## **GEU GRAND CANYON** MEN'S BASKETBALL

# QUICK FACTS

#### UNIVERSITY

School	Grand Canyon University
Location	Phoenix, Ariz.
Founded	1949
Enrollment	25,800
President	Brian Mueller
V.P. of Athletics	Jamie Boggs
Faculty represen	tative Claude Pensis
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Nickname	Lopes
Mascot	Thunder
Colors	Purple (Panatone 267 C), black & white
Conference	Western Athletic Conference (WAC)

#### **BASKETBALL FACILITY**

Facility	GCU Arena (7,000)
Record at GCU Arena	158-40 (.798)
Division I era	128-38 (.771)
Arena opened	2011

#### **COACHING STAFF**

Head coach	Bryce Drew (4th)
Alma mater	Valparaiso, 1998
Overall record	228-135 (.628)
GCU record	64-27 (.703)
Assistant coach	Jamall Walker (4th)
Alma mater	Saint Louis, 1999
Assistant coach	Ed Schilling (4th)
Alma mater	Miami (OH), 1988
Assistant coach	Casey Shaw (4th)
Alma mater	Toledo, 1998
Assistant coach	Marc Rodgers (1st)
Alma mater	Central Washington, 2018
Assistant coach	Jake Lindsey (2nd)
Alma mater	Baylor, 2018
Chief of staff	Peyton Prudhomme (4th)
Graduate assistant	Trey Miles (1st)

#### **PROGRAM HISTORY**

First season	1949-50
All-time record 1	,264-784 (.617)
Division I	200-116 (.633)
WAC	100-52 (.658)
D-I conference titles (season / tournament)	1/2
D-I NCAA tournament appearances	2021, 2023
National championships (NAIA)	3

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#### 2022-23 IN REVIEW

Overall record	24-12 (.667)
WAC record	11-7 (.611)
Home	14-4 (.778)
Away	5-5 (.500)
Neutral	5-3 (.625)
NET / KenPom	106 / 108

#### 2023-24 TEAM INFO

Letterwinners returning / lost	5/8
Starters returning / lost	3/2
Redshirts returning	1
Newcomers (freshmen / transfers)	9 (2 / 7)

#### PERSONNEL

KEY I	RETURNERS						
Pos.	Name	Yr.	PTS	REE	AST	STL	MIN
G	Harrison*	Jr.	17.8	4.0	3.6	0.7	32.1
F	McGlothan*	R-Sr	. 12.8	7.6	0.9	0.6	28.9
G	Blacksher	R-Sr	. 10.7	2.3	2.4	1.5	27.7
KEVI	LOSSES						
Pos.	Name		PTS	REB	AST	REASON	
G	Chance McMi	llian	10.9	3.1	2.2	Transfe	r
G	Noah Baumar	n	7.6	3.4	0.7	Graduat	tion
G	Kobe Knox		5.3	1.7	1.2	Transfe	r
F	Yvan Ouedrao	go	5.0	5.9	0.4	Transfe	r
* rece	eived All-WAC reco	gnition	last sea	son			

#### **BY THE NUMBERS**

OPPONENTS			SRU (
67.3	POINTS	>>	75.2
75.2	POINTS ALLOWED	>>	67.3
- 7.9	MARGIN	>>	+ 7.9
40.9	FG PCT.	>>	46.2
46.2	FG PCT. DEFENSE	>>	40.9
31.7	3PT PCT.	>>	38.3
70.3	FT PCT.	>>	71.6
33.6	REBOUNDS	>>	36.6
10.4	ASSISTS	>>	12.6
10.8 <<	TURNOVERS		11.9
5.6 <<	STEALS		4.9
2.7	BLOCKS	>>	3.2

#### **2023-24 SCHEDULE** 30 20 16 11 3 GAMES WAC H Ν Δ 🐨 Embry-Riddle (Ariz.) Wed 11/1 7 p.m. Southeast Missouri State Mon 11/6 7 p.m. Northern Arizona Sun 11/12 3:30 p.m. A7T F vs San Francisco AZT 🔍 🕼 🖓 🖓 🖓 Fri 11/17 7 p.m. 2:30 / 5 p.m. Sun 11/19 Sat 11/25 📶 North Dakota State 6 p.m. 5:30 p.m. MST WIREY AT UT Rio Grande Valley\* Wed 11/29 🚴 UT Arlington\* Sat 12/2 6 p.m. -ED- San Diego State ESPN U Tue 12/5 7 p.m. Sat 12/9 🕈 at Liberty 🛛 WAC/CUSA 📧 🎟 🖤 12 p.m. MST vs Portland 7:30 p.m. Sat 12/16 Wed 12/20 🚪 Sam Houston WAC/CUSA 6 p.m. Sat 12/30 Louisiana Tech 6 p.m. 🔰 AT Southern Utah\* Thu 1/4 6:30 p.m. 🕺 AT Utah Tech\* Sat 1/6 15 7 p.m. Thu 1/11 🔖 Abilene Christian\* 7 p.m. Sat 1/13 Tarleton State\* 6 p.m. Thu 1/18 🐼 Utah Valley\* 7 p.m. Sat 1/20 AT Seattle U\* 8 p.m. MST Thu 1/25 AT Stephen F. Austin\* 5:30 p.m. MST Sat 1/27 AT UT Arlington\* 1 p.m. <sub>MST</sub> Seattle U\* Thu 2/1 7 p.m. Sat 2/3 AT Utah Vallev\* 2 p.m. ዾ Southern Utah\* Sat 2/10 6 p.m. Thu 2/15 11 📕 Utah Tech\* 7 p.m. Sat 2/17 CBU California Baptist\* 6 p.m. AT Tarleton State\* Thu 2/22 6 p.m. MST Sat 2/24 🐅 🕺 AT Abilene Christian\* 2 p.m. MST WIRio Grande Vallev\* Thu 2/19 7 p.m. Sat 3/2 Stephen F. Austin\* ESPR U 8 p.m. CBU AT California Baptist\* Sat 3/9 6 p.m. MST WAC TOURNAMENT (ORLEANS ARENA, LAS VEGAS)

3/13-16 WAG TBD

AZT = Arizona Tip-Off (11/12 at GCU, 11/17 & 11/19 at Desert Diamond Arena, Glendale) COLANGELO = Jerry Colangelo Classic (Footprint Center, Phoenix) WAC/CUSA = WAC / Conference USA Scheduling Initiative \* denotes WAC game home wave

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#### **NUMERICAL ROSTER**

#	NAME	POS	HT	₩Т	YR	HOMETOWN	HIGH SCHOOL / PREP SCHOOL	PREVIOUS COLLEGE(S)	PRONOUNCIATION
0	Ray Harrison	G	6-4	195	Jr.	Greenville, S.C.	Legacy Early College	Presbyterian ('20-22)	
1	Derrick Michael Xzavierro	F	6-10	235	R-Fr.	Jakarta, Indonesia	NBA Global Academy		ex-ZAH-vee-air-oh
2	Sydney Curry	F	6-8	270	Sr.	Fort Wayne, Ind.	Northrop / John A. Logan	John A. Logan ('19-21) / 'Louisville ('21-23)	
5	Lök Wur	F	6-9	210	Sr.	North Omaha, Neb.	Papillion La Vista South	Oregon ('20-23)	LUKE WAR
6	Malcolm Flaggs	G	6-6	200	R-Fr.	Chandler, Ariz.	Hillcrest Prep	Arizona State ('22-23)	
7	Tyon Grant-Foster	G	6-7	210	Sr.	Kansas City, Kan.	Schlagle	Indian Hills (†18-20) / Kansas (†20-21) / DePaul (†21-22)	
8	Collin Moore	G	6-4	205	Jr.	North Little Rock, Ark.	Sunrise Christian Academy	Georgia State ('21-23)	
10	Jovan Blacksher Jr.	G	5-11	165	Sr.	Oakland, Calif.	Shadow Mountain HS		
11	Caleb Shaw	G	6-5	205	So.	Phoenix, Ariz.	Valley Christian HS	Northern Colorado (†22-23)	
13	Marquese Josephs	G	6-1	?	Fr.	Toronto, Canada	Dream City Christian School		
21	Noah Amenhauser	С	7-0	250	Fr.	Goodyear, Ariz.	Estrella Foothills HS		AY-min-how-zer
22	Josh Baker	G	6-4	185	Sr.	Phoenix, Ariz.	McClintock HS	Hutchinson (*19-21) / UNLV (*21-22)	
24	Duke Brennan	F	6-10	250	So.	Gilbert, Ariz.	Hillcrest Prep	Arizona State ('22-23)	
30	Gabe McGlothan	F	6-7	235	R-Sr.	Gilbert, Ariz.	Basha HS	Southeast Missouri State (*18-19)	mi-GLAWTH-inn
33	Isaiah Shaw	G	6-8	205	R-Fr.	Rome, Italy	Davidson Academy		

#### **COACHING STAFF**

Head coach	Bryce Drew / Valparaiso (1998)   4th season
Assistant coach	Jamall Walker / Illinois (1999)   4th season
Assistant coach	Ed Schilling / Miami (Ohio) (1988) / 4th season
Assistant coach	Casey Shaw / Toledo (1998)   4th season
Assistant coach	Marc Rodgers / Central Washington (2018) / 1st season
Assistant coach	Jake Lindsey / Baylor (2018) / 2nd season

#### SUPPORT STAFF

Chief of staff	Peyton Prudhomme / Texas Wesleyan / 4th season
Graduate assistant	Trey Miles / Grand Canyon / 1st season
Strength & conditioning coach	Jordan Jackson / CSU Northridge / 4th season
Athletic trainer	Chris Elliott / Trevecca Nazarene / 2nd season

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### **PHOTO ROSTER**



RAY HARRISON

> G•6-4•195•Jr. Greenville, S.C.



DERRICK MICHAEL XZAVIERRO

> F • 6-10 • 235 • R-Fr. Jakarta, Indonesia



SYDNEY CURRY

F • 6-8 • 270 • Sr. Fort Wayne, Ind.



LÖK WUR

F • 6-9 • 210 • Sr. North Omaha, Neb.



MALCOLM FLAGGS

G • 6-6 • 200 • R-Fr. Tuba City, Ariz.



TYON GRANT-FOSTER

> G • 6-7 • 210 • Sr. Kansas City, Kan.



COLLIN MODRE

G • 6-4 • 205 • Jr. North Little Rock, Ark.



JOVAN BLACKSHER JR.

> G • 5-11 • 165 • Sr. Oakland, Calif.



CALEB SHAW

G • 6-5 • 205 • So. Phoenix, Ariz.



MARQUESE **JOSEPHS** 

G • 6-1 • 190 • Fr. Toronto, Ontario, Canada



NOAH AMENHAUSER

> C • 7-0 • 250 • Fr. Goodyear, Ariz.



JOSH BAKER G • 6-4 • 185 • Sr.

Phoenix, Ariz,



DUKE BRENNAN

F • 6-10 • 250 • So. Chandler, Ariz.

COACHING STAFF



GABE McGLOTHAN

F • 6-7 • 235 • R-Sr. Gilbert, Ariz.



ISAIAH SHAW

G•6-8•205•R-Fr. Rome, Italy



(3)

4th season **GCULOPES.COM** 

4th season





4th season

1st season





#### **HEADLINES**

- » The Lopes are coming off their second NCAA tournament appearance in three seasons under head coach **Bryce Drew**. GCU won four games in five days to win the 2023 WAC tourney.
- » GCU is preparing for its most difficult schedule to date based on the NET rankings of its opponents from last year. The Lopes' highest-ranked opponents include a home date with national runner-up San Diego State (15) and a pair of key matchups in the WAC/CUSA scheduling initiative at Liberty (46) and home against Sam Houston (69).
- » The Lopes are picked to win the WAC by the conference's head coaches, receiving nine of 10 possible first-place votes. GCU also features Preseason Player of the Year **Ray Harrison** and fellow Preseason All-WAC selection **Gabe McGlothan**.
- » The WAC finished as the nation's No. 11-ranked conference out of 32 conferences, per KenPom rankings. Seven teams finished in the top 150 in the nation.
- » Jovan Blacksher Jr. the 2022 WAC Preseason Player of the Year is expected to return from a knee injury that sidelined him for all but 12 games last season.
- » GCU returns its top two leading scorers (Harrison, McGlothan) and its leading rebounder (McGlothan) and turned to the transfer portal for seven new players to build around the duo.
- » The WAC schedule shifts from 18 to 20 games and adds two matchups in late November / early December. In nonconference play, GCU will leave the Phoenix metro area only once.

#### **RETURNING LETTERWINNERS (5)**

0	Ray Harrison	Jr.	Greenville, S.C.	34 starts last year
10	Jovan Blacksher Jr.	Sr.	Oakland, Calif.	96 career starts
22	Josh Baker	Sr.	Phoenix, Ariz.	30 games last year
30	Gabe McGlothan	R-Sr.	Gilbert, Ariz.	64 starts at GCU
33	Isaiah Shaw*	R-Fr.	Rome, Italy	7 games last year

#### **NEWCOMERS (9)**

2	Sydney Curry	Sr.	Fort Wayne, Ind.	Louisville
5	Lök Wur	Sr.	North Omaha, Neb.	Oregon
6	Malcolm Flaggs	R-Fr.	Chandler, Ariz.	Arizona State
7	Tyon Grant-Foster	Sr.	Kansas City, Kan.	DePaul
8	Collin Moore	Jr.	North Little Rock, Ark.	Georgia State
11	Caleb Shaw	So.	Phoenix, Ariz.	Northern Colorado
13	Marquese Josephs	Fr.	Toronto, Canada	Dream City Christian
21	Noah Amenhauser	Fr.	Goodyear, Ariz.	Estrella Foothills HS
24	Duke Brennan	So.	Gilbert, Ariz.	Arizona State

#### **RETURNING FROM REDSHIRT (1)**

1 Derrick Michael Xzavierro R-Fr. Jakarta, Indonesia NBA Global Academy \* Isaiah Shaw is returning letterwinner **and** returning from redshirt

#### **RETURNING STATS**

Statistic		Returning	Total	Pct.
PTS	Points	1,439	2,706	53.2
MIN	Minutes	3,247	7,246	44.8
3PM	3-pointers made	138	323	42.7
3PA	3-pointers attempted	408	843	48.4
FTM	Free throws made	315	517	60.9
FTA	Free throws attempted	422	722	58.5
REB	Rebounds	503	1,317	40.2
DRB	Defensive rebounds	405	953	42.5
ORB	Offensive rebounds	125	364	34.3
AST	Assists	262	452	58.0
STL	Steals	85		48.0
BLK	Blocks	40	115	34.8

### 2023-24 OPPONENTS

#### NONCONFERENCE

OPPONENT	CONF.	22-23 REC.	ALL-TIME SERIES	LAST MET	at GCU	at OPP			
Southeast Missouri	Ohio Valley	19-17							
Northern Arizona	Big Sky	12-23	16-32	3/18/2015 (H) L 75-70	12-9	4-23			
San Francisco	WCC	20-14	1-2	12/18/2021 (N) W 49-48		0-1			
DePaul	Big East	10-23							
South Carolina	SEC	11-21							
North Dakota State	Summit	16-17							
San Diego State	Mountain West	32-7	3-1	11/13/2019 (A) L 86-61	1-0	2-1			
Liberty	CUSA	27-9	0-1	12/8/2019 (N) L 70-61					
Portland	WCC	14-19							
Sam Houston	CUSA	26-8	4-1	3/10/2023 (N) W 78-75	1-0	1-1			
Louisiana Tech	CUSA	15-18							
NONCONFERENCE TOTALS		202-176	(.534)	shading denotes location of 2023-24 game(s)					

#### CONFERENCE

OPPON	ENT	22-23 REC.	ALL-TIME SERIES	LAST YEAR	at GCU	at OPP
4	Abilene Christian	13-17 (7-11)	5-0	(H) W 94-84 (A) W 75-73	3-0	1-0
CBU	California Baptist	17-16 (8-10)	64-11	(H) W 73-59 (A) L 79-74	37-5	27-6
S.	Seattle U	20-12 (11-7)	0-1	(H) L 65-54 (A) L 63-58 (T) W 84-79	8-2	6-4
	Southern Utah	24-13 (12-6)	0-1	(A) W 83-78 (T) W 84-66	21-2	11-11
-SE	Stephen F. Austin	19-13 (11-7)	7-13	(H) W 86-83 (A) L 73-68	1-0	0-2
Ţ	Tarleton State	17-17 (9-9)	13-8	(A) L 81-62	2-0	2-1
	UT Arlington	11-21 (6-12)	3-0	(H) W 80-48 (T) W 82-77	1-1	
<b>U</b>	UT Rio Grande Valley	15-17 (6-12)	5-0	(H) L 77-76	5-3	6-2
ÛT	Utah Tech	14-19 (5-13)	5-18	(H) W 89-85 (A) W 71-61	5-5	4-8
	Utah Valley	28-9 (15-3)	37-15	(H) L 76-74	7-4	4-5
	CONFERENCE TOTALS ^	202-166	(.549)			

^ conference totals include GCU

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### GCU ARENA



#### FAST FACTS

Arena opened	Sept. 1, 2011
Expansion	
Capacity	
Largest crowd	7,521
Jan. 11, 2018 - vs	. New Mexico State
GCU record	158-40 (.798)

#### WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

"GCU created college basketball's rowdiest secret with stunning quickness. ... home to possibly the best student section in college basketball."

ANDREW JOSEPH, USA TODAY

"This in college basketball, in my 40-plus years, was the toughest crowd I've ever faced ... you've got something special here, really special. Whether we go to Duke or Kentucky, nothing was as tough as that environment."

RICK PITINO, HALL OF FAME COACH

#### **FAST FACTS**

Facility opened	
Size	

#### FEATURES

- » Team player lounges
- » 24-seat film room with editing bay
- » One full-size court with two side courts
- » 12 coaches offices with balconies overseeing court
- » Adjoining Jerry Colangelo Museum with Phoenix sports memorabilia and history
- » Steps away from GCU Arena

## **PRACTICE FACILITY**





2022-23 STATS

Overall 24-12

14-4

Away

5-5

Home

Neutral

5-3

Conference 11-7

#### Team Box Score

No	Player				Tota	l	3-Poir	nt	F-Thre	ow	Rebounds		Rebounds									
NO.	Flayer	GP-GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-3FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	тот	AVG	PF	DQ	Α	то	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
0	HARRISON, Ray	36-36	1153:38	32.0	206-466	.442	50-152	.329	178-234	.761	23	120	143	4.0	74	2	128	86	7	24	640	17.8
30	MCGLOTHAN, Gabe	36-36	1035:34	28.8	169-324	.522	37-107	.346	85-119	.714	86	188	274	7.6	93	1	31	61	22	21	460	12.8
2	MCMILLIAN, Chance	36-24	1044:47	29.0	147-303	.485	60-135	.444	38-54	.704	22	91	113	3.1	81	3	78	60	5	26	392	10.9
10	BLACKSHER JR., Jovan	12-12	331:23	27.6	46-118	.390	10-41	.244	26-32	.813	4	24	28	2.3	22	1	29	18	3	18	128	10.7
20	BAUMANN, Noah	36-3	773:01	21.5	83-194	.428	61-145	.421	45-54	.833	19	105	124	3.4	54	0	25	24	6	12	272	7.6
22	BAKER, Josh	31-16	654:14	21.1	61-159	.384	34-95	.358	24-34	.706	6	68	74	2.4	56	0	70	48	8	20	180	5.8
3	KNOX, Kobe	34-16	531:17	15.6	63-125	.504	25-61	.410	28-43	.651	21	36	57	1.7	59	1	40	27	24	17	179	5.3
24	OUEDRAOGO, Yvan	28-27	679:43	24.3	52-107	.486	0-0	.000	37-75	.493	59	105	164	5.9	74	0	10	28	19	17	141	5.0
55	ELLIS, Walter	33-1	493:21	15.0	51-102	.500	37-81	.457	26-29	.897	7	69	76	2.3	55	2	23	16	1	12	165	5.0
33	SHAW, Isaiah	7-0	64:31	9.2	11-25	.440	7-13	.538	2-3	.667	6	5	11	1.6	4	0	4	3	0	2	31	4.4
13	IGIEHON, Aidan	32-3	318:49	10.0	30-66	.455	0-3	.000	22-34	.647	36	68	104	3.3	45	2	7	23	12	4	82	2.6
21	LANDERS, Logan	14-0	95:03	6.8	12-22	.545	2-10	.200	2-3	.667	7	12	19	1.4	14	0	6	5	0	1	28	2.0
23	CARR, Isaiah	9-6	74:40	8.3	2-7	.286	0-0	.000	4-8	.500	5	11	16	1.8	17	0	1	3	8	3	8	0.9
Теа	im										63	51	114					28				
Tot	al	36	7250		933-2018	.462	323-843	.383	517-722	.716	364	953	1317	36.6	648	12	452	430	115	177	2706	75.2
Op	ponents	36	7250		863-2112	.409	220-694	.317	475-676	.703	395	816	1211	33.6	642	23	374	387	96	201	2421	67.3

#### **Team Statistics**

	GCU	OPP
Scoring	2706	2421
Points per game	75.2	67.3
Scoring margin	+7.9	-
Field goals-att	933-2018	863-2112
Field goal pct	.462	.409
3 point fg-att	323-843	220-694
3-point FG pct	.383	.317
3-pt FG made per game	9.0	6.1
Free throws-att	517-722	475-676
Free throw pct	.716	.703
F-Throws made per game	14.4	13.2
Rebounds	1317	1211
Rebounds per game	36.6	33.6
Rebounding margin	+2.9	-
Assists	452	374
Assists per game	12.6	10.4
Turnovers	430	387
Turnovers per game	11.9	10.8
Turnover margin	-1.2	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.1	1.0
Steals	177	201
Steals per game	4.9	5.6
Blocks	115	96
Blocks per game	3.2	2.7
Winning streak	0	-
Home win streak	0	-
Attendance	118159	27934
Home games-Avg/Game	18-6564	10-2793
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	8-1424

#### Team Results Date Score Att. Opponent 11/07/2022 60-54 7171 Montana St. W 11/09/2022 San Diego Christian W 101-50 6891 5705 11/12/2022 at Nevada Т 46-59 11/18/2022 Grambling W 81-48 7166 11/21/2022 vs Wichita St. 43-55 425 L 11/22/2022 vs UNI W 69-67 201 Benedictine Mesa 11/26/2022 W 110-53 6873 11/29/2022 Alcorn W 80-72 6713 12/03/2022 at Wyoming W 66-58 4472 12/07/2022 LMU (CA) L 65-69 7011 12/10/2022 vs North Texas L 58-60 4781 12/17/2022 Wot 83-73 7072 Pepperdine 12/20/2022 Idaho St. W 68-66 6804 12/29/2022 California Baptist W 73-59 7316 01/05/2023 at Sam Houston Wot 72-68 777 68-73 3286 01/07/2023 at SFA L UT Arlington 01/12/2023 W 80-48 6982 01/14/2023 at California Baptist L 74-79 5050 01/18/2023 Utah Tech W 89-85 6041 74-76 01/21/2023 Utah Valley L 7007 01/26/2023 at Abilene Christian W 75-73 1889 01/28/2023 at Tarleton St. L 62-81 2155 02/04/2023 SFA W 86-83 7095 02/08/2023 New Mexico St. W 78-67 7076 02/11/2023 at Seattle U 58-63 999 I. 02/15/2023 UTRGV L 76-77 6039 02/17/2023 Abilene Christian W 94-84 7438 W 111-38 02/21/2023 Park (AZ) 50 02/24/2023 Seattle U 54-65 7414 L 03/01/2023 at Southern Utah W 83-78 1460 03/03/2023 at Utah Tech W 71-61 2141 W 03/07/2023 vs UT Arlington 82-77 785 vs Seattle U W 84-79 1760 03/09/2023 03/10/2023 vs Sam Houston W 78-75 0 03/11/2023 vs Southern Utah W 84-66 3437 70-82 03/17/2023 vs Gonzaga L. 0