2013 Pioneer Seniors

Nicole Adair  Nick Marshall
Blake Ahlin  Rene Martinez
Kelsey Alcala  Matt Mitchell
Greg Atkinson  Emily Montanez
Nicole Boyle  Bryson Nakamura
Nia Bravo  Riles Nganga
J.D. Brewer  Jenni Perez
Vincent Capellino  Claire Pierce
David Castillo  Andres Ponce
Nina Cefalo  Andy Quintero
Erica Crain  Florian Reppin
Katie Devine  Andrew Rodriguez
Zuly Diaz  Jade Sanford
Shianna Falk  Charlie Sharrer
Matt Fontaine  Max Simpson
Eugenie Foote  Jason Smith
Nick Goulet  Danielle Stewart
Nastassia Hamor  Taryn Thomas
Chris Herzog  Jurrell Turner
Sara Holdridge  Kenny Uyetake
Bethany Hoopman  John Vergara
Nikki Long  Jordan Wilder
Jenel Lopez  Zachary Wong
Bernadette Lu  Kara Yamamoto
Lauren Lucchesi  Kyle Zozaya
Marlene MacMillan  Lauren Zweigle

Four-year letterwinners in red

2012-13 Cal State East Bay Athletics
Student-Athlete Banquet

May 18, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.
Dining Commons
2013 Student-Athlete Banquet Program

Welcoming Remarks from the University
Dr. Leroy M. Morishita, President of Cal State East Bay

Remarks from the Student-Athlete Advisory Council
Kenneth Farr II, Student-Athlete Advisory Council President

Scholar-Athlete Awards
Senior Awards
Pioneer Spirit Award
Athlete of the Year Awards

Pioneer Spirit Award Nominees
Kenneth Farr II - Men’s Basketball
Shannon Fontes - Women’s Soccer
Morgan Hirzel - Volleyball
Gavin Ramos - Men’s Cross Country & Track
Zachary Wong - Baseball

2012-13 Pioneer Highlights

Fall
Sept. 1 Volleyball opens the season with a runner-up finish at the Nanook Classic in Alaska. Suzy Ni Xu and Nicole Boyle are selected to the All-Tournament team.
Sept. 7 Volleyball defeats Academy of Art for the 400th victory of head coach Jim Spagle’s career.
Sept. 8 Volleyball goes 3-1 at the Route 92 Showdown to take second place. Suzy Ni Xu and Nicole Boyle are named to the All-Tournament team.
Sept. 17 Women’s cross country wins the Mills College Invitational, led by Tiffany Duffy’s first-place finish.
Oct. 1 Women’s cross country posts another victory, taking first place at the Sonoma State Invitational.
Oct. 12 Volleyball upsets defending CCAA champion CSU San Bernardino, handing the Coyotes their third home loss in the last five years.
Nov. 1 Women’s soccer players Zuly Diaz and Kara Yamamoto earn All-CCAA honorable mention.
Nov. 1 Men’s soccer players Rey Suarez and Timo Baeuerle are named All-CCAA honorable mention.
Nov. 21 Volleyball player Suzy Ni Xu is named first-team All-CCAA and CCAA Newcomer of the Year.

Winter
Jan. 4 Men’s basketball player Jason Smith scores 21 points, going 7-for-7 from the field in a 54-45 road win over Cal State L.A. and setting a Pioneer record for field goal percentage.
Feb. 16 Swimming breaks 15 school records and takes second place at the PCSC Championships, the best in program history. Head coach Ben Loorz wins Coach of the Year honors.
Feb. 16 Swimmer Jenel Lopez claims PCSC individual medals in the 50, 100, and 200 freestyle. Alyssa Tenney and Bethany Hoopman both medal in the 200 backstroke. The Pioneer 200 and 800 freestyle relay teams both take second place at the PCSC Championships.
Feb. 23 Women’s basketball wins its ninth straight game, edging out CSU San Bernardino 42-39.
Mar. 1 With a 3.28 GPA, swimming wins its third straight CCAA Scholar All-American team award.
Mar. 1 Men’s basketball player Jason Smith hits three three-pointers in the season finale, which puts him in second place on the all-time Pioneer list with 1.7 for his career.
Mar. 5 Women’s basketball falls to Cal State L.A. 67-53 in the first round of the CCAA Tournament. The Pioneers went 15-7 in conference play to take second place. Suzy Ni Xu and Nicole Boyle are selected to the All-CCAA team.

Spring
Feb. 25 Baseball players Kyle Zozaya and Sean Becker are named CCAA Pitcher and Player of the Week, respectively. The pair also claimed the NCBWA West Region weekly honors.
Mar. 1 Softball sweeps a doubleheader against No. 18 Sonoma State.
Mar. 3 Women’s golf wins the team championship at the Tim Tieney Pioneer Shootout for the first time.
Mar. 5 Men’s golfer Matt Lee wins Tim Tieney Pioneer Shootout and earns CCAA Golfer of the Week honors.
Mar. 12 Men’s golf wins the team championship at the NDU Invitational. Chris Herzog takes the individual title and is subsequently selected as CCAA Golfer of the Week.
Mar. 12 Baseball player Sean Becker wins his second CCAA and West Region Pitcher of the Week awards.
Mar. 19 Baseball is nationally ranked for the first time, reaching the No. 22 spot in the NCBWA poll.
Mar. 28 Baseball player Chance St Jarron is named CCAA and West Region Player of the Week, and he becomes the first Pioneer to win NCBWA National Player of the Week.
Apr. 10 Men’s golfer Chris Herzog captures second CCAA Golfer of the Week award.
Apr. 10 Water polo players Sara Hudyn and Claire Pierce are named WWPA Co-Players of the Week.
Apr. 14 Water polo player Sara Hudyn scores her 107th goal of the season to set a new school record.
Apr. 14 Women’s golf takes second place at the CCAA Invitational. Sara Hudyn, Claire Pierce, Marissa Nation, and Allison Zell are selected to the All-Tournament team.
Apr. 22 Baseball player Matt Fontaine is selected as CCAA Pitcher of the Week.
Apr. 22 Water polo player Sara Hudyn is named first team All-WWPA. Teammate Claire Pierce gets second team honors, while Jennifer Lightbody is picked for the All-Freshman team.
Apr. 23 Men’s golf takes sixth at the CCAA Championships, earning a second straight trip to the NCAA West Regional. Blake Athin is the top finisher, placing 10th. Chris Herzog is named to the All-CCAA team.
Apr. 27 Volleyball player Lauren Zweigle records her 364th career杀数, the most in Pioneer history.
May 1 Softball player Taryn Thomas is named second-team All-CCAA. Teammate Sara Holdt earns honorable mention All-CCAA recognition.
May 4 Men’s track runner Daniel Darnall becomes the first Pioneer ever to score a point at the CCAA Championships. He took eighth place in the 3000 meter steeplechase and ran the seventh-fastest time in school history, earning All-CCAA honors.
May 4 Men’s track runner Will Weeks ran the fifth-fastest 800 meter time in Pioneer history, taking fifth place in the conference and earning All-CCAA recognition. The foursome of Wesley Orozco, Orlando Ramirez, Anthony Ganes, and Gavin Ramos was also All-CCAA thanks to a sixth-place finish in the 400 meter relay.
May 4 Volleyball wins its 32nd game of the season, tying the school record. The Pioneers finish 23-4 at home and 22-18 in the CCAA, good for fifth place, the team’s highest-ever finish.
May 9 Eight Pioneer baseball players earn All-CCAA honors, most in team history. David Castillo is a first-team selection, and Sean Becker is named Co-Newcomer of the Year. Becker, Kyle Zozaya, and Charlie Sharron are second-team picks, while Matt Fontaine, Eren Miravall, Brandon Alexander, and Zac Chuvala get honorable mention recognition.
### 2012-13 Pioneer Honors

**NCAA Division II All-American**
- Erica Crain, Swimming
- Caitlin DeNise, Swimming
- Jenel Lopez, Swimming
- Brittany Rojo, Swimming

**CCAA Newcomer of the Year**
- Suzy Ni Xu, Volleyball
- Sean Becker, Baseball

**NSCAA All-West Region Third Team**
- Zuly Diaz, Women's Soccer
- Kara Yamamoto, Women's Soccer

**All-CCAA Honorable Mention**
- Rey Suarez, Men's Soccer
- Timo Baeuerle, Men's Soccer
- Zuly Diaz, Women's Soccer
- Kara Yamamoto, Women's Soccer
- Sara Holdridge, Softball
- Matt Fontaine, Baseball
- Brandon Alexander, Baseball
- Eren Miravalle, Baseball
- Zac Chuvala, Baseball

**All-WWPA Freshman Team**
- Jennifer Lightbody, Water Polo

**All-CCAA First Team**
- Suzy Ni Xu, Volleyball
- David Castillo, Baseball
- Chris Herzog, Men's Golf
- Will Weekes, Men's Track
- Gavin Ramos, Men's Track
- Daniel Damian, Men's Track
- Orlando Ramirez, Men's Track
- Anthony Gaines, Men's Track

**CCAA Invitational All-Tournament Team**
- Claire Pierce, Water Polo (First Team)
- Sara Hudyn, Water Polo (First Team)
- Marriina Nation, Water Polo (First Team)
- Allison Zell, Water Polo (Second Team)

**WWPA All-Tournament Team**
- Allison Zell, Water Polo

**Conference Player of the Week**
- Feb. 25 - Sean Becker, CCAA Baseball
- Feb. 25 - Kyle Zozaya, CCAA Baseball
- Mar. 6 - Matt Lee, CCAA Golf
- Mar. 11 - Sean Becker, CCAA Baseball
- Mar. 13 - Chris Herzog, CCAA Golf
- Mar. 25 - Charlie Sharrer, CCAA Baseball
- Apr. 10 - Chris Herzog, CCAA Golf
- Apr. 10 - Sara Hudyn, WWPA
- Apr. 10 - Claire Pierce, WWPA
- Apr. 22 - Matt Fontaine, CCAA Baseball

**NCBWA National Player of the Week**
- Mar. 28 - Charlie Sharrer, Baseball

**All-WWPA Second Team**
- Claire Pierce, Water Polo

### Student-Athlete Academic Honors

**2012-13 Dean’s List**
- Breahna Berry
- Jamie Botteon
- Katie Brawley
- Meaghan Cichoke
- Hannah Cutts
- Gavin Ramos
- Paul Dewhurst
- Scott Dobson
- Shanna Falk
- Joe Furtado-Foster
- Jose Gonzalez-Mejia
- Chris Herzog
- Melissa Hosman
- Kelsey Lamb
- Sam Lavelle
- Jennifer Lightbody
- Lauren Lucchesi
- Adrian Maldonado
- Kate McAfee
- Emily Montanez
- Ben O'Bryan
- Daniel Ocasio
- Alyssa olow
- Jenni Perez
- Claire Pierce
- Sara Silva
- Paramvir Singh
- Rachel Sloss
- Jason Smith
- Arielle Swan-Smith
- Alyssa Tenney
- Karolyn Wasung
- Donna Williams
- Julia Wilson
- Suzy Ni Xu

**2012-13 CCAA All-Academic**
- Faith Allison
- Tyler Anderson
- Greg Atkinson
- Breanna Baker
- Hege Blitra
- Daniel Borst
- Nicole Boyle
- Katie Brawley
- Elliot Buschino
- Vincent Capellino
- Nolan Cassidy
- Felipe Carvajal
- Tenaya Davis
- Paul Dewhurst
- Kristen Elms
- Shanna Falk
- Carly Genzoli
- Chris Herzog
- Morgan Hirzel
- Christian Lara
- Frieda Li
- Quinton Lilley
- Nikki Long
- Lauren Lucchesi
- Jessica Machado
- Tre Mauldin
- Rodrigo Maza
- Ikay Mwanangele
- Kristin Neary
- Taylor Neumann
- Taylor Newhouse
- Miguel Padilla
- Francisco Pulido
- Florian Reppin
- Alyssa Rodriguez
- Jason Smith
- Taylor Smith
- Brianna Terrance
- John Vergara
- Micah Walker
- Donna Williams
- Andrew Woolfe
- Jamie Yaller
Female Athlete of the Year Nominees

Zuly Diaz  
Soccer - Senior - Richmond

Diaz started all 18 games for the Pioneers and led the team in minutes played. She notched a goal and an assist and anchored the East Bay back line. Diaz was selected to the 2012 National Soccer Coaches Association All-West Region third team, and she was recognized as honorable mention All-CCAA.

Sara Hudyn  
Water Polo - Junior - Kitchener, Ontario

Hudyn had a record-setting year for Pioneer water polo. She led the Western Water Polo Association and set a new school record with 109 goals for the season. She was also second on the team with 48 steals. She tied a record with nine goals in a game at the LMU invitational, and she was selected as WWPA Co-Player of the Week on April 10. Hudyn made the All-Tournament first team at the CCAA Invitational. After the season, she was named first-team All-WWPA.

Robin McClinton  
Cross Country - Sophomore - Compton

McClinton was the Pioneers’ top runner during the fall season. She was the top finisher on the team in four of the six meets. McClinton placed 25th with a 5k time of 23:02.2 at the CCAA Championships. She qualified for the NCAA Division II West Regionals in Hawaii, where she took 79th place.

Male Athlete of the Year Nominees

Paul Dewhurst  
Soccer - Junior - Pomona

Dewhurst started 16 games from his defender position and played the third-most minutes on the team (1460). He helped anchor a Pioneer defense that allowed 23 goals and posted five shutouts in 2012. Offensively, Dewhurst recorded five shots and scored a goal against Cal State Stanislaus. He has also gotten it done in the classroom, posting a 3.48 gpa as a communications major.

Gabe Kindred  
Basketball - Junior - Oakland

Junior Gabe Kindred played in all 26 games for the Pioneers and was second on the team in minutes. He was the team’s leading scorer and ranked top-20 in the CCAA at 11.3 ppg. He averaged 2.6 assists, 3.3 rebounds, and 1.4 steals, which was ninth-best in the CCAA. Kindred shot 41.0 percent from the field and 72.2 percent from the free throw line. He had 16 double digit scoring games and topped 20 points three times.

Matt Fontaine  
Baseball - Senior - Tracy

Fontaine was a crucial addition to a Pioneer pitching staff that ranked 15th in the nation with a 2.91 ERA in 2013. He posted a record of 6-1 with three saves and a team-best 2.03 ERA that ranked sixth in the CCAA. He tossed three complete games, recorded 55 strikeouts and just 11 walks in 66.2 innings, and was named CCAA Pitcher of the Week for Apr. 15-21. Fontaine was also an honorable mention All-CCAA selection.

Jose Gonzalez-Mejia  
Track - Junior - Tijuana, Mex.

Gonzalez-Mejia was the most improved runner in the 5,000 and 10,000 meters for Pioneer track in 2013. Also an excellent cross-country runner, he placed 15th at the CCAA Championships, establishing a personal-best time of 34:14.61 in the 10k. Gonzalez-Mejia also carried his dedication on the track into the classroom and posted a 3.44 gpa.

Will Weekes  
Cross Country - Junior - Hayward

Weekes was the top finisher for the Pioneers in four meets during the fall, including the CCAA Championships, where he took 50th. His top finish was fourth place at the Mills College Invitational. Weekes is also an outstanding track runner. This spring, he ran the fifth-fastest 800-meter time in Pioneer history (1:55.49), the seventh-fastest 1500-meter time (3:56.24), and earned All-CCAA honors.

Charlie Sharrer  
Baseball - Senior - Palmdale

A four-year senior, Sharrer helped the Pioneers reach a No. 22 national ranking and tie the school record with 32 wins. He hit .333 and led the team in home runs (4) and slugging (.519). As a pitcher, he led the Pioneers with four saves and posted a 3.66 ERA in 13 appearances. He was named CCAA, West Region, and National Player of the Week for Mar. 19-24. Sharrer finished his career ranked second all-time in Pioneer history with 185 hits and 50 doubles.

Chris Herzog  
Golf - Senior - Medford, Ore.

Herzog accumulated a team-best 73.66 scoring average for 2012-13. He finished in the top-10 in five tournaments, landed in the top-20 in three others, and was the champion of the NDNU Argonaut Invitational. He was named CCAA Golfer of the Week twice during the spring, and was selected to the All-CCAA team after helping the Pioneers to a sixth-place conference finish and a trip to the NCAA Division II West/South-Central Regionals.

Kyle Zozaya  
Baseball - Senior - Hollister

Zozaya was the leading hitter for the Pioneers with a .348 batting average, which ranked fifth in the CCAA. He was tops on the team and ranked second in the CCAA with 20 doubles and 44 RBI. He posted a .410 on-base percentage and led the team in total bases, helping the Pioneers tie the school record with 32 wins. He was named CCAA and West Region Player of the Week for Feb. 18-24 and tied a Pioneer record with three doubles in a game on March 22. Zozaya was a second-team All-CCAA selection.

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Sadie Holdridge  
Softball - Senior - Murrieta

Holdridge started all 52 games for the Pioneers and led the team in hitting (.344), doubles (14), home runs (3), RBI (28), walks (19), on-base percentage (.431), and slugging (.494). The 2012 Sherratt Scholarship winner, she was named honorable mention All-CCAA. For her career, among all-time Pioneer hitters, Holdridge ranks second with 22 home runs, fifth with 101 RBI, and eighth with 153 hits.

Marlene MacMillan  
Basketball - Senior - Tracy

MacMillan led the Pioneers to a 16-11 record, a fourth-place tie in the CCAA, and second straight trip to the CCAA Tournament. She led the team and ranked second in the conference with 8.2 rebounds per game, while scoring 7.7 ppg. She grabbed a season-high 17 rebounds in a game against CSUS. MacMillan was named second-team All-CCAA and she finished her career ranked second in Pioneer history with 794 rebounds and 72 blocks.

Celina Vera  
Track - Freshman - Tulare

Vera was the most consistent runner for the Pioneers in the spring. She won the 5,000 meter B race at the Woody Wilson Relays and currently ranks No. 13 in the CCAA at that distance. Vera is the top-ranked freshman 5k runner in the conference and has been nominated for CCAA Freshman of the Year.

Suzy Mi Xu  
Volleyball - Junior - Da Lian Liao, China

Xu led the Pioneers in points (404.0) and kills (360 with a 3.51 set average). Xu was also third on the team with 55 blocks. She played all 29 matches and recorded double-digit kills in 18 of them. She was named to the All-Tournament teams of the Nanook Classic and the Route 92 Showdown. After the season, she won CCAA Newcomer of the Year and was named first-team All-CCAA.