

# Olympic Sports Recap: 15 Buckeyes Represent OSU At NCAA Championships

The Ohio State track and field program wrapped up its successful season at the NCAA Outdoor Division I Championships, representing the only varsity team competing for the Buckeyes in the past week.

## Track and Field (Men's and Women's)

The Ohio State track and field team boasted 15 student-athletes competing at the NCAA Outdoor Division I Championships to conclude the season. The Buckeyes returned to Columbus with six new personal bests and three new school records.



Courtesy of OSU athletics.

### Day One

Sophomore Tyler Johnson kicked off the first day of the NCAA Championships, competing in the 400-meter preliminaries. Johnson ran a personal best time of 45.70 seconds, taking 11th.

Senior sprinter Nick Gray ran the 200m dash in 20.86s. He ended his Buckeye career with three Big Ten Championships, two school records and Big Ten Track Athlete of the Championships.

Johnson, Joseph Cooper Jr., Andre Jeff and Donnie James made up the men's 4x400m relay, finishing with a time of 3:06.59s.

Senior jumps specialist DaJuan Seward competed for a national title in the men's long jump, his longest jump being 7.38m.

Chance Ehrnsberger faced off against the nation's best in men's shot put, heaving the sphere 17.98m.

### Day Two

The women's 4x100m relay team of Bliss Soleyn, Karrington Winters, Karimah Senior and Taylor DeLoach finished their excellent season with a time of 44.62s.

Senior Julia Rizk took sixth in the 1,500m run with a personal best time of 4:13.70s. The Blacklick, Ohio, native broke her own school record of 4:15.88s to compete in finals.

Senior throws specialist Sade Olatoye broke her own school records in both the shot put (17.53m) and hammer throw (67.49m). The Dublin native finished the hammer throw competition with a record heave of 69.37m to take fourth, and threw 17.88m in shot put to conclude her remarkable season.

Olatoye ends her collegiate career with two Big Ten Championships, four school records and an indoor

national title.

Sophomore Adelaide Aquilla made her NCAA Championships debut in the women's shot put. Aquilla's heave of 16.59m marked a new personal best.

Anavia Battle ran a time of 23.01s in the 200m dash. Battle ends her second year with the Scarlet and Gray with four Big Ten Championships, a Great Lakes Track Athlete of the Year honor, Big Ten Track Athlete of the Championships and two school records.

Sophomore Morgan Lewis competed in the 100 hurdles, finishing with a time of 13.46s and ending her first season as a Buckeye.

### **Day Three**

Senior distance runner Luke Landis ended his Buckeye career with a time of 14:15.00s in the men's 5,000m run.

Cody Stine finished in ninth place in the high jump, clearing a max height of 2.18m. Stine ended his first season as a Buckeye with the second-best clearance in Buckeye history (2.20m).

### **Day Four**

Rizk started the final day of the Championships by competing in the women's 1,500m finals. Rizk ran the race in 4:19.31s, ending her Buckeye career as a Big Ten Champion, school record holder and an indoor National Champion.

Junior Abby Nichols competed in the 5,000m run, finishing with a time of 16:36.45s. Nichols concluded her season as a Big Ten Champion and school record holder.

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