2018–2019 Athletics Highlights

Wildcats Rise Up
The state of the Nova Nation is strong, as Villanova student-athletes consistently continue to rank among the best in the nation for their combination of academic and athletic prowess. Not only have the University’s athletic teams come out top finishers on the field, court and track, but Villanova student-athletes score impressive marks in the classroom.

In fact, a new record was achieved with their spring semester GPA of 3.346, which marked the 32nd straight semester in which the overall GPA was above 3.0—and the ninth consecutive semester with a 3.2 or higher.

Our student-athletes also beat the national average in Graduation Success Rate with 12 teams—including men and women’s basketball—recording perfect 100 GSR scores.

The Finn for the Win
Officially opening its doors to the public Oct. 5, 2018, the newly renovated Finneran Pavilion scored a slam dunk with fans as a venue that both pays tribute to Villanova’s storied hoops history, while also providing a world-class game-day experience.

With a seating capacity of 6,501, The Finn, named for the late William B. Finneran ’63, a longtime University supporter who donated a $22.6 million leadership gift to support the renovations, sold out for every Men’s Basketball game throughout its inaugural season.

17 Villanova teams were recognized for having a multiyear Academic Progress Rate score that ranked in the top 10 percent of their sport nationwide.

402 honorees were named to the Athletic Director’s Honor Roll for the spring 2019 semester.

4.0 GPA
21 student-athletes, representing 11 different teams, had a perfect semester GPA in spring 2019.