



# DALLAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY TEAM PROFILE



**School Enrollment:** 4,766

**College Affiliation:** Division II

**When did the program start:** Recruiting to begin 2018; first competitive season in 2019-2020.

**How many current athletes will participate:** 28 Athletes

**Key Recruitment Information:** Scholarship opportunities, all expenses paid, discipleship program, team athletic trainer, strength and conditioning program, nutrition consulting, competes at Nationals, Athletic Department physician, strong academic degree program options; academic tutoring available.

**Roster Stats:**

**2018:** 15 female athletes  
**2019:** 28 student-athletes

**TESTIMONIAL FROM COACH:** I am beyond excited to be the Head Coach of a brand new sport at DBU. Not only will we be the only STUNT team in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex, you will get to be apart of the first ever STUNT team at DBU. Come be a part of a program that provides a Christ-centered environment, where you will grow athletically, academically, and spiritually. – Callie Fisher

**TESTIMONIAL FROM ATHLETIC DIRECTOR:** We hope that you would consider Dallas Baptist University and Patriot STUNT for your college student-athlete experience choice. As a former DBU student-athlete, I would encourage you to consider this opportunity in joining the DBU Family and the Patriot Athletics program. We are thankful for Coach Fisher and look forward to the success of this program under her leadership! – Connor Smith



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### **Implementation Timeline for Dallas Baptist University STUNT**

Summer 2018	Start meetings about implementing the STUNT Program
Fall 2018	Upon program approval, press release and begin communication and marketing plan development
Fall 2018	Recruitment begins; identify current prospects on campus and with current Cheer team
Spring 2019	Travel to other STUNT competitions to learn and grow as a coaching staff. Consider participating in scrimmages, if possible, for recruitment purposes and explore hosting opportunities for STUNT competitions in region.
Summer 2019	Recruiting continues; prepare for first STUNT competitive season at DBU
Fall 2019	First recruiting class complete
Fall 2019	First team compliance meeting with DBU Department of Athletics; start training; coach(es) continues recruiting.
Fall 2019	Explore fall scrimmage opportunities for DBU STUNT
Spring 2020	Start first season of competition for DBU STUNT

# Dallas Baptist University - DII STUNT Budget

	<b>30</b>	
	<b>Per Athlete</b>	<b>Team Total</b>
<b>Number of Athletes:</b>		
Equipment	\$100	\$3,000
Uniforms/Practice items/Shoes	\$400	\$12,000
Adminstravtive Costs		\$1,000
Travel	\$500	\$15,000
Meals	\$200	\$6,000
Program Activity	\$100	\$3,000
Recruiting		\$2,000
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$42,000</b>
Coaching Salary		\$35,000
<b>Grand Total:</b>		<b>\$77,000</b>
Scholarships		\$120,000
<b>Grand Total w scholarships:</b>		<b>\$197,000</b>

The mission of Dallas Baptist University's Athletic Program is to provide a Christ-centered quality athletic program by recruiting high-caliber student athletes, and by mentoring them in blending a competitive spirit in the athletic arena while attaining excellence in their spiritual lives, academic endeavors, and social responsibilities.

We believe that STUNT will help colleges and universities like ours provide a valuable sport offering that will significantly expand the number of female students and student-athletes on campus. STUNT provides universities an effective way to expand female sports participation and improve compliance with Title IX. STUNT takes the skills (stunts, tumbling, jumps) out of the traditional sport of cheerleading and creates a structured game, where both athletes and fans can be more involved than competitive cheerleading. This sport brings together coaches, athletes, fans, and the student body, just like other varsity sports, for example, by allowing games to be hosted on campus. DBU has a strong relationship with USA Cheer. This fall, we will be hosting a STUNT combine on campus. Athletes from all over the United States will be coming to this combine to get recruited by Universities all over. At DBU, we practice in the Burg Center, which is the gymnasium on campus that both our basketball and volleyball teams compete in. We have an Athletic Training Center, where all athletes can work out. Also, we have a relationship with a tumbling/stunting gym nearby, where our teams can go and practice on different floors, trampolines, etc.

At DBU, cheer is considered a club sport, while STUNT is a varsity sport. Both sports have separate practices, practice wear, budgets, etc. If you are an athlete on STUNT, you receive all the benefits that other varsity sports receive. For example, athletic scholarships, all expenses paid, access to the Athletic Training Center, and more.

As an enrollment-driven institution, we are always looking to improve our student-athlete numbers while maintaining a quality student-athlete experience. We are confident that STUNT will provide great opportunities on our campus. We fully support the efforts of USA Cheer to secure NCAA emerging sport status for STUNT and urge the Committee on Women's Athletics to approve their proposal for formal designation.