



2015 SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCK MEN'S SOCCER

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SC vs. GEORGIA SOUTHERN STATISTICAL COMPARISON

SC	Records/Rankings	Ga. So.
1-0	Record	0-1
1-0	Home/Away Record	0-1
N/A	National Ranking	N/A
76	2014 NCAA RPI	177

SC	2014 NCAA Statistics	Ga. So.
30 / 55th	Goals Scored	27 / 81st
1.50 / 57th	Scoring Offense	1.59 / 47th
1.59 / 158th	Goals Against Average	1.80 / 175th
0.20 / 146th	Shutout Percentage	0.29 / 104th

2015 Schedule/Results					
Date	Opponent	W	L	T	Score/Time
8/16	Gardner-Webb (exh.)	W			3-0
8/19	Winthrop (exh.)			T	1-1
8/23	Furman (exh.)	W			2-1
8/28	Mercer	W			2-1
8/31	Georgia Southern				7 PM
9/4	at Clemson				7:30 PM
9/8	UNC Greensboro				7 PM
9/12	at UNC Wilmington				7 PM
9/18	at UAB*				8 PM
9/22	Elon				7 PM
9/25	New Mexico*				7 PM
10/2	at Marshall*				7 PM
10/6	at Wake Forest				7 PM
10/9	Florida Atlantic*				7 PM
10/13	at NC State				7 PM
10/18	at Kentucky*				1 PM
10/23	at Charlotte*				7 PM
10/27	FIU*				7 PM
10/31	Old Dominion*				7 PM
11/7	Coastal Carolina				7 PM
11/11-15	Conference USA Tournament!				TBD

Bold indicates home game All times Eastern
* - Conference USA match ! - Charlotte, N.C.

Game 2 • Mon., August 31 • 7 PM



**South Carolina
Gamecocks
(1-0)**

**Georgia Southern
Eagles
(0-1)**



Eugene E. Stone III Stadium (5,000)

Head Coach: Mark Berson (@MarkBersonSC on Twitter)
Record at SC: 462-210-68 (38th season)
Overall Record: 473-215-68 (39th season)

Head Coach: Kevin Kennedy
Record at GSU: 51-83-10 (9th season)
Overall Record: Same

Series History: South Carolina leads 3-0-1

Trend: Tied the last meeting

Last Meeting: Teams tied 3-3 on Sept. 4, 1997 at Stone Stadium

Video Coverage: SEC Network +
Talent - PxP: Andy Demetra

Gametracker: GamecocksOnline.com
Talent - Analyst: Brian Hand

Quick Hits

- Mark Berson is the winningest active NCAA Division I coach, 6th on all-time NCAA D1 list
- South Carolina has two C-USA Tournament titles and two regular-season crowns in 10 years
- Gamecocks averaged 2,602 fans in 11 home matches in 2014, fifth in the country
- Ten newcomers join 16 returners on this year's team
- The 16 returning student-athletes have totaled 25 Conference USA Academic Honor Roll certificates
- SC was a second-half team offensively in 2014, winning more shots (163-128) and corner kicks (62-43)
- Marco Velez SC's 1st National Player of the Week since 2010 (Baladez), 1st from NSCAA since '06 (Akinsete)
- South Carolina's defense held four 2014 opponents to two or less shots on goal
- The Gamecocks' 2015 schedule is loaded with solid teams from 2014, with 10 in last year's final RPI top 50
- Four of those are in the NSCAA Preseason Top 25, with five more receiving votes
- South Carolina has taken six of the last eight meetings against archrival Clemson
- Gamecocks have made 20 NCAA Tournaments in its 37-year history under Mark Berson

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Probable Starting Lineup

Pos.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Class	G-A-P	Notes
GK	Marco Velez	5-11	188	Jr.	1.00 GAA	NSCAA Player of the Week on Sept. 9, 2014
D	Ive Burnett	5-4	139	Jr.	0-0-0	Played every minute of 2014 at left back
D	Ben Davidson	6-0	162	Fr.	1-0-2	Scored a goal in his Gamecock debut off free kick
D	Torgeir Nyboe	6-2	170	Fr.	0-0-0	Played every minute at center back since hitting campus
D	Wesley Eads	5-11	164	Sr.	0-0-0	Former forward converting to right back this year
M	Kurtis Turner	5-9	175	Jr.	0-0-0	Led team in assists in first two years on campus
M	Ryan Arambula	5-7	151	Sr.	0-0-0	Playing as one of the back two mids with Turner this year
M	Jeffrey Torda	5-8	148	Sr.	1-0-2	Left winger had game-winner vs. Mercer 8/28
M	Danny Deakin	5-9	152	Jr.	0-1-1	Transfer assisted on the GWG vs. Mercer 8/28
M	Koty Millard	5-5	148	Jr.	0-0-0	Very active right winger, pushes tempo
F	Bjorn Gudjonsson	6-1	173	Fr.	0-0-0	Learning the holding forward position



ON WATCH **ESPN**

All nine Gamecock home matches will be shown on the SEC Network + on the WatchESPN app and ESPN3.com.

Gamecock Staff

Head Coach: Mark Berson (North Carolina, 1975)

Assistant Coach: Spencer Lewis (South Carolina, 2009)

Assistant Coach: Joey Worthen (South Carolina, 2013)

Volunteer Assistant: Denny Sago (South Carolina, 2001)

Administrative Assistant: Allison Orvin

Athletic Trainer: Brainard Cooper



HEAD COACH MARK BERSON

COACH BERSON'S SUPERLATIVES

ACTIVE DIVISION I WINS LEADER, 6TH ALL-TIME

ONE OF 4 WITH 450 W'S AT ONE DI SCHOOL

20 NCAA TOURNEY APPEARANCES, 6TH ALL-TIME

**SOUTH CAROLINA LETTERMAN'S ASSOCIATION
2015 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE**

**COACHED ONE PLAYER ON EACH OF THE LAST 4
US WORLD CUP TEAMS**

NSCAA South Region Coach of the Year

1984, 1985, 1988, 1995

Independent Coach of the Year

1998

Conference USA Coach of the Year

2011

Nation's Top GPA

Twice: 2010 & 2013

All-Americans

13 student-athletes earning 15 honors

CoSIDA Academic All-Americans

8 student-athletes earning 11 spots

National Goalkeepers of the Year

Two: Warren Lipka (1985) and Charles Arndt (1988)

National Freshman of the Year

Ruben Tuffino (1989)

Freshman All-Americans

14 student-athletes honored 18 times

NSCAA All-South Region

47 student-athletes earning 73 citations

All-Conference USA

14 first-team, 44 overall

C-USA All-Freshman Team

12, including four Freshmen of the Year

ALL-TIME NCAA DIVISION I WINS CHART

(includes wins at non-NCAA Division I 4-year institutions)

Name (School, Years)	W-L-T	Pct.
Jerry Yeagley <i>(Indiana 1973-2003)</i>	544-101-45	.821
Stephen Negoesco <i>(San Francisco 1962-2000)</i>	540-172-66	.737
Jack Mackenzie <i>(Quincy 1969-2011)</i>	516-258-76	.652
Michael Parker <i>(Lock Haven 1976-83, UNC Greensboro 1984-2009)</i>	494-192-33	.710
Tom Martin <i>(Trine 1977, West Va. Wesleyan 1978-85, JMU 1986-2014)</i>	478-199-68	.687
Mark Berson* <i>(The Citadel 1977, South Carolina 1978-)</i>	473-215-68	.671
Schellas Hyndman* <i>(Eastern Illinois 1977-83, SMU 1984-07, Grand Canyon 2015)</i>	466-122-49	.770

* - Active

(As of games played on Aug. 28, 2015)

Mark Berson, the winningest active coach in NCAA Division I, has been at the helm of the South Carolina soccer program since his hiring in 1978 ushered the program to varsity status, a reign that stands at 38 years.

Before coming to Carolina in 1978, Berson went 11-5-0 in one season at The Citadel, putting his overall record coming into 2015 at 472-215-68, a .670 winning percentage. In 2006, Berson the 10th NCAA Division I coach all-time to reach the 400-victory milestone when his Gamecocks defeated UAB, 2-0, in a televised contest at Stone Stadium. Berson enters 2015 with a 461-210-68 record at South Carolina.

In 2015, Berson has received two huge honors. In January, the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) honored him with the Bill Jeffrey Award, given to an individual for outstanding service or achievement in college soccer, at its annual convention. In July, Berson was announced as one of eight selected to join South Carolina Lettermen's Association Hall of Fame, where he joins six of his former players.

Overall, Berson has taken the Gamecocks to 20 NCAA Tournaments, with those teams advancing to at least the second round 11 times. His squads have four quarterfinal and two NCAA College Cup appearances to their credit as well. In 1993, the Gamecocks advanced to the NCAA Championship Game.

Though Carolina has been independent during the majority of the program's tenure, the Gamecocks have captured four conference titles under Berson's leadership. Carolina won the 1993 Metro Conference Championship in one of its two years competing in the conference. The Gamecocks joined Conference USA in 2005 and promptly claimed the league's tournament championship. Carolina also won the C-USA Tournament in 2010 and collected the regular season crown in 2011.

Besides making an impact in collegiate soccer, Berson's presence is also felt in the higher ranks. The Gamecocks are one of only two collegiate programs to have had a player on each of the last four US Men's National World Cup teams. Josh Wolff competed on the US teams in 2002 and 2006 and was also an Olympic team member in 2000. Clint Mathis, a teammate of Wolff during his time at Carolina, also enjoyed a celebrated professional career that spanned 11 seasons in Major League Soccer. Mathis, who retired from professional soccer in 2010, was a member of the 2002 U.S. World Cup squad and helped his MLS team, Real Salt Lake, capture the MLS Cup in 2009. Mathis also graced the cover of Sports Illustrated in May 2002 prior to the World Cup, marking the third Gamecock athlete, in any sport, to be featured on the cover of the prestigious magazine. Former Gamecock goalkeeper Brad Guzan has been on the US roster for the past two FIFA World Cups in 2010 and 2014.

Six times, Berson has been recognized as a coach of the year. Most recently, he was the Conference USA Coach of the Year in 2011 after winning the league's regular-season title. In 1998, Berson earned Independent Coach of the Year honors after leading Carolina to the best record of all Independent schools. Berson has also been honored as the NSCAA South Region Coach of the Year on four occasions (1984, 1985, 1988, 1995).

Berson has been involved in soccer development as a coach, teacher and administrator on many levels. He is a U.S. Soccer National Instructional Staff Coach with an "A" coaching license and has served on the US Soccer National Instructional staff coach since 1989. He has served as State Coach for the South Carolina Youth Soccer Association (SCYSA), working in player development and coaching certification. In 1992, he was inducted into the South Carolina Youth Soccer Association Hall of Fame.

Berson coached the U.S. National U-18 team in the Granatkin/Leningrad Tournament in January 1989. In July 1987, he directed the South team to the gold medal in the U.S. Olympic Festival in Durham, N.C., one year after serving as an assistant coach for the South squad.

A 1971 graduate of Summit (N.J.) High School, Berson attended the University of North Carolina and received his bachelor of arts degree in journalism in 1975. Berson played on the Tar Heel soccer squad for four years, one as a midfielder and the other three in goal. As a senior, Berson received the UNC Educational Foundation Award and was a member of the Academic ACC Honor Roll. Berson earned his master's of education degree in sport administration from Ohio University in 1977.

Born March 16, 1953, in Hartford, Conn., Berson is married to the former Shauna Hopkins, a South Carolina alum, of Columbia. They have two children, Erin Rhea and Luke William. Erin graduated from South Carolina in 2009, and Luke is currently enrolled at the University of South Carolina in the Moore School of Business.

THE BERSON FILE

Coaching Timeline

1978-presentHead coach, South Carolina
1977Head coach, The Citadel
1976Assistant coach, The Citadel

Playing Timeline

1970-74North Carolina (goalkeeper 3 years)

Education

North Carolina, 1975B.A., Journalism
Ohio University, 1977M.E., Sports Administration

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LAST TIME OUT

- South Carolina posted a 2-1 win over defending Southern Conference regular-season champion Mercer in the season opener at Stone Stadium.
- Senior Jeffrey Torda tallied his third career game-winning goal with a 55th-minute strike from junior Danny Deakin.
- The Gamecocks owned the lead since the 18th minute when freshman Ben Davidson curved one around the wall and into the corner of the goal on a free kick.
- Seven of South Carolina's starters played all 90 minutes.
- Junior goalkeeper Marco Velez made four stops on the night.

ROSTER NOTES

- South Carolina brings back 13 letter-winners and 16 members from the squad that made the 2014 Conference USA Tournament Championship Match.
- Ten newcomers join the group: three transfers and seven freshmen.
- The Gamecocks return 47 percent of their goals and 57 percent of their assists from last year.
- Third-team All-Conference USA midfielder Kurtis Turner is the top returning scorer, and he's led the Gamecocks in assists in each of his first two years.
- Junior goalkeeper Marco Velez is also back after playing 87 percent of the minutes in goal and recording three solo shutouts last season.

THE GAMECOCKS SHINE IN THE CLASSROOM AS WELL

- South Carolina's 16 returners have a total of 26 SEC Academic Honor Roll certificates and 25 Conference USA Academic Honor Roll notations between them.
- Last season, 20 of the roster members picked up spots on each honor roll.
- Ryan Arambula (three) and Jeffrey Torda (two) both own multiple C-USA Academic Medals, which go to honorees holding a 3.75 cumulative GPA or higher.
- Both seniors also have CoSIDA Academic All-District nods to their credit, Arambula in 2013 and Torda in 2014.
- Nine times, SC has garnered the NSCAA Team Academic Award, including one in each of the past six years.
- Twice in the past five years, the Gamecocks have captured the top GPA in NCAA Division I according to the NSCAA.

INTERNATIONAL FLAIR TO 2015 ROSTER

- The 2015 Gamecocks have a distinct international influence, with seven players listing hometowns of outside the United States.
- That's the most international players ever for a Mark Berson squad at SC, topping the six on the 1989 squad.
- Four hail from the United Kingdom, three from England (juniors Danny Deakin & Kurtis Turner, freshman Andre Streete) and one from Scotland (Ben Davidson).
- Davidson, the first Scottish player for Mark Berson, did play at Strake Jesuit High School in Texas prior to his donning the Garnet and Black.
- Two more come from Norway, Torgeir Nyboe and Trygve Ellingstad, with one more coming from Iceland, Bjorn Gudjonsson.
- Gudjonsson is the 10th Icelandic Gamecock in men's soccer history, while Ellingstad and Nyboe are the fifth and sixth Norwegians.
- Previously, three Icelanders (Kristinn Larusson, Arni Arnthorsson and Helgi Bjorgvinsson) have taken all-region accolades, while one Norwegian (Anders Ronnevig) and one Englishman (Doug Allison) have attained that status.
- Allison is the only foreign-listed Gamecock to gain All-America status, earning that in 1987.

WE SCHEDULE TOP COMPETITION

- Of the 17 regular-season matches scheduled for the Gamecocks, 12 come against top-100 RPI teams in the final 2014 report from the NCAA.
- Ten of those ranked in the top 50, five from C-USA (Charlotte, Kentucky UAB, Old Dominion & New Mexico).
- Four foes made the NSCAA/Continental Tire Preseason Top 25, with five more among those receiving votes.
- Eight of the Gamecocks' foes made last year's NCAA Tournament.

GAMECOCKS HAVE A RICH HISTORY IN NCAA TOURNAMENT

- On 20 occasions, the Gamecocks made an NCAA Tournament, the most in Conference USA.
- Eleven times, the Gamecocks have played the NCAA Tournament Round of 16.
- South Carolina is 16-19-1 in the tourney, making two College Cups in 1988 and 1993.

SCHOOL QUICK FACTS

Location	Columbia, S.C.
Founded	1801
Enrollment	31,288
Colors	Garnet (PMS 202C) and Black
Nickname	Gamecocks
Affiliation	Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President	Dr. Harris Pastides
Athletic Director	Ray Tanner
Senior Associate AD/SWA	Judy Van Horn
COO/Sport Supervisor	Kevin O'Connell
Faculty Athletics Representative	Dr. Zach Kelehear

HOME FIELD

Home Field	Eugene E. Stone III Stadium
Capacity	5,000
All-Time Stone Stadium Record	113-53-19 (.660)
All-Time Site Record	290-84-28 (.758)

PROGRAM HISTORY

All-Time Record/Years	462-210-68 (.670)/38 years
C-USA Record/Years	38-28-16 (.561)/10 years
NCAA Tournament Appearances/Last	20/2011
NCAA College Cup Appearances/Last	2/1993
Metro Conference Championships	1 (1993)
Conference USA Championships	1 (2011)
C-USA Tournament Championships	2 (2005, 2010)

2014 RESULTS/ROSTER INFO

2014 Record	10-10
2014 Conference Record	3-5
2014 Conference Finish	7th
Postseason	C-USA Tournament Finals
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	13/10
Starters Returning/Lost	5/6
Newcomers	11

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INTERVIEWS/PRACTICE SCHEDULE

South Carolina practices in the weekday afternoons in the Athletics Village area. The days after matches are normally off-days. Interviews are preferred around practice times, either before 4:30 p.m. or after 6 p.m. at the practice site. Please contact Koby Padgett at least 24 hours before to schedule your interview.

PREFERRED ABBREVIATIONS

When needing to abbreviate South Carolina for your scoreboard or broadcast boxes, the preferred shortenings are S. Carolina or SC. Please refrain from using USC or SCAR when referring to the University of South Carolina.

Proper logos and wordmarks can be emailed for use by any media outlet upon request. Thanks for your help.

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SC IN THE C-USA STATS (as of Nov. 8, 2014)

All Games

OFFENSIVE CATEGORY	Stat	Rank
Shots	275	2nd
Goals	29	4th
Assists	19	5th
Points	77	4th
Goals Per Game	1.53	4th
Assists Per Game	1.00	6th
Fouls	173	9th
Corner Kicks	108	2nd
Offsides	28	7th
DEFENSIVE CATEGORY	Stat	Rank
Goals Allowed	31	8th
Goals Against Average	1.57	7th
Saves	65	T-6th
Shutouts	4	T-5th

SC PLAYERS IN C-USA STATS

OFFENSIVE CATEGORY	Stat	Rank
Shots		
Jeffrey Torda	58	2nd
Mikkel Knudsen	51	T-4th
Shots Per Game		
Jeffrey Torda	3.05	2nd
Mikkel Knudsen	2.68	5th
Points		
Mikkel Knudsen	19	5th
Points Per Game		
Mikkel Knudsen	1.00	6th
Goals		
Mikkel Knudsen	8	T-4th
Goals Per Game		
Mikkel Knudsen	0.42	5th
DEFENSIVE CATEGORY	Stat	Rank
Goals Against Average		
Marco Velez	1.52	8th
Save Percentage		
Marco Velez	.683	9th
Saves		
Marco Velez	56	6th
Saves Per Game		
Marco Velez	3.29	7th
Shutouts		
Marco Velez	3	T-5th
Shutouts Per Game		
Marco Velez	0.18	8th

CONFERENCE USA STANDINGS

	C-USA	Pct.	Home	Away	Pts	All	Pct.	Home	Away	Neutral	Streak
Kentucky	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	1-0-0	1.000	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	W1
South Carolina	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	1-0-0	1.000	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	W1
UAB	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	1-0-0	1.000	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	W1
Charlotte	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	-
New Mexico	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	-
Old Dominion	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0-1-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-0	L1
Marshall	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0-1-0	.000	0-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	L1
FIU	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0-1-0	.000	0-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	L1
Florida Atlantic	0-0-0	.000	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0-1-0	.000	0-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	L1

As of matches played on Aug. 28, 2015

BERSON RANKS SIXTH ON NCAA DIVISION I COACHING WINS LIST

- The only head coach in South Carolina men's soccer history, Mark Berson ranks as one of four coaches in NCAA Division I history with 450 wins at one institution.
- The active Division I wins leader, Berson owns 473 career victories in 38 years, which includes his 11 in 1977 at The Citadel.
- He holds 6th on the NCAA Division I wins list and 16th on the all-divisions listing.
- Six wins ties Berson with Tom Martin, who retired after last season at James Madison with 478 career coaching wins in a career that spanned multiple divisions, for fifth on the Division I list.
- Berson coached his 750th collegiate match vs. Kentucky on Oct. 25.
- He's coached 11 players who have captured 13 All-America nods at South Carolina.
- He's also guided at least one player on each of the past four US Men's National Teams in the World Cup (Clint Mathis 2002, Josh Woolf 2002 and 2006, Brad Guzan 2010 and 2014).

ATTENDANCE OUTSTANDING AT STONE STADIUM

- The 2014 Gamecocks had the fifth-highest paid attendance average in NCAA Division I at 2,602.
- That 2,602 attendance average is the largest for a season in Stone Stadium history.
- The paid attendance of 5,415 for the season-opening match against Belmont ranks as the 4th-best in Stone Stadium history and 8th in the site's history of men's matches.
- The first two exhibitions of 2015 saw over 4,000 students scan in for each, filling the stands.

SOUTH CAROLINA PLAYED FOR THIRD CONFERENCE USA TOURNAMENT CROWN

- South Carolina made its eighth appearance in the Conference USA Tournament, advancing to the finals before falling 2-1 to host Old Dominion.
- The seventh seed, the Gamecocks opened the event by beating second-seeded and 18th-ranked Kentucky 2-1.
- On Fri., South Carolina downed No. 21 UAB, 1-0, in the semifinals.
- Entering the event, SC had only once faced a rematch against a team it lost to in the regular season.
- In 2010, South Carolina fell to SMU in the regular season 3-1 but came back to win the semifinal rematch 2-1 en route to its second tourney title.
- The Gamecocks added to that total with both wins in the 2014 event.
- It's the second time the Gamecocks downed back-to-back ranked foes in the event, matching the 2010 team (2-1 W in semis over No. 5 SMU, 11/12; 1-0 W in finals over No. 25 Tulsa, 11/14).
- SC missed becoming the first No. 7 seed to win the tourney, joining two others who made the finals (FIU 2007, Memphis 1998).
- The Gamecocks are now 9-6-1 all-time in the C-USA Tourney, winning it twice (2005 and 2010).

GAMECOCKS WERE COMEBACK KINGS IN 2014

- In six of South Carolina's 10 wins, the team came from behind to take the victory.
- Five victories came from one goal back, with the sixth marking the largest comeback in school history (down 0-3 at Florida Atlantic).
- Twice, the team has fought back against a ranked foe despite being down a player to force double overtime (down 0-1 vs. No. 25/18 Clemson, down 0-3 vs. No. 19/22 Kentucky).
- The three wins that didn't involve overtime or falling behind were a 2-0 decision over Mercer, the 1-0 triumph at Old Dominion and the 1-0 victory over No. 21 UAB in the C-USA semis.

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11TH YEAR FOR SOUTH CAROLINA IN CONFERENCE USA

- The 2015 season is South Carolina's 11th as a men's soccer affiliate member of Conference USA.
- In 2011, the Garnet and Black captured the league's regular-season crown, sharing it with UAB.
- Twice more, the Gamecocks won the league's tournament, in 2005 and 2010.
- South Carolina's student-athletes have taken 48 all-league nods, with 14 coming on the first team.
- In C-USA outings, South Carolina owns a 38-28-16 (.561) mark.
- On the road, that mark is 19-13-10 (.571). At Stone Stadium, that record is 19-15-6 (.550).
- The 2014 Gamecocks fell one game shy of their fifth undefeated road slate in their C-USA history.

RECENT DOMINANCE OF ARCHRIVAL CLEMSON

- Since 2007, the Gamecocks are 6-2 against their archrival Clemson, with both of the losses coming in double overtime on the road (2011 & 2013).
- The last four matches at Stone Stadium have gone to the Gamecocks, three coming in shutouts.
- It's the best stretch since the Gamecocks went 10-4 from 1985-95 against the Tigers, with three of the wins in that stretch coming in NCAA Tournament play.

SCOUTING GEORGIA SOUTHERN

- Nine starters return for the Eagles, who went 8-9 in 2014 in the Sun Belt.
- Leading the returners is senior goalkeeper Jack Faile, who stopped 97 shots in 1,549 minutes a year ago (1.80 GAA).
- Faile, the Sun Belt's Preseason Defensive Player of the Year, did have five shutouts on the 2014 season en route to first-team all-conference accolades.
- Also back is leading scorer Emmanuel Raji, who claimed the Sun Belt's Preseason Offensive Player of the Year award.
- In total, 81 percent of Georgia Southern's goals are back from last year, five each from Raji and Eric Dinka.
- Two other Eagles joined Faile and Raji on the Preseason All-Sun Belt team: defender Chase Park and midfielder Thor Sveinbjornsson.

TIES BETWEEN SOUTH CAROLINA AND GEORGIA SOUTHERN

- Eagle assistant Geoff del Forn played in 2007 for the Gamecocks.

SERIES HISTORY VS. THE EAGLES

- The Gamecocks has a 3-0-1 mark against Georgia Southern, with all four matches coming in Columbia.
- SC and the Eagles tied 3-3 in the last meeting, on Sept. 4, 1997.

SC IN THE NCAA STATS (as of Dec. 14 - FINAL)

OFFENSIVE CATEGORY	Stat	Rank
Total Goals	30	55th
Total Assists	21	96th
Total Points	81	73rd
Scoring Offense	1.50	57th
Assists Per Game	1.05	122nd
Points Per Game	4.05	84th
DEFENSIVE CATEGORY	Stat	Rank
Goals Against Average	1.59	158th
Save Percentage	.683	178th
Saves Per Game	3.55	132nd
Shutout Percentage	0.20	146th

SC PLAYERS IN THE NCAA STATS

OFFENSIVE CATEGORY	Stat	Rank
Total Goals		
Mikkel Knudsen	8	57th
Goals Per Game		
Mikkel Knudsen	0.40	79th
Total Points		
Mikkel Knudsen	19	78th
Points Per Game		
Mikkel Knudsen	0.95	93rd
DEFENSIVE CATEGORY	Stat	Rank
Goals Against Average		
Marco Velez	1.55	149th
Total Saves		
Marco Velez	62	106th
Saves Per Game		
Marco Velez	3.44	129th

GAMECOCKS' CAREER STATS (SC YEARS ONLY)

	MIN.	G	A	P	GWG
Ryan Arambula	2,753	3	7	13	2
Justis Bradley	128	0	0	0	0
Ive Burnett	3,634	4	1	9	0
Ben Davidson	90	1	0	2	0
Danny Deakin	90	0	1	1	0
Wesley Eads	493	2	3	7	0
Peyton Ericson	34	0	0	0	0
Reid Grayson	459	0	1	1	0
Bjorn Gudjonsson	57	0	0	0	0
Joey Hutchinson	460	0	0	0	0
Asa Kryst	2,270	3	2	8	2
Devin L'Amoreaux	734	0	1	1	0
Koty Millard	3,088	2	3	7	2
Torgeir Nyboe	90	0	0	0	0
Martin Ramos	79	0	0	0	0
Jeffrey Torda	3,960	11	5	27	3
Kurtis Turner	3,545	4	9	17	2
Kevin Walker	33	0	0	0	0
	MIN.	GA	GAA	Sv.	SHO
Marco Velez	3,178	49	1.39	120	7/2

2015 SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCK MEN'S SOCCER

GAMECOCK AWARD WINNERS

Ryan Arambula	CoSIDA Academic All-District 2013
.....	C-USA Academic Medal 2012-13-14
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2012-13-14
Ive Burnett	C-USA Honor Roll 2013-14
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2013-14
Chandler Corley	C-USA Honor Roll 2014
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2014
Craig Duggan	C-USA Honor Roll 2014
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2014
Wesley Eads	C-USA Honor Roll 2012-13-14
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2013-14
Reid Grayson	C-USA Honor Roll 2014
Asa Kryst	C-USA Honor Roll 2011-12-13-14
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2011-12-13-14
Devin L'Amoreaux	C-USA Honor Roll 2012-13-14
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2012-13-14
Koty Millard	C-USA Honor Roll 2013-14
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2013-14
Martin Ramos	SEC Honor Roll 2014
Jeffrey Torda	CoSIDA Academic All-District 4 2014
.....	Conference USA All-Academic Team 2014
.....	2nd-Team NSCAA Scholar All-South 2014
.....	C-USA Academic Medal 2012-13
.....	C-USA Honor Roll 2014
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2012-13-14
Kurtis Turner	3rd Team All-Conference USA 2014
.....	Conference USA All-Freshman Team 2013
.....	C-USA Honor Roll 2013-14
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2013-14
Marco Velez	Conference USA All-Freshman Team 2013
.....	C-USA Honor Roll 2014
.....	SEC Honor Roll 2013-14
.....	C-USA Defensive Player of the Week (10/28/13)
.....	C-USA Defensive Player of the Week (9/8/14)
.....	NSCAA Men's NCAA Division I Player of the Week (9/9/14)
.....	2014 Conference USA All-Tournament Team

Italics indicate current season's honors

Conference USA Academic Medal - cumulative 3.75 GPA

NSCAA TEAM ACADEMIC AWARD

1999	2010*
2001	2011
2003	2012
2009	2013*
	2014

* - Top GPA in NCAA Division I

NATIONAL RANKINGS - PRESEASON

NSCAA

Rk	Team	Record	Points	Pre.
1.	UCLA (7)	14-5-5	624	3
2.	Virginia (15)	14-6-3	617	22
3.	Georgetown (1)	14-4-5	561	11
4.	Notre Dame (1)	12-5-4	534	2
5.	North Carolina	15-5-2	514	16
6.	Creighton	16-3-3	488	9
7.	Providence	16-5-2	474	10
8.	Stanford (2)	13-2-3	422	1
9.	Michigan State	12-5-6	405	13
10.	Washington	12-5-3	384	12
11.	Clemson	14-7-3	367	7
12.	UMBC	14-6-5	356	NR
13.	Maryland	13-6-3	347	6
14.	Indiana	12-5-5	314	5
15.	Syracuse	16-4-1	299	4
16.	California	11-7-1	247	18
17.	Charlotte	14-4-1	234	8
18.	Louisville	11-6-3	225	15
19.	Xavier	15-6-2	219	14
20.	UC Irvine	16-6-3	191	21
21.	Coastal Carolina	16-6-1	121	RV
22.	Saint Louis	14-5-2	113	19
23.	Penn State	13-6-1	92	RV
24.	Old Dominion	13-7-1	62	23
25.	Akron	12-5-2	38	20

RV: Northwestern 35, Ohio State 30, Dartmouth 27, Connecticut 15, Furman 15, New Mexico 14, Tulsa 14, Wake Forest 13, Oregon State 10, George Mason 7, UNC Wilmington 6, Cal State Fullerton 4, Kentucky 4, UAB 3, VCU 2, Hartford 1, USF 1, UCSB 1.

2015 WIN-LOSS SUMMARY

Total.....	1-0-0
Conference.....	0-0-0
Non-Conference.....	1-0-0
Postseason.....	0-0-0
Home.....	1-0-0
Away.....	0-0-0
Neutral.....	0-0-0
vs. Ranked Opponents (NSCAA).....	0-0-0
vs. RPI Top 50 (current).....	0-0-0
vs. RPI Top 100 (current).....	0-0-0
vs. 2013 NCAA Tournament teams.....	0-0-0
on TV.....	0-0-0
vs. South Carolina teams.....	0-0-0
August.....	1-0-0
September.....	0-0-0
October.....	0-0-0
November.....	0-0-0
Day.....	0-0-0
Night.....	1-0-0
Leading at the half.....	1-0-0
Trailing at the half.....	0-0-0
Tied at the half.....	0-0-0
Overtime.....	0-0-0
Shutouts.....	0-0-0
Scoring 0 goals.....	0-0-0
Scoring 1 goal.....	0-0-0
Scoring 2 goals.....	1-0-0
Scoring 3 goals.....	0-0-0
Scoring 4+ goals.....	0-0-0
Opponent 0 goals.....	0-0-0
Opponent 1 goal.....	1-0-0
Opponent 2 goals.....	0-0-0
Opponent 3 goals.....	0-0-0
Opponent 4+ goals.....	0-0-0
Scored in 1st half.....	1-0-0
Opp. scored in 1st half.....	0-0-0
Scores first.....	1-0-0
Opp. scores first.....	0-0-0
Takes more shots than opponent.....	0-0-0
Takes less shots than opponent.....	1-0-0
Shots are tied.....	0-0-0
Largest margin of victory.....	1 (2-1, Mercer, 8/28)

Biggest deficit overcome3-0 (at Florida Atlantic, 10/17)*

* Program record

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

JUSTIS Bradley.....	Justice
Craig DUGGAN	DUH-gan
TRYGVE Ellingstad.....	TRIG-vuh
Bjorn GUDJONSSON	Gooood-YON-son
Lee HOGGE	HOG
Devin L'AMOREAUX	LAM-or-oh
ASA Kryst.....	A-suh
Matt McMANIS	Mc-MAN-niss
Koty MILLARD	MILL-urd
TORGEIR NYBOE	TOR-guy NIGH-bow
MARTIN RAMOS	mar-TEEN RAH-mos
Marco VELEZ	vuh-LEZ

2015 SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCK MEN'S SOCCER

2015 Gamecock Men's Soccer South Carolina Overall Individual Statistics (as of Aug 28, 2015) All games

Overall: 1-0-0 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 1-0-0 Away: 0-0-0 Neut: 0-0-0

##	Player	gp-gs	min	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	gwg	pk-att
9	Jeffrey Torda	1-1	74	1	0	2	4	.250	1	.250	1	0-0
24	Ben Davidson	1-1	90	1	0	2	1	1.000	1	1.000	0	0-0
11	Danny Deakin	1-1	90	0	1	1	3	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
5	Koty Millard	1-1	79	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0-0
3	Ryan Arambula	1-1	56	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0-0
19	Bjorn Gudjonsson	1-1	57	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
16	Wesley Eads	1-1	90	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
13	Torgeir Nyboe	1-1	90	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
12	Peyton Ericson	1-0	34	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
8	Kurtis Turner	1-1	90	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
7	Asa Kryst	1-0	27	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
4	Ive Burnett	1-1	90	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
2	Kevin Walker	1-0	33	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
Total		1	-	2	1	5	10	.200	4	.400	1	0-0
Opponents		1	-	1	2	4	14	.071	6	.429	0	0-0

#	Goalie	gp-gs	Goal Average			Saves		Record			
			min	ga	gaavg	saves	pct	w	l	t	sho/cbo
1	Marco Velez	1-1	90:00	1	1.00	4	.800	1	0	0	0/0
TM	TEAM	-	0:00	0	0.00	1	1.000	0	0	0	0/0
Total		1	90:00	1	1.00	5	.833	1	0	0	0
Opponents		1	90:00	2	2.00	2	.500	0	1	0	0

Team saves: 1

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	Total
South Carolina	1	1	2
Opponents	0	1	1

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	Total
South Carolina	2	2	4
Opponents	3	3	6

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	Total
South Carolina	6	4	10
Opponents	6	8	14

Fouls by Period	1st	2nd	Total
South Carolina	7	9	16
Opponents	8	6	14

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	Total
South Carolina	3	2	5
Opponents	2	0	2

Attendance Summary	SC	Opponent
Total	4325	0
Dates/Avg Per Date	1/4325	0/0
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	

2015 SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCK MEN'S SOCCER

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	EX	Hometown/Previous School
1	Marco Velez	GK	5-11	188	Jr.	2L	Sarasota, Fla./IMG Academy
2	Kevin Walker	F	5-9	176	Sr.	SQ	Cincinnati, Ohio/Cincinnati State CC
3	Ryan Arambula	M	5-7	151	Sr.	3L	Myrtle Beach, S.C./Myrtle Beach HS
4	Ive Burnett	D	5-4	139	Jr.	2L	Brandon, Miss./Real Salt Lake (Utah) Academy
5	Koty Millard	M	5-5	148	Jr.	2L	Columbia, S.C./Cardinal Newman HS
6	Matt McManis	D	6-3	180	Jr.	TR	Greenwood, S.C./Presbyterian
7	Asa Kryst	F/M	5-8	171	R-Sr.	3L	Fort Mill, S.C./Fort Mill HS
8	Kurtis Turner	M	5-9	175	Jr.	2L	Sheffield, England/Bradfield School
9	Jeffrey Torda	F/M	5-8	148	Sr.	3L	Colleyville, Texas/Nolan Catholic HS
10	Devin L'Amoreaux	M/F	5-7	150	Sr.	3L	North Charleston, S.C./Fort Dorchester HS
11	Danny Deakin	M	5-9	152	Jr.	TR	Sheffield, England/Mercyhurst (Pa.)
12	Peyton Ericson	M/D	5-11	184	Fr.	HS	Duluth, Ga./Northview HS
13	Torgeir Nyboe	D	6-2	170	Fr.	HS	Tynset, Norway
14	Joey Hutchinson	M/F	5-11	186	Sr.	2L	Bradenton, Fla./Florida Gulf Coast University
16	Wesley Eads	F	5-11	164	Sr.	3L	Summerville, S.C./Fort Dorchester HS
17	Lee Hogge	M	5-7	153	Fr.	HS	Norfolk, Va./Maury HS
18	Trygve Ellingstad	M/F	6-1	175	Fr.	HS	Bergen, Norway
19	Bjorn Gudjonsson	F	6-1	173	Fr.	HS	Reykjavik, Iceland/Commercial College of Iceland
20	Martin Ramos	F/M	5-10	164	So.	1L	Columbus, Ga./Brookstone School
22	Justis Bradley	D/M	5-11	172	Sr.	1L	El Paso, Texas/Western Texas College
23	Reid Grayson	D	5-10	165	Sr.	1L	Fort Mill, S.C./Spartanburg Methodist College
24	Ben Davidson	M/D	6-0	162	Fr.	HS	Aberdeen, Scotland/Strake Jesuit (Texas) HS
25	William Pyle	GK	6-0	177	So.	TR	Charlotte, N.C./UNC Greensboro
26	Andre Streete	D	6-2	182	Fr.	HS	Wolverhampton, England/The Kings HS
28	Spencer Meschter	M	6-5	214	R-So.	TR	Bethesda, Md./Allegheny College
34	Craig Duggan	GK	6-2	169	R-Fr.	SQ	Troy, Mich./Troy HS

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Class	EX	Hometown/Previous School
3	Ryan Arambula	M	5-7	151	Sr.	3L	Myrtle Beach, S.C./Myrtle Beach HS
22	Justis Bradley	D/M	5-11	172	Sr.	1L	El Paso, Texas/Western Texas College
4	Ive Burnett	D	5-4	139	Jr.	2L	Brandon, Miss./Real Salt Lake (Utah) Academy
24	Ben Davidson	M/D	6-0	162	Fr.	HS	Aberdeen, Scotland/Strake Jesuit (Texas) HS
11	Danny Deakin	M	5-9	152	Jr.	TR	Sheffield, England/Mercyhurst (Pa.)
34	Craig Duggan	GK	6-2	169	R-Fr.	SQ	Troy, Mich./Troy HS
16	Wesley Eads	F	5-11	164	Sr.	3L	Summerville, S.C./Fort Dorchester HS
18	Trygve Ellingstad	M/F	6-1	175	Fr.	HS	Bergen, Norway
12	Peyton Ericson	M/D	5-11	184	Fr.	HS	Duluth, Ga./Northview HS
23	Reid Grayson	D	5-10	165	Sr.	1L	Fort Mill, S.C./Spartanburg Methodist College
19	Bjorn Gudjonsson	F	6-1	173	Fr.	HS	Reykjavik, Iceland/Commercial College of Iceland
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COACHING STAFF

Head Coach

Mark Berson (North Carolina, 1975)

Assistant Coaches

Spencer Lewis (South Carolina, 2009), Joey Worthen (South Carolina, 2013)

Volunteer Assistant Coach

Denny Sago (South Carolina, 2001)

ROSTER BY CLASS

Senior (9): Ryan Arambula, Justis Bradley, Wesley Eads, Reid Grayson, Joey Hutchinson, Asa Kryst, Devin L'Amoreaux, Jeffrey Torda, Kevin Walker
Junior (6): Ive Burnett, Danny Deakin, Matt McManis, Koty Millard, Kurtis Turner, Marco Velez
Sophomore (3): Spencer Meschter, William Pyle, Martin Ramos
Freshman (8): Ben Davidson, Craig Duggan, Trygve Ellingstad, Peyton Ericson, Bjorn Gudjonsson, Lee Hogge, Torgeir Nyboe, Andre Streete

ROSTER BY HEIGHT

6-5 Spencer Meschter
6-3 Matt McManis
6-2 Craig Duggan, Torgeir Nyboe, Andre Streete
6-1 Trygve Ellingstad, Bjorn Gudjonsson
6-0 Ben Davidson, William Pyle
5-11 Justis Bradley, Wesley Eads, Peyton Ericson, Joey Hutchinson, Marco Velez
5-10 Reid Grayson, Martin Ramos
5-9 Danny Deakin, Kurtis Turner, Kevin Walker
5-8 Asa Kryst, Jeffrey Torda
5-7 Ryan Arambula, Lee Hogge, Devin L'Amoreaux,
5-5 Koty Millard
5-4 Ive Burnett

ROSTER BY STATE/COUNTRY

South Carolina (7): Ryan Arambula, Wesley Eads, Reid Grayson, Asa Kryst, Devin L'Amoreaux, Matt McManis, Koty Millard
England (3): Danny Deakin, Andre Streete, Kurtis Turner
Florida (2): Joey Hutchinson, Marco Velez
Georgia (2): Peyton Ericson, Martin Ramos
Texas (2): Justis Bradley, Jeffrey Torda
Norway (2): Trygve Ellingstad, Torgeir Nyboe
Maryland (1): Spencer Meschter
Michigan (1): Craig Duggan
Mississippi (1): Ive Burnett
North Carolina (1): William Pyle
Ohio (1): Kevin Walker
Virginia (1): Lee Hogge
Iceland (1): Bjorn Gudjonsson
Scotland (1): Ben Davidson