

2012-13 Capital University Women's Basketball

General Information

School: Capital University
City/Zip: Columbus, Ohio 43209
Founded: 1830
Enrollment: 3,200
Nickname: Crusaders
Colors: Purple and White
Arena: Capital Center
Capacity: 2,100
Conference: Ohio Athletic Conference (OAC)
President: Dr. Denvy A. Bowman (Roanoke, Va. '81)
Director of Athletics: Dr. Steve Bruning (Ohio '87)
Associate Director of Athletics/SWA: Dixie Jeffers
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History

First Year of Women's Basketball: 1974
Overall Record: 651-188 (.776) since 1981
NCAA Championships: 2 (1994, 1995)
NCAA Tournament Appearances/Last: 14/2009
Record in NCAA Tournament: 31-13
Last NCAA Tournament Game: at Washington University-St. Louis, L 72-77
OAC Regular Season Championships: 12 (Last: 2009-10)
OAC Tournament Titles: 9 (Last: 2009)

Team Information

2011-12 Overall Record: 18-9
2011-12 OAC Record/Finish: 12-6/4th
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/4
Starters Returning: 3
Final National Ranking: N/A

Sports Information

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Coaching Staff

Head Coach: Dixie Jeffers
Alma Mater: Morehead State '81
Record at School/Yrs.: 559-161/26 years
Career Record/Yrs.: 611-182/29 years
E-Mail/Office Phone: djeffers@capital.edu/614-236-6551
Assistant Coaches: Lindsay Reynolds (Roanoke, Va. '06), Jason Wright (Capital '99)

Starters Returning

Stacy Timmerman	F	5-10	Sr.	New Bremen, Ohio/New Bremen	9.8 ppg, 5.1 rpg, .469 FG%
Rebekah Will	G	5-8	Sr.	Millbury, Ohio/Lake	8.9 ppg, 4.0 rpg, 56 stls
Cookie Geroski	G	5-6	Jr.	Fostoria, Ohio/St. Wendelin	8.2 ppg, 5.8 rpg, 96 asts

2011-12 All-OAC Hon. Mention

Other Key Returners

Jamie Caton	F	5-10	Jr.	Hilliard, Ohio/Davidson	9.6 ppg, 2.6 rpg, 41 stls
Shelby Sheets	G	5-10	So.	Fayetteville, Ohio/Fayetteville	2.0 ppg, 27 GP

Top Newcomers

Simonne Gage	G	5-3	Fr.	Dayton, Ohio/Chaminade Julianne
Shelby Sigman	G	5-8	Fr.	Bellbrook, Ohio/Bellbrook
Nina Napolitano	G	5-7	Fr.	Akron, Ohio/Walsh Jesuit
Kristen Thompson	F	5-10	Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Colerain

Outlook

The Capital University women's basketball program enters the 2012-13 season with high hopes after a strong 18-9 campaign last season, when it defeated perennial regional powers Hope (Mich.) and Thomas More (Ky.) and posted a 12-6 mark in the Ohio Athletic Conference. Capital reached the OAC Tournament semifinals for the ninth consecutive season. The Crusaders will be bolstered in 2012-13 by a 10-day tour of Italy last June and the return of 27th-year head coach Dixie Jeffers, who last January became the seventh coach in NCAA Division III history to reach 600 career wins. The inside-outside combination of senior forward Stacy Timmerman and junior guard Cookie Geroski headline a strong group of returners, which includes nine letter winners and three starters from 2011-12. Timmerman is the team's leading scorer coming back after averaging 9.8 points to go along with 5.1 rebounds and 46.9 percent shooting from the field. Geroski tallied 8.2 points per game and 5.8 rebounds per contest while shooting 35.2 percent from 3-point range and posting a team-best 96 assists. Senior guard Rebekah Will is the team's third returning starter, registering 8.9 points and 4.0 rebounds per game with 68 assists and a team-high 56 steals. Junior forward Jamie Caton was the team's first player off the bench a year ago, totaling 9.6 points per game along with a team-high 82 made free throws. Other returning contributors include sophomore guards Shelby Sheets, Erin Maldonado and sophomore forward Monica Heckman. Sophomore Cassie Prenger returns this season after being sidelined by a knee injury a year ago.

2012-13 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Nov. 16	at Anderson vs. Kenyon	Anderson, Ind.	6 p.m.
Nov. 17	at Anderson vs. TBA	Anderson, Ind.	2/4 p.m.
Nov. 20	at Wittenberg	Springfield, Ohio	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 23	at Thomas More vs. Centre	Crestview Hills, Ky.	5 p.m.
Nov. 24	at Thomas More	Crestview Hills, Ky.	5 p.m.
Nov. 28	OHIO WESLEYAN	Capital Center	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 5	HEIDELBERG*	Capital Center	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 8	BALDWIN WALLACE*	Capital Center	4 p.m.
Dec. 15	JOHN CARROLL*	Capital Center	3 p.m.
Dec. 19	at Wilmington*	Wilmington, Ohio	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 22	MOUNT UNION*	Capital Center	3 p.m.
Dec. 31	WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE	Capital Center	2 p.m.
Jan. 5	OTTERBEIN*	Capital Center	4 p.m.
Jan. 9	MUSKINGUM*	Capital Center	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 12	OHIO NORTHERN*	Capital Center	3 p.m.
Jan. 16	at Marietta*	Marietta, Ohio	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 19	at Baldwin Wallace*^	Berea, Ohio	2 p.m.
Jan. 23	at Heidelberg*	Tiffin, Ohio	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 26	at Mount Union*	Alliance, Ohio	2 p.m.
Jan. 30	WILMINGTON*	Capital Center	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 2	at John Carroll*	University Hts., Ohio	3 p.m.
Feb. 6	MARIETTA*	Capital Center	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 9	at Otterbein*	Westerville, Ohio	5 p.m.
Feb. 13	at Muskingum*	New Concord, Ohio	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 16	at Ohio Northern*	Ada, Ohio	3 p.m.
Feb. 18	OAC Tournament First Rd.	TBA	TBA
Feb. 19	OAC Tournament Quarters	TBA	TBA
Feb. 21	OAC Tournament Semis	TBA	TBA
Feb. 23	OAC Tournament Final	TBA	TBA

Home games in **BOLD CAPS**

* Indicates Ohio Athletic Conference match

^ Game to be broadcast live on SportsTime Ohio