

Sport Administration

2nd Year Graduate Students



[Nick Baker](#)

Nick Baker is a native of Greensboro, North Carolina and a 2022 graduate of Davidson College where he gained a BA in Education Policy with a minor in Communications. He was a Davidson Football player for all four years, along while serving in the Intramural & Club Sports Dept, Black Student Coalition, DuBoisian World Scholars Society, and Education Policy Committee. Nick spent last year in Dallas, Texas, serving as the Special Assistant to the President and an Admissions Counselor at Paul Quinn College. He is excited to come back to North Carolina and deepen his knowledge and passion for the intercollegiate and professional sport industries. In his free time, Nick enjoys traveling, the gym, video games, and spending time with friends and family.



[Anton Down-Jenkins](#)

Anton Down-Jenkins hails all the way from Wellington, New Zealand and completed his undergraduate degree here at UNC-CH studying Advertising & Public Relations in the Hussman School of Journalism and Media. During his time at Carolina, Anton was a member of the Men's Swimming and Diving team and finished his collegiate career as an eight-time All-American. Anton also represented his home country of New Zealand at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, where he finished 8th in the Men's 3m Springboard event. Anton's experiences as an athlete are what drove him to study Sport Administration, as he has first-hand knowledge of the struggles that sport governing bodies and athletic departments face, and how these struggles directly impact athletes. While completing this graduate program, Anton will also be an assistant coach for the UNC Diving Team and is excited to be able to continue contributing to UNC's legacy.



[Mike Hernandez](#)

Mike Hernandez is originally from White Lake, Michigan. He is a Marine Corps Veteran of ten years serving as an Ordnance technician, black belt Martial Arts Instructor, and Drill Instructor. He is a recent graduate from Rider University with a major in Sports Management and Business Administration. While at Rider, Mike worked in the Athletic Department with marketing and fan engagement. His passion for leading and developing Marines has led him to pursue having a positive impact on the world of college athletics and student-athlete development and looks forward to his time at UNC-Chapel Hill.



[Caitlin Kane](#)

Caitlin Kane is from Port Washington, NY, and graduated from the University of Maryland, College Park with a B.S. in Kinesiology and Psychology. Caitlin was a UMD Women's Club Lacrosse team member for all four years serving as Apparel Chair and Vice President. Her love for sports and interest in working within the sports industry continued to grow through her role as a Club Sports Supervisor for the University of Maryland Recreation and Wellness. This job allowed her to explore the operational side of club sports teams. Caitlin looks forward to learning and immersing herself in the administrative side of intercollegiate athletics at UNC. In her free time, she loves to go to the beach, play pickleball with her family, and travel to different places.



[Olivia Mundorf](#)

Olivia Mundorf is a Louisville, Kentucky native and graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she majored in Journalism. As a student in the Hussman School of Journalism and Media, Olivia participated as an anchor and analyst for the school's live sports show, Sports Xtra. She also worked on the production team for a documentary capturing the 2022 and 2023 UNC Field Hockey team's run to winning the national championship. As an undergraduate student, Olivia spent time writing for the Daily Tar Heel on the sports desk. Olivia also remains as the journalism intern for Heels4Life, the NIL collective for Carolina Football. She is thrilled to have the opportunity to remain in Chapel Hill and be a part of the Sports Administration Grad Program.



[Luke Teixeira](#)

Luke Teixeira is from Johannesburg, South Africa and completed his undergrad at UNC-Chapel Hill, majoring in Sport Administration with a minor Business Administration. During his 4 years at UNC, Luke represented the UNC Men's Club Rugby team where he was also named a 2x All-American. He will continue being a member of the Rugby Club as an assistant coach while pursuing his Master's degree. Luke was also an Admissions Ambassador during his undergraduate career and enjoyed showcasing all the opportunities UNC has to offer to future students, particularly international students. He is excited to continue his studies at UNC and get involved with all the opportunities within the Sport Administration department.



[Hannah Tippy](#)

Hannah Tippy is originally from Delaware and graduated from Temple University, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice with a minor in Sport Management. At Temple, she worked as Compliance and Student-Athlete Affairs Intern within Temple Athletics for two years. Hannah assisted with game day compliance for football and men's basketball and assisted with day-to-day compliance tasks. She also worked as a Diamond Peer Teacher, Student-Athlete Tutor, Academic Support Monitor, and Undergraduate Research Assistant in the Sport Industry Research Center. Hannah spent her summer with the Atlanta Hawks for their Summer League Experience and Princeton Football assisting with their summer camp operations. In her last semester at Temple, Hannah began a research study looking at the mental health stigma of Division I student-athletes and presented her findings at the North American Society for the Sociology of Sport conference.



[Lexi Weger](#)

Lexi Weger is the Graduate Assistant for UNC Women's Basketball. Prior to joining the Tar Heels, she graduated from Princeton University with a degree in Psychology. Additionally, Lexi played for the Princeton Women's Basketball Team and is a four-time Ivy League Champion. Her senior thesis was titled "Yes, Coach! Examining Athlete Willingness to Receive Critical Feedback from their Head Coach." During her undergraduate experience, Lexi worked for Princeton's Sports Marketing Department and was the president of their Athlete Ally chapter. During her summers, Lexi interned with the NBA as an International Commercial Strategy & Development Intern, as well as with NBC Sports Group, where she served as a Digital Production Assistant for the Tokyo Summer Olympics. Besides her passion for sports, Lexi loves visual storytelling, through videography and photography, and traveling!



[Abby Wingo](#)

Abby Wingo is from Portland, Oregon and attended Seton Hall University in South Orange, NJ for her undergraduate studies where she graduated with a degree in Sports Management and Marketing. While at Seton Hall, Abby was a member of the softball team and worked with several organizations across campus such as The Hidden Opponent, the Buccino Leadership Institute, and S.A.A.C. Her internship experiences include Pirate Blue, Seton Hall's alumni outreach and donor branch within the athletic department, and HighlightHER, a social media subsection of House of Highlights and Bleacher Report, that focused on elevating and recognizing women in sport and culture. Abby enjoys spending time with her family and her dog Max, watching the Marvel movies, and doing paint by numbers and puzzles. Abby is so excited to be a Tar Heel and can't wait to rep Carolina Blue during her time in the SpAd graduate program!



[Ariel Young](#)

Ariel Young is from Tallahassee, FL and is a recent graduate from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill where she studied Exercise Sports Science – Sports Administration with a minor in Conflict Management. Her passion for sports started at a young age with her mother and father playing on the collegiate and professional level as well as her father being a college basketball coach for the last 25 years. She was a member of the women's basketball team for her entire undergraduate career and wishes to make every student-athletes' experience as great as her time in Chapel Hill. She also had the opportunity to work with event management with both the women's and men's tennis team. Ariel is excited to be back in Chapel Hill and can't wait to continue to explore the various roles and opportunities within sports administration.

