



Stanford & USC fare especially well in national collegiate competition.

The 2019 Intercollegiate Horse Shows Association (IHSA) held their National Championship May 2-5 at the New York State Fairgrounds Exposition Center in Syracuse.

Two West Coast teams made their mark in the Collegiate Cup Hunt Seat Overall standings, Stanford Equestrian finished third for a remarkable third consecutive year. The University of Southern California finished overall 12th.

IHSA Nationals features 450 men and women from across the U.S. and Canada competing in hunter seat and western in all levels in divisions from Walk-Trot through Open. The riders have competed throughout the season to qualify and vie for team, individual, alumni championships and the coveted USEF/Cacchione Cup and the AQHA Western High Point Rider national final. In 2019, the IHSA is celebrating 40 years of the Western divisions.

The Intercollegiate Horse Shows Association (IHSA) welcomes men and women of all riding

levels and offers individual and team competition in hunter seat equitation, Western horsemanship and reining at more than 400 member colleges and universities. Membership in IHSA means that college students can participate in horse shows regardless of their experience or financial status. Students compete at eight levels from beginner through advanced with suitable, provided horses, eliminating the expense of horse ownership

Founded in 1967 by Bob Cacchione, it is the oldest and largest intercollegiate equestrian organization with 10,000 members in 47 states and Canada. IHSA college and university team participation is represented through a variety of programs including varsity athletics, academic departments and club sports. IHSA offers valuable hands-on experience and professional development in multiple facets of the equine industry. Many IHSA teams participate in service projects, giving back to their communities. Through the IHSA, students enhance their college experience and develop the tools that help build successful careers.

Congratulations to these top 10 finishers from West Coast schools:

Team competition:

Walk-Trot Equitation

- 7th, Jennifer Parker of Stanford University

Walk-Trot-Canter Equitation

- 4th, Ali Black of Stanford University

Novice Equitation on the Flat

- 4th, Clare Rooney of University of Southern California
- 5th, Lindsay Thornton of Stanford University

Novice Equitation Over Fences

- 2nd, Emma Mclean of Stanford University

Intermediate Equitation on the Flat

- 10th, Avery Dukes of University of Southern California

Intermediate Equitation Over Fences

- 6th, Emilie Frede of University of Southern California
- 10th, Lindsay Thornton of Stanford University

Open Equitation on the Flat

- 3rd, Kelsi Okun of Stanford University
- 9th, Lindsay Levine of University of Southern California

Open Equitation Over Fences

- 3rd, Kristen Blomstrom of Stanford University
- 10th, Lindsay Levine of University of Southern California

Individual Competition:

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Walk-Trot Equitation

- 3rd, Maddison Marnin of Sonoma State University
- 5th, Sofia Patino Duque of Stanford University

Novice Equitation on the Flat

- 5th, Christine Wastila of University of California, Los Angeles
- 7th, Lily Pier of University of California, Santa Cruz

Novice Equitation Over Fences

- 1st, Emilie Frede of University of Southern California
- 5th, Hannah Ankeny of Stanford University

Intermediate Equitation on the Flat

- 10th, Alexandra Ulmer of Stanford University

Intermediate Equitation Over Fences

- 2nd, Abby Thurm of University of California, Los Angeles

Open Equitation Over Fences

- 5th, Kelsi Okun of Stanford University
- 6th, Kristen Blomstrom of Stanford University

For more information on the IHSA, including what California schools have teams, visit www.ihsainc.com