

Tennis

2009-10 Season Highlights

Spring 2010

The Hollins University tennis team built upon the success it earned last fall by completing the Spring 2010 season with a 15-3 overall record. Hollins lost just once en route to a second-place regular season finish in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference, led by a talented group of players who are committed to working hard and competing with the top schools. Throughout the year, they showed the intensity and desire to win, but also demonstrated that bonding with teammates and enjoying the sport are essential components of the program.

One of the highlights of the spring season was the Spring Break trip to Orlando. The team played quality tennis in three matches against stiff competition, and also took time to enjoy some fun in the sun with trips to Disney World, NASA, and the beach.

The team was recognized with a number of accolades this year. Karen Montoya '14 was named ODAC Rookie of the Year and received Hollins Rookie of the Year honors. Regionally, Montoya was ranked #17 in the Atlantic South. Sarah Budrus '11 was awarded ODAC Scholar Athlete of the Year by maintaining a 3.87 GPA while majoring in mathematics. Both Budrus and Montoya were named First Team All-ODAC in singles competition while Budrus earned Second Team All-ODAC honors for doubles. Other superlatives included Second Team All-ODAC for Anne Ailstock '11 in singles and doubles, while Finley Vinson '13 earned Second Team recognition for singles.

The team finished the year strong with an appearance in the finals at the ODAC Championships, where they lost a hard-fought match to national powerhouse Washington and Lee. For their effort, the entire Hollins team was named All Tournament.

Fall 2009

The Hollins tennis team had a very successful fall 2009 season under the direction of Coach Leslie Bernard.

Hollins kicked off the campaign by hosting their 2009 Fall Festival in mid-September. The team won 16 of its 23 singles matches and swept all eight doubles matches played. Singles players Shawnte Woodson '12 and Katie Dotson '11, along with fellow doubles partners Sarah Budrus '11 and Anne Ailstock '11, won all of their matches during the event.

The team then competed at Washington and Lee University's Fall Festival, where they played against national powers W&L and the University of Mary Washington. The Budrus/Ailstock duo continued their excellent play by beating their doubles opponents from UMW.

In late September at the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Atlantic/South Regionals in Fredricksburg, Virginia, singles players Taylor Reedy '13 and Finley Vinson '13 delivered strong performances to reach the quarterfinals, which featured the top-ranked NCAA Division III schools in the region.

Hollins closed the fall season at home, hosting the Old Dominion Athletic Conference Fall Championships on October 10 and 11. Budrus, Ailstock, Reedy and Vinson each recorded a 2-1 record to qualify for the finals in their respective singles flights.