



# GAMECOCK FOOTBALL CAROLINA



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# INFORMATION

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## 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 entrepreneurship.

◆ 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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## 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 Pastides.....	2008-Present
Andrew A. Sorensen .....	2002-2008
John M. Palms .....	1991-2002
James B. Holderman .....	1977-1990
William H. Patterson .....	1974-1977
Thomas F. Jones .....	1962-1974
Robert L. Sumwalt .....	1957-1962
Donald S. Russell .....	1952-1957
Norman M. Smith .....	1945-1952
J. Rion McKissick .....	1936-1944
Leonard T. Baker .....	1931-1936
Davison M. Douglas .....	1927-1931
William D. Melton .....	1922-1926
William Spenser Currell .....	1914-1922
Samuel Chiles Mitchell .....	1909-1913
Benjamin Sloan .....	1903-1909
Franklin C Woodward .....	1897-1902
James Woodrow .....	1891-1897
John M. McBryde .....	1882-1883
William Porcher Miles .....	1880-1882
Augustus Baldwin Longstreet .....	1857-1861
Charles F. McCay .....	1855-1857
James Henley Thornwell .....	1851-1855
William Campbell Preston .....	1845-1851
Robert Henry .....	1841-1845
Robert W. Barnwell .....	1835-1841
Thomas Cooper .....	1821-1834
Jonathan Maxcy .....	1804-1820

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.



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, highlighted 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").





**DR. HARRIS PASTIDES**  
University President



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Faculty Athletics Representative



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Athletics Director



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Xavier Shannon	Academic Advisor
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Jessica Gibson	Enrichment Services Coordinator
Toni Rabon	Information Resources Coordinator
Melissa Ethridge	Learning Specialist/Tutor Coordinator
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Rosalind Isaac	Administrative Assistant/Payroll Coord.
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Breanna Reyes	Athletic Trainer
Mark Rodger	Athletic Trainer
Stephanie Rosehart	Athletic Trainer
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Clark McCarthy	Women's Assistant Coach
Joey Worthen	Men's Assistant Coach
Allison Orvin	Administrative Assistant

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Kevin Epley	Women's Head Coach
Ryan Young	Men's Assistant Coach
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Allison Orvin	Administrative Assistant
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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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## 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 of 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 inter-collegiate 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, coordinators and selected players are available for network television only.	Head coach Will Muschamp and requested players will be available in Media Interview Room following the game. The Gamecocks' locker room is closed to the media.



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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.sportssystem.com/clients/seccredentials](http://www.sportssystem.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](mailto: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 than 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 be 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.



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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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 news-breaking 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.



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 play-by-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

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.

## Gamecock Radio Contacts

**Liz McMillan:** 803-777-7895  
liz.mcmillan@imgworld.com  
**Todd Ellis:** 803-732-0123  
todd@toddelislaw.com  
**Tommy Suggs:** 803-799-5533  
**Langston Moore:** 214-769-5087



**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

Abbeville	WZLA-FM	92.9	Greenville	WROO-FM	104.9
Aiken/Edgefield	WKXS-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	WYSN-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, 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





## 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 Gamecocks 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!



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## 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 student-athletes. 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 .....	Commissioner
Mark Womack .....	Executive Associate Commissioner/CFO
Tiffany Daniels.....	Associate Commissioner/SWA
Charlie Hussey .....	Associate Commissioner/SEC Network Relations
William King .....	Associate Commissioner/Legal Affairs and Compliance
Herb Vincent .....	Associate Commissioner/Communications
Matt Boyer.....	Assistant Commissioner/Compliance
Leslie Claybrook.....	Assistant Commissioner/Championships
Byron Hatch .....	Assistant Commissioner/Championships
Will Lawler .....	Assistant Commissioner/Compliance
Chris Waldsmith .....	Assistant Commissioner/Finance
Kathryn Poe-Switzer .....	Executive Associate to Commissioner Sankey
Torie Johnson .....	Executive Director, SECU
Misty Brown .....	Director of Student-Athlete Engagement
Chuck Dunlap .....	Director of Communications
John Gibson .....	Director of Championships
Craig Pinkerton .....	Director of Communications
B.C. Romano .....	Director of Video and Creative Services
Milton Roy .....	Director of Compliance
Jim Sullivan.....	Director of Championship Ticket Operations
Tammy Wilson .....	Director of Communications
Sylvia Hagan .....	Associate Director of Officiating Administration
Ben Beaty.....	Assistant Director of Communications
Cole Cunningham.....	Assistant Director of Video and Creative Services
Jill Skotarczak.....	Assistant Director of Communications
Ally Slivka .....	Assistant Director of Financial Operations
Brett Thompson .....	Assistant Director of Championship Ticket Operations
Bryant Welbourne .....	Assistant Director, SECU
Kory Dahlen .....	Competition Coordinator
Robert Milligan.....	Video Assistant
Susan Bishop.....	Administrative Assistant, SECU
Alli Jacobs .....	Administrative Assistant
Donna Moore .....	Administrative Assistant
Bailey Powell .....	Administrative Assistant for the Commissioner's Office
Brenda Gray .....	Receptionist
Steve Shaw .....	Coordinator of Football Officials
Larry Templeton .....	Consultant to the Commissioner
SEC on Twitter .....	@sec

## EASTERN DIVISION



**FLORIDA GATORS**



**GEORGIA BULLDOGS**



**KENTUCKY WILDCATS**



**MISSOURI TIGERS**



**SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCKS**



**TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS**



**VANDERBILT COMMODORES**

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**ALABAMA CRIMSON TIDE**



**ARKANSAS RAZORBACKS**



**AUBURN TIGERS**



**LSU TIGERS**



**OLE MISS REBELS**



**MISSISSIPPI STATE BULLDOGS**



**TEXAS A&M AGGIES**



# CAROLINA FOOTBALL

# 2016 Opponents



## VANDERBILT COMMODORES

Sept. 1 ♦ Nashville, Tenn.

### General Information

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

### Coaching Information

Head Coach: ..... Derek Mason  
Alma Mater (Year): ..... Northern 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 Backs: ..... Jeff Genyk  
Wide Receivers: ..... Cortez Hankton  
Senior Defensive Assistant/OLB: ..... Osla Lewis  
Inside Linebackers: ..... Chris Marve  
Secondary: ..... Marc Mattioli  
Offensive Line: ..... Cameron Norcross  
Football Office Phone: ..... 615-322-3565

### Team Information

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): ..... 17 (8/7/2)  
Starters Lost (O/D/S): ..... 7 (3/4/0)

### Media Information

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

### 2016 Schedule

**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.

### General Information

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

### Coaching Information

Head Coach: ..... Dan Mullen  
Alma Mater (Year): ..... Ursinus 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  
Co-OC/Offensive Line: ..... John Jevsey  
Quarterbacks: ..... Brian Johnson  
Running Backs./Special Teams: ..... Greg Knox  
Safeties: ..... Maurice Linguist  
Tight Ends: ..... Scott Sallach  
DC/Linebackers: ..... Peter Sirmon  
Football Office Phone: ..... 662-325-2534

### Team Information

2015 Overall Record: ..... 9-4  
2015 Conference Record: ..... 4-4 (T5th West)  
2015 Bowl Appearance: ..... Belk Bowl  
Mississippi State 51, 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)

### Media Information

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

### 2016 Schedule

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: ..... 252-737-4502

### 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)

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### 2016 Schedule

September 3 ..... vs. Western Carolina  
September 10 ..... vs. NC State  
**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



## KENTUCKY WILDCATS

Sept. 24 ♦ Lexington, Ky.

### 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  
 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

### Team Information

2015 Overall Record: ..... 5-7  
 2015 Conference Record: ..... 2-6 (T4th East)  
 2015 Bowl Appearance: ..... None  
 Lettermen Returning (O/D/S): ..... 42 (23/17/2)  
 Lettermen Lost (O/D/S): ..... 22 (5/14/3)  
 Starters Returning (O/D/S): ..... 16 (9/6/1)  
 Starters Lost (O/D/S): ..... 8 (2/5/1)

### Media Information

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### 2016 Schedule

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

### Coaching Information

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/Linebackers: ..... John Chavis  
     OC/Quarterbacks: ..... Noel Mazzone  
     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: ..... 8-5  
 2015 Conference Record: ..... 4-4 (T5th West)  
 2015 Bowl Appearance: ..... Music City Bowl  
     Louisville 27, Texas A&M 21  
 Lettermen Returning (O/D/S): ..... 50 (18/29/3)  
 Lettermen Lost (O/D/S): ..... 26 (16/8/2)  
 Starters Returning (O/D/S): ..... 13 (6/7/0)  
 Starters Lost (O/D/S): ..... 11 (5/4/2)

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### 2016 Schedule

September 3 ..... vs. UCLA  
 September 10 ..... vs. Prairie View A&M  
 September 17 ..... at Auburn  
 September 24 ..... vs. Arkansas (Arlington, Tex.)  
**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 ..... vs. Ole Miss  
 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 3 ..... vs. North Carolina (Atlanta)  
 September 10 ..... vs. Nicholls State  
 September 17 ..... at Missouri  
 September 24 ..... at Ole Miss  
 October 1 ..... vs. Tennessee  
**October 8 ..... at South Carolina**  
 October 15 ..... vs. Vanderbilt  
 October 29 ..... vs. Florida (Jacksonville)  
 November 5 ..... at Kentucky  
 November 12 ..... vs. Auburn  
 November 19 ..... vs. Louisiana-Lafayette  
 November 26 ..... vs. Georgia Tech



# CAROLINA FOOTBALL

# 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  
Athletics Director: ..... Ryan Bamford  
Stadium: ..... Warren McGuirk Alumni Stadium  
Capacity: ..... 17,000  
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:

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  
Football 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 BYU  
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: ..... Natural Grass

### Coaching Information

Head Coach: ..... Butch Jones  
Alma Mater (Year): ..... Ferris State (1989)  
Record at School (Years): ..... 21-17  
Overall Record (Years): ..... 71-44  
Assistant Coaches:

Associate HC/Defensive Line: ..... Steve Stripling  
OC/Quarterbacks: ..... Mike DeBord  
Defensive Coordinator: ..... Bob Shoop  
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. Virginia 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

Head 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 Receivers: ..... Andy Hill  
Assistant HC/Running Backs: ..... 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  
Football 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 Schedule

September 3 ..... at West Virginia  
September 10 ..... vs. Eastern Michigan  
September 17 ..... vs. Georgia  
September 24 ..... vs. Delaware State  
October 1 ..... at LSU  
October 15 ..... at Florida  
October 22 ..... vs. Middle Tennessee  
October 29 ..... vs. Kentucky  
**November 5 ..... at South Carolina**  
November 12 ..... vs. Vanderbilt  
November 19 ..... at Tennessee  
November 26 ..... vs. Arkansas



## FLORIDA GATORS

Nov. 12 ♦ Gainesville, Fla.

### General Information

Location:.....Gainesville, 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:.....88,548  
 Surface:.....Natural Grass

### Coaching Information

Head Coach:.....Jim McElwain  
 Alma Mater (Year):...Eastern Washington (1983)  
 Record at School (Years):.....10-4 (1 year)  
 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  
     Michigan 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 3 .....vs. UMass  
 September 10 .....vs. Kentucky  
 September 17 .....vs. North Texas  
 September 24 .....at Tennessee  
 October 1 .....at Vanderbilt  
 October 8 .....vs. LSU  
 October 15 .....vs. Missouri  
 October 29 .....vs. Georgia (Jacksonville)  
 November 5 .....at Arkansas  
**November 12 .....vs. South Carolina**  
 November 19 .....vs. Presbyterian  
 November 26 .....at Florida State



## W. CAROLINA CATAMOUNTS

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 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:.....Chris Collins  
     Safeties:.....Blake Gideon  
     Tight Ends/Special Teams Coord:.....Pat Mills  
     Running Backs:.....Jason Nichols  
     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)

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### 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  
 November 5 .....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 Tackles:..Dan Brooks  
     Asst. HC/Special Teams/TE:..Danny Pearman  
     DC/Linebackers:.....Brent Venables  
     Co-OC/Running Backs:.....Tony Elliott  
     Co-OC/Wide Receivers:.....Jeff Scott  
     Co-DC/Defensive Ends:.....Marion Hobby  
     Offensive Line:.....Robbie Caldwell  
     Defensive Backs:.....Mike Reed  
     Quarterbacks/RC:.....Brandon Streeter  
 Football Office Phone: .....864-656-1910

### Team Information

2015 Overall Record:.....14-1  
 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 .....vs. Troy  
 September 17 .....vs. SC State  
 September 22 .....at Georgia Tech  
 October 1 .....vs. Louisville  
 October 7 .....at Boston College  
 October 15 .....vs. NC State  
 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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## 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  
UCLA at Texas A&M  
Missouri at West Virginia

## September 5

Ole Miss vs. Florida State (Orlando)

## September 10

\***South Carolina at Mississippi State**  
\*Kentucky at Florida  
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





## 2016 SEC FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

(Tentative and Subject to Change)



Date Team	Sept. 3	Sept. 10	Sept. 17	Sept. 24	Oct. 1	Oct. 8	Oct. 15	Oct. 22	Oct. 29	Nov. 5	Nov. 12	Nov. 19	Nov. 26
ALABAMA	SOUTHERN CAL Arlington, Texas	WESTERN KENTUCKY Tuscaloosa	OLE MISS Oxford	KENT STATE Tuscaloosa	KENTUCKY Tuscaloosa	ARKANSAS Fayetteville	TENNESSEE Knoxville	TEXAS A&M Tuscaloosa		LSU Baton Rouge	MISSISSIPPI STATE Tuscaloosa	CHATTANOOGA Tuscaloosa	AUBURN Tuscaloosa
ARKANSAS	LOUISIANA TECH Fayetteville	TCU Fort Worth	TEXAS STATE Fayetteville	TEXAS A&M Arlington, Texas	ALCORN STATE Little Rock	ALABAMA Fayetteville	OLE MISS Fayetteville	AUBURN Auburn		FLORIDA Fayetteville	LSU Fayetteville	MISSISSIPPI STATE Starkville	MISSOURI Columbia
AUBURN	CLEMSON Auburn	ARKANSAS STATE Auburn	TEXAS A&M Auburn	LSU Auburn	LOUISIANA-MONROE Auburn	MISSISSIPPI STATE Starkville		ARKANSAS Auburn	OLE MISS Oxford	VANDERBILT Auburn	GEORGIA Athens	ALABAMA A&M Auburn	ALABAMA Tuscaloosa
FLORIDA	UMASS Gainesville	KENTUCKY Gainesville	NORTH TEXAS Gainesville	TENNESSEE Knoxville	VANDERBILT Nashville	LSU Gainesville	MISSOURI Gainesville		GEORGIA Jacksonville	ARKANSAS Fayetteville	SOUTH CAROLINA Gainesville	PRESBYTERIAN Gainesville	FLORIDA STATE Tallahassee
GEORGIA	NORTH CAROLINA Atlanta	NICHOLLS STATE Athens	MISSOURI Columbia	OLE MISS Oxford	TENNESSEE Athens	SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia	VANDERBILT Athens		FLORIDA Jacksonville	KENTUCKY Lexington	AUBURN Athens	LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE Athens	GEORGIA TECH Athens
KENTUCKY	SOUTHERN MISS Lexington	FLORIDA Gainesville	NEW MEXICO STATE Lexington	SOUTH CAROLINA Lexington	ALABAMA Tuscaloosa	VANDERBILT Lexington		MISSISSIPPI STATE Lexington	MISSOURI Columbia	GEORGIA Lexington	TENNESSEE Knoxville	AUSTIN PEAY Lexington	LOUISVILLE Louisville
LSU	WISCONSIN Green Bay	JACKSONVILLE STATE Baton Rouge	MISSISSIPPI STATE Baton Rouge	AUBURN Auburn	MISSOURI Baton Rouge	FLORIDA Gainesville	SOUTHERN MISS Baton Rouge	OLE MISS Baton Rouge		ALABAMA Baton Rouge	ARKANSAS Fayetteville	SOUTH ALABAMA Baton Rouge	TEXAS A&M College Station (Nov. 24)
OLE MISS	FLORIDA STATE Orlando (Sept. 5)	WOFFORD Oxford	ALABAMA Oxford	GEORGIA Oxford	MEMPHIS Oxford		ARKANSAS Fayetteville	LSU Baton Rouge	AUBURN Oxford	GEORGIA SOUTHERN Oxford	TEXAS A&M College Station	VANDERBILT Nashville	MISSISSIPPI STATE Oxford
MISSISSIPPI STATE	SOUTH ALABAMA Starkville	SOUTH CAROLINA Starkville	LSU Baton Rouge	UMASS Foxborough		AUBURN Starkville	BYU Provo (Oct. 14)	KENTUCKY Lexington	SAMFORD Starkville	TEXAS A&M Starkville	ALABAMA Tuscaloosa	ARKANSAS Starkville	OLE MISS Oxford
MISSOURI	WEST VIRGINIA Morgantown	EASTERN MICHIGAN Columbia	GEORGIA Columbia	DELAWARE STATE Columbia	LSU Baton Rouge		FLORIDA Gainesville	MIDDLE TENNESSEE Columbia	KENTUCKY Columbia	SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia, S.C.	VANDERBILT Columbia	TENNESSEE Knoxville	ARKANSAS Columbia
SOUTH CAROLINA	VANDERBILT Nashville (Sept. 1)	MISSISSIPPI STATE Starkville	EAST CAROLINA Columbia	KENTUCKY Lexington	TEXAS A&M Columbia	GEORGIA Columbia		UMASS Columbia	TENNESSEE Columbia	MISSOURI Columbia, S.C.	FLORIDA Gainesville	WESTERN CAROLINA Columbia	CLEMSON Clemson
TENNESSEE	APPALACHIAN STATE Knoxville (Sept. 1)	VIRGINIA TECH Bristol, Tenn.	OHIO Knoxville	FLORIDA Knoxville	GEORGIA Athens	TEXAS A&M College Station	ALABAMA Knoxville		SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia	TENNESSEE TECH Knoxville	KENTUCKY Knoxville	MISSOURI Knoxville	VANDERBILT Nashville
TEXAS A&M	UCLA College Station	PRAIRIE VIEW College Station	AUBURN Auburn	ARKANSAS Arlington, Texas	SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia	TENNESSEE College Station		ALABAMA Tuscaloosa	NEW MEXICO STATE College Station	MISSISSIPPI STATE Starkville	OLE MISS College Station	TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO College Station	LSU College Station (Nov. 24)
VANDERBILT	SOUTH CAROLINA Nashville (Sept. 1)	MIDDLE TENNESSEE Nashville	GEORGIA TECH Atlanta	WESTERN KENTUCKY Bowling Green	FLORIDA Nashville	KENTUCKY Lexington	GEORGIA Athens	TENNESSEE STATE Nashville		AUBURN Auburn	MISSOURI Columbia	OLE MISS Nashville	TENNESSEE Nashville

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