

Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation
(22nd of 25 events on 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Schedule)
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Franklin, Tennessee
 Vanderbilt Legends Club

September 10-13, 2026
 Par/Yards: 70 / 7,197

Points: 600 (winner)
 Purse: \$1,500,000 / \$270,00 (winner)

Alvaro Ortiz declared TourBound with victory at Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation

Ortiz becomes the fifth player to clinch PGA Tour membership for 2027 season

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Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	Alvaro Ortiz (<i>TourBound</i>)	65	61	65	63	254 (-26)
2	Sandy Scott	63	63	65	67	258 (-22)
T3	Hayden Springer	64	63	67	65	259 (-21)
	Lanto Griffin	67	64	61	67	259 (-21)

FRANKLIN, Tennessee – With a four-stroke victory Sunday at the Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation, Alvaro Ortiz earned his second Korn Ferry Tour title and rose to No. 5 on the 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, becoming the fifth player declared TourBound and assured of PGA Tour membership for the 2027 season.

Ortiz, who defeated Ross Steelman in a playoff at the UNC Health Championship for his first Korn Ferry Tour title earlier this year, followed Steelman, Doc Redman, Ian Holt, and Alistair Docherty as the fifth player declared TourBound. Ortiz entered the week at No. 20 on the 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List and closed in 7-under 63 at Vanderbilt Legends Club, totaling 26-under 254 for the tournament to tie the fourth-lowest 72-hole score in Korn Ferry Tour history.

A native of Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico, Ortiz will officially receive his first PGA Tour card at the season-ending Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by Virginia’s Richmond Region, scheduled for October 8-11 at The Federal Club in Glen Allen, Virginia.

Ortiz previously finished No. 26 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, his first top 50 finish in what was his third season on Tour (No. 57 in 2024, and No. 133 as a rookie in 2022). Ortiz earned Korn Ferry Tour membership with a No. 4 finish on the 2020-21 PGA Tour Latinoamérica Order of Merit, a feat he accomplished off the strength of a win at the 61st Abierto Mexicano de Golf – which has since become the VidantaWorld Mexico Open on the PGA Tour.

Prior to turning professional, Ortiz won the 2019 Latin America Amateur Championship and played four seasons at University of Arkansas (2014-18), where he earned two individual victories and an All-Southeastern Conference Second Team honor.

Ortiz made his PGA Tour debut at the 2019 Masters Tournament and has four made cuts in 12 career starts on Tour, with his highest finish being T13 at the 2024 VidantaWorld Mexico Open.

The 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Season continues next week in Columbus, Ohio at the Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship, the second of four season-ending Korn Ferry Tour Finals events.

Charting the Champion (stats updated through tournament)

Category	Alvaro Ortiz
Age	30
2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List	No. 5
Starts – Wins – Top-10s on Korn Ferry Tour in 2026	22-2-3
Starts – Wins – Top-10s in Korn Ferry Tour Career	94-2-9
Starts – Wins – Top-10s at Simmons Bank Open	4-1-2

- Improves to 2-for-3 converting the 54-hole lead/co-lead into victory on the Korn Ferry Tour (previous: 2025 Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS/finished 2nd; 2026 UNC Health Championship/Won)
- Closes in 7-under 63 with six birdies in the final 10 holes to total 26-under 254, tying the fourth-lowest 72-hole score in Korn Ferry Tour history
 - Lowest 72-hole scores in Tour history:
 - 250 – Stephan Jaeger/2016 Ellie Mae Classic
 - 251 – Adrien Dumont de Chassart/2025 Compliance Solutions Championship
 - 253 – Tim Widing/2024 Veritex Bank Championship
 - 254 – Norman Xiong/2022 Wichita Open
 - 254 – Johnny Keefer/2025 Veritex Bank Championship
 - **254 – Alvaro Ortiz/2026 Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation**
- Breaks the 72-hole tournament scoring record of 257 previously established by 2025 champion Zach Bauchou
- Plays the final 54 holes in 21-under 189, tying the fifth-lowest 54-hole score in consecutive rounds in Korn Ferry Tour history
- Carded a 9-under 61 in the second round, tying his career-low round on Tour (2026 OccuNet Classic presented by Amarillo National Bank/Round 2) and the 18-hole tournament scoring record
- Finishes with 31 total birdies, tying the fourth-most birdies in a 72-hole event in Korn Ferry Tour history
- Posts the largest margin of victory in tournament history (previous: three strokes, James Driscoll/2016; Austin Smotherman, 2021; Grayson Murray, 2023)
- Previously finished solo sixth at the 2025 Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation

Additional Notes

- **Sandy Scott** (2nd/-22) records a career-high finish and his second top-three finish of the 2026 season (3rd/Tulum Championship at PGA Riviera Maya), lifting him to No. 13 on the 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List
- The Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation is the first of four season-ending Korn Ferry Tour Finals events; the top 132 players on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List upon conclusion of this week's final round will qualify for next week's Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship
 - Two players who began the week outside the top 132 on the Points List moved into the top 132:
 - No. 149 **Lanto Griffin** (T3/-21) – rises to No. 86
 - No. 134 **Joshua Creel** (T18/-15) – rises to No. 114
- Sunday Weather: Mostly sunny. High of 91. Wind light and variable.