

**Football Signees**

**Junior College:**

**Maurice Morris, TB**  
Chester, S.C., (Fresno City College/  
Chester)

\*Two-time JC Grid-Wire All-American, eclipsed national JC career records with 3,708 yards rushing, 593 carries and 4,487 all-purpose yards

**Gary McGraw, CB**  
Hayward, Calif. (Chabot College/ J.F. Kennedy)

\*first-team JC Grid-Wire All-American, led the country with 12 interceptions in 1999

**High School:**

**Keith Allen, WR**  
Torrance, Calif. (West Torrance)

**Stephen Clayton, S**  
Portland (Westview)

**Sam Cunningham, DB**  
Los Angeles, Calif. (Westchester)

**Mike De La Grange, OL**  
Grants Pass (Grants Pass)

**Charles Favroth, CB**  
Antioch, Calif. (De La Salle)

**Josh Herrera, TB**  
La Habra, Calif. (La Habra)

**Ryan Jackson, OL**  
San Jose, Calif. (Valley Christian)

**Robin Knebel, OL**  
Roseburg (Roseburg)

**Keith Lewis, TB/S**  
Sacramento, Calif. (Valley)

**Chris Lombardo, QB**  
Newbury Park, Calif. (Newbury Park)

**Mario McDowell, TB**  
Rialto, Calif. (Eisenhower)

**Igor Olshansky, DE**  
San Francisco, Calif. (St. Ignatius Prep)

**Ryan Shaw, TB**  
Carlsbad, Calif. (La Costa Canyon)

**Jared Siegel, PK**  
Carmichel, Calif. (Jesuit)

**Eddie Smith, CB**  
Berkeley, Calif. (St. Mary's)

**Adam Snyder, OG**  
Whittier, Calif. (La Serna)

**Nicholas Steitz, OL**  
Los Banos, Calif. (Los Banos)

**Marley Tucker, S**  
Long Beach, Calif. (Poly)

**Scott Vossmeier, QB**  
La Crescenta, Calif. (Crescenta Valley)

**Willie Walden, TE**  
Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen)

**Paris Warren, WR**  
Sacramento, Calif. (Grant)

**Kenny Washington, TB**  
Brea Olinda, Calif. (H.S. not available)

**Dee White, FB**  
Thornton, Colo. (Thornton)

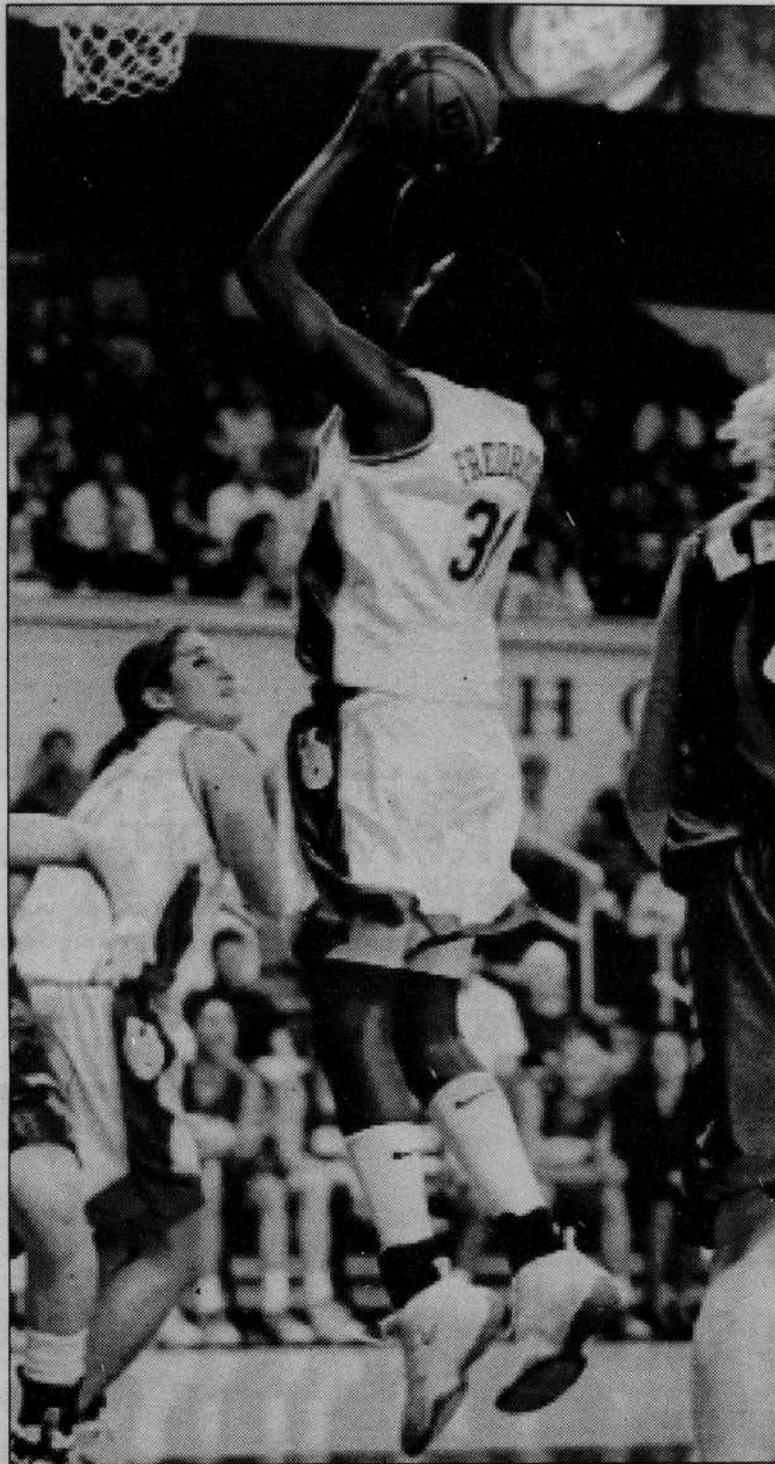
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Oregon vs. Arizona  
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Sophomore Alyssa Fredrick, a transfer from San Diego State, has come on strong for the Ducks.

## Play TIME

■ Transfer Alyssa Fredrick hopes to keep making the most of her increasing minutes

By Scott Pesznecker  
Oregon Daily Emerald

When Alyssa Fredrick came to Oregon last season to play basketball for the Ducks, she had to do something she had never done in her long basketball career.

She sat. The 6-3 forward, who was the go-to player at San Diego State as a freshman, kept the bench warm through the 1998-99 season as she fulfilled the NCAA transfer requirement.

The same player, who scored 30 points and grabbed 23 rebounds in a high school championship game, sat and watched, learning Oregon's offensive and defensive schemes.

And when the beginning of this season arrived and the Ducks appeared to be rolling without Fredrick in the lineup, she kept sitting, seeing just brief moments of playing time.

Then, against the most unlikely of opponents, Fredrick took a stand.

She entered the Ducks' Pacific-10 Conference grudge match against co-titleholder UCLA with her team trailing early in the first half. She hardly turned the head of commentator and hall-of-famer Ann Meyers.

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“ I never thought it would be this hard to play, and then when I got a chance I was like, ‘oh my gosh, this is scary.’ Now it’s kind of comforting.”

Alyssa Fredrick forward



## Ducks feeling bold as big game approaches

The Ducks travel to Tucson, Ariz. — to a site they haven't won at in 15 years — to take on fellow Pac-10 leader Arizona

By Jeff Smith  
Oregon Daily Emerald

Big. Huge. Important. Those are just a few of the adjectives being tossed around this week in regard to tonight's matchup between No. 23 Oregon (15-3 overall, 6-1 Pacific-10 Conference) and No. 9 Arizona (17-4, 6-1).

But no matter how you phrase it, one thing is clear: Both teams will meet at the McKale Center in Tucson, Ariz., at 5:35 p.m., and when the night is over, one of them will not be in first place.

Oregon has to go back to the year 1954 to find a time when it was tied or had sole possession of first place this late in the year. But after sweeping the L.A. schools at McArthur Court last weekend, the Ducks face a daunting four-game road trip that takes them through

Arizona and then onto the Bay Area the following week.

“We've got a big road trip,” said senior point guard Darius Wright, who had 17 points and nine assists against UCLA. “And this weekend it's going to be two more tough games. [We're] going into these games with a lot of confidence, [and that's] good for us.”

Confidence may be a problem for Arizona, who is coming off an embarrassing 86-60 nonconference loss to Louisiana State. The 26-point loss marked the worst Wildcat defeat under head coach Lute Olson.

Despite the loss and a drop in the national rankings, Olson takes solace in the fact that the game did not affect his team's Pac-10 standing.

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Darius Wright directs the Ducks into the desert.

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