

Rallying the Valley

Chasse Conque New UTRGV Vice President & Athletic Director

Chasse Conque (pronounced Chase Konk) became UTRGV's new Vice President and Director of Athletics on Aug. 2 after previously serving as Vice Chancellor and Director of Athletics at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock since 2015.

During Conque's tenure at Little Rock — which also competes at the NCAA Division I level — he helped lead a resurgence of the athletic department, both on and off the playing surfaces:

Little Rock won a combined 19 team and individual Sun Belt Conference championships, highlighted by both the men's and women's basketball teams reaching the second round of the NCAA tournament.

Three Little Rock head coaches garnered Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year honors. Nearly four dozen Little Rock student-athletes were named all-conference.

In 2017-18, Little Rock posted the highest Graduation Success Rate of any Division I institution in Arkansas in six of the last seven years, graduating 82 percent of Trojan student-athletes.

Little Rock student-athletes have posted a department-wide GPA above 3.00 for 13 consecutive semesters, including a 3.36 GPA following Fall 2018 in which 124 Little Rock student-athletes registered a GPA of 3.00 or higher and 38 boasted a perfect 4.00.

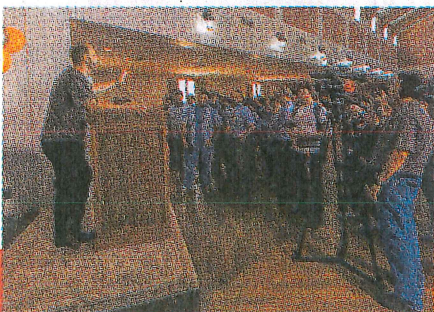
In Spring 2018, Little Rock added a wrestling program that joined the Pac-12 Conference.

In 2017-18, Little Rock set a program record for fundraising, raising \$4.3 million to bring its total to more than \$11 million over the past three years.

One of Little Rock's top athletic highlights under Conque came in 2015-16 when the men's basketball team finished the season 30-5 and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. The head coach of that team was Chris Beard, who Conque hired in April of 2015. Beard is now head coach at Texas Tech and considered one of the top coaches in the country after leading the Red Raiders to the national championship game in 2019.

Conque earned his MBA from Little Rock and his bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Central Arkansas.

Conque and his wife, Lisa, have three daughters: twins Julianna and Sydney (7), and Adeline (5).





UTRGV ATHLETICS IN THE CLASS ROOM

2018-19



3.18

DEPARTMENTAL
GPA



967

ACADEMIC
PROGRESSIVE RATE

TEAMS WITH THE HIGHEST GPA

3.62

WOMEN'S TENNIS

3.37

MEN'S GOLF

UTRGV ATHLETICS IN OUR COMMUNITY

2018-19



2,862

TOTAL COMMUNITY
SERVICE HOURS

30

ORGANIZATIONS
SERVED

TOP ORGANIZATIONS SERVED

- FOOD BANK RGV 326 HOURS
- SALVATION ARMY 320 HOURS
- SPECIAL OLYMPICS 249 HOURS

TOP

MEN'S TEAMS

BASKETBALL TRACK & FIELD



486
HOURS



381
HOURS

TOP

WOMEN'S TEAMS

TRACK & FIELD SOCCER



470
HOURS



270
HOURS

SIGNATURE WINS

VOLLEYBALL

9/6/19: 3-2 vs. Maryland
9/8/19: 3-2 @ No. 15 Baylor
8/26/16: 3-1 @ Baylor

BASEBALL

4/30/19: 6-3 @ No. 10 Texas Tech
3/17/19: 6-5 @ Kansas State
2/16/19: 5-2 vs. No. 16 Oklahoma State
4/23/18: 5-3 @ Washington
2/25/17: 3-1 vs. Washington State

MEN'S SOCCER

10/6/19: 2-0 vs. Air Force

WOMEN'S SOCCER

8/30/18: 2-1 @ Miami

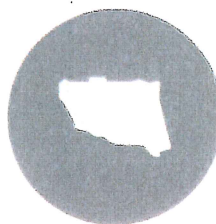
UP NEXT

MEN'S BASKETBALL
12/13 @ CREIGHTON
12/21 @ TEXAS TECH
12/30 @ OKLAHOMA

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
11/20 @ TEXAS
12/18 @ USC
12/29 @ KANSAS STATE

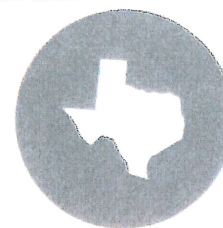
BASEBALL
2/14-17 VS. KANSAS STATE
2/21-23 @ OKLAHOMA STATE
4/21 @ TCU
4/28 @ TEXAS

WHO WE ARE



27%

RGV NATIVE



53%

TEXAS NATIVE



69%

DOMESTIC



31%

INTERNATIONAL

46

 2018-19 WAC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

101

 2018-19 ALL-WAC PERFORMERS

VOLLEYBALL WINS 2018 WAC CHAMPIONSHIP

PROGRAM RECORD 22 WINS

PROGRAM RECORD 13 WAC WINS

BASEBALL WINS 2019 WAC CHAMPIONSHIP

34 WINS. MOST SINCE 1991

PROGRAM RECORD 19 WAC WINS

2019 BASKETBALL POSTSEASON

MEN

CIT SECOND ROUND
BACK-TO-BACK POSTSEASON
APPEARANCES

WOMEN

FOUR POSTSEASON APPEARANCES
IN FIVE YEARS
PROGRAM RECORD 10 WAC WINS

2019 TRACK & FIELD REGIONAL QUALIFIERS

PROGRAM RECORD SEVEN NCAA REGIONAL QUALIFIERS

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY RANKING

CURRENTLY RANKED NO. 12
IN THE SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

SOCCER MAKING WAVES

MEN

RANKED AS HIGH AS NO. 24 IN THE
NATION & NO. 6 IN THE FAR WEST
REGION

WOMEN

CURRENTLY UNDEFEATED
IN WAC PLAY

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