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#### George Rogers Highlights

- 1980 Heisman Trophy winner and consensus First-Team All-American
- Named the 1980 NCAA Back of the Year and the ABC-TV 1980 Player of the Year
- #1 pick by the New Orleans Saints in the 1981 NFL Draft
- 1981 NFL Rookie of the Year and Pro Bowl selection
- 1981 leading rusher in the NFL
- 1988 Super Bowl Championship with the Washington Redskins
- 1997 National Football Foundation Hall of Fame inductee
- #38 jersey retired by South Carolina following his final home game in 1980
- Member of USC Athletic Hall of Fame, South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame, Georgia Athletic Hall of Fame, and New Orleans Saints Hall of Fame



#### George Rogers Career Stats

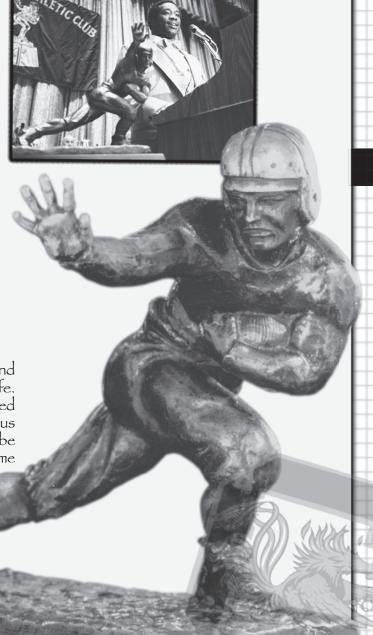
Rushing						Receiving			
Year	GP	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	No.	Yds.	TD	Avg.
1977	12	143	623	4.4	3	14	185	1	13.2
1978	10	176	1,006	5.7	6	8	41	0	5.1
1979	12	311	1,681	5.4	8	14	140	1	10.0
1980	12	324	1,894	5.9	14	7	23	0	3.3
Totals	46	954	5,204	5.5	31	43	389	2	9.1

Other Career Figures: 113.1 rushing yards per game; 129.0 all-purpose yards per game; 202 points scored (31 touchdowns and two 2-point conversions); 12 kickoff returns for 339 yards (28.3 avg.)

"Winning the Heisman Trophy was a thrill of a lifetime and is something that will be a part of me the rest of my life. Carolina recruited me the hardest and showed they wanted me the most. I had the opportunity to win the most famous award in all of sports, lead the country in rushing and be the first pick by the NFL. I also had the opportunity to come back and get my degree. I'll always be grateful to the University and all the great people who have stood behind me since the first day I arrived on campus. Carolina has been like family to me, and for that, I will

• George Rogers 1980 Heisman Trophy Winner

always be thankful."



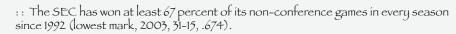
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Year in and year out, the Southeastern Conference strengthens its reputation as the top conference in college football. Four different SEC teams have won national titles since 1992.

The premier football conference in the nation.











:: In the final 2005-06 polls, the SEC, along with the ACC, had the most teams ranked in the top 25 polls. Five teams from the SEC were ranked in the final Associated Press and USA Today polls – LSU, Alabama, Georgía, Auburn and Florída. The BCS nor Harris Interactive conducts a post-bowl poll.





:: During the 2005 regular season, SEC games drew more than 5.7 million fans and had an average stadium capacity of 97.6 percent, leading the nation in both catego-





:: The SEC has seen its average attendance total climb every year for the past four years and in every year but one in the last ten seasons. This year's average of 74,700 fans, led all Division I-A conferences.



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:: In 2005, the SEC was the most competitive in intra-conference games of any BCS automatic-qualifying conference. The 49 SEC intra-conference games had an average scoring margin of 13.96 points per game, which marked closer than the 14.82 margin in ACC games, 16.45 in Pac-10 games, 17.91 in Big Ten games, 19.25 in Big East games and 19.86 in Big 12 games.



:: SEC defenses posted their best numbers in years. The league's defenses gave up an average of only 20.7 points and 327.6 yards per game in 2005. It's the lowest since the league's defenses gave up 19.6 points in 1993 and 320.3 yards per game in 1996. This, in spite of the league's offenses posted its lowest loss of turnovers (1.76 per game) since 1995 and second lowest since conference expansion.





: The Southeastern Conference had 261 of its former student-athletes on 2005 National Football League Kickoff Weekend rosters, most of any conference in the nation. Using current conference alignments, the Atlantic Coast Conference was second behind the SEC with 231 players on NFL rosters. The Big Ten was third with 223, the Pac-10 fourth with 188 and the Big 12 was fifth with 176 former players on NFL





:: Since conference expansion in 1992, the SEC has won four national crowns spread out among four different teams. It is the most number of teams from a conference that has won a national title during this time. Alabama, Tennessee, Florida and LSU have won national crowns since 1992.

: During the last nine seasons, the SEC has sent 66 teams to post-season bowl



games, the most of any conference in the nation. Eleven of the SEC's 12 teams have been to post-season bowls in the last nine seasons. :: The SEC has had 10 football student-athletes named National Football Foundation Scholar-Athletes in the last four years, more than any other conference.





:: The SEC has the most extensive national television package in the nation with at least two games each weekend on national television (cable and network). CBS Sports provides a national network television game each week while ESPN/ESPN2 provides a national cable television game each week. The SEC's syndicated regional package with Lincoln Financial Sports is the most watched of its type in the nation.

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Playing in the SEC Championship Game is the goal for all teams in the SEC. South Carolina Head Coach Steve Spurrier has won six SEC title games.

Playing in big-time games.

The Southeastern Conference's Eastern and Western Division winners will meet in Atlanta's Georgia Dome to battle for the league championship and the right to represent the SEC in the Bowl Championship Series. The 15th-annual title game is set for Saturday, December and will be televised nationally by CBS Sports.

The game is a result of conference expansion, which saw Arkansas and South Carolina become the first members added in SEC history when they joined the league in 1992. Under NCAA regulations, a conference with 12 members may play a 12th football game to determine its champion, provided the regular season is played in two divisions.

The participants of the game are determined each year during the eight-game regular season conference schedule as the teams with the best overall SEC winning percentage in each division.

Fans from around the South pack in to the Georgia Dome for the SEC Championship Game, evidenced by the fact that more than one million fans have witnessed first-hand the pageantry of SEC football at the previous 14 games.

The Georgia Dome, home of the SEC Championship Game.



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Injuries are part of the game of football, but recovery time can be accelerated if players have access to good health care. At South Carolina, Hall of Famer Dr. Rod Walters leads a sports medicine program dedicated to ensuring that athletes receive the best treatment possible.

# Keeping athletes healthy with an experienced staff.

:: South Carolina's student-athletes are offered excellent medical care, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This includes daily medical clinics in the training room by team physicians specializing in Family and Preventative Medicine with additional certification in Sports Medicine. USC physicians include specialists in family medicine, orthopedics, optometry, and dentistry. The Gamecock training room features a full rehab facility along with a complete x-ray service. Under the direction of Dr. Rod Walters, head athletics trainer, there are 11 certified athletic trainers who serve the student-athletes during the year.

: : When players get injured or aren't feeling well, they want to know that they will be taken care of by an experienced and dedicated training staff. Assistant Athletic Director for Sports Medicine Dr. Rod Walters spearheads the the sports medicine program at South Carolina. He is in his 17th year at Carolina and was inducted into the National Athletic Trainers Association Hall of Fame in 2005, which is the highest honor presented by the Association.

#### South Carolina Sports Medicine Staff



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**Dr. Rod Walters**Asst. AD for Sports
Medicine



Stephanie Rosehart Assistant Athletic Trainer



Brainard Cooper Associate Athletic



**Dr. Jeffrey Guy**Director of Orthopedics
and Sports Medicine



Tara Chase Assistant Athletic Trainer



**Dr. Chris Mazoue** Team Physician



Jen Herod Assistant Athletic



**Dr. Jason Stacy** Team Physician



Bill Martin Head Football Trainer

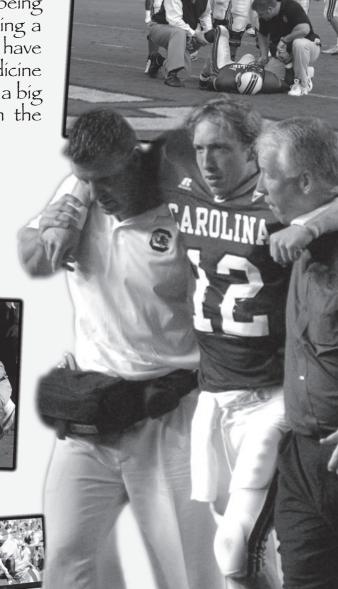
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"I got injured as a true freshman at Carolina and took a redshirt year, but with the help and encouragement of the athletic trainers and the team doctors, I was able to get back to being healthy and ended up having a good season last year. We have one of the best sports medicine staffs around and they are a big reason for my success on the field."

-- Sidney Rice, redshirt sophomore wide receiver Gaffney, S.C.



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The brand new Charles F. Crews Football Facility at Williams-Brice Stadium is one of the finest football weight room/team meeting rooms facility in the nation.

#### On-field success depends on previous preparation.

:: The South Carolina football team boasts a sparkling 34,729-square foot weight room/meeting rooms facility located underneath the South stands at Williams-Brice Stadium that is one of the finest of its kind in the nation.

: : Gamecock football players not only have the luxury of a state-of-the-art weight room and meeting rooms, they also enjoy a players lounge in the facility perfect for down time in between classes or workouts.



: The Gamecock football weight room is loaded with the finest equipment available and is on the same level as what NFL teams use.

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"One of the best things about our strength and conditioning program at South Carolina is how detailed we are and how much attention we can give to the athletes. We work in small groups and all of our coaches are working with three or four athletes at a time and can give them personal attention. There aren't a lot of schools out there that can do that because they have a smaller staff in place than we do. At South Carolina, we have four full-time strength and conditioning coaches dedicated to football, plus an intern. With a staff like that, we are able to help the athletes on a personal basis.

"Not only do we concentrate on straight-ahead speed, but we also focus on quickness and change of direction. If you look at the game of football, a lot of it is about quickness. Speed is an

important part of the game, but quickness is also extremely important. You can be a great football player if you develop those two skills, and

that's what we concentrate on here at South Carolina.

"In addition to the fact that all of our full-time coaches played college football, the staff we have is one that has experience working as strength and conditioning coaches in arguably the four best conferences in the country, plus the NFL. Each person on the strength and conditioning staff has a background in either the SEC, the ACC, the Big Ten or the Big 12."



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#### A total of 17 South Carolina football players earned spots on the 2005 Southeastern Conference Academic Honor Roll.

Ensuring academic success remains a priority.

The C.A.R.E.S. (Carolina Academic Resources & Enrichment Services) program employs a team of dedicated staff and tutors to work in a collaborative effort to assist student-athletes with day-to-day activities. It is the mission of the C.A.R.E.S. staff to provide the assistance needed to help all student-athletes realize their personal, academic, and athletic potential. The staff works closely with coaches, faculty, and University Administration to share resources and promote, as the primary goal, the development of each student-athlete at USC. The Athletics Department provides students with academic support in addition to that which they receive through other sectors of the University. The purpose of C.A.R.E.S. is to empower student-athletes to become more effective learners and to assist them in developing better academic, social, and cultural appreciation skills.

Services & Features of the Academic Enrichment Center

Academic Advisement • Career Development Office • CHAMPS/Life Skills Office • NCAA Compliance • Computer Labs & Printing • Copying and Faxing (for academic purposes only) • Dietitian • Financial Aid and Scholarship Counseling • Multimedia Classroom • Student Athlete Advisory Committee Office • SEC Honor Room • Staff Psychologist • "Team Gamecocks" • Tutoring & Mentoring

#### Carolina Football On The 2005 SEC Academic Honor Roll



Brook Antonio Criminal Justice



Carson Askins Psychology



Kyle Bishop Sport Management



Josh Brown
Business Education



Charlie Carpenter
Business Administration



Kris Clark



Ike Crofoot



Seth Edwards



Josh Epps



**Tim Frisby** Broadcast Journalism



Michael Glass



Jamon Meredith
Sport Management

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Justin Sorenser Retailing



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