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#### **Utah Valley wrestling releases 2021-22 schedule**

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**OREM, Utah** - Utah Valley University head wrestling coach [Greg Williams](#) has announced his team's 2021-22 schedule and it features 16 total dual meets which includes home matches against Oklahoma State, Missouri, Wyoming, Air Force, North Dakota State and South Dakota State.

"Having a tough schedule is always important to us in preparing our team for the postseason. This year we not only get the opportunity to wrestle some of the top teams in the country but will be able to host the current No. 2 (Missouri) and No. 3 (Oklahoma State) ranked teams in the nation," Williams said. "Utah is a strong wrestling state with a great passion for the sport. We are excited that the fans will be able to see this level of talent in our home gym. We are currently scheduled to dual six ranked teams with four of them at home.

"We are also doing something a little different this season as we travel to Boise to dual No. 25 Oregon State. With Idaho losing their only D1 program a few years ago, this is an opportunity to bring some excitement to Idaho's great wrestling fan base. It is being hosted by Columbia High School, which is home of one of our wrestlers, [Kekana Fouret](#). We appreciate the invitation and are looking forward to the season."

After having a condensed schedule last season due to COVID-19, the Wolverines have a full slate on tap this season, as they are scheduled to take part in 16 dual meets as well as four regular-season tournaments.

After hosting the annual UVU Intrasquad Dual on Oct. 29, the Wolverines will officially kick-off the season on Nov. 7 at the Northern Colorado Duals. UVU will face the host Northern Colorado Bears in Big 12 action that day, as well as North Idaho, Northwest Kansas Tech, and Doane University. Utah Valley will then head to California on Nov. 19 for duals against California Baptist and CSU Bakersfield that evening in Riverside. The Wolverines will remain in the Golden State that weekend to take part at the Roadrunner Open on Nov. 21 in Bakersfield.

Three more tournaments will then follow for the Wolverines over the next couple of weeks, as they are scheduled to take part at the Cowboy Open in Laramie on Nov. 27, the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational in Sin City on Dec. 3-4, and the Reno Tournament of Champions on Dec. 19. UVU will then open its home slate the following day-Dec. 20-by hosting Big 12 power Oklahoma State for the first time on Dec. 20. That match is scheduled to take place in the UCCU Center at 7 p.m.

Following the Christmas Break, UVU will then head to Boise for a neutral-site contest against Pac-12 foe Oregon State on Jan. 2. A trio of home contests will then follow on Jan. 14 and 15, as Utah Valley will host North Dakota State on Jan. 14, as well as fellow Big 12 affiliates Air Force and South Dakota State on Jan. 15. The Wolverines will then head to Iowa the following weekend for matches at Northern Iowa (Jan. 21) and Iowa State (Jan. 22) before returning to Orem for a pair of home duals against new Big 12 foe Missouri and Wyoming on Saturday, Jan. 29.

Utah Valley will then close its regular season on the East Coast with a Big 12 dual at West Virginia on Feb. 12.

The 2022 Big 12 Championships will then be held March 5-6 at the

BOK Center in Tulsa, Okla., while the 2022 NCAA Championships will culminate the season on March 17-19 at Little Caesars Arena in Detroit, Mich. A season ago, UVU crowned multiple All-Americans for the first time in program history, as both [Taylor LaMont](#) and [Demetrius Romero](#) reached the podium at the 2021 NCAA Championships. After both grapplers reached the coveted semifinal round, LaMont went on to place fifth at 125 pounds, while Romero finished sixth at 174. Both LaMont and Romero are back for UVU this season, as the Wolverines welcome back all four 2021 NCAA qualifiers in LaMont, Romero, [Ty Smith](#) (133) and [Cameron Hunsaker](#) (149).

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