

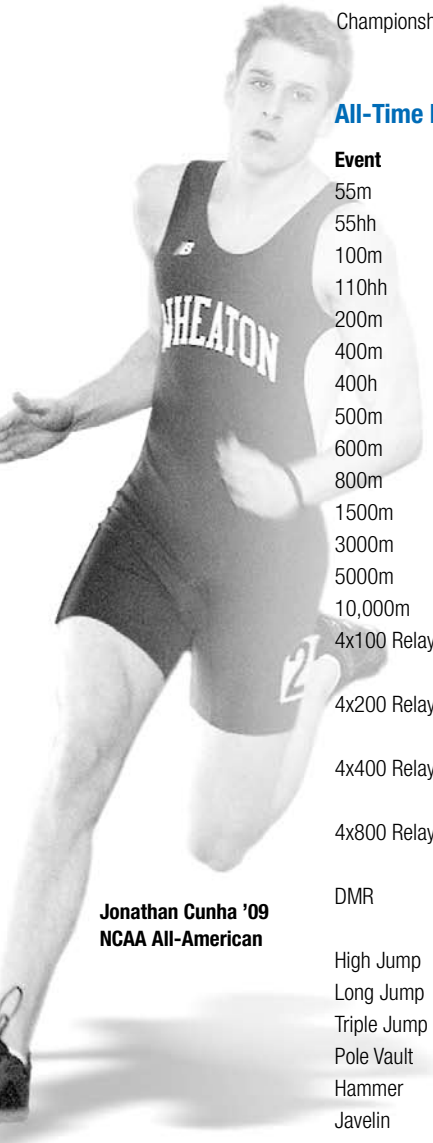


Wheaton College

Men's Track & Field

Wheaton's youth movement continued in 2007, as a pair of underclassmen notched All-America honors during the indoor season and another competed at the outdoor NCAA Championship. After tying for 22nd at the 2006 indoor national meet, the Lyons placed 22nd outright in 2007. During the New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC) Championship, the Blue and White came in fifth. With only three athletes lost to graduation, the Lyons look to have 17 returning in 2008.

Jonathan Cunha '09 and Merzudin Ibric '10 were the lone Wheaton competitors at indoor nationals but took the fifth and sixth spots, respectively, in the 400-meter dash to each draw All-America honors. During the season, Michael Wright '09 broke the school mark in the 55-meter dash, while Howard Powell '10 eclipsed a standard in the 55-meter hurdles. Powell turned in a memorable outdoor campaign, being named U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) Division III New England Men's Track Athlete of the Year. He set the school record in the 110-meter hurdles at the NCAA Division III New England Championship before competing in the event at the NCAA meet. During the NEWMAC Championship, Powell won the 110-meter hurdles, and Ibric topped the 400-meter dash field.



Jonathan Cunha '09
NCAA All-American

All-Time Records

Event	Athlete(s)	Indoor Record	Year	Athlete(s)	Outdoor Record	Year
55m	Michael Wright	6.48	2007			
55hh	Howard Powell	7.78	2007			
100m				Lance Wagner	10.72	2001
110hh				Howard Powell	14.59	2007
200m	Michael Wright	21.86	2006	Sekou Dilday	21.78	1997
400m	Erik Benson	47.08	2004	Sekou Dilday	47.44	1997
400h				Jonathan Cunha	54.66	2006
500m	Kevin Bullock	1:04.96	1998			
600m	Kevin Bullock	1:20.86	1998			
800m	Kevin Bullock	1:51.67	1998	Kevin Bullock	1:50.85	1998
1500m	Terry Panetta	3:55.55	2003	Terry Panetta	3:57.04	2004
3000m	Stan Pyle	8:41.33	2002			
5000m	Stan Pyle	14:30.33	2004	Stan Pyle	14:36.82	2004
10,000m				Stan Pyle	33:03.02	2004
4x100 Relay				R. Greenridge, R. Tyson, D. Deliso, L. Wagner	41.39	2001
4x200 Relay	R. Greenridge, R. Tyson, D. Deliso, L. Wagner	1:31.01	2001			
4x400 Relay	M. Wright, J. Cunha, V. Martinez, A. Sisodia	3:13.31	2006	I. Lowell, S. Dilday K. Bullock, Z. Bowden	3:17.12	1997
4x800 Relay	S. Lotterman, M. Callahan, J. Drewniak, K. Bullock	8:04.53	1998			
DMR	P. Benson, P. Freytag, R. Kahill, A. Cook	10:34.63	2005			
High Jump	Dan Olson	7' 2 1/2"	2004	Eric Taylor-Perry	7' 4 1/2"	1997
Long Jump	Rob Tyson	24' 9 3/4"	2001	Rob Tyson	25' 5 1/2"	2000
Triple Jump	Rahiem Greenridge	52' 1 3/4"	2002	Rahiem Greenridge	51' 11 3/4"	2001
Pole Vault	Ben Vik	14' 8"	2001	Ben Vik	15' 3"	2001
Hammer				Andy Ferree	137' 2"	1999
Javelin				Chris Wilbur	177' 0"	2005
Weight Throw	Andy Ferree	51' 0"	1999			
Shot Put	Ryan Fitzgerald	46' 4 1/4"	2004	Ryan Fitzgerald	48' 0"	2004
Discus				Andy Ferree	149' 5"	1999

Head coach
Paul Souza



Entering his 14th year as Wheaton's head men's and women's indoor and outdoor track and field coach, Paul Souza's teams have established reputations as leading national powers in NCAA Division III track and field. Souza has led his men's indoor team to three top-six national finishes in the last eight years, and the team has fared similarly well during the outdoor season, finishing among the top eight teams three times since 2000.

In his 13 years at Wheaton, Souza has witnessed his athletes record 76 national event titles and 246 All-America honors. He was voted United States Track Coaches Association (USTCA) National Indoor Coach of the Year in 2002, New England Coach of the Year on six occasions and conference coach of the year eight times. A United States Track & Field (USATF) Level I and II certified coach and the national vertical jumps chair for men's development, Souza has attracted some of the nation's most talented athletes to Wheaton, including several

United States Olympic Trials qualifiers and two trials finalists.

Highly involved with USATF, Souza was selected as an assistant coach for the 2005 World University Games in Izmir, Turkey. He was one of three assistant coaches for the 2004 United States World Indoor Track & Field championship team that competed in Budapest, Hungary.

Souza also traveled to England and Scotland in the summer of 2001 as an assistant coach of the United States World Junior team. He was chosen to be an assistant coach for the 1995 United States Olympic Sports Festival East team. Souza has been nominated for coaching positions on other upcoming United States national and international teams, including the Olympic team.

In 1987, Souza founded the Elite Track and Field Series, which has become one of the premier clinics in the country, attracting such high-profile clinicians as Kevin O'Donnell,

Loren Seagrave, Dwight Stones and Norm Tate. Souza's expertise in the jumps has made him one of the most sought-after clinicians in the track and field world.

An Olympic trials qualifier as well as an NCAA and USA-TFA All-America athlete, Souza earned a bachelor's degree in communications from Pennsylvania State University in 1983 and a master's degree from Eastern Nazarene College in 1985. A native of nearby Mansfield, he still holds the Penn State high jump record at 7' 4 1/2" and Mansfield High School mark at 6' 10".

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Quick Facts

Head Coach	Paul Souza (14th Year)
Phone	(508) 286-3982
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Assistant Coach	Marc Mangiacotti (4th Year)
Home Venue	Beard Field House
Affiliations	NCAA Division III, Eastern College Athletic Conference, New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference
2007 NEWMAC Finish	5th

2007 Indoor Athletic Awards

NCAA All-America	Jonathan Cunha
NCAA All-America	Merzudin Ibric

2007 Outdoor Athletic Awards

USTFCCA Reg. Athlete of Yr.	Howard Powell
NEWMAC All-Conference	Merzudin Ibric
NEWMAC All-Conference	Howard Powell

2007 Outdoor Academic Awards

NEWMAC All-Academic	Scott Hafferkamp
NEWMAC All-Academic	Matt Peirce

Indoor All-Americans

Sekou Dilday	1997
Eric Taylor-Perry	1997
Rob Tyson	1999
Rahiem Greenridge	2000
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Erik Benson	2002
Rahiem Greenridge	2002
Dan Olson	2002
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Patrick Freytag	2004
Dan Olson	2004
Ajay Sisodia	2004
Adam Walker	2004
Jonathan Cunha	2006
Victor Martinez	2006
Ajay Sisodia	2006
Michael Wright	2006
Jonathan Cunha	2007
Merzudin Ibric	2007

Outdoor All-Americans

Sekou Dilday	1997
Kevin Bullock	1998
Kevin Bullock	1999
Rahiem Greenridge	1999
Rob Tyson	1999
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Ray Smith	2000
Rob Tyson	2000
Dante Deliso	2001
Rahiem Greenridge	2001
Ray Smith	2001
Rob Tyson	2001
Lance Wagner	2001
Erik Benson	2002
Rahiem Greenridge	2002
Dan Olson	2002
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Major Conference Awards

Rob Tyson	NEWMAC Athlete of the Year (1999)
Rahiem Greenridge	NEWMAC Rookie of the Year (1999)
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Location	Norton, Massachusetts
Founded	1834
Enrollment	1,550
Colors	Royal blue & white
President	Ronald A. Crutcher
Athletic Director	Chad Yowell

The Wheaton Campus

Wheaton's 400-acre campus has outstanding facilities to support academic, athletic, residential and co-curricular life. The Evelyn Danzig Haas Athletic Center is one of the finest NCAA Division III athletic facilities in New England with 102,000 square-feet of space with a field house, gymnasium and indoor pool. Elsewhere on campus, Wheaton has an impressive \$20 million arts building, National Science Foundation-funded digital imaging center, and state-of-the-art library and language labs. The Balfour-Hood Center houses campus activities, as well as a café, pub, game room and fitness center. Wheaton students live on campus in one of 18 residence halls, four special interest houses/living learning communities or 10 theme houses.

A Wheaton Snapshot

- Wheaton is 35 miles south of Boston and 15 miles north of Providence, Rhode Island.
- Wheaton draws a student body of 1,550 students from virtually every state and more than 50 countries.
- The faculty-student ratio is 1:11 and the average class size is 15 to 20.
- Wheaton's challenging liberal arts curriculum offers more than 600 courses, 40 majors and 50 minors.
- Cross registration with Brown University allows students to take classes at the nearby school.
- Wheaton offers 30 study abroad programs, and in recent years students have studied in more than 50 different countries.
- In the past six years, Wheaton students have won more than 70 prestigious academic awards, including three Rhodes Scholarships and more than 30 Fulbright Scholarships.
- Since 1995, Wheaton student-athletes have earned All-America honors for stellar performance more than 300 times.

Admission

Deadlines for Spring 2008:

Freshman and Transfer: November 1, 2007

Deadlines for Fall 2008:

Early Decision I: November 1, 2007

Early Decision II: January 15, 2008

Regular Decision: January 15, 2008

Transfer applications: April 1, 2008

- Admission to Wheaton is very selective. Applicants are evaluated on the basis of academic achievement; difficulty of high school curriculum; writing ability; recommendations from teachers, counselors and interviewers; and co-curricular record. Submission of standardized test scores is optional. For the Class of 2011, 3,883 students applied for 400 available spots
- The comprehensive fee for 2007–2008 is \$45,330. Approximately 60 percent of students receive some form of aid, including grants, work-study, loans and outside scholarships.
- For more information, contact the admission office at 800-394-6003 (508-286-8251 outside the U.S.) or e-mail admission@wheatoncollege.edu. For information about Wheaton and its athletic programs, visit www.wheatoncollege.edu/athletics.

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