

TENNIS

Play tennis at Manchester and learn more than fundamentals of the game. Be part of a team that works hard together and supports one another. And have the chance to compete in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) at the NCAA Division III level.

opportunities

Women play a fall schedule but continue improving their game during spring competitions and workouts. The men's season is predominantly spring, but they also compete and develop strength and skill techniques in the fall. At the college level, you'll be expected to give 100 percent on the court and in the classroom. Balancing academics with the sport you love is sometimes a challenge, but you'll find your teammates, your professors and the College's Success Center are the best resources to help you be at your best.

highlights

Both the men's and women's tennis teams have racked up multiple All-Conference and Academic All-Conference award winners. The women's team won 36 straight conference matches from 2002-2007, captured six straight HCAC crowns, and qualified for the NCAA championships in 2006, 2007 and 2008. The men's team has won five conference championships.

meet the coach

Eric Christiansen enters his third season as head coach for the men's and women's tennis teams. Christiansen brings 11 years experience to the sport as the previous Manchester High School boys and girls tennis coach, winning nine conference titles, one sectional, and taking one doubles team to state for the boys' teams, along with winning one sectional title and two conference titles for the girls.

facilities

The tennis teams practice and compete on six all-weather, recently resurfaced courts on the College campus. The team builds strength and conditioning in the Brown Fitness Center and uses locker rooms, meeting rooms, and athletic training room in the Physical Education and Recreation Center (PERC).

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Playing tennis at Manchester is one of the best decisions I've ever made. We're not just teammates; we're friends, mentors, roommates and lunch buddies. We're called student-athletes because we're students first and then athletes. School comes first, but I always find myself more organized and on top of things while playing tennis.

Danielle Walker '09, psychology major

Find your place.

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