2024



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY THE WESTIN HOTEL INFORMATION BULLETIN #2





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The 2024 U SPORTS Women's Basketball Championship presented by The Westin Edmonton is a True Sport Event and will embrace the True Sport Principles. We will join thousands of other events on the initiative that seeks to mitigate and remove bullying, harassment, and doping from sport in the effort to maintain and grow participation.

SECTION 1:

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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University of Alberta

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2. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*All times are local (MST)

08:00-22:00 Practice availability

Tuesday March 5, 2024

09:45-15:45 Practice availability

Wednesday March 6, 2024

08:00-17:00	Practice Availability
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17:30-18:30 All Canadian Ceremony Cocktail Reception

18:30All Canadian Dinner19:00-20:00All Canadian Awards20:00-21:00Technical Meeting

Thursday March 7, 2024

07:00-11:30 Practice availability

13:00-22:00 Competition Day 1 - Youth Engagement Day (Registration Link)

Friday March 8, 2024

11:00-15:30 Practice availability

9:00am-11:00am FREE Coaches Clinic (Registration Link)

https://www.activityreg.ualberta.ca/UOFA/public/booking/CourseDetails/18947

17:00-21:00 Competition Day 2

Saturday March 9, 2024

09:00-13:00 Practice availability 15:00-22:00 Competition Day 3

Sunday March 10, 2024

10:00-14:00 Practice availability



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17:00-21:30

Competition Day 4

3. Competition SCHEDULE

*All times are local (MST)

Date	Time	Game Number	Game Details
	12:30	1	Quarter Final #1
Thursday March 7, 2024	14:30	2	Quarter Final #2
Thursday March 7, 2024	18:00	3	Quarter Final #3
	20:00	4	Quarter Final #4 (Alberta Game)
Friday March 9, 2024	17:00	5	Consolation Semifinal #1 (Loser 1 v. Loser 2)
Friday March 8, 2024	19:00	6	Consolation Semifinal #2 (Loser 3 v. Loser 4)
	15:00	7	Consolation Final (Winner 5 v. Winner 6)
Saturday March 9, 2024	18:00	8	Championship Semifinal (Winner 3 v. Winner 4)
	20:00	9	Championship Semifinal (Winner 1 v. Winner 2)
Cundov Moreh 10, 2024	17:00	10	Bronze Medal Game (Loser 8 v. Loser 9)
Sunday March 10, 2024	19:30	11	Gold Medal Game (Winner 8 v. Winner 9)

^{*}Games will start 7 minutes after the posted time to accommodate broadcast requirements. Full details will be provided in the run of show.

4. PRACTICE SCHEDULE

- Practice times will be available beginning Monday March 4, 2024.
- Practices on March 4 will be on the side court only. There will be NO ACCESS to the competition court on March 4. Practice time must be requested during the team registration process. See section 6A for details. In the event of a conflict, allocation of



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- practice time will be determined by travel arrangements and qualifying rank. Final determination will lie with the host committee.
- Practices on March 5 will be 45 minutes on a side court followed by 45 minutes on the
 competition court. Practice time on March 5 must be requested during the team
 registration process. See section 6A for details. In the event of a conflict, allocation of
 practice time will be determined by travel arrangements and qualifying rank. Final
 determination will lie with the host committee.
- Practice times on Wednesday March 6 will be set based on qualifying rank and game time and may NOT be requested. Teams will receive one hour on a side court followed by one hour on the competition court. Teams will only be permitted to use the time that has been assigned to them.
- Practice times on game days will be allocated based on game time first, followed by qualifying rank. Teams will receive 30 minutes on a side court and 30 minutes on the competition court. Determination of practice time will be made solely by the host committee based on game times and qualifying rank. On Championship Sunday, the 4 remaining teams will receive one hour each on the competition court. No time will be provided on the side court.
- Full breakdown of the practice schedule is below

Tuesday Mar 5	Side Gym 6
0800-0900	
0900-1000	1
1000-1100	
1100-1200	2
1200-1300	
1300-1400	3
1400-1500	
1500-1600	4
1600-1700	
1700-1800	5
1800-1900	
1900-2000	6



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2000-2100	
2100-2200	7

Tuesday Mar 5	Side Gym 6	Competition Gym
945	1	
1030	2	1
1115	3	2
1200	4	3
1245	5	4
1330	6	5
1415	7	6
1500		7

Wednesday Mar 6	Side Gym 6	Competition Gym
0800-0900	QF #1 Low Seed	
0900-1000	QF #1 High Seed	QF #1 Low Seed
1000-1100	QF #2 Low Seed	QF #1 High Seed
1100-1200	QF #2 High Seed	QF #2 Low Seed
1200-1300	QF #3 Low Seed	QF #2 High Seed
1300-1400	QF #3 - High Seed	QF #3 Low Seed
1400-1500	QF #4 Low Seed	QF #3 - High Seed
1500-1600	QF #4 High Seed	QF #4 Low Seed
1600-1700		QF #4 High Seed

Thursday March 7	Side Gym 6	Competion Gym
0700-0730		QF #1 Low Seed



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0730-0800	QF #1 Low Seed	QF #1 High Seed
0800-0830	QF #1 High Seed	QF #2 Low Seed
0830-900	QF #2 Low Seed	QF #2 High Seed
0900-0930	QF #2 High Seed	QF #3 Low Seed
0930-1000	QF #3 Low Seed	QF #3 High Seed
1000-1030	QF #3 High Seed	QF #4 Low Seed
1030-1100	QF #4 Low Seed	QF #4 High Seed
1100-1130	QF #4 High Seed	

Friday March 8	Side Gym 6	Competition Gym
1100-1130	Cons. SF #1 Low Seed	
1130-1200	Cons. SF#1 High Seed	Cons. SF #1 Low Seed
1200-1230	Cons. SF #2 Low Seed	Cons. SF #1 High Seed
1230-1300	Cons. SF#2 High Seed	Cons. SF #2 Low Seed
1300-1330	Champ. SF #1 Low Seed	Cons. SF #2 High Seed
1330-1400	Champ. SF #1 High Seed	Champ. SF #1 Low Seed
1400-1430	Champ. SF #2 Low Seed	Champ. SF #1 High Seed
1430-1500	Champ. SF #2 High Seed	Champ. SF #2 Low Seed
1500-1530		Champ. SF #2 High Seed

Saturday March 9	Side Gym 6	Competition Gym	
0900-0930	Cons. Final Low Seed		
0930-1000	Cons. Final High Seed	Cons. Final Low Seed	
1000-1030	Champ SF 1 Low Seed	Cons. Final High Seed	
1030-1100	Champ SF 1 High Seed	Champ SF 1 Low Seed	



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1100-1130	Champ SF 2 Low Seed	Champ SF 1 High Seed
1130-1200	Champ SF 2 High Seed	Champ SF 2 Low Seed
1230-1300		Champ SF 2 High Seed

Sunday March 10	Competition Gym
1000-1100	Bronze Low Seed
1100-1200	Bronze High Seed
1200-1300	Gold Low Seed
1300-1400	Gold High Seed

SECTION 2: PARTICIPATING TEAMS INFORMATION

1. ANCILLARY EVENTS

A. VIP Reception

Date: Wednesday March 6, 2024

Time: 17:30-18:30

Location: The Westin Edmonton

Attendees: Participating Team VIPs, Major Award Nominees, U SPORTS Delegates, Head Coaches, non participating Head Coaches, Athletic Directors and University Presidents, non participating major award winners and individuals invited by the

Championship Committee.

Cost: N/A

Dress Code: Business



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B. ALL CANADIAN AWARDS BANQUET

Date: Wednesday March 6, 2024

Site: The Westin Edmonton

Attendees: Participating teams, Major Award Nominees, U SPORTS Delegates, non participating Head Coaches, Athletic Directors and University Presidents, non participating major award winners and individuals invited by the Championship Committee.

Cost: TBD

Schedule: Buffet Dinner at 18:30 with awards to follow at 19:15

Dress Code: Business

Notes: Participating teams will be invoiced after the championship

2. Tournament Meetings

A. TECHNICAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday March March 6, 2024

Time: ~20:15 (Immediately following awards)

Location: The Westin Hotel Edmonton

Room: Turner Valley Room

Attendance: Participating Head Coaches, Referee Coaches & Members of the

Organizing Committee

B. U SPORTS COACHES MEETING

There will not be a U SPORTS Coaches meeting scheduled in association with this championship. Please contact Carly Clarke, President of Women's Basketball Coaches Association for more information.

3. MEDIA INFORMATION

Members of the media wishing to access any portion of the championship or any championship facility MUST be accredited. To request accreditation, members of the media must complete the 2024 U SPORTS Final 8 Media Accreditation Request Form linked below. The deadline to complete this form is Wednesday February 28, 2024 at 5pm (Mountain Time).



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https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLScUOpaN-iBpQ17BTZtS8S0hGiXoOEv_DjR5Xm7R_0S4_Ej_4Q/viewform

Members of the media seeking accreditation will be required to review and accept the "Media/Digital Content Creators Expectations" as outlined in the application process. Alternate forms of accreditation will NOT be accepted. Please contact https://doi.org/10.1007/journal.com/ for more information.

4. CHAMPIONSHIP HOTEL

U SPORTS policy 20.40.3.4.1:

All participating teams and team personnel attending a U SPORTS Championship requiring accommodation must stay at the U SPORTS Championship designated host hotel.

Host Hotel: The Westin Edmonton

Address: 10135 100th Street NW Edmonton, Alberta T5J 0N7

Website: https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/yegwi-the-westin-edmonton/

Contact: Sanjay Poojari

Email: Sanjay.Poojari@westin.com
Alternate Contact: Maria Romero
Email: maria.romero@westin.com

Rate: \$166 (Double Occupancy) or \$212 (Triple Occupancy)
Amenities: Fitness studio, swimming pool, shared restaurant

Distance from Competition Site: 8km

Complimentary early check in based on availability. Guaranteed late check out until 3pm for all teams and individuals. If later checkout is required, a \$75 fee per room will be applied.

A hot breakfast will be included in the room rate. The hot breakfast will be served from 7:30-10:30am each day of your stay in the Turner Valley Room. Guests will be provided with vouchers to access to the hot breakfast.

A block of rooms to accommodate all participating teams has been held. Please do NOT book your accommodations until you are confirmed to be participating in the championship.



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Final rooming lists will be due to The Westin by 5pm (Mountain Time) on March 4, 2024

5. TRANSPORTATION

A. TRAVEL TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Teams are required to book their own transportation to and from the City of Edmonton.

B. ON-SITE TRANSPORTATION

Enterprise is the preferred rental vehicle provider for the championship. Teams are responsible for securing and paying for their own transportation.

Booking Website: https://www.enterprise.com/en/deeplink.html?v=2&contractNumber=xvc5uoa

Phone Number: 1-855-266-9289 Booking Discount Code: XVC5UOA

This code only needs to be used for bookings made by phone. The code is automatically applied

when using the online booking link provided above

Additional Rental Companies

ALAMO www.alamo.ca | 1 877 222 9075 | 780 890 7345

AVIS www.avis.ca | 1 800 879 2847 | 780 890 7596

BUDGET www.budget.ca | 1 800 268 8900 | 780 890 4801

ENTERPRISE <u>www.enterprise.ca</u> | 1 800 261 7331 | 780 980 233

HERTZ <u>www.hertz.ca</u> | 1 800 263 0600 | 780 890 4435

NATIONAL www.nationalcar.ca | 1 800 227 7368 | 780 890 7345

PRESTIGE www.edmontonprestigelimousine.com | 780-463-5000

TRAXX COACHLINES | www.traxxcoachlines.com | 1-877-872-9977

EDMONTON TAXI COMPANIES

24-7 Taxi Line

Phone: 780 442 4444

Airport Taxi Service



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Phone: 780 890 7070

Co-op Taxi Line Phone: 780 425 2525

C. PARKING

Championship Venue

Saville Community Sports Centre does NOT have the parking capacity for the number of users expected at the facility during the championship. Limited parking will be made available for visiting team vans and buses. Information about rental vehicle parking will be distributed in the registration package for qualifying teams.

Participating team rental vehicles can be parked for free in Lot 65, located directly East of Saville Community Sports Centre. A parking pass per vehicle is required and will be provided to you in your team registration package. Access to this parking lot is only available from 113 Street and 65 Avenue. There is no direct access to this lot from the Saville Community Sports Centre parking lot. Visit the link below for additional information on Lot 65. Teams are welcome to park in the main Saville Community Sports Centre lot if spaces are available.

https://www.ualberta.ca/parking-services/parking-locations/index.html?0=Lot%2065

Athletics does NOT have any direct control over fan/patron parking. For general information, questions, concerns or complaints, please visit the link below.

https://www.ualberta.ca/parking-services/index.html

Host Hotel

One complimentary pass will be provided to teams travelling by bus. Two complimentary passes will be provided to teams with rental vans (or similar). Additional passes can be purchased directly from The Westin Edmonton.

6. TEAM REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION

Accreditation pass will be provided at no charge to the following groups:

- Participating athletes, coaches and staff
 - A maximum of 21 regular and 5 VIP passes will be provided per team
- Non participating USPORTS Women's Basketball Head Coaches
- Non participating USPORTS Institution Presidents



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- Non participating USPORTS Institution Athletic Directors
- Non Participating Major Award Winners

Additional accreditation may be available for purchase, pending facility capacity. Information about this will be provided in a future bulletin.

A. PARTICIPATING TEAM REGISTRATION

Upon qualification, teams will be provided with a registration form to complete.

B. TEAM ACCREDITATIONS

Accreditation will be provided upon your arrival based on the information provided in your team registration. VIP accreditations are for use by Head Coaches, Athletic Directors or University Presidents. This must be identified during the team registration process.

Additional accreditation in excess of the allowances listed above may be available for purchase at a cost equal to the value of a full price tournament package (\$98.50).

Accredited team individuals are invited to the All Canadian Banquet. Costs detailed in section 1B will apply to all accredited team individuals, complimentary or otherwise.

C. NON-PARTICIPATING ACCREDITATION REQUEST

Non participating major award winners, head coaches, university presidents and athletic directors are required to complete the form below to request accreditation for the championship and/or attendance at the All Canadian Banquet. Championship accreditation is provided free of charge. Additional costs may be incurred for certain groups to attend the All Canadian Banquet as outlined in section 1B. Contact Tawana McLeod for additional information about the All Canadian Banquet.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSeTbnLOyS9cninRyUoY-v-6l9nVdKmQ9uOHk2KUwZZfCj9kZA/viewform?usp=sf_link

D. ACCREDITATION PICK-UP

Team accreditation will be provided to you at your first practice. Non participating VIP accreditation can be picked up at the check in table at the All Canadian Banquet or in the Committee Room at Saville Community Sports Centre.



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7. Team Services

A. TEAM HOST

Teams may be provided with a host from the local organizing committee. Contact details will be provided to the team upon qualification.

B. TEAM MEETING ROOM

Meeting space will be available at the Championship hotel in the Chairman and Chancellor Rooms. Teams will be required to book time in these shared spaces. Details on access will be provided during the participating team registration process. There will be NO meeting space available at the competition venue.

C. HOTEL MEDICAL AREA

A shared room will be available at the host hotel for medical purposes such as assessment, treatment, rehabilitation and management of injuries. This will be located in the Viking Room. This room is NOT to be used for team meetings or other non medical purposes.

D. WARM UP & COOL DOWN SPACE

A warm up and cool down space for games will be made available in gym 6. This will be a SHARED SPACE and will be available approximately 1 hour before games begin and 30 minutes after games end. Please speak with your team host for exact availability per day.

E. STUDENT-ATHLETE SERVICES

Sport Performance Centre Acces - Participating student-athletes are permitted to access the Golden Bears & Pandas Sport Performance Centre located in the Saville Community Sports Centre (East). Access is only permitted during set times as indicated below. Visiting coaches and staff are NOT permitted to use this facility for their own personal use. Absolutely NO ACCESS is permitted outside of the times below.

Tuesday March 5 - 9:30am-12:30pm; 2:00-4:00pm Wednesday March 6 - 11:00am-12:30pm; 2:00-4:00pm Thursday March 7 - 9:30am-12:30pm; 2:00-4:00pm Friday March 8 - 11:00am-12:30pm; 2:00-4:00pm Saturday March 9 - 12:00-2:00pm



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A shared space study hall will be available at the host hotel for the duration of the championship. No registration or sign up is required as this space is first come, first serve. This will be located in the Turner Valley Room.

8. Sponsorship

A. USPORTS Sponsors

Participating teams and fans are encouraged to support these businesses. An updated list of U SPORTS sponsors will be provided in a subsequent bulletin.



B. Local Tournament Sponsors

TBD

9. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

A. Venue

Competition Site - Saville Community Sports Centre		
Playing Dimensions:		
Lighting:Fluorescent		
Scoreboard: Dual wall mounted with player stats; shot clocks are backboard mounted		
Floor: Robbins Bio-Channel Classic Hardwood		



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Seating Capacity: 2,600

Team Rooms: All team rooms have a bathroom, showers and a whiteboard. Team rooms will be assigned on a rotating basis.

Video Board: 14x8' In House broadcast video board

Parking: VERY LIMITED. See parking section for team details. Fans and other non-participants are encouraged to use alternate forms of transportation such as the LRT or ride shares.

 $\underline{https://www.ualberta.ca/parking\text{-}services/media-library/images/south-campus-parking\text{-}small.png}$

Other Events

Saville Community Sports Centre is home to many other events during the championship weekend. The facility will be VERY busy. Teams are encouraged to host all team meetings, meals etc off site.

B. **EQUIPMENT**

Official game ball for the championship will be Wilson

C. GAME FILM DISTRIBUTION

TBD and will be communicated during the team registration process

D. UNIFORM LAUNDRY

- ONLY GAME UNIFORMS WILL BE LAUNDERED
- After the conclusion of each game, teams will leave their soiled uniforms in a provided blue bag in their team room.
- Clean uniforms will be returned to the committee room for pick up within 24 hours
- Teams needing access to cleaned uniforms sooner that 24 hours MUST contact the host committee

E. LOCKER ROOMS



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- The Saville Community Sports Centre has four visiting team rooms equipped with a bathroom, showers, whiteboard and lockers.
- Locks are not provided.
- Each Team will have a Team Room Code assigned to them and it will remain the same for the whole tournament. Team hosts will have this code.
- Team rooms will be assigned on a rotating schedule that will be coordinated by the Gym Marshall and will be communicated to teams on a daily basis depending on their game times.
- Access to team rooms will be available 1 hour prior to game start time. Team rooms must be vacated within 1 hour of the game ending.

F. GAME PROTOCOL

TBD and will be communicated during the team registration process

G. MEDAL CEREMONIES

The Bronze Baby, tournament award winners, championship banner and gold and silver medals will be handed out following the conclusion of the gold medal game on March 10.

Bronze medals will be handed out upon the conclusion of the bronze medal game on March 10

10. MEDICAL SERVICES

Will be provided in a future bulletin

11. HOSPITALITY ROOMS

A hospitality room will be available in classroom 4 at Saville Community Sports Centre for appropriately accredited individuals. Access to the hospitality suite will be indicated on your accreditation, if applicable.

A hospitality room will also be available at The Westin Edmonton for Coaches, U SPORTS delegates and other dignitaries. Beer and light snacks will be available. Room number and hours of operation are TBD.

SECTION 3



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THE FANS CORNER

1. FAMILY & FRIENDS ACCOMMODATIONS

Family and friends are encouraged to stay at the Westin Edmonton, presenting sponsor of the championship. Experience modern comfort and tranquility at The Westin Edmonton, where our Heavenly Beds provide a restful sanctuary in the heart of downtown. Elevate your stay with impeccable service, making every moment a celebration of well-being and relaxation. Link below to book.

Book your group rate for 2024 U SPORTS Women's Basketball Championships Presented by The Westin Edmonton - Friends & Family Block

https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1705426929383&key=GRP&app=resvlink

2. TICKETING INFORMATION

Tournament Packages	
Includes access to all 11 games	
Standard	\$90.00
Youth (17 & Under*)	\$30.00

Individual Tickets			



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Standard	\$30.00
Youth (17 & Under*)	\$15.00

^{*} Youth 2 years of age or younger that do not require a seat are free

Tickets will be available at bearsandpandas.ca/wbbc24

3. Parking Information

Parking at Saville Community Sports Centre is extremely limited. There is not enough parking available for the volume of patrons and fans that will be in attendance at the various events occurring on the weekend of the championship. Fans are STRONGLY ENCOURAGED to source alternate forms of transportation such as public transit or ride sharing.

Full details on South Campus parking options can be found at the link below.

https://www.ualberta.ca/parking-services/visitor-and-event-parking/saville-centre-or-foote-field.html

Southgate Centre offers Park & Ride available at Southgate Mall upper P3 level on the west parkade deck, just off 111 Street. \$10/vehicle for the full day. Fans can then take public transit between Southgate Centre at Saville Community Sports Centre via the LRT.

More info on Southgate Park & Ride: https://www.southgatecentre.com/park.ride/

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^{&#}x27;Individual tickets provide access to a session typically consisting of 2 or 3 games. Visit the ticketing link below for details.

^{*}Additional fees apply at checkout