

DIVISION I FIELD HOCKEY ALL TIME CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET NORTH REGIONAL – FIRST ROUND

UC 1975

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UNC 2004

11-3-3 • AIAW Runners-Up

GAA: .67 GPG: 3.57 MoV: 2.90

21-2 • NCAA Second Round

GAA: .78 GPG: 3.13 MoV: 2.35

The 1975 Bears posted a 5-1-3 record in the regular season, culminating with a 1-1 tie against archrival West Chester in the final game before the regional tournament. After a 17-0 combined scoreline in the first two games of the regional, Ursinus defeated Lock Haven 3-1, avenging their only loss of the season and putting the Bears in the final and giving them a ticket to the AIAW championship, the first year it was contested. A loss to West Chester gave Ursinus an 8-2-3 record and they were seeded second in the national tournament. The Bears advanced to the final to face West Chester for a third time that season, and the two went through regulation and overtime knotted at 1-1. West Chester claimed the title in strokes.

The 2004 Tar Heels opened with a 3-2 win over Michigan on the road, and then exploded with a 12-game winning streak that saw UNC post nine shut-outs and an aggregate scoreline of 46-5. An overtime loss to Wake Forest, who the Heels had defeated earlier that season in overtime, halted the run. Four more wins closed out the regular season, and in the ACC tournament, UNC beat Wake in the rubber match and then Maryland in the final. Led by All-Americans Rachel Dawson and Kelsey Keeran, the Heels earned the top seed in the NCAA tournament for the first time in seven years after going 20-1. However, UNC fell at home in the NCAA tournament for the first time.

