## VARSITYCLUB TEXAS TECH ATHLETICS DOUBLE T VARSITY CLUB

Official Newsletter of Texas Tech Athletics Letter Winner Association



#### TEXAS TECH ATHLETICS Happy New Year!!

Happy New Year from the Double T Varsity Club! We are kicking off the new year with Men's and Women's Basketball starting Big 12 play and we will host our first track meet of the year, The Corky Classic, on January 16th. We are still following the protocols set by the university involving any type of gatherings but we will keep you informed of any policy changes.

Follow the link to view the full track schedule: https://texastech.com/news/2020/11/24/track-and-field-kittleyunveils-2021-schedule.aspx

During this intermission, we are taking the time to restructure our database to better serve our letter winners. To do this, we need help from you! To ensure that you never miss an update or an invitation from us, we encourage you to update your information on our website. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to update your information.

To stay informed on how the university is handling the COVID-19 outbreak, please visit depts.ttu.edu/communications/emergency/coronavirus/.



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### $\mathbf{DTVC} \times$ LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The DTVC and Leadership Academy have created a partnership that allows letter winners to help student-athletes prepare for their careers after college through a series of events and programs. The Suited for Success Career Series is a robust career readiness program created to prepare and equip Texas Tech student-athletes for the competitive workforce. If you are interested in working with our student-athletes throughout the program, please email Destini Walker, destini.dulin@ttu.edu, to find out how you can get involved. CLICK BELOW TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY: HTTPS://TEXASTECH.COM/SPORTS/LEADERSHIPACA

# Letter Winner Spotlight **GABRIELA TALABA LEE**

Gabriela Talaba is a former All-American Lady Raider Tennis player from Romania. She lettered from 2015-2018. While at Texas Tech, Talaba won the first & second ITA All-American awards in program history. She led the program to four-straight NCAA tournament berths, four-straight Sweet 16 appearances, two Elite Eight appearances, and the highest ranking in program history (No. 5). Talaba was a five-time first-team All-Big 12 recipient and was named Big 12 Player of the Year in 2017. Since she left Texas Tech, she has been playing professionally and recently made her debut at the Grand Slam at the 2020 French Open back in September.



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# WELCOME BAC

Sonnie Cumbie has returned to Lubbock as the new OC and Ouarterbacks coach. Cumbie was a football letter winner from 2002-2004 and was recently the OC for TCU. "I'm looking forward to working with Coach Wells, the staff at Texas Tech, and the players there. Guns Up!"

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# NCAA Compliance 101

Recruiting Rules to Remember for Former Texas Tech Student-Athletes

### **Recruiting Basics**

- A Prospective Student-Athlete (PSA) is a student who has started ninth grade and remains such until they attend classes or participate in official team practice at Texas Tech.
- All recruiting is done by designated Texas Tech head and assistant coaches.
- NCAA Rules preclude social media interactions, telephone and electronic communication and any interaction off TTU's campus.

### **Exception: A PSA's On-Campus Visit**

• A former student-athlete MAY have on-campus contact with a PSA during the prospect's visit to campus.

### After the Visit

- Additional contact with the PSA is not permitted.
- Once TexasTech.com officially announces the PSA's signing, you are permitted to have contact with the PSA. PSA's may not be provided with benefits at any time.

### Help us protect our FEARLESS CHAMPIONS.

