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UTD Sports close to wrapping up spring seasons

Richardson, TX--With only three weeks left in the spring semester, UTD Athletics is about to close off its final year of provisional membership with the NCAA.

Both Comet Tennis teams competed in the American Southwest Conference Championships this past weekend in Clinton, Mississippi. Kevin Durten and Andrea Hidalgo were selected to the All-Tournament team, as the Comets were defeated in the single-elimination tournament by number one seed, Hardin-Simmons. The Cowboys were crowned the West Division champs before facing the second-seeded UTD Comets. Both teams had great seasons, finishing with just one loss in conference play to tournament host Mississippi College.

UTD Softball finished up its first year of competition with a 9-28 overall record and grabbed five conference wins. The Comets came home from the University of the Ozarks winless in the final four contests of the seasons, despite being out-hit by the Eagles 34-32. UTD finished with a .243 team batting average and a team ERA of 5.45. The Comets graduate just two of the team's nine players and have several strong prospects for next season.

Needing to win all three games this weekend against Mississippi College put the UTD Baseball team in a bind. The games were changed from Friday and Saturday to a triple header on Friday, due to the chance of severe weather. MC came into the weekend at 14-7 in the East Division, just one game ahead of the Comets for the Divisional title. UTD was struck with a streak of bad luck, falling in all three games. The Comets still finished in second place in the East Division at 13-10 in the ASC, but due to the final year of membership, weren't able to participate in the conference tournament. UTD will play its final home contest of the first season Tuesday against Paul Quinn College and then head to Texas Wesleyan Thursday rounding out the year.

Both the Men's and Women's Soccer teams were victorious and came away with first place trophies at this weekend's UTD 8 v. 8 Spring Invitational. The Men posted wins over Austin College (9-3), Mary Hardin-Baylor (5-0) and took a 1-0 loss from Ouachita Baptist.

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