

# GAMEGOCK FOOTBALL CAROLINA



# INFORMATION



# The University

#### UNIVERSITY HISTORY

The University of South Carolina is a globally recognized, high-impact research university committed to a superior student experience and dedicated to innovation in learning, research and community engagement. Founded in 1801, the university offers more than 350 degree programs and is one of only 32 public universities to receive both the top-tier research designation and the community engagement designation from the Carnegie Foundation. Fifty thousand students are enrolled at one of 18 locations throughout the state, including the research campus in Columbia.

- ◆ The University of South Carolina's Columbia campus has 324 degree programs through its 14 degree-granting colleges and schools.
- ◆ The South Carolina Honors College is ranked the nation's best public university honors college based on honors college factors by the guidebook, "A Review of Fifty Public University Honors Programs."
- ◆ The Darla Moore School of Business undergraduate and MBA international business programs were ranked No. 1 by *U.S. News & World Report* in 2016.
- ♦ As South Carolina's flagship university, USC has more nationally-ranked programs than any other school in the state. In fact, U.S. News alone ranks 47 of USC's academic programs as among the best in the nation.

- ◆ Students at the University of South Carolina have earned 716 national fellowships and scholarships valued at \$21.7 million since 1994. In 2014-15 alone, 54 students earned more than \$2.1 million for academic study.
- ◆ University of South Carolina faculty generated \$243 million in funding for research, training and outreach programs in fiscal year 2015.
- ◆ USC is ranked in the top-five percent of U.S. public universities in the number of national awards its faculty have received.
- ◆ USC's Alumni Center opened in the Vista district in 2015, serving as a gateway to campus, a home for My Carolina alumni and students and a venue for alumni, campus and private events.
- ◆ USC has created vital business partnerships with Fortune 500 companies IBM, Fluor Corp., and Boeing, to create jobs, accelerate innovation and drive economic prosperity in the state and beyond. This spring it opened the Center for Applied Innovation, where the university, IBM and private-sector researchers will use technology for a host of real-world applications.
- The National Academy of Inventors has named USC as a leading generator of patents, putting USC in the top one percent worldwide.
- USC is one of only 32 public universities to receive the Carnegie Foundation's top-tier research designation and community engagement designation.

- ◆ USC has had at least one Goldwater Scholar every year for the past 24 years and one or more Fulbright Scholars for 15 consecutive years. In 2016, USC also had a Truman Scholar and eight NOAA Hollings Scholars.
- ◆ USC has been recognized by both Kiplinger's "Best Values in Public Colleges" and Princeton Review's "Best Value Colleges."
- USC is recognized as a national model for a better student experience, based on its pioneering first-year experience program and other initiatives that give students more flexible and accelerated paths to graduation.
- ◆ Selected by Inc. magazine as one of the nation's top three "Incubators to Watch," the USC-Columbia Technology Incubator is one of several university efforts to cultivate entrepreneurism.
- ◆ Committed to access and affordability, USC established Palmetto College, offering convenient campus locations and online bachelor's degree completion programs for all South Carolina students. Its On Your Time initiative gives students greater flexibility to graduate sooner and pursue internship and study abroad opportunities.
- ◆ USC has the state's most comprehensive suite of health disciplines, including medicine, public health, pharmacy, nursing and social work. Its online nursing graduate program is ranked No. 1, and its exercise science doctoral program is No. 2.



The University of South Carolina is home to more than 200 years of history and tradition, rising from a single building in 1805 on what would become the heart of the campus, the Horseshoe. Today, the 11 buildings that make up the Horseshoe frame a lush lawn that is an irresistible gathering place for students, faculty staff and alumni and the scene of many important university events.

# University Facts and Figures

Campuses: 8

Enrollment: 49,449 (all campuses, fall 2015)

**Faculty**: 2,323 (full-time, all campuses, fall 2015)

**Degrees Awarded**: 10,344 (all campuses, 2014-2015)

**Alumni**: More than 300,000 living alumni (all campuses)

#### **COLUMBIA CAMPUS**

#### Organization:

14 degree-granting colleges and schools

**Degree Programs**: 324

Enrollment: 33,724

(Columbia campus, fall 2015)

**Faculty**: Approximately 1,812 (full-time, Columbia, fall 2015)

**Alumni**: More than 230,000 living alumni (Columbia)

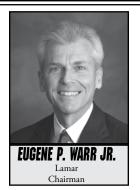
**Endowment**: \$625 million

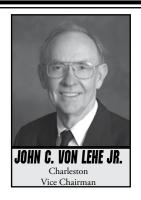
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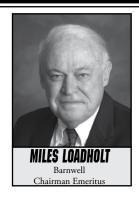
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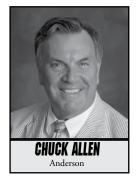




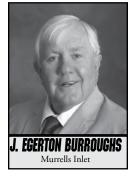


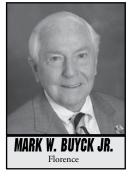


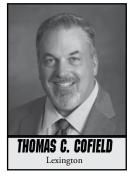


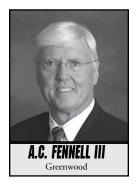


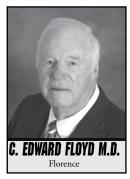


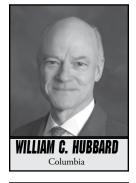


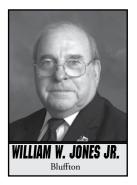


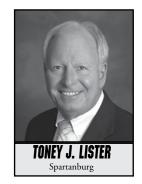


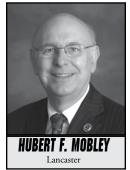










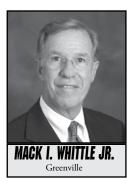


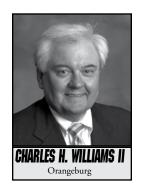


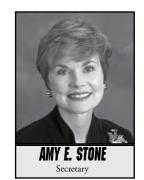








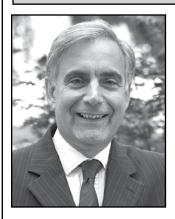






# **University Administration**

#### **Dr. Harris Pastides, University President**



Harris Pastides began his presidency at the University of South Carolina on Aug. 1, 2008. Just a few months later, the Great Recession began. Strong in the face of adversity, Pastides promised to accelerate USC's momentum as a world-class university. He has kept that promise. Today, serving in his eighth year, USC is experiencing remarkable growth and positive change.

USC Columbia's freshman classes have grown continuously while posting the highest average SAT scores in university history. USC's Honors College has been named the No. 1 public honors college in the nation, and the Carnegie top-tier research university has also been ranked the top global university in the Palmetto state. In addition, it is home to top programs in areas such as undergraduate international business; public health; engineering; nursing; and hospitality, retail and sport management. Carolina's Promise, USC's historic capital campaign successfully exceeded the \$1 billion goal by

\$43 million through gifts and pledges from 136,850 generous donors.

An unwavering advocate for a superior student experience, President Pastides encourages engagement beyond the classroom through leadership, service learning, international experience, internships and undergraduate research. Innovative programs like Palmetto College, On Your Time Graduation, Gamecock Gateway and Gamecock Guarantee are successfully providing greater access, flexibility and affordability to South Carolinians seeking a higher education degree. To date, 78,651 degrees have been awarded systemwide during Pastides' presidency. He often says, "Nothing makes me prouder than the students we enroll and those that we graduate."

In January 2015, during a time of great reform and transformation, Pastides was selected to serve as the chairman of the NCAA's Division I Board of Directors. He also serves on many local and state boards including the South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities.

Prior to joining the university's faculty as dean of the Arnold School of Public Health, Pastides was a professor of epidemiology and chairman of the Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. He received his master's in public health and his Ph.D. in epidemiology from Yale University, President Pastides and the first lady, Patricia Moore-Pastides, live on USC's historic Horseshoe.

#### Dr. Valinda Littlefield, Faculty Representative



Dr. Valinda Littlefield begins her second season as the Athletics Faculty Representative at the University of South Carolina. Littlefield is an associate professor of history and African-American studies in the College of Arts and Sciences. She is a scholar of the history of women, African Americans and education with an emphasis on Southern African-American history from 1877 to the present.

Dr. Littlefield graduated Magna Cum Laude from North Carolina Central University in 1987 with a double major in political science and history. She earned her doctorate from the University of Illinois in 2003.

Dr. Littlefield joined the South Carolina faculty in 1999 after professional stops at each of her alma maters, North Carolina Central and Illinois.

While at USC, Dr. Littlefield has served on numerous university committees including co-chair of the Commemoration of the 50th

Anniversary of Desegregation, QEP, University Women's Faculty Organization, and Faculty Committee on Instructional Development. She currently serves on the University Caroliniana Society Board and as a TRIO Ronald McNair Faculty Research Mentor. In addition, Littlefield serves on boards and executive committees of a number of local, state and national organizations such as One Columbia, the SC Academy of Authors, the SC African American Council for the Social Studies and the Southern Historical Association.

She is the co-editor with Marjorie Spruill and Joan Marie Johnson of a three-volume anthology, *South Carolina Women: Their Lives and Times.* She also served as subject editor of Education for the *African American National Biography.* 

Dr. Littlefield is married to Dr. Daniel C. Littlefield, Carolina Professor of History.

#### **University Presidents**

Dr. Harris Pastides is the institution's 28th President since 1804, when Johnathan Maxcy became the first to lead South Carolina College, the University's precursor.

Harris Pastides2008-Present
Andrew A. Sorensen2002-2008
John M. Palms1991-2002
James B. Holderman1977-1990
William H. Patterson 1974-1977
Thomas F. Jones1962-1974
Robert L. Sumwalt1957-1962
Donald S. Russell1952-1957
Norman M. Smith1945-1952
J. Rion McKissick1936-1944
Leonard T. Baker1931-1936
Davison M. Douglas1927-1931
William D. Melton1922-1926
William Spenser Currell 1914-1922
Samuel Chiles Mitchell 1909-1913
Benjamin Sloan1903-1909
Franklin C Woodward 1897-1902
James Woodrow1891-1897
John M. McBryde1882-1883
William Porcher Miles 1880-1882
Augustus Baldwin Longstreet 1857-1861
Charles F. McCay1855-1857
James Henley Thornwell 1851-1855
William Campbell Preston1845-1851
Robert Henry1841-1845
Robert W. Barnwell1835-1841
Thomas Cooper1821-1834
Jonathan Maxcy1804-1820

Gaps in the presidential timeline indicate periods when the University was closed or under interim leadership or when its chief executive was known by a different title.

#### Athletics Director

# **CAROLINA FOOTBALL**





University of South Carolina Athletics Director Ray Tanner is in his fifth year guiding the fortunes of the Gamecocks' athletics programs. He was named to the position on July 13, 2012 after a long and highly successful career as Carolina's baseball coach. Tanner officially began his new duties on Aug. 2, 2012.

Tanner hit the ground running in his first season as Athletics Director. The football team turned in its highest national ranking in school history at that time, while women's basketball, men's and women's golf,

men's and women's tennis, women's indoor and outdoor track & field, men's outdoor track & field, equestrian, men's and women's swimming and diving, softball and baseball all reached the NCAA postseason.

His second year (2013-14) produced another stellar campaign. The football team won 11 games for the third-straight season and finished as the nation's No. 4 ranked squad. Equestrian (second), women's golf (sixth), women's basketball (eighth) and men's golf (ninth) joined football as teams that were ranked in the Top-10 nationally in its final poll or national championship. A total of 92 student-athletes graduated during the 2013-14 academic year.

More success followed in year three, led by a national championship in equestrian, a Final Four berth in women's basketball, and an Elite Eight appearance by the women's soccer team. South Carolina had 15 of its 21 programs ranked among the nation's Top-25 at one point, including seven in the Top-10. In the Spring 2015 semester, the department posted a combined 3.256 GPA, the second-highest on record, while ninety-four student-athletes graduated during the academic year.

The bar continued to be held at a high level in his fourth campaign, high-lighted by three top-10 national finishes in women's basketball, and men's and women's golf. Ten sports finished ranked among the nation's top-25, while Gamecock student-athletes led the SEC in community service and extended the department's streak to 18-consecutive semesters of at least a 3.0 GPA. Carolina was one of only two schools to rank among the nation's top-25 in attendance for football and men's and women's basketball. Tanner also served on the NCAA baseball championships selection committee.

A dedicated community leader whose charitable organization has made a difference in many South Carolina families, a three-time National Coach of the Year and Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year, Tanner completed 16 years as head coach at the University of South Carolina, establishing one of the premier programs in college baseball prior to being named AD. He led the Garnet & Black to two NCAA Division I Baseball Championships, a pair of national runner-up finishes, six College World Series appearances, three SEC championships, six SEC Eastern division titles, a SEC tournament crown and 13 consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances.

Under the direction of Tanner, South Carolina's postseason success from 2010-2012 is arguably the greatest run in collegiate baseball history. In the three-year span, the Gamecocks established NCAA records with 22 consecutive postseason wins and 12 consecutive wins in the College World Series. The Gamecocks won the NCAA Division I Baseball Championship in 2010 and 2011 with a national runner-up finish in 2012. South Carolina's 30-4 (.882) record over that three-year period in the NCAA Tournament is the fifth best three-year postseason record in NCAA history.

In addition, the 2012 CWS trip marked the sixth time in 11 years that South Carolina had reached Omaha. No Division I baseball team made more appearances than the Gamecocks over the 11-year span.

Tanner and the Gamecocks have created one of the top environments in college baseball at Carolina Stadium. After a successful run at Sarge Frye Field through 2008, the Gamecocks made the move to the new \$36 million Carolina Stadium where college baseball has continued to grow. South Carolina's total attendance of 295,389 in the 2012 season was second highest in the nation. The average attendance of 7,574 also was a Carolina Stadium record, besting the previous mark of 7,431 in the 2011 season. The Gamecocks

also set a record for sellouts in 2012 with 15 games at a capacity of 8,242 fans. In addition, South Carolina set a record for season tickets sold with a total of 5,580 sold in the preseason before the 2012 campaign.

For all of his accolades, Tanner's uniform No. 1 was retired and the street outside Carolina Stadium was renamed in his honor. He was inducted into the South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame in May 2013 and into the American Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in January 2016.

The 2012 season marked Tanner's 25th year as a collegiate head coach. He posted a 738-316 record at South Carolina with a .700 winning percentage, second highest all-time among SEC coaches. His career record was 1,133-489-3 for a winning percentage of .699. His final 12 teams featured 23 All-Americans.

Tanner gained valuable experience at an international level in his association with USA Baseball. He has served five stints with Red, White and Blue, including in 2003 as head coach for the USA National Baseball Team. At the helm of some of the top freshmen and sophomores in the country, Tanner's club finished with a 27-2 record, the best record for a U.S. National Team (.931 winning percentage) and won a silver medal at the 2003 Pan American Games. He was named the U.S. National Coach of the Year for his work that season. Prior to his head coaching stint, Tanner served as an auxiliary coach under Tommy Lasorda for the 2000 Olympic Team that won a gold medal at the XXVII Olympiad in Sydney, Australia. He was also an assistant under former LSU coach Skip Bertman with the 1995 and 1996 USA teams that culminated in a bronze medal win at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, Ga. Tanner also served alongside former Mississippi State coach Ron Polk on Bertman's staff. Tanner's first stint with USA Baseball came as an assistant coach to the national team in the summer of 1993.

Tanner was named the South Carolina head coach June 14, 1996, after nine successful seasons at North Carolina State. At NC State, Tanner led his alma mater to seven appearances in the NCAA postseason tournament and ranked second for most wins in school history. He was the 1990 Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year and in 1993 was named Atlantic Region Coach of the Year when his team won 49 games.

Tanner was affiliated with the Wolfpack baseball program for more than 20 years. He came to the Raleigh campus in the fall of 1976 as a player following an outstanding career at South Johnston High School in Four Oaks, N.C. A four-year starter, he earned All-ACC honors his senior season and still ranks among the Wolfpack's all-time leaders in several categories.

Following his playing career, Tanner served as an assistant for NC State coach Sam Esposito, overseeing recruiting efforts and coaching third base. During his tenure as an assistant, the Wolfpack reached the NCAA Tournament twice. He had additional duties as assistant to the athletics director and as assistant athletics director in charge of game operations.

After Esposito's retirement, Tanner was named head coach at the age of 28 by the legendary late Jim Valvano, becoming one of the youngest head baseball coaches in the nation.

Tanner has a bachelor's degree in recreational administration from NC State (1980) and a master's of public affairs, public administration (1983).

Born Donald Ray Tanner, Jr., March 25, 1958, in Smithfield, N.C., Tanner grew up in Benson, N.C. He is married to the former Karen Donald, a native of Charleston, S.C. A University of South Carolina graduate, she

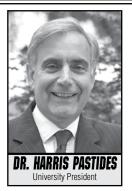
was formerly head women's athletic trainer at NC State. During the summer of 1997 she served as trainer for the Charlotte Sting in the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA). She is the former director of athletics and director of sports medicine at Columbia College.

The Tanners have two daughters, Bridgette Grace ("Gracie") and Margaret Pearl ("Maggie") and one son, Joseph Luke ("Luke").





# **Athletics Administration**





























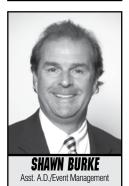






















# Athletics Staff Directory

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# **CAROLINA FOOTBALL**



#### Administration

ADMINISTRATION (803) 777-4202 Ray Tanner Charles Waddell Kevin O'Connell Athletics Director Deputy Athletics Director Chief Operating Officer Chief Financial Officer Jeff Tallant Charles Bloom Senior Associate AD/External Affairs Chris Rogers Judy Van Horn Senior Associate AD/Administration Senior Associate AD/SWA Human Resources Coordinator Director of Apparel Operations Caroline Allen Kyle Lipsey Jared Evans Johnny Gregory Kristi Davis Special Asst. to the Athletics Director Administrative Assistant/AD Administrative Assistant/Deputy AD Angie Shumpert Holly Jefferson Administrative Assistant/COO

Jessica Allison Rita Boykin Administrative Assistant/SWA Administrative Assistant Jennifer White Administrative Assistant/Administration ACADEMIC SERVICES

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Learning Specialist Niesha Love Nicholas Mazur

Administrative Assistant/Payroll Coord. Rosalind Isaac Vickie Simpkins Enrichment Services Assistant

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Head Coach

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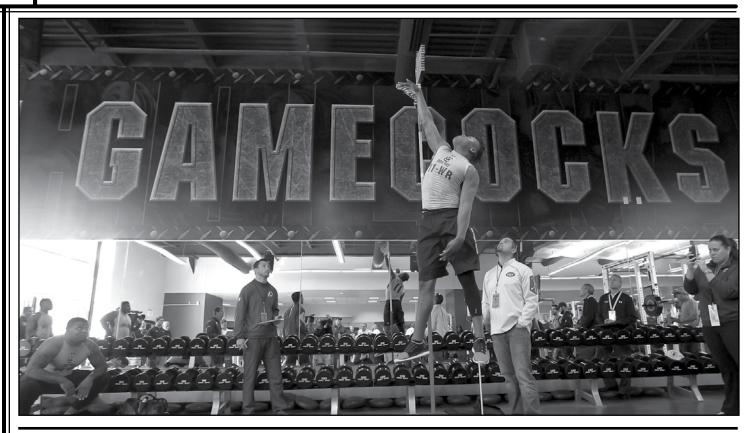
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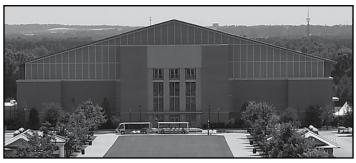


# MISSION STATEMENT

Gamecock Athletics develops our student-athletes intellectually, athletically, socially and culturally to compete relentlessly for championships and to attain high levels of achievement at the University, and throughout life, in harmony with our University's mission and vision.



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# Compliance

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#### **Attention Boosters**

The University of South Carolina Office of Compliance Services is committed to a comprehensive compliance program that educates everyone about the importance of adhering to NCAA, SEC, and institutional rules. We strive to create a "compliance conscience" within the University and throughout the community.

The commitment to compliance ensures institutional control over the department of athletics and furthers the mission of the University of South Carolina. The existence of a successful compliance program depends on the willingness of coaches, administrators, staff, student-athletes and boosters to be cognizant of NCAA, SEC, and institutional rules.

#### What is Compliance?

At South Carolina, the Office of Compliance Services works within the department of athletics and the University to ensure South Carolina's compliance with all applicable rules. In doing so, the compliance staff is charged with the following tasks:

- Educating administrators, coaches, staff, prospects, student-athletes and boosters about NCAA, SEC, and institutional rules;
- Developing monitoring systems to ensure compliance with these rules. These systems are designed to monitor rules pertaining to recruiting, academic eligibility, financial aid, awards, extra benefits, ethical conduct, amateurism, agents, employment, occasional meals, and the playing and practice seasons for each sport; and
- Investigating and reporting violations of NCAA, SEC, and institutional rules to the appropriate governing authority.

#### Are You a Booster?

You are a booster if you are or ever have:

- Been a member of a booster organization that supports University of South Carolina athletics;
- Made any financial contributions to any area the University of South Carolina;
- Made any annual or lifetime membership commitment to a booster organization;
- Been involved with the recruitment of a prospect;
- Provided benefits to an enrolled student-athlete or his/her relatives or friends;
- Been involved in promoting South Carolina's athletic program;
- Provided or helped to arrange employment for student-athletes;
- Been a season ticket holder.

#### **Prospective Student-Athletes**

A prospective student-athlete (prospect) is a student who has:

- Started classes for the ninth grade, or
- Ever received any financial assistance or other benefit prospective students do not generally receive.

An individual remains a prospect until one of the following occurs (whichever is earlier):

- The individual officially registers and enrolls in a minimum full-time program of studies and attends classes in any term (including summer) of a four-year collegiate institution's regular academic year.
- The individual participates in a regular squad practice or competition at a four-year collegiate institution that occurs before the beginning of any term.

Remember a prospect remains a prospect even after signing a National Letter of Intent with the University of South Carolina.

#### **Extra Benefits**

A recruiting inducement or extra benefit is any special arrangement by a University of South Carolina employee or booster to provide a prospect, a student-athlete, or their relatives or friends a benefit not expressly authorized by the NCAA. Examples of impermissible extra benefits include, but are not limited to:

- Free or reduced cost services, rentals, or purchases of any type (e.g., meals, drinks, clothing, laundry, haircuts, legal fees, tattoos, car repairs, free upgrades on products or services, etc.)
- Gifts of any kind, including special occasions (birthdays, holidays, graduation, etc.)
- VIP access to bars, clubs, events, etc.
- Free or reduced cost housing for any length of time
- Loans (including co-signing)
- Cash or like items
- Use of an automobile or transportation
- An employment arrangement for a prospect or student-athlete's relatives
- Entertainment
- Use of your telephone or credit card
- Providing a meal in your home
- Academic assistance of any kind (e.g., tutoring, editing papers/projects, assistance in completing classwork, use of computer, etc.)
- Any tangible items, including merchandise

#### What are the Consequences?

South Carolina is responsible for the actions of its boosters. If a booster provides an impermissible benefit to a prospect, a student-athlete, or their relatives or friends, South Carolina may be subject to penalties, even if the student-athlete has completed his or her eligibility. The prospect or student-athlete who accepts an impermissible benefit jeopardizes his or her eligibility for intercollegiate competition. A booster who provides an impermissible benefit may be disassociated from the University's athletics program. Disassociation results in a loss of all benefits or privileges offered by the department of athletics and may involve other penalties as appropriate.

GOT QUESTIONS? ASK COMPLIANCE.

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# Weekly Media Availability

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
The team will practice at 5 p.m. Head coach Will Muschamp holds a teleconference at 7 p.m. ET. No player availability.	The team is scheduled for an off day. No media availability for coaches or players.	The team will practice at 9 a.m. Approved players will be available following the practice. All requests must be in to Steve Fink by 5 p.m. Sunday. Coach Muschamp holds a noon press conference in the Media Room.	The team will practice at 9 a.m. There is no post-practice availability. Coach Muschamp is on the SEC conference call at 1 p.m. ET.	The team will practice at 9 a.m. There is no post-practice availability. Head coach Will Muschamp's weekly radio show is from 7-8 p.m. ET.	Head coach Will Muschamp, coordi- nators and selected players are available for network televi- sion only.	Head coach Will Muschamp and re- quested players will be available in Me- dia Interview Room following the game. The Gamecocks' locker room is closed to the media.

# Media Outlets

# **CAROLINA FOOTBALL**

843-626-8555

803-534-1060

The (Myrtle Beach) Sun News

P.O. Box 406, Myrtle Beach, S.C. 29578

The (Orangeburg) Times & Democrat

SE: Shane Bowen (sbowen@thesunnews.com)

P.O. Drawer 1766, Orangeburg, S.C. 29116



#### Print

#### **Associated Press**

1311 Marion Street, Columbia, S.C. 29201 803-799-5510

Pete Iacobelli (piacobelli@ap.org)

#### (Anderson) Independent-Mail

Box 2507, Anderson, S.C. 29622 864-260-1283

SE: Scott Adamson (adamsonsl@independentmail.com)

#### The Augusta Chronicle

725 Broad Street, Augusta, GA 30901 706-823-3337

Scott Michaux (scott.michaux@augustachronicle.com)

#### The (Charleston) Post & Courier

134 Columbus Street, Charleston, S.C. 29403 315-430-3712

C: Gene Sapakoff (gsapakoff@postandcourier.com) B: David Caraviello (dcaraviello@postandcourier.com) (C): 404-788-4807

#### The Charlotte Observer

600 S. Tryon Street, Charlotte, N.C. 28202 704-358-5118

SE: Harry Pickett (hpickett@charlotteobserver.com)

#### The State (Columbia)

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803-771-8470

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#### (Florence) Morning News

310 S. Dargan Street, Florence, S.C. 29506 843-317-7271

SE: Sam Bundy (sbundy@florencenews.com)

ASE: Mark Haselden (mhaselden@florence news.com)

#### The Greenville News

305 S. Main Street, Box 1688, Greenville, S.C. 29602 864-298-4308

SE: Jim Rice (jdrice@greenvillenews.com) B: Willie T. Smith (nflscribe@aol.com)

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#### The (Hilton Head) Island Packet

10 Buck Island Road, Bluffton, S.C. 29910 843-706-8123 SE: Jeff Shain (sports@islandpacket.com)

#### SE: Brantley Strickland (bstrickland@timesanddemocrat.com)

The (Rock Hill) Herald 132 W. Main Street, Rock Hill, S.C. 29703 803-329-4032

Bret McCormick (bmccormick@hearldonline.com)

#### Spartanburg Herald-Journal

P.O. Box 1657

189 West Main St., Spartanburg, S.C. 29304

864-582-4511

SE: Bob Dalton (bob.dalton@shj.com)

#### The Sumter Item

20 North Magnolia St., Sumter, S.C. 29150 803-774-1241

SE: Dennis Brunson (dennisb@theitem.com)

#### **Television**

#### WACH (FOX)

1400 Pickens Street, Columbia, S.C. 29201 803-252-5757 Corey Miller (pastorofpain@gmail.com) Courtney King (cmking@wach.com)

#### WBTW (CBS)

101 McDonald Court, Myrtle Beach, S.C. 29588 803-601-0942

Conan Gasque (pgasque@wbtw.com)

#### WCBD (NBC)

210 West Coleman Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, S.C. 29464 843-297-2970

Evan West (ewest@wcbd.com) Brandon Baylor (bbaylor@wcbd.com)

#### WCIV (ARC)

888 Allbritton Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, S.C. 29464 843-849-3575

Scott Eisberg (sports4@wciv.com)

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#### WIS (NBC)

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6027 Garners Ferry Rd, Columbia, S.C. 29209 803-776-3600 Reggie Anderson (randerson@wltx.com)

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Mike Gillespie (mgillespie@abccolumbia.com)

#### WPDE (ABC)

10 University Blvd., Conway, S.C. 29526 469-766-5164 Brandon Dunn (bdunn@wpde.com)

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Box 1212, Augusta, Ga. 30903 803-278-3111

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#### WNKT (107.5 FM The Game) (Flagship)

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#### SportsTalk Radio Network

1338 Main St., Suite 201, Columbia, S.C. 29223 803-790-4300

Phil Kornblut (pkornblut@learfield.com) Kevin McCrarey (kmccrarey@learfield.com)

#### WCOS (1400 The Team) - FOX Sports Radio

316 Greystone Blvd., Columbia, S.C. 29210 803-343-1100 Jonathan Reynolds

Spurs & Feathers Brian Hand (bhand@spursandfeathers.com) 803-646-9716

#### **Gamecock Productions**

#### WGCV (620 AM)

Teddy Heffner (theffner1@aol.com) Rick Sanford

WOIC (1230 AM) - ESPN Radio

#### WVOC (560 AM)

316 Greystone Blvd., Columbia, S.C. 29210 803-343-1100 Christopher Thompson (sports@wvoc.com)

#### TheBigSpur.com

John Whittle (johnmwhittle@gmail.com) 803-727-4254 John Del Bianco (delbianj@email.sc.edu)

#### GamecockCentral.com

Scott Hood (hood@gamecockcentral.com) 803-404-4754 Wes Mitchell (wes@gamecockcentral.com) 803-367-6014 Chris Clark (clark@gamecockcentral.com) 864-940-0408

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#### **Media Policies**

The University of South Carolina understands the importance of assisting the media in providing coverage of the institution, its athletics programs, administrators, coaches and student-athletes. Our goal is to disseminate information as widely, uniformly and fairly as possible using normally accepted media standards. To this end, the best attempt will be made to fill reasonable requests by recognized media outlets. Members of the media are encouraged to work with the South Carolina Athletics Media Relations staff to assist in that endeavor. It is not permissible for media members to contact any athletics department administrator, associate, coach or student-athlete directly without working through the media relations department.

#### Media Day

South Carolina's annual Football Media Day is set for Monday, August 1. Head coach Will Muschamp will hold a press conference at 2 p.m. in the Media Interview Room, located under the west stands at Williams-Brice Stadium. Requested student-athletes will be available on the second floor of the Crews Building from 3-4 p.m. Photo Day is scheduled for Sunday, August 21.

#### **Press Credentials**

Working press credentials for the 2016 South Carolina home football games must be requested online through www.sportssystems.com/clients/seccredentials. Credential requests must come from the sports editors and the sports directors only.

It is not always possible to accommodate all requests. No one under 18 years of age will be issued a credential without prior approval.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Associate Media Relations Director Diana Koval at 803-777-7977 or by email at dkoval@mailbox.sc.edu. Requests for season passes should be submitted no later than August 5. Requests for single games should be made no later then seven (7) days prior to game day and will be approved the week of the game. Once approved, all credentials must be picked up on game day at Media Will Call, located on the west side of the stadium by the press elevators. Media Will Call will open three (3) hours prior to kick-off. A photo ID must be presented to receive the press credential. Photographers must have appropriate equipment on hand to receive a sideline photo vest.

**Note:** Credentials will be considered only for those media members on specific assignment for a specific media outlet that meets the criteria below. Credentials are non-transferable and may be revoked at any time.

The granting and number of credentials for daily **NEWSPAPERS** will based on the newspaper's circulation on a space available basis.

Those newspapers publishing more than twice a week, but less than six, will have priority after those in the daily newspaper category.

**WEBSITES** that meet one of the following criteria will be issued a maximum of three (3) season approved press box credentials, which includes the videographer, and two (2) season field passes to be used for still photography.

- 1. Is the official website of the home or visiting school or its conference;
- 2. Is the official online service of a national over-the-air or cable television network;
- 3. Has a "national affiliate agreement" with or is an official licensed site of a national or local news gathering organization and has at least one full-time employee dedicated to writing for the site; or
- 4. Is a local news gathering organization that has at least two full-time employees and is owned by a media company with multiple assets.

Websites that are an extension of a non-digital local media outlet (newspaper, radio, television) will not be issued credentials independent of their originating organization.

Sport-specific websites with more than two full-time writers will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

No credentials will be issued to any website that is not deemed by University of South Carolina Assistant Athletics Director/Media Relations Steve Fink to have adequate editorial oversight. Credentials will not be approved to anyone who writes or posts under an alias.

**TELEVISION** stations will be issued a maximum of two (2) season approved press box credentials. However, press box seating is not guaranteed for both credentials. Television stations will receive a maximum of two (2) field passes.

Local **RADIO** stations will be granted one (1) season approved press box credential for a full-time host of a daily sports show that is a minimum of 30 minutes in length. In addition, one (1) press box credential will be distributed per station for the sports director. Field passes will not be issued to radio stations. Non-daily local radio sports shows and out-of-market radio stations that have a daily sports show will be granted a maximum one (1) credential on a game-by-game space available basis.

**STUDENT MEDIA** outlets for the home and visiting schools will be issued credentials in accordance with the policy for their format (newspaper, website, radio, television). To be considered student media, the outlet must be sanctioned as such by the university, have full-time university staff overseeing the training of staff or be governed by a university-appointed board, and receive some portion of its funding from student fees.

PHOTO WIRE SERVICES that distribute nationally and retain all rights for sale and usage of any image taken at the event will be issued one (1) season field pass with an option for a second on a game-by-game, space-available basis. Any wire service that sells/shares its images for non-editorial uses must provide the University of South Carolina Athletics Media Relations department with a statement indicating how it ensures that non-editorial clients use its images within NCAA regulations.

All other credential requests, including weekly newspapers, magazines, specialty publications, etc. will be considered on a game-by-game and case-by-case basis at the discretion of Steve Fink, Assistant AD/Media Relations. All credential policies are subject to change, and final approval of all credentials is at the discretion of the Assistant AD/Media Relations.

Non-affiliated bloggers and freelance photographers will not be credentialed.

Media outlets that cover the visiting school will be considered following consultation with that school's athletics media relations department.

#### **Sideline Policy**

The University of South Carolina adheres to the NCAA and SEC guidelines regarding media representatives on the sidelines:

- 1. Photo credentials will be issued only to accredited media outlets prior to the game and photo identification must be provided.
- 2. Photographers must check in at Media Will Call on the west side of the stadium adjacent to the press elevator. Those photographers who will work on the sidelines will be issued a vest. This vest must be worn at all times to gain access to the sidelines. No other type of photo or media credential will allow an individual access to the sidelines during the game. The vest must be returned to the South Carolina media relations staff following the game.

- 3. Only working photographers/videographers with professional-grade cameras will be allowed on the field. Those without proper equipment or not shooting the game will be escorted from the sidelines regardless of credential.
- 4. Working photographers/videographers are permitted to shoot in the designated area (between the two marked dotted lines outside the 25-yard lines). All other media representatives on the field must stand behind the designated area to ensure that photographers/videographers have the appropriate space to work. No one will be allowed to shoot from either end zone.
- 5. Photographers are encouraged to use the photo work room, located on the ground level of Williams-Brice Stadium. Wired and wireless internet are available. While security in this area is provided, the University of South Carolina is not responsible for the loss of any items.
- 6. According to NCAA policies, the presence of any type of photographer/videographer in the bench area for all sports is strictly prohibited with the exception of one (1) institutional videographer in the football bench area. According to the NCAA Football Rules and Interpretations Manual (Rule 1, Section 2, Article 4b): "the team area shall be limited to squad members in uniform and a maximum of 40 other individuals directly involved in the game. The 40 individuals not in uniform shall wear special identification." (Rule 1, Section 2, Article 4e): "No media personnel, including journalists, radio and television personnel, or their equipment, shall be in the team area or coaching box, and no media personnel shall communicate in any way with persons in the team area or coaching box."
- The SEC also prohibits photographers/videographers from stopping and shooting from behind the bench area or into the bench area. The bench area at Williams-Brice Stadium is defined by the area between the 25-yard lines and covered with a white tarp.
- 7. Photographers and videographers are considered working members of the media and they are to refrain from cheering or talking to players, coaches or officials.

#### **SEC Internet Real Time Policy**

By acceptance and use of an SEC media credential, the holder agrees to the following conditions for any and all athletic events hosted by the SEC and its member institutions:

- 1. The SEC and its member institutions grant a media organization a limited license to use certain gathered information on the media organization's own Internet or online site beginning at the start of an athletic event and up to the conclusion of such event, all subject to the following limitations and conditions:
- (a) No more than 10 still photographs may be used for news coverage of the game and other editorial purposes during the event.
- (b) Videotape may only be shown as part of a single, non-archived, online "simulcast" of a television station's regularly-scheduled news program.
- (c) While a game is in progress, the use of statistical information is time-delayed and limited in amount so that an organization's Internet or online game coverage does not undercut the authorized and rights-paying fee organization's rights to play-by-play accounts of the game and/or exclusivity as to such rights.
- 2. Any proposed media use on an Internet or online site of the game information that is more detailed and/or more than described above will require separate written authorization by the SEC and/or its member institutions. However, such written authorization will not permit the use of game information in entertainment contexts and will not authorize game coverage that, due to immediacy of detail, constitutes or approaches a play-by-play account of a game.

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3. Should any of these conditions be breached, the SEC and/or its member institutions will issue a written warning for the first violation. If this violation occurs during the last game of the institutions' regularly scheduled season, the media organization may not be credentialed for the SEC Championship. A second violation of this policy will result in revocation of credentials to cover future football games hosted by the SEC and/or its member institutions.

#### **Press Box**

South Carolina's press box has seats for 144 members of the media, along with television and radio booths, coaches' booths and public address and stadium operations/security booths. Located just above the press level is the photo deck. All members of the media covering the game are invited to a catered meal, which is served beginning two hours prior to kickoff.

Wireless internet is available for use. Wired outlets for photographers and videographers are available in the back of the press box. The photo work room, located on the ground level of Williams-Brice Stadium, also has wired and wireless internet access.

Any media outlet that wishes to install its own telephone should contact South Carolina Telephone Communications at (803) 777-1800.

The Athletics Media Relations department supplies quarterly play-by-plays and quickie stats, halftime statistics, final team and individual statistics and coaches and players quotes. An inside public address announcer also keeps the media informed of play-by-play, records and game notes.

The Carolina press box is for the working media only. In accordance with the Football Writers Association of America, no cheering will be allowed.

#### **In-Game Statistics**

Media should utilize StatBroadcast for all the latest live statistical information during games. Visit gamecocks.statbroadcast.com for live scoring of all home football games. The password will be provided on game day.

#### **Postgame Interviews**

The press box elevator will be held at press level midway through the fourth quarter for anyone attending postgame press conferences. South Carolina's postgame press conferences take place in the Media Interview Room, located underneath the stands on the west side of Williams-Brice Stadium. The visitors' locker room and postgame interview room are located under the west stands at the north end. The Gamecock locker room will be closed following the game. Coach Muschamp will be available in the postgame interview room approximately 10 minutes after the game. Selected student-athletes will also be brought to the interview room following the cool-down period. Admittance to postgame interviews is by credential only. The South Carolina press conference will be televised live to the press box. No interviews, other than those conducted by the rightsholders, may be conducted on the field following the game.

#### **Satellite Truck Parking**

Limited parking is available for TV station live/ satellite trucks, and those vehicles will need to be approved prior to game day. Please contact Associate Media Relations Director Diana Koval at least three days prior to the game to schedule live/satellite truck parking.

#### **Media Parking**

Media parking is available in the Key Road parking lot, located southeast of Williams-Brice Stadium. Please

contact Associate Media Relations Director Diana Koval at 803-777-7977 or by email at dkoval@mailbox.sc.edu for any parking needs. Parking passes will be distributed in advance via the method indicated on the credential application.

#### **Visiting Radio**

The visitor's radio network must be designated by the opponent's athletic director. Booth space will be assigned by Steve Fink, Assistant Athletics Director/ Media Relations. Any non-designated stations will be admitted on a space-available basis. The Gamecock Sports Network will be handled by IMG College. Stations requesting information regarding the network should contact: Liz McMillan, Executive Director, IMG College, (803) 777-8254.

#### **Football Video Services**

For information on receiving mid-week press conference videos, post-game press conference videos, and other football related footage, please contact Director of Digital Media Operations Matt Freed at mfreed@mailbox.sc.edu. Login information to the department's media FTP site will be provided. Please credit Gamecocks-Online when using footage from the FTP site.

#### **Live Broadcasts**

It is not permissible for any non-rightsholder to broadcast over the air, stream over the internet (audio or video), or transmit in any other way, including social media apps, any live event without the consent of the University of South Carolina Athletics Department. Live events include varsity contests, press conferences (including but not limited to weekly scheduled and postgame press conferences) and any other group media availability. Exceptions may be made for any major newsbreaking event and will be communicated in the media advisory for the event. No television live shots, with the exception of the rightsholder, may take place inside the stadium beginning 30 minutes prior to kickoff until the broadcast is concluded.

#### **Audio/Video Event Archiving**

It is not permissible for any non-rightsholder to archive audio or video Event content that exceeds five (5) minutes in length. Events are defined as varsity contests, press conferences and any other group media availability. Archiving may not begin until the conclusion of the entire event. WNKT-FM is the only radio station that can carry press conferences live and/or archived in their entirety.

#### Non-Rightsholder Radio Appearances

South Carolina coaches will be limited to one appearance from one member of a sport's coaching staff per week on any radio station or any radio show that is aired as part of a state-wide, regional or national network in the Columbia market. The length of the interview should be no more than one segment, defined as "commercial-break to commercial-break." In addition, the same member of a sport's coaching staff or administrator cannot make appearances in consecutive weeks on the same radio station. Media outlets in which the institution or the SEC is contractually affiliated is exempt from this language. Exceptions can be made in the occurrence of a major "breaking news" event. Please work through the team's media relations contact to help coordinate any request.

#### **Game Day Media Availability**

No University of South Carolina Athletics staff member may appear live on a non-rightsholder radio show on the same day as any USC contractual programming,

including live game action or coaches' call-in shows, without prior consent of Athletics Media Relations.

#### **Radio/TV Appearances**

South Carolina student-athletes may not participate in any live radio or television show other than during a regularly scheduled newscast and for no longer than four minutes, post-game interview times, conference media days and structured media opportunities during NCAA championships, without the consent of the South Carolina Athletics Media Relations department. This policy is in effect year-round and does not apply to institutional networks. It does apply to internet chat rooms that are sponsored by a media outlet for the sole purpose of conducting Q&A sessions with the viewing public concerning the student-athlete's athletic career.

#### **SEC Weekly Teleconference**

The Southeastern Conference hosts a weekly press teleconference each Wednesday from August 31 to November 23. The teleconference features the head coach from each team every week. Each coach issues an opening statement followed by questions from the media for seven minutes. To participate, please contact either the SEC Media Relations office at (205) 458-3010 for the telephone number and passcode.

11:00 a.m. ET - Les Miles, LSU

11:10 a.m. ET - Kirby Smart, Georgia

11:20 a.m. ET - Jim McElwain, Florida

11:30 a.m. ET - Derek Mason, Vanderbilt

11:40 a.m. ET - Nick Saban, Alabama 11:50 a.m. ET - Butch Jones, Tennessee

12:00 p.m. ET - Bret Bielema, Arkansas 12:10 p.m. ET - Barry Odom, Missouri

12:20 p.m. ET - Hugh Freeze, Ole Miss

12:30 p.m. ET - Kevin Sumlin, Texas A&M 12:40 p.m. ET - Mark Stoops, Kentucky

12:50 p.m. ET - Dan Mullen, Mississippi State

1:00 p.m. ET - Will Muschamp, South Carolina 1:10 p.m. ET - Gus Malzahn, Auburn

# CollegePressBox.com

CollegePressBox.com is the official media website for Division I football. Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for conference and member schools.

#### **South Carolina Student-**Athlete Interview Policy

All interviews must be coordinated through the Athletics Media Relations department. This allows the staff to arrange the interview when it best suits the student-athlete's and the reporter's schedules. Please contact the Media Relations department in advance to make your interview requests. Media are not permitted to contact student-athletes on their own at any time.

All interviews will take place at the practice fields, in the media room underneath the west stands at Williams-Brice Stadium or in the Media Relations office. No interviews will take place prior to practice on the practice fields.

Residence hall, apartment or cell phone numbers for student-athletes will not be provided to the media. Should you need to conduct a telephone interview with a student-athlete, a call will be placed to you from the student-athlete at a mutually agreeable time.



# Radio/Television



Gamecock Sports Marketing, a partnership between the University of South Carolina Athletics Department and the country's leaders in the collegiate sports marketing industry, IMG College, is the originating

medium for radio coverage of the South Carolina Gamecocks.

This begins the final year of a nine-year, \$50 million contract between the University and IMG College that runs through 2017. 2016 also marks the final year of a four-year extension with Cumulus Media for WNKT-FM (107.5 The Game) to continue as the official flagship station of Gamecock Athletics through 2017.

Gamecock Sports Marketing is responsible for the overall management of the athletics program's corporate partnership effort, which includes producing, selling and distributing the Gamecock Radio Network (live playby-play and call-in shows) and coaches television shows, print advertising in various athletics department publications, and selected signage in university athletic facilities.

The Gamecock Sports Network from IMG College counts two dozen affiliate stations for the 2016-17 season. For Sirius/XM subscribers, follow the Gamecock Radio Twitter page for weekly updates on channel information for Gamecock broadcasts.

**Todd Ellis**, the all-time leading passer in Gamecock history, begins his 25th season with the network and his 14th as the play-by-play voice of Carolina football. Ellis previously served as sideline reporter for the radio network and as a color analyst and play-by-play announcer for Comcast Sports Southeast for Gamecock telecasts. Ellis has also hosted the coaches television show and served on CBS's bowl game radio coverage. He hosts the Steve Spurrier Television Show and Carolina Calls with Steve Spurrier, the Head Ball Coach's weekly radio call-in show. Ellis set more than 20 school passing marks during his career (1986-89) while throwing for 9,953 yards.

Tommy Suggs, a former standout Gamecock quarterback, is back for his 44th year as color analyst for the radio network. Suggs played for Carolina from 1968-70 and is regarded as one of the school's all-time premier signal-callers. He led the Gamecocks to the 1969 ACC championship and Peach Bowl berth and was named MVP of the 1970 Blue-Gray All-Star Classic. Suggs was inducted into the University's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1989 and is also a member of the state of South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame. In 2012, friends and colleagues of Tommy and Jane Suggs established the Tommy Suggs Endowed Quarterback Scholarship to honor his long-time commitment to the University and Gamecock Athletics. The scholarship is awarded to a quarterback each year and was the first endowed scholarship for the football program.

Former South Carolina and NFL defensive lineman **Langston Moore** joined the Gamecock IMG Sports Network as sideline reporter in 2012. Moore was a member of the Carolina football team from 1999-2002 before embarking on an NFL career that included stints in Cincinnati (2003-04), Arizona (2005-06), and Detroit (2007-08). He was originally a sixth round pick by the Bengals in the 2003 NFL Draft. He has been a volunteer for the Frye Foundation and USAA Cares, as well as Home Town Huddle during his playing and post-NFL career.

**Liz McMillan** serves as the Executive Director of Gamecock IMG Sports Marketing in Columbia. **Robert Gahagan** serves as the General Manager. **Brent Johnson** serves as the Network Host, **Carroll Senn** is the broadcast engineer, **David Spence** is the spotter and **Doug Adams** is the statistician. **Rachel Senn** assists with production. **Andy Demetra**, the voice of Carolina

**Gamecock Radio Contacts** 

Liz McMillan: 803-777-7895 liz.mcmillan@imgworld.com Todd Ellis: 803-732-0123 todd@toddellislaw.com Tommy Suggs: 803-799-5533 Langston Moore: 214-769-5087 basketball and baseball, works on the pre- and post-game shows.

The **Will Muschamp Television Show** airs at 11:30 a.m. on Sundays on SportSouth and then later that night and one other time during the week.



The South Carolina Radio Crew:
Langston Moore, Brent Johnson, Rachel Senn, Todd Ellis,
Tommy Suggs, Doug Adams, Carroll Senn, David Spence,
Liz McMillan, Andy Demetra.

The weekly **Carolina Calls** show will air Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. on the flagship station of the Gamecocks, WNKT-FM, and over the Internet at GamecocksOnline.com. The show takes place at Wild Wing Café, located at 729 Lady Street in the Vista.

#### SEC Network

The Southeastern Conference and ESPN signed a 20-year agreement through 2034 to create and operate a multiplatform network, which launched in August 2014. The network and its accompanying digital platform air SEC content 24/7 including more than 1,000 events in its first year.

The network will televise approximately 45 SEC football games, more than 100 men's basketball games, 60 women's basketball games, 75 baseball games, and events from across the SEC's 21 sports annually. Programming will also include studio shows, original content such as SEC Storied, spring football games, signing day and pro days coverage. Hundreds of additional live events from various sports are offered exclusively on the digital platform. The network and its digital extensions will connect with each SEC institution and create opportunities for each school to produce and develop content.

As part of the agreement, ESPN oversees the SEC's official Corporate Sponsor Program. In addition, ESPN and the SEC also agreed to extend their existing media rights agreement through 2034. ESPN has televised the SEC since 1982. ESPN's existing networks present more than 1,600 hours of SEC action each year. The new network will focus exclusively on the SEC and add another outlet to deliver sports fans more SEC content than ever.

#### **Gamecock Television History**

South Carolina football has appeared on television many times, dating back to a local telecast of a game against Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 5, 1949. The first Gamecock home game to be televised was against the University of North Carolina in Carolina (now Williams-Brice) Stadium, Nov. 7, 1953.

#### **Carolina Football Radio Affiliates**

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Abbeville	WZLA-FM	92.9	Greenville	WROO-FM	104.9
Aiken/Edgefi	eld WKSX-FM	92.7	Hilton Head	WVSC-FM	99.1
Allendale	WDOG-FM	93.5	Hilton Head	WVSC-FM	106.5
Camden	WPUB-FM	102.7	Lake City	WHYM-AM	1260
Camden	WCAM-AM	1590	Myrtle Beach	WSYN-FM	103.1
Charleston	WWIK-FM	98.9	Newberry	WKDK-AM	1240
Chesterfield	WVSZ-FM	107.3	Rock Hill	WRHM-FM	107.1
Columbia	WNKT-FM	107.5	Rock Hill	WVSZ-FM	107.3
Florence	WFRK-FM	93.5	Seneca	WSNW-AM	1150
Florence	WHYM-AM	1260	Seneca	WSNW-FM	94.1
Gaffney	WZZQ-AM	1500	Sumter	WIBZ-FM	95.5
Gaffney	WZZQ-FM	104.3	Union	WBCU-AM	1460

# Williams-Brice Stadium

# **CAROLINA FOOTBALL**



Williams-Brice Stadium, formerly Carolina Stadium, was first constructed in 1934 by the Works Progress Administration (WPA). Then, it seated 17,600 Gamecock fans. It has undergone a number of expansions and revisions over the years, with the largest prior to the 1982 expansion coming in 1971-1972. A bequest from the estate of Mrs. Martha Williams-Brice helped boost the capacity then from slightly more than 43,000 to greater than 54,000.

Mrs. Williams-Brice's husband, Thomas H. Brice, was a Gamecock football letterman from 1922-24, and her family operated the Williams Furniture Company in Sumter. She left a substantial inheritance from the furniture fortune to her nephews, Thomas W. and Philip L. Edwards, much of which they passed on to the University of South Carolina. That included a bequest for the stadium project.

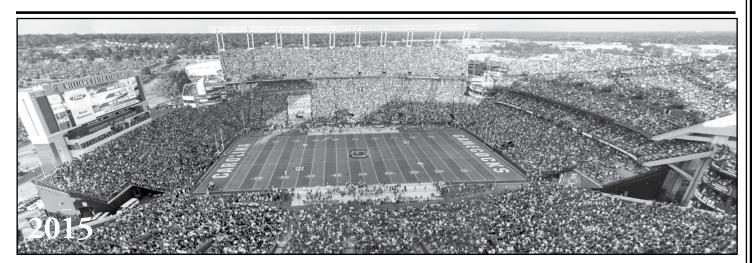
The name was officially changed from Carolina Stadium to Williams-Brice Stadium in dedication ceremonies during the Sept. 9, 1972 opener with Virginia. Added in 2012 was a \$6.5 million state-of-the-art videoboard that sits above the north stands. It measures 36' x 124'.

In 2015, the \$14.5 million Springs Brooks Plaza transformed the entire circumference of Williams-Brice Stadium into an aesthetically pleasing walkway with the look and feel similar to the majestic Gamecock Park.

#### Williams-Brice Stadium Facts

- First game as Carolina Stadium: Oct. 6, 1934 (USC 22, VMI 6)
- Dedicated as Williams-Brice Stadium: Sept. 9, 1972 (UVA 24, USC 16)
- Capacity: 80,250
- Stadium Record: 283-185-14 (.602)
- When the Gamecocks take the field on gameday, Williams-Brice Stadium is packed with 80,000+ screaming Gamecock fans, making it more populated than all but three cities in the state of South Carolina.
- Williams-Brice Stadium is recognized as one of the finest facilities in all of college football. Carolina annually ranks among the nation's leaders in attendance, and Gamecock fans are regarded as some of the most loyal in the country.
- South Carolina established a school record for football season tickets sold in 2005, selling 62,604 season tickets, surpassing the previous mark of 62,103 set in 2002. The numbers do not include student tickets and tickets contractually obligated to visiting teams.

# HOME OF THE GAMECOCKS













# **Gamecock Traditions**

#### **Nickname: The Fighting Gamecocks**

The University of South Carolina is the only major college athletic program in the country that uses "Fighting Gamecocks" as its official nickname and mascot. The University's athletic teams have been known as Gamecocks for over 100 years.

At the turn of the 20th century, after struggling for more than decade under numerous nicknames, the school's football team was the impetus of the new moniker. In 1903, Columbia's morning newspaper, *The State*, shortened the name to one word and Carolina teams have been Gamecocks ever since.

Those early teams must have been a feisty and spirited group. A gamecock, of course, is a fighting rooster known for its spirit and courage. A cock fight, which was a popular sport throughout the United States in the 19th century, would last until the death of one of the combatants. Cock fighting has been outlawed by most states for humanitarian reasons, but it is still held surreptitiously in many areas.

The State of South Carolina has long been closely connected with the breeding and training of fighting gamecocks. General Thomas Sumter, famed guerrilla fighter of the Revolutionary War, was known as "The Fighting Gamecock."

#### **The South Carolina Mascot**

The Gamecock mascot, "Cocky," is a familiar sight at a variety of South Carolina athletic events. He appears at all home and road football and basketball games, and at home baseball games. In addition he can be found frequenting other Olympic sports events on the Columbia campus.

Cocky was chosen National Mascot of the Year in 1986, 1994, and again in 2004 and is recognized as one of the most colorful mascots in collegiate athletics.

In 1981, and 1982, the Game-cocks participated in the College Baseball World Series and "Cocky" was selected both years as the official mascot of the CWS.



#### "2001"

The University of South Carolina Gamecocks feature perhaps the most unique and electrifying pregame entry in all of college football. In fact, *Sporting News* rated USC's "2001" as the most exciting pregame entry in all of college football. As the minutes wind down on the game clock prior to the opening kickoff, the Gamecocks leave the locker room following final pregame instruction from their coaching staff and assemble in the tunnel in the southwest corner of Williams-Brice Stadium. Then, as the crowd of more than 80,000 begins its roar of anticipation, the first notes of the theme song from "2001-A Space Odyssey" blare over the stadium sound system. As the music continues, the enthusiasm of the crowd is feverish. Finally, at just the exact moment, in perfect coordination with the music, the Gamecocks hit the field running, and the stadium goes wild.

#### **Gamecock Walk**

Approximately two hours and 20 minutes prior to every home game, the South Carolina team buses drop the players off on the Garnet Way in Gamecock Park. Through a throng of Gamecock fans and well-wishers along with the Carolina Marching Band, the team walks on the Garnet Way, crosses Bluff Road and the stadium tarmac and heads to the locker room, located in the southwest corner of Williams-Brice Stadium, to prepare for the game ahead.

#### **School Colors**

Garnet and Black were adopted near the turn of the century as the official colors of the University of South Carolina athletic teams. The colors are the dominant ones on the gamecock, which is the University's official mascot for its athletic teams.

#### The Cockaboose Railroad

What is perhaps the most unique form of tailgating and featured throughout the years in numerous magazines and television shows, the Cockaboose Railroad has made its way to Columbia and University of South Carolina football. Twenty-two cabooses line a railroad track just outside of Williams-Brice Stadium - but these rail cars don't move and they certainly aren't something you would see passing by on the rear end of a train.

Several years ago, a local businessman and his wife finally had enough of the railroad tracks which sit just a stone's throw from the south side of the stadium. In 1990, the beautifully-designed Cockaboose Railroad began catering to the serious Gamecock tailgater with amenities never before associated with in tailgating: running water, cable television, air conditioning, and heating, and a living room highlight each and every Cockaboose.

The Carolina Cockabooses are stationary and many are wired with closed-circuit television to watch Gamecock away games if making the trip is not feasible.

The Cockaboose Railroad - it's different, it's unique, and it's exciting; and there's nothing else like it in the nation.



#### Alma Mater: "We Hail Thee Carolina"

We hail thee, Carolina, and sing thy high praise; With loyal devotion, remembering the days; When proudly we sought thee, thy children to be: Here's a health, Carolina, forever to thee!

Since pilgrims of learning, we entered thy walls; And found dearest comrades in thy classic halls; We've honored and loved thee as sons faithfully: Here's a health, Carolina, forever to thee!

Generations of sons have rejoiced to proclaim; Thy watchword of service, thy beauty and fame; For ages to come shall their rallying cry be: Here's a health, Carolina, forever to thee!

Fair shrine of high honor and truth, thou shalt still; Blaze forth as a beacon, thy mission fulfill; And crowned by all hearts in a new jubilee: Here's a health, Carolina, forever to thee!

#### Fight Song: "The Fighting Gamecocks Lead the Way"

Hey, Let's give a cheer, Carolina is here, The Fighting Gamecocks lead the way. Who gives a care, If the going gets tough, And when it is rough, that's when the 'Cocks get going. Hail to our colors of garnet and black, In Carolina pride have we. So, Go Gamecocks Go - FIGHT! Drive for the goal - FIGHT! USC will win today - GO COCKS! So, let's give a cheer, Carolina is here. The Fighting Gamecocks All The Way!

#### Southeastern Conference

# **CAROLINA FOOTBALL**





Southeastern Conference 2201 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd. North Birmingham, AL 35203 (205) 458-3000

#### **SEC Mission Statement**

"The purpose of the SEC is to assist its member institutions in the maintenance of programs of intercollegiate athletics which are compatible with the highest standards of education and competitive sports."

#### The SEC

Since its formation in 1933, the SEC has directed and organized interscholastic athletic competitions, conducted tournaments and prescribed eligibility rules for studentathletes. The Conference also facilitates and assists its member institutions in maintaining intercollegiate athletic programs compatible with the highest standards of education and competitive sports. The Southeastern Conference crowns champions in 21 sports - 12 women's sports and nine men's sports.

#### **National Champions since 1992**

Since it expanded in 1992, the SEC has the most football national championships (AP, USA Today) with 12, including eight titles in the last 10 seasons. During that time, the SEC has had more teams (5) with national titles than any other conference.

SEC: Florida (1996, 2006, 2008), LSU (2003, 2007), Tennessee (1998), Alabama (1992, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2015), Auburn (2010)

Big 12: Texas (2005), Oklahoma (2000), Nebraska (1994, 1995, 1997)

**Big Ten**: Ohio State (2002, 2014), Michigan (1997)

Pac-12: Southern California (2003, 2004) ACC: Florida State (1993, 1999, 2013)

Big East: Miami, Fla. (2001)

#### **SEC Topps in Fan Support**

The Southeastern Conference has led the nation in total attendance in football every year since 1981. Since 1988, the SEC has led the nation in average attendance. Nearly 7.8 million fans witnessed first-hand, the excitement of SEC football in 2015. The average capacity of the 14 SEC stadiums during the last 10 years has been over 97 percent. Every year since 1988, the SEC has had at least four teams ranked in the top 10 in average attendance, including six of the top 10 in 2015.

#### **SEC Staff Directory**

Greg Sankey
Mark Womack Executive Associate Commissioner/CFO
Tiffany DanielsAssociate Commissioner/SWA
Charlie HusseyAssociate Commissioner/SEC Network Relations
William King Associate Commissioner/Legal Affairs and Compliance
Herb Vincent Associate Commissioner/Communications
Matt BoyerAssistant Commissioner/Compliance
Leslie Claybrook
Byron Hatch Assistant Commissioner/Championships
Will LawlerAssistant Commissioner/Compliance
Chris Waldsmith
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Misty Brown Director of Student-Athlete Engagement
Chuck Dunlap Director of Communications
John Gibson Director of Championships
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Tammy Wilson Director of Communications
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# **EASTERN DIVISION**



**FLORIDA GATORS** 



👄 GEORGIA BULLDOGS



KENTUCKY WILDCATS



MISSOURI TIGERS



**SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCKS** 



TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS



**VANDERBILT COMMODORES** 

# **WESTERN DIVISION**



ALABAMA CRIMSON TIDE



**ARKANSAS RAZORBACKS** 



**AUBURN TIGERS** 



**LSU TIGERS** 



**OLE MISS REBELS** 



MISSISSIPPI STATE BULLDOGS



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# 2016 Opponents



# **VANDERBILT COMMODORES**

Sept. 1 ❖ Nashville, Tenn.

General Information		
Location: Nashville, Tenn		
Founded:1873		
Enrollment:12,605		
Colors: Black and Gold		
Conference:Southeasterr		
Chancellor:Nicholas S. Zeppos		
Athletics Director:David Williams I		
Stadium:Vanderbilt Stadium		
Capacity:40,350		
Surface: Synthetic (Shaw Sportexe)		

Head Coach:	Derek Mason
Alma Mater (Year): Northe	rn Arizona (1992)
Record at School (Years):	7-17
Overall Record (Years):	7-17
Assistant Coaches:	
OC/Tight Ends:	Andy Ludwig
Defensive Line:	C.J. Ah You
Quarterbacks/ RC:	Gerry Gdowski
Special Teams/Running Back	s: Jeff Genyk
Wide Descivers	C

**Coaching Information** 

Team Information		
Football Office Phone:	615-322-3565	
Offensive Line:		
Secondary:		
Inside Linebackers:	Chris Marve	
Senior Defensive Assista	nt/OLB:Osla Lewis	
Wide Receivers:	Cortez Hankton	
Special Teams/Running	Backs: Jeff Genyk	
Quarterbacks/ RC:	Gerry Gdowski	
Defensive Line:		

ream mormation
2015 Overall Record:       4-8         2015 Conference Record:       2-6 (T4th East)         2015 Bowl Appearance:       None
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S): 57 (25/27/5)
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S): 16 (7/8/1)
Starters Returning (O/D/S):

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Football Contact:	Larry Leathers
Office Phone:	615-322-4121
Cell Phone:	615-480-8226
E-mail Address:larry.leat	hers@vanderbilt.com
Official Website:www	v.vucommodores.com

2016 S	chedule
September 1	vs. South Carolina
September 10	vs. Middle Tennessee
September 17	at Georgia Tech
September 24	at Western Kentucky
October 1	vs. Florida
October 8	at Kentucky
October 15	at Georgia
October 22	vs. Tennessee State
November 5	at Auburn
November 12	at Missouri
November 19	vs. Ole Miss
November 26	vs. Tennessee



# MISSISSIPPI ST. BULLDOGS

Sept. 10 **Starkville**, Miss.

Gene	ral Information
	Starkville, Miss.
Founded:	1878
Enrollment:	20,873
Colors:	Maroon and White
Conference:	Southeastern
Chancellor:	Dr. Mark Keenum
Athletics Director:	Scott Stricklin
Stadium:Davi	is Wade Stadium at Scott Field
Capacity:	61,337
Surface	Hybrid Bermuda Grass

Coaching Inform	nation
Head Coach:	Dan Mullen
Alma Mater (Year): Ursin	nus College (1994)
Record at School (Years):	55-35 (7 years)
Overall Record (Years):	55-35 (7 years)
Assistant Coaches:	
Defensive Line:	Brian Baker
Cornerbacks/RC:	Terrell Buckley
Co-OC/Wide Receivers:	Billy Gonzales
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Comercial IC	. Terreir Duckiey
Co-OC/Wide Receivers:	Billy Gonzales
Co-OC/Offensive Line:	John Jevesy
Quarterbacks:	Brian Johnson
Running Backs,/Special Teams	::Greg Knox
Safeties:	Maurice Linguist
Tight Ends:	Scott Sallach
DC/Linebackers:	Peter Sirmon
ootball Office Phone:	662-325-2534

Team Information	n
2015 Overall Record:	9-4
2015 Conference Record:	4-4 (T5th West)
2015 Bowl Appearance:	Belk Bowl
Mississippi State 5	1, N.C. State 28
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S):	43(18/22/3)
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S):	17 (8/7/2)
Starters Returning (O/D/S):	14 (6/7/1)
Starters Lost (O/D/S):	10 (5/4/1)

Football Contact:	Bill Martin
Office Phone:	662-325-2800
Cell Phone:	662-418-3821
E-mail Address: B	Martin@athletics.msstate.edu
Official Website:	www.HailState.com

2016 Schedule

**Media Information** 

2010 301	iledule
September 3	vs. South Alabama
September 10	vs. South Carolina
September 17	at LSU
September 24	at UMass
October 8	vs. Auburn
October 14	at BYU
October 22	at Kentucky
October 29	vs. Samford
November 5	vs. Texas A&M
November 12	at Alabama
November 19	vs. Arkansas
November 26	at Ole Miss



## E. CAROLINA PIRATES

Sept. 17 \* Columbia, S.C.

General Information	
Location:	Greenville, N.C.
Founded:	1907
Enrollment:	27,511
Colors:	Purple and Gold
Conference:	American Athletic
Chancellor:	Dr. Steven Ballard
Athletics Director:	Jeff Compher
Stadium:	Dowdy- Ficklen Stadium
Capacity:	50,000
Surface:	Natural Grass

Coaching Information	
Head Coach:Scottie Montgomery	
Alma Mater (Year): Duke (1999)	
Record at School (Years): 0-0 (1st season)	
Overall Record (Years): 0-0 (1st season)	
Assistant Coaches:	
Defensive Line:Deke Adams	
Inside Linebackers:Ryan Anderson	
Running Backs: Antonio King	
Wide Receivers: Phil McGeoghan	
Special Teams Coord./TE: Shannon Moore	
OC/Quarterbacks: Tony Ptersen	
DC/Outside Linebackers:Kenwick Tompson	
Assistant HC/Secondary:Rick Smith	
Offensive Line:Geep Wade	
Football Office Phone:	

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Team Information
2015 Overall Record:       5-7         2015 Conference Record:       3-5         2015 Bowl Appearance:       None
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S): 55 (22/28/5) Lettermen Lost (O/D/S): 19 (11/7/1) Starters Returning (O/D/S): 13 (5/6/2) Starters Lost (O/D/S): 11 (6/5/0)

Media Information	
Football Contact:	Tom McClellan
Office Phone:	252-737-452
Cell Phone:	252-737-1274
E-mail Address:	mcclellant@ecu.edu
Official Website:v	www.ecupirates.com

2016 Schedule	
September 3	vs. Western Carolina
September 10	
September 17	at South Carolina
September 24	at Virginia Tech
October 1	vs. UCF
October 8	at USF
October 13	vs. Navy
October 22	vs. at Cincinnati
October 29	vs. Connecticut
November 5	at Tulsa
November 12	vs. SMU
November 26	at Temple

# 2016 Opponents

# **CAROLINA FOOTBALL**





# **KENTUCKY WILDCATS**

Sept. 24 **\$** Lexington, Ky.

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General Information		
Location:	Lexington, Ky.	
Founded:	1865	
Enrollment:	30,000	
Colors:	Blue and White	
Conference:	Southeastern	
Chancellor:	Dr. Eli Capilouto	
Athletics Director:	Mitch Barnhart	
Stadium:	Commonwealth Stadium	
Capacity:	61,000	
Surface: UBU	Speed Series Synthetic Turf	
Coaching Information		
Head Coach:	Mark Stoops	
	Iowa (1989)	

Alma Mater (Year):Iowa (1989)
Record at School (Years):12-24 (3 years)
Overall Record (Years):12-24 (3 years)
Assistant Coaches:
Defensive Line:Jimmy Brumbaugh
Outside Linebackers:Andy Buh
Defensive Backs:Steve Clinkscale
DC/Inside Linebackers:D.J. Elliot
AHC-Offense/Running Backs: Eddie Gran
Co-OC/Quarterbacks: Darin Hinshaw
Tight Ends/RC:Vince Marrow
Offensive Line:John Schlarman

Wide Receivers: ..... Lamar Thomas

Football Office Phone: ......859-257-3611

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	Susan Lax
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2016 Schedule	
September 3vs. Southern Miss	
September 10at Florida	
September 17vs. New Mexico State	
September 24vs. South Carolina	
October 1at Alabama	
October 8vs. Vanderbilt	
October 22vs. Mississippi State	
October 29 at Missouri	
November 5vs. Georgia	
November 12at Tennessee	
November 19vs. Austin Peay	
November 26at Louisville	



## TEXAS A&M AGGIES

Oct. 1 & Columbia, S.C.

General Information	
Location:	College Station, Texas
Founded:	1876
Enrollment:	59,000
Colors:	Maroon and White
Conference:	Southeastern
Chancellor:	John Sharpe
Athletics Director:	Scott Woodward
Stadium:	Kyle Field
Capacity:	102,577
Surface:	Natural Grass

Head Coach:	Kevin Sumlin
Alma Mater (Year):	Purdue (1988)
Record at School (Years):	36-16 (5 years)
Overall Record (Years):	71-33 (7 years)
Assistant Coaches:	
Associate HC/DC/Linebacke	rs:John Chavis
OC/Quarterbacks:	Noel Mazzone
Special Teams Coord./Tight I	Ends: Jeff Banks
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**Coaching Information** 

Special Teams Coord./Tight Ends:... Jeff Banks
Defensive Secondary: Terry Joseph
Running Backs: Clarence McKinney
Wide Receivers: Aaron Moorehead
Defensive Ends: Terry Price
DT/Run Game Coord: David Turner
Offensive Line: Jim Turner
Football Office Phone: 979-845-5129

Team Information	
2015 Overall Record: 8-	
2015 Conference Record: 4-4 (T5th Wes	st
2015 Bowl Appearance: Music City Bow	W
Louisville 27, Texas A&M 2	2
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S): 50 (18/29/3	3
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S): 26 (16/8/2	2
Starters Returning (O/D/S):	0
Starters Lost (O/D/S):11 (5/4/2	2

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Madia Information

2016 Se	chedule
September 3	vs. UCLA
September 10	vs. Prairie View A&M
September 17	
September 24 vs. A	
October 1	at South Carolina
October 8	vs. Tennessee
October 22	at Alabama
October 29	vs. New Mexico State
November 5	at Mississippi State
November 12	
November 19	vs. UTSA
November 24	vs. LSU



# **GEORGIA BULLDOGS**

Oct. 8 \* Columbia, S.C.

General Information	
Location:	Athens, Ga.
Founded:	1785
Enrollment:	34,753
Colors:	Red and Black
Conference:	Southeastern
Chancellor:	Jere W. Morehead
Athletics Director:	Greg McGarity
Stadium:	Sanford Stadium
Capacity:	92,746
Surface:Natural Grass, Bermuda Tifway 419	

Coaching Information	
Head Coach:Kirby Smart	
Alma Mater (Year):Georgia (1999)	
Record at School (Years):0-0 (1st year)	
Overall Record (Years):0-0 (1st year)	
Assistant Coaches:	
DC/Secondary: Mel Tucker	
OC/Quarterbacks:Jim Chaney	
Associate HC/Defensive Line: Tracey Rocker	
Outside Linebackers: Kevin Sherrer	
Offensive Line: Sam Pittman	
Wide Receivers:James Coley	
Tight Ends/Special Teams:Shane Beamer	
Inside Linebackers: Glenn Schumann	
Running backs:Dell McGee	
Football Office Phone:706-542-9036	

Team Information	
2015 Overall Record:	10-3
2015 Conference Record:	. 5-3 (T2nd East)
2015 Bowl Appearance:	TaxSlayer Bowl
Georgia	24, Penn State 17
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S):	43 (17/24/2)
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S):	28 (11/12/5)
Starters Returning (O/D/S):	15 (8/6/1)
Starters Lost (O/D/S):	9 (3/5/1)

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2016 Schedule	
September 3vs. North Carolina (Atlant	a)
September 10vs. Nicholls Sta	te
September 17 at Missou	ri
September 24at Ole Mi	SS
October 1vs. Tennesse	ee
October 8at South Carolir	ıa
October 15vs. Vanderbi	
October 29vs. Florida (Jacksonvill	e)
November 5at Kentuck	ςy
November 12vs. Aubur	'n
November 19 vs. Louisiana-Lafayet	te
November 26vs. Georgia Tec	ch



# 2016 Opponents



#### UMASS MINUTEMEN

Oct. 22 & Columbia, S.C.

General Information	
Location:	Amherst, Mass.
Founded:	1863
Enrollment:	29,269
Colors: Maroon	, White, Cool Grey, Black
Conference:	Independent
Chancellor: Dr	. Kumble R. Subbaswamy

# Surface: ...... Fieldturf Coaching Information

Head Coach:	Mark Whipple
Alma Mater (Year):	Brown (1979)
Record at School (Years):	55-44 (8 years)
Overall Record (Years):	127-77 (17 years)
Assistant Coaches:	•

ssistant Coaches:
DC/Safeties:Tom Masella
Special Teams Coord./OLB: Mark Michaels
Cornerbacks:Steve Costello
Defensive Line/Special Teams: Matt Dawson
Recruiting Coordinator/ILB: Charles Walker
Passing Game Coord./WR: Spencer Whipple
Offensive Line: Mike Foley
Tight Ends:Jason Palermo
Running Backs: Darrius Smith
Quarterbacks:Scott Woodward
ootball Office Phone:413-545-2026

#### **Team Information**

2015 Overall Record:	3-9
2015 Conference Record:	2-6 (T5th East)
2015 Bowl Appearance:	None
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S):	36 (15/18/3)
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S):	25 (13/11/1)
Starters Returning (O/D/S):	12 (4/6/2)
Starters Lost (O/D/S):	12 (7/5/0)

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#### 2016 Schedule

September 3	at Florida
September 10	vs. Boston College
September 17	vs. FIU
September 24	vs. Mississippi State
October 1	vs. Tulane
October 8	at Old Dominion
October 15	vs. Louisiana
October 22	at South Carolina
October 29	vs. Wagner
November 5	at Troy
November 19	at BYÜ
November 26	at Hawaii



# TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS

Oct. 29 \* Columbia, S.C.

#### **General Information**

Location:	Knoxville, Tenn.
Founded:	1794
Enrollment:	27,410
Colors:	Orange and White
Conference:	Southeastern
President:	Dr. Joe DiPietro
Athletics Director:	Dave Hart
Stadium:	Neyland Stadium
Capacity:	102,455
Surface:	

#### Coaching Information

riead Coach: Butch Jones
Alma Mater (Year):Ferris State (1989)
Record at School (Years):
Overall Record (Years):
Assistant Coaches:
Associate HC/Defensive Line: Steve Stripling
OC/Quarterbacks: Mike DeBord
Defensive Coordinator: Bob Shoop
Assistant HC-Defense/DB: Willie Martinez

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Assistant HC-Defense/DB:	. Willie Martinez
WR/Passing Game Coord.:	Zach Azzanni
RB/Recruiting Coord.:	Robert Gillespie
Offensive Line:	Don Mahoney
Tight Ends:	Larry Scott
Linebackers:	Tommy Thigpen
Football Office Phone:	865-974-1234

#### Team Information

2015 Overall Record:	9-4
2015 Conference Record:	5-3
2015 Bowl Appearance:	Outback Bowl
Tennessee 45,	Northwestern 6
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S):	57 (25/30/2)
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S):	16 (7/7/2)
Starters Returning (O/D/S):	19 (9/8/2)
Starters Lost (O/D/S):	5 (2/3/0)

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#### 2016 Schedule

September 3	vs. Appalachian State
September 10 vs. Virgi	nia Tech (Bristol, Tenn.)
September 17	vs. Ohio
September 24	vs. Florida
October 1	at Georgia
October 8	at Texas A&M
October 15	vs. Alabama
October 29	at South Carolina
November 5	vs. Tennessee Tech
November 12	vs. Kentucky
November 19	vs. Missouri
November 26	at Vanderbilt



#### MISSOURI TIGERS

Nov. 5  **Columbia**, S.C.

#### **General Information**

Location:	Columbia, Mo.
Founded:	1839
Enrollment:	35,441
Colors:	Old Gold and Black
Conference:	Southeastern
President:	Dr. R. Bowen Loftin
Athletics Director:	Mack Rhoades
Stadium:	Memorial Stadium
Capacity:	72,000
Surface:	Field Turf

#### **Coaching Information**

nead Coach:	barry Odom
Alma Mater (Year):	Missouri (1999)
Record at School (Years):	0-0 (1st year)
Overall Record (Years):	0-0 (1st year)
Assistant Coaches:	
Associate HC/Wide Receiv	ers: Andy Hill
Assistant HC/Running Bac	cks:Cornell Ford

Associate HC/ Wide Receive	rs: Anay Hill
Assistant HC/Running Back	s:Cornell Ford
DC/Linebackers:	DeMontie Cross
OC/Quarterbacks:	Josh Heupel
Co-DC/Safeties:	Ryan Walters
Cornerbacks:	Greg Brown
Offensive Line:	Glen Elarbee
Tight Ends:	Joe Jon Finley
Defensive Line:	Jackie Shipp
ootball Office Phone:	573-882-2213

#### **Team Information**

2015 Overall Record:	5-7
2015 Conference Record:	1-7 (T6th East)
2015 Bowl Appearance:	None

Lettermen Returning (O/D/S):	44 (18/25/1)
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S):	. 22 (14/7/1)
Starters Returning (O/D/S):	14 (5/8/1)
Starters Lost (O/D/S):	10 (6/3/1)

#### **Media Information**

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# 2016 Opponents

# **CAROLINA FOOTBALL**





# FLORIDA GATORS

Nov. 12 * Gainesville, Fla.
General Information
Location: Gainsville, Fla.  Founded: 1853 Enrollment: 51,725 Colors: Orange and Blue Conference: Southeastern President: Dr. J. Bernard Machen Athletics Director: Jeremy N. Foley Stadium: Ben Hill Griffin Stadium
Capacity:
Coaching Information
Head Coach:

Overall Record (Years):32-20 (5 years)
Assistant Coaches:
OC/Quarterbacks: Doug Nussmeier
Defensive Coordinator:Geoff Collins
Wide Receivers: Kerry Dixon II
Defensive Backs: Torrian Gray
Special Teams Coord./Tight Ends:Greg Nord
Defensive Line: Chris Rumph
Associate HC/Co-DC/LB:Randy Shannon
Running Backs: Tim Skipper
Offensive Line: Mike Summers
Football Office Phone: . 352-375-4683 ext. 4100

Team Information	
2015 Overall Record:	10-4
2015 Conference Record:	7-1 (1st East)
2015 Bowl Appearance:	Citrus Bowl
Michig	an 41, Florida 7
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S):	48 (23/21/4)
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S):	24 (13/9/2)
Starters Returning (O/D/S):	14 (6/6/2)
Starters Lost (O/D/S):	10 (5/5/0)

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2016 Schedule	
September 3vs. UMass	
September 10vs. Kentucky	
September 17vs. North Texas	
September 24at Tennessee	
October 1at Vanderbilt	
October 8vs. LSU	
October 15vs. Missouri	
October 29vs. Georgia (Jacksonville)	
November 5at Arkansas	
November 12vs. South Carolina	
November 19vs. Presbyterian	
November 26 at Florida State	

WAIT	W. CAROLINA CATAMOUNTS
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	Nov 19 & Columbia S.C.

General Information	
Location:	Cullowhee, N.C.
Founded:	1889
Enrollment:	10,382
Colors:	Purple and Gold
Conference:	Southern
Chancellor:	David O'Belcher
Athletics Director:	Randy Eaton
Stadium: Bob Waters Field at 1	E. J. Whitmire Stadium
Capacity:	13,742
Surface:	Turf

Coaching information	
Head Coach:	Mark Speir
Alma Mater (Year):	Clemson (1990)
Record at School (Years):	17-29 (4 years)
Overall Record (Years):	17-29 (4 years)
Assistant Coaches:	•
OC/Quarterbacks:	Brad Glenn
DC/Nickelbacks:	Dustin Landry
Assistant HC/DL/RC:	Mark Rhea
Offensive Line:	John Holt
Wide Receivers:	Tyler Carlton
Linebackers:	
Safeties:	Blake Gideon
Tight Ends/Special Teams	Coord:Pat Mills
Running Backs:	
Cornerbacks:	Zac Etheridge
Football Office Phone:	828-227-7395

Team Information	
2015 Overall Record:	7-4
2015 Conference Record:	5-2
2015 Bowl Appearance:	None
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S):	. 48 (20/24/4)
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S):	. 24 (12/11/1)
Starters Returning (O/D/S):	14 (6/6/2)
Starters Lost (O/D/S):	10 (5/5/0)

Media Information	
Office Phone:	

2016	Schedule
September 3	at East Carolina
September 10	vs. Gardner-Webb
September 17	at East Tennessee State
October 1	vs. The Citadel
October 8	vs. Wofford
October 15	at Mercer
October 22	at Samford
October 29	vs. Chattanooga
	vs. VMI
November 12	at Furman
November 19	at South Carolina



# CLEMSON TIGERS

Nov. 26 \* Clemson, S.C.

General Information	
Location:	Clemson, S.C.
Founded:	1889
Enrollment:	21,957
Colors:	Tiger Orange and Regalia
Conference:	Atlantic Coast
President:	Dr. James P. Clements
Athletics Director:	Dan Radakovich
Stadium:	Memorial Stadium
Capacity:	81,500
Surface:	Natural Grass

Coaching Information	
Head Coach:	Dabo Swinney
Alma Mater (Year):	Alabama (1993)
Record at School (Years):	75-27 (7 years)
Overall Record (Years):	75-27 (7 years)
Assistant Coaches:	
Associate HC/Defensive Ta	ackles:Dan Brooks
Asst. HC/Special Teams/T	E:Danny Pearman
DC/Linebackers:	
Co-OC/Running Backs:	•
Co-OC/Wide Receivers:	Jeff Scott

Team Information	
Football Office Phone:	864-656-1910
Quarterbacks/RC:	
Defensive Backs:	
Offensive Line:	Robbie Caldwell
Co-DC/Defensive Ends:	Marion Hobby
Co-OC/Wide Receivers:	Jeff Scott
Co-OC/Running Backs:	Tony Elliott
DC/Linebackers:	Brent Venables
Asst. HC/Special Teams/T	E:Danny Pearman

2015 Overall Record:
2015 Conference Record:8-0 (1st Atlantic)
2015 Bowl Appearance: CFP National Championship
Alabama 45, Clemson 40
Lettermen Returning (O/D/S): 52 (28/21/3)
Lettermen Lost (O/D/S): 28 (12/14/2)
Starters Returning (O/D/S): 13 (8/3/2)
Starters Lost (O/D/S):11 (3/8/0)

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2016 Schedule	
September 3	at Auburn
September 10	
September 17	
September 22	
October 1	_
October 7	at Boston College
October 15	
October 29	at Florida State
November 5	vs. Syracuse
November 12	vs. Pittsburgh
November 19	vs. Wake Forest
November 26	vs. South Carolina



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# SEC Weekly Schedule

# **CAROLINA FOOTBALL**



#### September 1

#### \*South Carolina at Vanderbilt

Appalachian State at Tennessee

#### September 3

Alabama vs. Southern California (Arlington) Louisiana Tech at Arkansas Clemson at Auburn UMass at Florida North Carolina vs. Georgia (Atlanta) Southern Miss at Kentucky LSU vs. Wisconsin (Green Bay) South Alabama at Mississippi State

#### September 5

Ole Miss vs. Florida State (Orlando)

#### September 10

#### \*South Carolina at Mississippi State

\*Kentucky at Florida

UCLA at Texas A&M

Missouri at West Virginia

Western Kentucky at Alabama

Arkansas at TCU

Arkansas State at Auburn

Nicholls State at Georgia

Jacksonville State at LSU

Wofford at Ole Miss

Eastern Michigan at Missouri

Tennessee vs. Virginia Tech (Bristol)

Prairie View at Texas A&M

Middle Tennessee at Vanderbilt

#### September 17

- \*Alabama at Ole Miss
- \*Texas A&M at Auburn
- \*Georgia at Missouri
- \*Mississippi State at LSU

#### East Carolina at South Carolina

Texas State at Arkansas

North Texas at Florida

New Mexico State at Kentucky

Ohio at Tennessee

Vanderbilt at Georgia Tech

#### September 24

#### \*South Carolina at Kentucky

- \*Arkansas vs. Texas A&M (Arlington)
- \*LSU at Auburn
- \*Florida at Tennessee
- \*Georgia at Ole Miss

Kent State at Alabama

Mississippi State at UMass

Delaware State at Missouri

Vanderbilt at Western Kentucky

#### October 1

#### \*Texas A&M at South Carolina

- \*Kentucky at Alabama
- \*Florida at Vanderbilt
- \*Tennessee at Georgia
- \*Missouri at LSU

Arkansas vs. Alcorn State (Little Rock)

Louisiana-Monroe at Auburn

Memphis at Ole Miss

#### October 8

#### \*Georgia at South Carolina

- \*Alabama at Arkansas
- \*Auburn at Mississippi State
- \*LSU at Florida
- \*Vanderbilt at Kentucky
- \*Tennessee at Texas A&M

#### October 15

- \*Alabama at Tennessee
- \*Ole Miss at Arkansas
- \*Missouri at Florida
- \*Vanderbilt at Georgia

Southern Miss at LSU

Mississippi State vs. BYU

#### October 22

- \*Texas A&M at Alabama
- \*Arkansas at Auburn
- \*Mississippi State at Kentucky
- \*Ole Miss at LSU

#### UMass at South Carolina

Middle Tennessee at Missouri

Tennessee State at Vanderbilt

#### October 29

#### \*Tennessee at South Carolina

- \*Auburn at Ole Miss
- \*Florida vs. Georgia (Jacksonville)
- \*Kentucky at Missouri

Samford at Mississippi State

New Mexico State at Texas A&M

#### November 5

#### \*Missouri at South Carolina

- \*Alabama at LSU
- \*Florida at Arkansas
- \*Vanderbilt at Auburn
- \*Georgia at Kentucky
- \*Texas A&M at Mississippi State

Georgia Southern at Ole Miss

Tennessee Tech at Tennessee

#### **November 12**

#### \*South Carolina at Florida

- \*Mississippi State at Alabama
- \*LSU at Arkansas
- \*Auburn at Georgia
- \*Kentucky at Tennessee
- \*Ole Miss at Texas A&M
- \*Vanderbilt at Missouri

#### November 19

- \*Arkansas at Mississippi State
- \*Ole Miss at Vanderbilt
- \*Missouri at Tennessee

#### Western Carolina at South Carolina

Chattanooga at Alabama

Alabama A&M at Auburn

Presbyterian at Florida

Louisiana-Lafayette at Georgia

Austin Peay at Kentucky

South Alabama at LSU

Texas- San Antonio at Texas A&M

#### November 24

\*LSU at Texas A&M

#### November 26

- \*Auburn at Alabama
- \*Arkansas at Missouri
- \*Mississippi State vs. Ole Miss
- \*Tennessee at Vanderbilt

#### South Carolina at Clemson

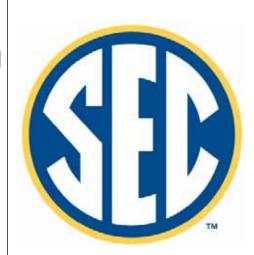
Florida at Florida State Georgia Tech at Georgia

Kentucky at Louisville

#### December 3

#### SEC Championship Game

Georgia Dome, Atlanta





# SEC Composite Schedule



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2016 SEC FOOTBALL



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