

Two Seasons—Two National Titles

Sophomore Kylee Bartlett joins an elite group in track and field with both indoor and outdoor national championships.

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Kylee Bartlett '19 joined an elite field when she won the outdoor heptathlon national championship in May, just weeks after claiming the indoor pentathlon championship in March.

The sophomore from Williamstown, New York, is only the third woman in NCAA Division III history to win both multi-event competitions in the same season. She joins Amelia Campbell of Carleton College (2014) and Ashley Houston of Hardin-Simmons University (2009).

The second Rochester athlete to win a national title in the heptathlon—Renee Schmitt '86 won the event during the 1985 season—Bartlett also is the third Yellowjacket in the history of Rochester athletics to win multiple individual national titles. David Moller '75 won cross country and track and field national titles in 1974, and Josefa Benzoni '89 captured three track and field crowns spanning the two seasons of 1988 and 1989.

Over the course of the two days of competition at the national meet in Geneva, Ohio, this spring, Bartlett tallied a school record score of 5,020 points in the seven-event heptathlon.

She set a Rochester record in the 100meter hurdles, with a time of 14.44 seconds, topping her own record that she set earlier in the season. She also set personal records in the shot put (36 feet, 2.75 inches) and the javelin (118 feet, 9.25 inches). And she was an inch shy of matching the Rochester record in the high jump, clearing 5 feet, 5.75 inches. **@**

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STANDOUT SEASON: Bartlett set a personal best in the javelin (above) on her way to becoming only the third woman in NCAA Division III history to win both the heptathlon and pentathlon titles in the same season.