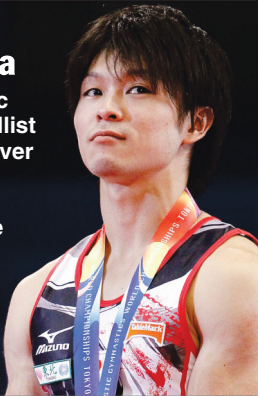


Kohei Uchimura

The Olympic silver medallist is the first ever gymnast to win three consecutive all-around world titles



■ **Born:** January 3, 1989

Birthplace: Nagasaki, Japan

■ **2007:** Joins Japan's national team. Makes senior debut at Paris World Cup, winning bronze medal on vault

■ **2008:** Contributes to team silver at Beijing Olympics. Also wins silver in individual all-around competition

■ **2009-10:** Wins gold in all-around competition at world championships in London and Rotterdam

■ **2011:** Takes record third straight all-around world title, winning by huge three-point margin. Also wins gold for floor exercise, silver in team event and bronze on high bar

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