

Taylathon

1959- Present

The bike race has gone through many iterations with frequent course changes and lap numbers ranging from 8 to 100.

The annual Taylathon bike race can find its origins in a freshman induction race in 1958 and an inter-class competition starting in 1959.

The first twenty years of Taylathon featured, along with the “bikeathon”, a tug-of-war, rodeo games, stand up comedy competitions, and sports matches. In the mid-1970s, the title of “Taylathon” evolved to mean only the bike race as the inter-class competition was phased out. The inclusion of women in the Taylathon race, while not original, allows it to be a better and more engaging experience for students.

