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# South Carolina

CAROLINA GAMECOCKS



## Chad HOLBROOK 2

Head Coach

2nd season as Head Coach  
6th season at South Carolina  
21st season Overall

STAFF

Chad Holbrook led South Carolina to a 43-20 record and the school's 11th NCAA Super Regional appearance in the last 14 years in his first season as head coach. Holbrook directed the 2013 squad to a final national ranking of No. 12 in the USA Today Baseball Coaches Poll along with No. 13 by Collegiate Baseball and Perfect Game and No. 14 by Baseball America. It was the school's 14th consecutive appearance in the NCAA Tournament.

Among the 2013 highlights was a series victory against in-state rival Clemson, the seventh consecutive season the Gamecocks have won more games than the Tigers on the baseball diamond. Holbrook's team would sweep four SEC squads and claim six SEC series victories including a pair of wins at LSU, the only team to go into Baton Rouge in 2013 and claim a three-game set. South Carolina hosted a NCAA Regional for the fourth straight year with the Gamecocks going undefeated in three games and continuing a run of 27 straight postseason wins at home including a 16-0 mark at Carolina Stadium. Gamecock Nation flocked to Carolina Stadium as South Carolina set a school record with 5,835 season tickets sold. South Carolina ended the 2013 season with a total attendance of 260,605, third highest in the country.

The 2013 team raised its season batting average 19 batting points to .284 with a .375 on-base percentage and a .419 slugging clip. South Carolina led the SEC and ranked 18th in the nation with 52 homers. The 2013 pitching staff was among the best in the nation with a 3.02 earned run average to go along with a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 3.3 that ranked third best in the nation. South Carolina pitchers averaged 7.8 strikeouts per nine innings while walking just 2.36 batters per contest.

Among the top players on the 2013 squad was third-team All-America designated hitter LB Dantzler. The senior ranked third in the SEC in homers (15) slugging percentage (.617) and walks (42) as well as fifth in total bases (132) sixth in on-base percentage (.444). Dantzler led Carolina in hitting with a .322 average (69-for-214) and was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays. Senior left-hander Tyler Webb, earned third-team All-America honors from Collegiate Baseball and the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association and second-team All-SEC honors after anchoring a bullpen with 17 saves. That mark is fifth highest in school history and ranked second in the league and seventh in the nation. Webb struck out 60 batters in 43.0 innings and pitched in 32 games on his way to setting a school record for career appearances with 110 on the mound with the Garnet & Black. Webb was selected in the 10th round by the New York Yankees. Sophomore catcher Grayson Greiner was tabbed second-team All-SEC at catcher and made USA Baseball's Collegiate National Team. He hit .298 (61-for-205) with 10 doubles and 38 RBI. Sophomore shortstop Joey Pankake continued his rise with a .311 average (69-for-214) with 11 homers and 42 RBI. Two Gamecock newcomers recruited by Holbrook garnered Freshman All-America honors. Max Schrock started 61 games at second base and hit .282 with six homers and 49 RBI with 36 walks to just 23 strikeouts and was second-team choice by Baseball America, the NCBWA and Perfect Game. Jack Wynkoop went 7-3 with a 3.09 ERA in 64.0 innings pitched on his way to recognition by Collegiate Baseball.

Holbrook's team succeeded off the field logging its highest cumulative GPA in school history with a 3.201 in the Fall 2012 semester. The Gamecocks maintained a high mark in the Spring of 2013 with a 3.050 GPA. The baseball team had 16 players named to the 2013 SEC Spring Academic Honor Roll. Among those were Dantzler, who was named 2013 CoSIDA Baseball Academic All-American of the Year. Dantzler was a finalist for the Senior CLASS Award. Senior right-hander Patrick Sullivan was South Carolina's male nominee for the 2012-13 Brad Davis SEC Community Service Scholarship.

Chad Holbrook was named head baseball coach for the University of South Carolina on July 16, 2012. Holbrook was promoted to the top spot by athletics director Ray Tanner after four seasons as associate head coach and recruiting coordinator for the Gamecocks. Holbrook came to South Carolina in July 2008 as associate head coach. Along with his recruiting coordinator duties, he served as hitting instructor, overseeing the Gamecock offense, including base running and the short game and was the third base coach. He also worked with the outfielders. Holbrook came to the Gamecock program after serving 15 seasons as a member of the University of North Carolina coaching staff. Holbrook was the 2011 ABCA/Baseball America Assistant Coach of the Year after the Gamecocks won a second consecutive national championship.

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### CHAD HOLBROOK CAREER HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	School	W	L	T	Pct.
2013	South Carolina	43	20	0	.682
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>43</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.682</b>

### HOLBROOK AT SOUTH CAROLINA VS. ALL OPPONENTS

Opponent.....	Record .....	Pct. ....
Albany.....	3-0.....	1.000
Arkansas.....	0-3.....	.000
Ball State.....	2-0.....	1.000
Charleston Southern.....	1-0.....	.1000
Clemson.....	2-1.....	.667
College of Charleston.....	2-0.....	1.000
Davidson.....	1-0.....	1.000
Florida.....	0-3.....	.000
Furman.....	1-1.....	.500
Gardner-Webb.....	0-1.....	.000
Georgia.....	3-0.....	1.000
Kentucky.....	3-0.....	1.000
Liberty.....	4-1.....	.800
LSU.....	2-1.....	.667
Mississippi State.....	1-3.....	.250
Missouri.....	2-1.....	.667
North Carolina.....	1-2.....	.333
Presbyterian.....	1-0.....	1.000
Rider.....	3-0.....	1.000
Saint Louis.....	1-0.....	1.000
Tennessee.....	3-0.....	1.000
Texas A&M.....	3-0.....	1.000
The Citadel.....	2-0.....	1.000
USC Upstate.....	1-0.....	.000
Vanderbilt.....	0-3.....	.000
Wofford.....	1-0.....	1.000
<b>TOTALS .....</b>	<b>43-20.....</b>	<b>.682</b>
<b>Vs. Southeastern Conference .....</b>	<b>17-14.....</b>	<b>.548</b>
<b>Vs. Non-Conference .....</b>	<b>26-6.....</b>	<b>.812</b>

**"I'm honored and privileged to be the head baseball coach at the University of South Carolina. This is a 19-year dream come true. What this program has accomplished over the years is amazing. I've learned so much from Coach Tanner, and I still call him Coach Tanner. It's been my dream to coach at a premier institution, to raise my family in a great community and work at a university where I can work with great people. South Carolina and this university affords me all of that. This is the perfect opportunity for me and my family." - July 16, 2012**

A tremendous evaluator of talent, Holbrook was named the No. 10 best recruiter in all of college sports by ESPNU & ESPN The Magazine in the publication's 2011 January edition. The list was put together in conjunction with three-dozen experts who were asked the question: Who are the top 20 recruiters in college sports? Holbrook was the only baseball coach on the list.

Holbrook's offensive prowess made an immediate impact on the South Carolina baseball program in his first four seasons. His guidance was instrumental in helping the Gamecocks to back-to-back national championships in 2010 and 2011 at the College World Series as well as a national runner-up finish in 2012.

Holbrook helped in the development of two-time All-America Christian Walker, who led the Gamecocks in all three Triple Crown categories in 2011 and 2012. He finished 2012 hitting .321 (77-for-240) with 11 homers and 55 RBI as well as a .450 on-base percentage and a .525 slugging percentage. Walker was a fourth round selection by the Baltimore Orioles in the 2012 MLB Draft. Walker was named to the CWS All-Tournament team for a third time. He tied a CWS record for hits also in a career as he notched 28 that put him alongside Dustin Ackley of North Carolina (2007-09), ironically also a player that Holbrook recruited and coached while in Chapel Hill.

Holbrook worked to bridge together a new crop of Gamecocks in the 2012 season as he molded newcomers Tanner English, Grayson Greiner and Joey Pankake into SEC All-Freshman honorees. All three would factor into Carolina's successful season. The group of newcomers was also rated the top recruiting class in the country in 2011 by Collegiate Baseball and No. 6 in the nation by Baseball America.

Holbrook played a key role in 2011 MLB supplemental draft selection Jackie Bradley Jr.'s Gamecock career. In 2010 Bradley was a All-SEC selection and College World Series Most Outstanding Player. That season, Holbrook helped to oversee an offense that peaked in the postseason with a .309 batting average in 12 postseason contests. Evan Marzilli was the team's top postseason hitter with a .419 average (18-for-43) with Walker right behind him at .389 (21-for-54) and Bradley hitting .348 with four HR and 17 RBI. Carolina finished the season with a .300 team batting average as well as a .392 on-base percentage. The squad's 734 hits were second highest in the conference with the team also tallying 298 walks, 14th highest in the country.

In 2009, Holbrook's first season, the Gamecocks finished with a team batting average of .310 on the year, the highest average in over nine seasons, along with an improved on-base percentage of .394 and a .528 slugging percentage. Carolina was fifth in the nation with 109 home runs. Among the players he tutored that first year were Freshman All-America Jackie Bradley Jr. and All-SEC selections, Justin Dalles, Nick Ebert, Bobby Haney and DeAngelo Mack.

Prior to joining the Gamecock program, Holbrook worked for 15 seasons on the North Carolina coaching staff. While at UNC, the Tar Heels made 11 NCAA Tournament appearances including four NCAA Super Regionals and

three trips to the College World Series. The 2007 squad also captured an ACC championship, the first in Chapel Hill since 1990 when Holbrook was a freshman player.

At UNC, Holbrook mentored several top players including 2008 second-team All-America outfielder Tim Fedroff, third-team All-America first baseman Dustin Ackley and third-team All-America second baseman Kyle Seager. Ackley also earned third-team All-America honors in 2007 and was both Baseball America & Collegiate Baseball's Freshman of the Year. Ackley was drafted No. 2 overall in the 2009 MLB Draft by the Seattle Mariners.

Holbrook was instrumental in recruiting current Major League Baseball players Daniel Bard, Matt Harvey, Chris Iannetta, Andrew Miller, Seager and Ackley to UNC.

As recruiting coordinator for the North Carolina program, Holbrook put together consecutive top 10 recruiting classes that helped the Tar Heels in making three consecutive College World Series appearances. From 2006-2008, North Carolina led the nation in wins with 54 in 2006, 57 in 2007 and 54 in 2008. PG Cross Checker ranked his last UNC recruiting class No. 3 in the nation. Holbrook's 2007 class ranked fourth in the nation by Baseball America with his 2006 class selected eighth in the country. Baseball America also ranked his 2004 class 11th in the nation with the publication naming the Tar Heels recruiting class of 2003

as the No. 1 group in the country. That 2003 class also tied for first in Collegiate Baseball's recruiting rankings with South Carolina.

Under Holbrook's eye, UNC batted .324 as a team in the 2008 season and posted six of the top seven hitting seasons in Tar Heel history. The Tar Heels led the nation in hits in 2007 as well with 820 to finish the year.

The school record for batting average in Chapel Hill was also set under Holbrook's direction in 2002 when the Tar Heels finished with a .325 mark.

Holbrook served as undergraduate assistant coach in 1994 and was promoted to full-time assistant in the fall of 1994. Holbrook served as assistant coach up to 2007 when he earned a promotion to associate head coach. Holbrook also worked one summer in the Cape Cod League as head coach of the Harwich Mariners in 1997 where he led them to the league's Eastern Division championship.

Before joining the North Carolina staff, Holbrook played for the Tar Heels from 1990-93. He was a second-team All-ACC selection as a senior when he hit .353 at the plate. He also earned all-tournament team honors in 1993 at the NCAA Central I Regional in College Station, Texas, where he hit .565 (13-for-23) with three doubles and two triples in five games. Holbrook sits second all-time on the UNC list for triples with 14 in his career as well as 40 stolen bases. His stolen bases record was broke by Brian Roberts, who played for UNC from 97-98 before transferring to South Carolina.

Holbrook is a 1994 graduate of North Carolina with a degree in physical education. He is the son of Eddie Holbrook, former head men's basketball coach for Gardner-Webb and Furman.

Holbrook and his wife, the former Jennifer Hilliard, were married in August of 2000. They have two sons, Reece, who was born on May 4, 2002, and Cooper, who was born on June 14, 2004.



**THE HOLBROOK FAMILY**  
Reece, Chad, Jenn & Cooper

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## CHAD HOLBROOK BY THE NUMBERS -- ENTERING THE 2014 SEASON

.731	WINNING PERCENTAGE AT CAROLINA SINCE COACH HOLBROOK JOINED STAFF
2	NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS HE HAS COACHED ON (2010, 2011)
5	COLLEGE WORLD SERIES NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES APPEARANCES (2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012)
6	COLLEGE WORLD SERIES TEAMS HE HAS COACHED ON (2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2012)
10	NO. 10 BEST RECRUITER IN ALL OF COLLEGE SPORTS BY ESPNU & ESPN THE MAGAZINE
16	NCAA TOURNAMENT TEAMS HE HAS COACHED ON
16	PLAYERS RECRUITED BY COACH HOLBROOK THAT HAVE PLAYED IN THE BIG LEAGUES
18	ALL-AMERICA HITTERS HE HAS COACHED
21	SEASONS HE HAS COACHED IN COLLEGE BASEBALL
43	ALL-CONFERENCE HITTERS HE HAS COACHED
241	NUMBER OF WINS AT SOUTH CAROLINA IN 5 SEASONS HE HAS COACHED WITH GAMECOCK PROGRAM



“In 1996, I snuck into the press conference as Coach Tanner was introduced as the new South Carolina coach. I talked my way in and told them I was a member of the media. At that press conference, I handed him a note and I told him it was my hope and dream that I would come work for (him). He kept that note and remembered what I said in that note, and (in 2008) he gave me the opportunity to work on his staff. I’ve learned so much from him. He’s given me the blueprint on how to run a college baseball program. Our staff will continue to use that blueprint that Coach Tanner has given to me step by step.”

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# 2014 Baseball

Head coach Chad Holbrook came to South Carolina on July 7, 2008. The Gamecocks have put together a .731 winning percentage since the 2009 season when Coach Holbrook joined the program. This decade, South Carolina is the winningest team in NCAA Division I Baseball as South Carolina is the only squad to have recorded 200 or more wins since 2010. In those four seasons, the Gamecocks have made four NCAA Super Regionals, three College World Series appearances and won two Division I National Championships.

## Top 11 NCAA Division I Schools by Victories This Decade (2010 to 2013)

School	Record
<b>South Carolina</b>	<b>201-70</b>
Virginia	196-57-1
North Carolina	194-66
Florida State	191-73
Vanderbilt	189-72
UCLA	183-74
LSU	181-71
Oregon	177-85-1
Coastal Carolina	176-72
Florida	176-86
Oklahoma	176-83



## CHAD HOLBROOK HONOR ROLL

### 18 ALL-AMERICA HITTERS COACHED

#### AT SOUTH CAROLINA

2013  
LB Dantzler (DH) .322 AVG - 15 HR - 53 RBI

2012  
Christian Walker (1B) .321 AVG - 11 HR - 55 RBI

2011  
Christian Walker (1B) .358 AVG - 10 HR - 62 RBI

#### AT NORTH CAROLINA

2008  
Dustin Ackley (1B) .417 AVG - 7 HR - 51 RBI  
Tim Fedroff (OF) .404 AVG - 12 HR - 71 RBI  
Kyle Seager (2B) .347 AVG - 9 HR - 75 RBI

2007  
Dustin Ackley (1B) .402 AVG - 10 HR - 74 RBI

2006  
Josh Horton (SS) .395 AVG - 7 HR - 59 RBI

2004  
Chris Iannetta (C) .336 AVG - 15 HR - 71 RBI

2003  
Jeremey Cleveland (OF) .410 AVG - 19 HR - 65 RBI

2002  
Russ Adams (SS/3B/2B) .370 AVG - 7 HR - 55 RBI  
Adam Greenberg (OF) .337 AVG - 17 HR - 57 RBI  
Chris Maples (3B) .347 AVG - 23 HR - 79 RBI

2000  
Tyrell Godwin (OF) .363 AVG - 11 HR - 67 RBI

1998  
Brian Roberts (SS) .353 AVG - 13 HR - 49 RBI

1997  
Brian Roberts (SS) .427 AVG - 8 HR - 44 RBI

1996  
Michael Stoner (1B) .346 AVG - 20 HR - 65 RBI

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## A Closer Look At South Carolina From 2000-Present

**SOUTH CAROLINA OWNS THE SECOND HIGHEST WIN TOTAL IN THE NATION SINCE 2000**

### Win Totals From 2000-Present

1. Florida State 695-261-1
2. **South Carolina 669-271**

**SOUTH CAROLINA IS ONE OF ONLY FIVE SCHOOLS TO APPEAR IN THE NCAA REGIONAL EVERY SEASON FROM 2000-PRESENT**

### NCAA Regional Appearances Since 2000

1. **South Carolina 14 2000-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13**
- Cal State Fullerton 14 2000-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
- Florida State 14 2000-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
- Miami (Fla.) 14 2000-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
- Rice 14 2000-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13

**SOUTH CAROLINA IS ONE OF ONLY TWO SCHOOLS TO APPEAR IN THE NCAA SUPER REGIONAL AT LEAST 11 TIMES IN THE LAST 14 YEARS**

### NCAA Super Regional Appearances the Last 14 Years

1. Florida State 12 2000-01-02-03-04-05-08-09-10-11-12-13
2. **South Carolina 11 2000-01-02-03-04-06-07-10-11-12-13**
3. Cal State Fullerton 10 2001-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-13
4. LSU 9 2000-01-02-03-04-08-09-12-13
- Miami (Fla.) 9 2000-01-02-03-04-05-06-08-10
- Rice 9 2001-02-03-05-06-07-08-09-13
7. Clemson 8 2000-01-02-05-06-07-09-10
- Stanford 8 2000-01-02-03-06-08-11-12
- Texas 8 2000-02-03-04-05-06-10-11
10. Arizona State 7 2003-05-07-08-09-10-11
- North Carolina 7 2003-06-07-08-09-11-13

**NO SCHOOL HAS MADE MORE TRIPS TO THE COLLEGE WORLD SERIES IN THE LAST 12 YEARS THAN SOUTH CAROLINA**

### NCAA College World Series Appearances the Last 12 Years

1. **South Carolina 6 2002-03-04-10-11-12**
- North Carolina 6 2006-07-08-09-11-13
- Texas 6 2002-03-04-05-09-11
3. Cal State Fullerton 5 2003-04-06-07-09
- LSU 5 2003-04-08-09-13
- Rice 5 2002-03-06-07-08
7. Arizona State 4 2005-07-09-10
- Florida 4 2005-10-11-12
- Miami (Fla.) 4 2003-04-06-08
- Oregon State 4 2005-06-07-13

### ATTENDANCE AT CAROLINA

The South Carolina fan base has increased to all-time highs and school records since the opening of Carolina Stadium. Listed below are attendance figures from 2009 to the present. South Carolina set a school record for average attendance in 2012 with a final average of 7,574 in 39 dates. The total attendance of 295,389 ranked second in the nation. South Carolina's total attendance of 260,605 in the 2013 season ranked third highest in the nation.

Year	Total Attendance (Avg.)	Rank
2009	231,360 (6,804)	4th
2010	241,582 (6,710)	4th
2011	297,279 (7,431)	2nd
2012	295,389 (7,574)	2nd
2013	260,605 (7,445)	3rd



## A Closer Look At South Carolina Baseball From 2000-Present

### SOUTH CAROLINA OWNS MORE WINS THAN ANY SEC TEAM SINCE 2000

		Win Totals Since 2000
1.	<b>South Carolina</b>	<b>669-271</b>
2.	LSU	621-281-4
3.	Florida	562-325-2
4.	Vanderbilt	534-320
5.	Texas A&M	531-334-3
6.	Arkansas	530-332
7.	Ole Miss	529-327-1
8.	Alabama	511-346
9.	Mississippi State	508-343-2
10.	Georgia	469-383-1
11.	Auburn	468-351
12.	Missouri	460-357-2
13.	Tennessee	449-363
14.	Kentucky	435-358-2

### SOUTH CAROLINA HAS THE MOST COLLEGE WORLD SERIES APPEARANCES OF THE 14 SEC SCHOOLS IN THE LAST 12 YEARS (2002-13)

		College World Series Appearances The Last 12 Years (2002-13)
1.	<b>South Carolina</b>	<b>6</b> 2002-03-04-10-11-12
2.	LSU	5 2003-04-08-09-13
3.	Florida	4 2005-10-11-12
4.	Arkansas	3 2004-09-12
	Georgia	3 2004-06-08
6.	Mississippi State	2 2007-13
7.	Tennessee	1 2005
	Texas A&M	1 2011
	Vanderbilt	1 2011
10.	Alabama	0 N/A
	Auburn	0 N/A
	Kentucky	0 N/A
	Missouri	0 N/A
	Ole Miss	0 N/A

### SOUTH CAROLINA IS THE ONLY SEC SCHOOL TO REACH THE NCAA REGIONAL EVERY SEASON SINCE 2000

		NCAA Regional Appearances Since 2000
1.	<b>South Carolina</b>	<b>14</b> 2000-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
2.	Arkansas	12 2002-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
	Florida	12 2000-01-02-03-04-05-08-09-10-11-12-13
4.	LSU	11 2000-01-02-03-04-05-08-09-10-11-13
	Ole Miss	11 2001-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-13
6.	Alabama	10 2000-02-03-05-06-08-09-10-11-13
	Mississippi State	10 2000-01-03-04-05-06-07-11-12-13
8.	Vanderbilt	9 2004-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
9.	Missouri	8 2003-04-05-06-07-08-09-12
	Texas A&M	8 2003-04-07-09-10-11-13-13
11.	Georgia	7 2001-02-04-06-08-09-11
12.	Auburn	6 2000-01-02-03-05-10
13.	Kentucky	3 2006-08-12
	Tennessee	3 2001-04-05

### SOUTH CAROLINA OWNS MORE SEC WINS THAN ANY SEC TEAM SINCE 2000

		Win Totals Since 2000
1.	<b>South Carolina</b>	<b>257-160</b>
2.	LSU	244-171-3
3.	Florida	241-177-2
4.	Ole Miss	222-197
5.	Alabama	213-205
6.	Arkansas	209-203
	Vanderbilt	209-203
8.	Georgia	196-215-1
9.	Auburn	191-229
10.	Mississippi State	188-222
11.	Tennessee	167-245
12.	Kentucky	159-256-2
13.	Texas A&M	13-16
14.	Missouri	10-20

note - only conference games, does not include SEC Tournament or NCAA postseason games. Texas A&M and Missouri joined the SEC after the 2012 season.

### SOUTH CAROLINA HAS THE MOST NCAA SUPER REGIONAL APPEARANCES OF THE 14 SEC SCHOOLS SINCE 2000

		NCAA Super Regional Appearances Since 2000
1.	<b>South Carolina</b>	<b>11</b> 2000-01-02-03-04-06-07-10-11-12-13
2.	LSU	9 2000-01-02-03-04-08-09-12-13
3.	Florida	6 2004-05-09-10-11-12
4.	Arkansas	5 2002-04-09-10-12
	Mississippi State	5 2000-01-07-11-13
6.	Georgia	4 2001-04-06-08
	Ole Miss	4 2005-06-07-09
	Texas A&M	4 2004-07-08-11
	Vanderbilt	4 2004-10-11-13
10.	Alabama	2 2006-10
	Tennessee	2 2001-05
	Missouri	1 2006
13.	Auburn	0 N/A
	Kentucky	0 N/A

### SOUTH CAROLINA IS THE ONLY SEC SCHOOL TO RECORD 40 OR MORE WINS SINCE 2000

		40-Plus Win Seasons Since 2000
1.	<b>South Carolina</b>	<b>14</b> 2000-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
2.	LSU	11 2000-01-02-03-04-05-08-09-10-12-13
3.	Florida	8 2000-02-04-05-09-10-11-12
4.	Texas A&M	7 2003-04-07-08-10-11-12
5.	Arkansas	6 2004-07-09-10-11-12
	Vanderbilt	6 2004-07-08-10-11-13
6.	Alabama	5 2000-02-05-06-10
8.	Mississippi State	4 2000-03-05-13
	Ole Miss	4 2005-06-07-09
10.	Auburn	3 2000-03-10
	Georgia	3 2004-06-08
	Kentucky	3 2006-08-12
	Tennessee	3 2000-01-05
14.	Missouri	2 2005-07

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## Jerry MEYERS 12

Associate Head Coach

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26th season Overall

Jerry Meyers is the associate head coach for South Carolina. Meyers is in his 12th year associated with the Gamecock baseball program. Meyers, who served as an assistant at South Carolina from the 1997-2004 seasons, returned to Carolina in August of 2010 to coach the pitchers following six years as head coach at Old Dominion.

The 2013 pitching staff was among the best in the nation with a 3.02 earned run average to go along with a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 3.3 that ranked third best in the nation. South Carolina pitchers averaged 7.8 strikeouts per nine innings while walking just 2.36 batters per contest.

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Senior left-hander Nolan Belcher was stellar in 17 starts with seven victories including a pair of complete games as well as a shutout in an 8-0 win in the rubber game of the Clemson series. Belcher pitched a team-high 117.0 innings and struck out 95 batters to just 16 walks. Despite missing a month to injury, sophomore lefthander Jordan Montgomery continued his development and went 6-1 with a 1.48 ERA in 79.0 innings pitched with opponents hitting only .222 against him. Montgomery continued his postseason dominance with victories over Liberty in the NCAA Regional and North Carolina in the NCAA Super Regional. In his two years, Montgomery is 4-0 in four postseason starts with 0.59 ERA, surrendering just two runs on 15 hits over 30.2 innings.

Two more left-handers were big contributors to the success of the 2013 season. Senior left-hander Adam Westmoreland went 7-4 with a 2.32 ERA in 29 relief appearances, opponents hitting just .211 against him. Westmoreland was drafted in the 26th round by the Miami Marlins. Also in the mix was freshman left-hander Jack Wynkoop, who was named Freshman All-America by Collegiate Baseball after going 7-3 with a 3.09 ERA. The southpaw picked up SEC Freshman of the Week accolades in consecutive weeks as well as he earned victories vs. Kentucky and at LSU.

In 2012, the Gamecocks finished with a 2.97 earned run average. Opponents would hit just .221 as Carolina finished the year in the CWS Championship Series and with a 49-20 overall record. Meyers' pupils included senior left-hander Michael Roth, who concluded his impressive career by being named the 2011-12 SEC H. Boyd McWhorter Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year and earning a spot on the 2012 CWS All-Tournament team. He would also receive the President's Award, the top honor given to a South Carolina student-athlete. Roth ended his stellar career with three CWS records including career starts (8), career innings pitched (60.1) and career hit batsmen (7). Roth's career ERA of 1.49 is the fifth lowest among all pitchers with at least 30.0 career IP at the CWS. Roth became the first player to start in the championship game of a CWS in three different years. Jim Withers of Southern California (1960, 1961) is the only other player to even start in two. Roth was a ninth round MLB Draft selection by the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim. Junior right-hander Matt Price also was under Meyers' tutelage. Price earned second-team All-SEC honors and continued his dominance on the mound in the postseason. He set a record for career wins at the CWS with five and tied the CWS career appearance record as he made 13 appearances in the CWS, tying Texas' J. Brent Cox (2003-04-05). Price was a seventh round MLB Draft selection and signed with the Baltimore Orioles. Price finished his career with the Garnet & Black as the career record holder in saves (43) and appearances (102) as well as the SEC career record in saves.

Also in the mix in 2012 was Montgomery, who developed into a Freshman All-American. Montgomery made 15 appearances with 13 starts and compiled a 6-1 record with a 3.62 ERA in 74.2 innings pitched with 57 strikeouts to just 10 walks. He was instrumental as well in the postseason with a win over Clemson in the NCAA Regional as well as a victory over Arkansas in the College World Series.

In 2011, Meyers oversaw a pitching staff that was among the best in school history, on the way to the school's second consecutive national championship. The Gamecock hurlers won 55 games and compiled a 2.45 earned run average, the best mark by a Gamecock pitching staff in the past 36 seasons. Opponents hit just .227 against the Gamecocks.

Roth would go on to earn Consensus All-America honors as he went 14-3, with a 1.06 ERA and was College Baseball Insider's National Player of the Year. Meyers helped with Price, who earned All-America honors as well as he was one of college baseball's most dominant closers with a 7-3 record to go along with 20 saves and a 1.83 ERA. Senior side-armer John Taylor also tied a NCAA single-season record for appearances with 50 as a crucial setup arm to Price. Taylor would go 8-1 with a 1.14 ERA and earned All-America honors from College Baseball Insider as well. Freshman right-hander Forrest Koumas won six games with a 2.96 ERA to pick up SEC All-Freshman accolades and sophomore right-hander Colby Holmes won SEC Pitcher of the Week honors twice and increased his victories to a seven-win total to go along with a 3.69 ERA in his second season. In addition, left-handers Bryan Harper and Steven Neff along with Taylor were drafted and signed pro contracts. Price and Roth also were selected in the 2011 MLB Draft but elected to return to Columbia for the 2012 season.

Before his arrival to Columbia, Meyers helped turn around the Old Dominion baseball program in six seasons (2005-10) leading the Monarchs to the top of the Colonial Athletic Association including a co-regular season championship in 2007 and the top seed at the CAA Tournament. That 2007 squad featured the top pitching





staff in the CAA with a 3.97 ERA and 471 strikeouts. In his second year at ODU in 2006, the school enjoyed one of the nation's biggest improvements with the squad compiling a 39-17 overall record and finishing second in the CAA. That season ODU climbed back into the national top 15 for the first time since the mid 1980s. Meyers earned CAA Coach of the Year honors with four of his players selected in the MLB draft and the team breaking or tying eight school and individual records. Most notable among his standouts at ODU was right-hander Daniel Hudson, who has pitched four seasons in the big leagues with the Arizona Diamondbacks. Meyers compiled a 167-158 record during his tenure with the Monarchs.

Meyers also served one summer on the staff of the USA Baseball Collegiate National Team that won a gold medal in the 2008 FISU World Championships in Europe and finished the summer with a 24-0 record and an impressive 0.88 earned run average. Among the pitchers he worked with that summer included current MLB pitchers Stephen Strasburg (Washington Nationals), Mike Leake (Cincinnati Reds) and Mike Minor (Atlanta Braves). Along with an earned run average under one, his staff also struck out 268 batters to just 72 walks in 224 innings pitched with opponents batting just .154 as well.

Meyers initially joined Ray Tanner in Columbia in the summer of 1996 after Tanner was announced as the school's new head coach. In eight seasons with the Gamecocks, Meyers built one of the top pitching staffs in the country and coached 10 All-American pitchers along the way. The Gamecocks reached the NCAA Tournament in six of eight seasons while Meyers was here along with a national runner-up finish (2002) three College World Series appearances (2002, 2003, 2004), two Southeastern Conference championships (2000, 2002), four SEC Eastern Division titles (1999, 2000, 2002, 2003) and one SEC Tournament title (2004).

Among the stars that learned under the helm of Meyers was Kip Bouknight (1998-01), who garnered National Player of the Year honors in 2000 along with the Golden Spikes Award, presented by USA Baseball to the top amateur player in the country. Bouknight put together one of the greatest single-season years in college history in 2000 posting a 17-1 record to help lead the Gamecocks to a 56-10 record and an SEC Championship. His 17 single-season wins is a school record and are tied for the most wins in a season by an SEC pitcher. Bouknight joined with Peter Bauer and Scott Barber to form the "Killer B's," a dominant trio that saw all three pitchers earn All-America recognition. The 2000 pitching staff posted a 3.51 team ERA.

In 2001, the Gamecocks again had one of the top pitching staffs in the country with the group finishing with a 3.41 team ERA. The squad featured All-America closer Lee Gronkiewicz, as well as a pair of 10-game winners in Bouknight and left-hander Gary Bell. That year, Bouknight rewrote the record book at South Carolina as the winningest pitcher in school history, compiling a career record of 45-12 in a four-year span, also setting a school records for strikeouts (457) and decisions (57).

When the Gamecocks returned to Omaha in 2002 to play for a national title, the pitchers were right at the forefront - chief among them was right-hander Blake Taylor, who set a school record and led the nation in saves



**THE MEYERS FAMILY**  
Jerry, Audrey, Riley & Chris

with 21 on the year on his way to All-America honors. The 2003 staff was another star-studded group that reached the College World Series and led the SEC with a 3.57 ERA. The staff featured David Marchbanks, who tallied a 15-3 record and was named Southeastern Conference Pitcher of the Year in addition to All-America honors. Marchbanks was one of three USC pitchers drafted and signed by professional baseball in 2003. Steven Bondurant signed with Oakland and Chris Hernandez with Pittsburgh. In Meyers final season at Carolina in 2004, the Gamecocks made a third straight trip to Omaha with the pitchers putting together a 3.40 team ERA. Left-hander Matt Campbell was a first round MLB draft selection by the Royals with right-hander Billy Buckner selected in the second round by the Royals and right-hander Chad Blackwell also a sixth round choice by Kansas City. Blackwell became the Gamecocks' fourth reliever in five seasons to pick up All-America honors as he led the nation in saves with 20 with right-hander Aaron Rawl also picking up All-America accolades with a 13-4 overall record.

Meyers came to Carolina after one year at Old Dominion as assistant coach and recruiting coordinator. Prior to his first stint at ODU, Meyers spent four years as the pitching coach and recruiting coordinator at the University of North Carolina-Wilmington where he worked with pitchers and catchers. The 1995 Seahawk staff ranked 11th nationally in earned run average at 3.37 with two pitchers ranked among the nation's top 15 in strikeouts per nine innings.

Previous to his UNC-Wilmington stint, Meyers worked at Gulf Coast Community College in Panama City, Fla., 1989-91 (ranked 4th nationally in 1989) where several pitchers went on to sign professionally or with Division I schools including Tim Davis (Seattle Mariners) and former Gamecock pitcher Scott Pace. Meyers managed the 1994 Winchester, Va., team in the Shenandoah Valley league to a second place finish.

He began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at the University of South Alabama from 1988-89. Born Jerald Ray Meyers March 8, 1965 in Harvey, Ill., Meyers grew up in Chesterton, Ind., where he attended Chesterton High School, earning four letters in baseball and basketball. He was a second team all-state selection in basketball.

Meyers was a four-year starting pitcher at Iowa State University where he was named to the All-Big Eight Conference team as a senior. He was the team captain as a junior and senior and was named the team's Most Valuable pitcher his senior year.

Meyers received a bachelor of business administration degree in management from Iowa State and the master of education in physical education from South Alabama in 1989 with an emphasis in exercise and movement technology. Meyers and his wife, Chris, have two daughters, Jaye Riley born July 31, 1999, and Audrey Reese, born December 31, 2001.

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## Sammy ESPOSITO 41

Assistant Coach

7th season at South Carolina  
9th season Overall

Sammy Esposito was named recruiting coordinator by head coach Chad Holbrook on August 20, 2012. Esposito has worked on the baseball staff since the fall of 2007 and has worked with the hitters and catchers since joining the Gamecocks. He has been a part of six NCAA regional teams including the 2010 and 2011 national championship squads. His most recent recruiting class was ranked No. 3 in the nation by Baseball America.

"Coach Esposito is passionate, organized and a great communicator," said head coach Chad Holbrook. "He does a terrific job of organizing our recruiting efforts. In this day and time, your entire staff has to be committed to recruiting on a daily basis. While I plan on staying as active as I've ever been on the recruiting front, I certainly understand it takes a relentless staff to recruit at the highest level."

In the 2013 season, Esposito's catching corps kept opposing teams at bay as only 26 stolen bases were allowed on 45 attempts. Sophomore catcher Grayson Greiner continued his elevation as one of the game's top backstops as he earned second-team All-SEC honors and was named to USA Baseball's Collegiate National Team. Greiner allowed just 23 stolen bases and made only three errors in 49 starts behind the plate. Senior catcher Dante Rosenberg also contributed in 14 starts as he yielded only three stolen bases on eight attempts. Rosenberg signed a free agent contract with the St. Louis Cardinals.

The duo of Greiner and Rosenberg shined in 2012. Greiner would go on to earn Freshman All-America honors from Collegiate Baseball with Rosenberg a key cog in the Gamecocks' postseason run. Greiner limited opponents to just 25 stolen bases in 62 games played, while throwing out 18 runners attempting to steal. Both Greiner and Rosenberg made just five errors behind the plate as well and helped contribute to a pitching staff that finished the year with a 2.97 ERA.

The 2011 catching corps had a solid season behind the efforts of senior co-captain Brady Thomas and senior Robert Beary. The pair was dynamic in helping lead behind the plate a pitching staff that went 55-14 with a 2.45 ERA along with 536 strikeouts. The catchers allowed 38 stolen bases in 69 games. Beary fielded a solid .993 behind the plate and earned NCAA Regional MVP honors as well as College World Series All-Tournament team accolades. Thomas was also a CWS All-Tournament team recipient.

In 2010, Esposito led a catching staff that included senior co-captain Kyle Enders, Brady Thomas and Richard Royal. The trio helped to catch a pitching staff that finished with a 3.45 ERA along with 625 strikeouts to 220 walks. The group also allowed just 43 stolen bases in 70 games. In addition, Enders finished his career with a .993 fielding percentage, the best career mark in school history. Enders was also an NCAA Regional All-Tournament team selection with Thomas earning CWS All-Tournament team honors in Omaha.

In 2009, Esposito worked with junior catcher Justin Dalles, who earned All-SEC honors and was a sixth round MLB draft selection by the Baltimore Orioles. Dalles, Kyle Enders and Brady Thomas were among the most efficient defensive catchers in the nation as well with just four errors behind the plate in 553 chances and only 27 stolen bases allowed in 63 games.

In 2008, Esposito also oversaw a strong catching trio in Enders, Phil Disher and Richard Royal that finished with just four errors as well. Disher was a 2008 MLB Draft selection by the Houston Astros.

Esposito came to Columbia in the fall of 2007 after two seasons on the Georgia Southern staff. A four-year letterwinner at NC State, Esposito is the son of former NC State head coach Sam Esposito, who coached South Carolina head coach Ray Tanner during his playing days. Tanner also served on Esposito's staff from 1981-87 before becoming his successor with the Wolfpack.



In addition to his two seasons with Georgia Southern, Esposito has been involved with several baseball camps in the Southeast Region including South Carolina, NC State and Richmond. Esposito also served as an assistant coach in the Cape Cod League for the Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox. Y-D won the Cape Cod Championship in 2007 following a league-best record of 31-12-1 in the regular season.

Esposito lettered as a catcher at NC State from 1999-2002. He graduated from NC State with a bachelor of arts degree in sociology. He attended Broughton High School in Raleigh, N.C., where he was a two-time all-conference selection in baseball.

Esposito and his wife, the former Neal Webb, were married January 1, 2011. They have a son, Samuel Donato III, who was born on October 31, 2012.



THE ESPOSITO FAMILY  
Sammy, Samuel & Neal



## Brian BUSCHER 55

**Volunteer Assistant**

**3rd season on South Carolina Staff  
4th season Overall**

Brian Buscher, a 2003 All-American at South Carolina and former major leaguer with the Minnesota Twins, begins his second year as volunteer assistant coach and third season as a member of the South Carolina baseball staff. Buscher works with the infielders and hitters and coaches first base. He is also coordinator of the Chad Holbrook Baseball Camps.

The return of Buscher helped the Gamecocks immediately as South Carolina transitioned Chase Vergason over to third base for the 2013 season. The former big leaguer's experience proved dividends immediately as Vergason gained comfort in his new spot and fielded .936 for the season at the hot corner with just 10 errors in 157 chances. Buscher also contributed to an offense that raised its season batting average 19 batting points to .284 with a .375 on-base percentage and a .419 slugging clip. South Carolina led the SEC and ranked 18th in the nation with 52 homers.

Before returning to campus, Buscher served as head coach at Heathwood Hall Episcopal School in the 2011-12 season as well as manager for the 2012 Columbia Blowfish, who won the Coastal Plains League Petit Cup Championship.

Reaching the playoffs as the No. 4 seed, Buscher directed the Blowfish to a pair of sweeps in the first two rounds of the playoffs before coming back from one game down to win the 2012 CPL Petit Cup with consecutive victories on the road. It marked the first title for the Columbia Blowfish in team history.

Prior to his stint at Heathwood Hall and with the Blowfish, Buscher returned to Columbia in the fall of 2010 to complete his undergraduate work and earn a bachelor's degree in psychology. As undergraduate student assistant coach, his influence on the 2011 Gamecock national championship squad was evident with his work with the corner infielders and on game day as bench coach to Ray Tanner.

Buscher decided to turn to coaching and education after completing a successful seven-year stint in professional baseball highlighted by three years in Major League Baseball with the Twins.

As a player, Buscher was a member of consecutive College World Series teams in 2002 and 2003 for the Gamecocks. Buscher never missed a game in two seasons at Carolina starting 140 of 142 games played at third base. He was a staple in the lineup as a junior on the 2002 SEC championship team that reached the national championship game at the College World Series and he followed that up with an even more successful year in 2003 that saw him earn All-America honors as the Gamecocks made a second straight trip to the CWS. Buscher's .393 batting average (106-for-270) his senior season is the best batting average by a Gamecock player in this century and his 106 hits is tied for the second highest single-season total in school history. He totaled 201 career hits, one of 23 players at Carolina to record 200 or more hits.

His success at Carolina led him to being selected in the third round of the '03 MLB Draft by the San Francisco Giants. He would spend three seasons in the Giants minor league system before being selected by the Twins in the Rule Five Draft. Buscher made his MLB debut on July 27, 2007 and spent two and a half seasons with the Twins culminating in a first place finish in the American League Central division in 2009.

Buscher and his wife, the former Sarah Simmons, have two daughters, Finley Amelia and Allyn Isabelle.



**THE BUSCHER FAMILY**  
Finley, Brian, Sarah & Allyn

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## Billy ANDERSON

Head Strength & Conditioning Coach

21st season at South Carolina  
12th season with Baseball

Billy Anderson is the head strength and conditioning coach for Olympic Sports at the University of South Carolina. This is Anderson's 12th season as strength coach to the baseball program and his 21st year at Carolina.

Anderson also works with women's golf and women's soccer. Anderson began working in 1992 at South Carolina as a graduate assistant and has been a full-time member for the strength staff since 1994.

Anderson is certified by the Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Coaches Association (CSCCA) and most recently in May of 2010 was awarded the prestigious title of Master Strength and Conditioning Coach. This honor is given to strength coaches who have been in the field for a minimum of 12 years and represents professionalism, experience, expertise as well as longevity in the field.

A native of Stratford, Conn., Anderson received his bachelor of science degree in Health Fitness from Springfield (Mass.) College.

While at Springfield, Anderson ran track all four years and is still the record holder in the 800 meter run. He was the junior and senior Athlete of the Year at Springfield as his team was the ECAC champions both years. In 1991, Anderson finished eighth in the 800 meter run at the NCAA Division II Indoor Championships.

A 1987 graduate of Bunnell High School in Stratford, Conn., Anderson was an All-State performer in football and track.

Anderson and his wife, the former Tish Fellers, were married July 22, 2000. They have a son, Kaden Ellis, born on Sept. 11, 2005 and a daughter, Ashlyn Paige, born on May 5, 2008.



**THE ANDERSON FAMILY**  
Kaden, Billy, Ashlyn & Tish



## Steven BONDURANT

Academic Advisor

7th season on South Carolina Staff

Steven Bondurant is in his seventh year as academic advisor for the baseball program. In addition to his duties as primary advisor for the baseball team in academic matters, Bondurant also oversees the academic progress for men's soccer and women's volleyball.

Under Bondurant's watch, the Gamecocks have achieved at a high level in the classroom. The winter of 2012 saw the Gamecocks achieve the program's highest overall GPA on record with a 3.201. The following spring of 2013 featured LB Dantzler being named CoSIDA Capital One Academic All-American of the Year as well.

In 2012, senior Michael Roth won the SEC's Boyd McWhorter Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year award as well as a second straight year earning first-team CoSIDA Academic All-America honors. At the 2012 College World Series, sophomore Erik Payne became the second consecutive Gamecock to win the Elite "89" Award for the best GPA of all student-athletes at the CWS as Roth won the award in 2011.

In the Spring of 2010, the Gamecocks also finished with a cumulative GPA of 3.118, the highest GPA of all eight schools at the College World Series.

Bondurant began his position in August of 2007 following a four-year professional baseball career with the Oakland Athletics. Bondurant reached as high as Triple-A with the Sacramento Rivercats before retiring due to injury.

Bondurant was a member of the South Carolina baseball team from 2000-03 including serving as captain for the '03 squad his senior year. In four seasons with the Gamecocks, "Bondo" compiled a 14-7 career record with a pair of seven-win seasons in 2002 and 2003. Both the 2002 and 2003 teams competed in the College World Series with the '02 squad finishing as national runner-up and earning an SEC championship. Bondurant's seventh win of the 2002 season was in an elimination game at Omaha vs. in-state rival Clemson that eliminated the Tigers and propelled the Gamecocks into the national championship game.

Bondurant graduated in the spring of 2002 from South Carolina with degrees in marketing and also in management. In addition, Bondurant earned his Master's in human resources in 2004.

## Grounds Crew



**GROUND'S CREW:** Front Row: Joey Davis, Marcus Thurber, Donnie Lindler, Donald Robbins, Daniel Derrick. Back Row: Randall Boland, Jonathan Dunning, Eddie Dunning, Travis Reed.



## TYSON LUSK

Director of Operations

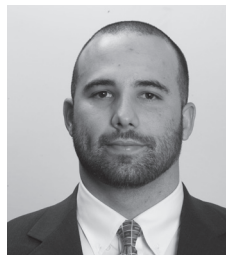
1st season at South Carolina  
9th season Overall

Tyson Lusk is in his first season as director of operations for the baseball team. Lusk coordinates team travel, oversees team equipment and apparel ordering, serves as liaison to visiting teams and umpires and supervises the student managers. Lusk also works closely with the coaching staff on the program's budget and with on-campus recruiting.

"I've known Tyson for the last eight years," said Holbrook. "He is a tireless worker and a very organized person. He is also a winner having been a part of six College World Series teams in the last eight years. We are thrilled he wanted to be a part of our baseball program and he is a great addition to our staff."

Lusk comes to Columbia after four years as clubhouse/equipment manager with the University of North Carolina as well as eight seasons with the baseball program. Before entering his role as equipment manager, Lusk was the head student manager for UNC from August 2005-June 2009. While with the Tar Heels program, Lusk worked with six College World Series teams and eight NCAA Tournament squads.

He graduated in 2009 with a bachelor's degree in political science.



## Adrian MORALES 10

Student Assistant Coach

1st season on South Carolina Staff

Former Gamecock infielder Adrian Morales has returned to Columbia to serve as student assistant coach for the 2014 season.

"We are ecstatic to welcome back Adrian," said head coach Chad Holbrook. "Adrian was a very special player for us and part of two national championship teams. Not only was he a special player, but a great leader and winner as well. He is going to be a terrific coach."

Morales played in 136 games with 127 starts in a two-year career with the Garnet & Black and was a member of the 2010 and 2011 national championship teams. Morales returns to Columbia after playing for the Kansas City Royals organization for the past two and a half seasons.

He is working toward completion of his degree in criminal justice.

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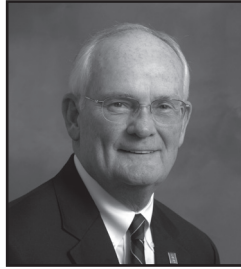
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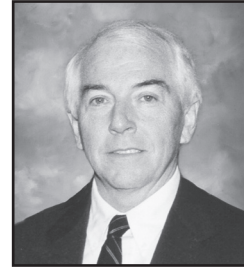
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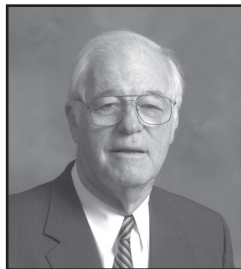
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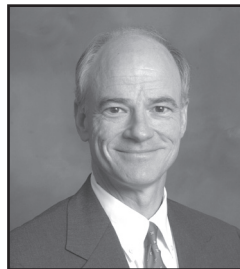
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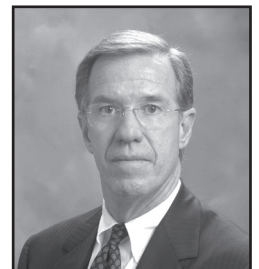
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## President - Dr. Harris Pastides



Harris Pastides is the 28th president of the University of South Carolina (USC), elected by the University's Board of Trustees on August 1, 2008. His election marks the first internal candidate for the presidency of the University in over a half century. Previously, Dr. Pastides served as vice president for research and health sciences and dean of the Arnold School of Public Health. He and his wife, Patricia, first came to the University in 1998.

Leading by example, Dr. Pastides expects students, faculty and staff to set and exceed high expectations, push boundaries and embrace innovation. He is an advocate for student engagement beyond the classroom through leadership, service learning, international experience, internships and undergraduate research.

Under his leadership, Carolina's student population has grown to record levels among the system's eight universities on 12 campuses. Knowing that degree attainment significantly impacts the quality of life in South Carolina, Dr. Pastides continues to spearhead non-traditional programs such as Palmetto College, Back to Carolina, Gamecock Gateway and Gamecock Guarantee to increase university access and affordability. In addition, he leads an unprecedented capital campaign to fund essential needs for knowledge, research, discovery and development.

USC is the only university in South Carolina with the Carnegie top-tier designation for very high research activity. In addition, incoming freshman at the research university are the brightest to date with average SAT scores breaking barriers. The Honors College is ranked No. 1 in the nation and Carolina offers the No. 1 electrical engineering program in the South as well as the top undergraduate international business program.

In athletics, men's and women's teams throughout the university system have enjoyed historic success across an array of sports including Gamecock football's first 11-win season and Capital One Bowl victory. USC's women's basketball team made it to the Sweet Sixteen in the NCAA tournament and Carolina's back-to-back World Series baseball champions made their third consecutive trip to the College World Series. As important, 121 of Carolina's student-athletes made the SEC's Spring Academic Honor Roll. Dr. Pastides currently serves as the Southeastern Conference representative on the NCAA Board of Directors.

Before joining the university's faculty, he was a professor of epidemiology and chairman of the Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He received his masters of public health and his Ph.D. in epidemiology from Yale University.

Harris Pastides and Patricia Moore were married April 27, 1980. They have two children: Katharine, an education specialist at the Getty Villa in Malibu, Calif., and Andrew, an equity stage actor in New York City.



## Athletics Director - Ray Tanner



University of South Carolina president Dr. Harris Pastides announced July 13, 2012, that longtime Gamecock baseball coach Ray Tanner had been selected as the university's new director of athletics. Tanner began his new duties August 2.

"Sometimes you can search the world over for the perfect candidate and at times you know you have the right leader within your organization," said Dr. Pastides. "For USC, we knew we had the right person on our team already. Ray exemplifies all the qualities I am seeking in an Athletics Director: integrity, a winning attitude, a confident leader and manager and an individual who puts the well-being of our student-athletes above and beyond all other things."

In his first season as AD, Tanner experienced a wealth of success. The football team turned in its highest national ranking in school history, 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.

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 those three seasons in the NCAA Tournament is the fifth best three-year postseason record in NCAA history.

Tanner and the Gamecocks 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.

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 also inducted into the South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame in May 2013.

The 2012 season was 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 current 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 at shortstop and third base, he earned All-Atlantic Coast Conference 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 of science 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.

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

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