Williams College, the university operates a second campus in Williams Bay, Wisconsin. Set on 241 acres, the Aurora University Lake Geneva campus is a site for summer family church camps, a respite camp for children with cancer and diabetes, and a place for student gatherings, outdoor education activities, an experiential leadership program, and year-round family programs. The campus also serves students enrolled in Aurora University’s Master of Arts in Teaching Program and hosts the annual Music by the Lake summer festival and the Music by the Lake Academy of the Arts.

The Alumni Hall of Physical Education features a racquetball court, climbing wall, complete locker room facilities, a training room, weight room, aerobic-activities room, classroom, and coaches’ offices.
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Spartans Golf Schedule

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Spartans Tennis Schedule

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*Northern Illinois-Iowa Conference match*