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Location	Columbia, S.C.
Founded	1801
Enrollment	28,481
Colors	Garnet (PMS 202) & Black
Nickname	Gamecocks
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Conference	Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President	Dr. Harris Pastides
Athletics Director	Eric Hyman
Senior Associate AD/SWA	Judy Van Horn
Faculty Athletics Representative	Dr. Zach Kelehear

Facility

Home Field	Beckham Field
Capacity	700
Dimensions	L-200, C-220, R-200, Alleys-210
Record at Site of Beckham Field	490-171-2 (.739)

Softball Staff

Head Coach	Beverly Smith (North Carolina, 1994)
Career Record (Years)	First Season
Assistant Coach	Janelle Brenemann (Bloomsburg, 1994)
Assistant Coach	Calvin Beamon (UNLV, 2010)
Volunteer Assistant Coach	Chrissy Schoonmaker (South Carolina, 2008)

History

First Year of Softball	1974
Program Record	1216-602-6, .668 (34 years)
NCAA Tournament Record	29-27 (.518)
NCAA Tournament Appearances	15 (1982, 1983, 1988, 1989, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2007)
NCAA Super Regional Appearances	1 (2007)
NCAA College World Series Appearances	3 (1983, 1989, 1997)
AIAW World Series Appearances	5 (1976, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981)
SEC Record (Years)	182-204 (14)
SEC Championships	1 (1997)
SEC Eastern Division Championships	4 (1997, 1999, 2001, 2002)
SEC Tournament Championships	2 (1997, 2000)
SEC Tournament Record	15-15 (.500)

Team Information

2010 Record	11-40
2010 SEC Record	1-27
Postseason	N/A
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	12/4
Position Starters Returning/Lost	7/3
Pitchers Returning/Lost	4/1
Newcomers	10

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FACILITY LOCATION

The physical address for Beckham Field is 200 South Marion Street, Columbia, SC 29208. Beckham Field is located between Weems Baskin Track and the former spot of Sarge Frye Field in the Athletic Roost Complex.



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Beckham Field

There is a plot of land that is nestled just off of Marion Street in Columbia, S.C., that since 1983 has served as the home of Gamecock softball. Though the actual field has been altered a couple of times, the area where Beckham Field sits has been the site of many memorable Gamecock softball moments over the years. The site is the oldest in the Southeastern Conference and among the oldest in the sport.

Lady Gamecock Field became part of the Roost footprint in the 1980s, with home plate near the current left field bullpen area during its original orientation. The field was rotated 90 degrees to have the plate closer to the Sarge Frye Field left-field corner in 1986, the configuration the stadium stayed in through 1997. In 1998, the site was renamed Beckham Field, in honor of David and Mitzi Beckham, and shifted to its current spot on the property. Loyal Gamecock fans, the couple rarely miss a game at the field and occupy seats on the top row of the facility just in front of the press box.

Even since the incarnation of Beckham Field in 1998, the stadium has continually been updated. The new setup included the original set of stands that sat 500 fans, lights and the current press box. The stands above the dugouts were constructed in time for the 1999 season, the same year that the dedication ceremony was held in the picture below. In 2004, Beckham Field continued to expand with the addition of a 42' x 100' covered hitting facility. New asphalt was placed to improve walkways, which are now more handicap accessible. Fans enjoyed a new Daktronics scoreboard in 2008, while in 2009, nearly 700 permanent seats from old Sarge Frye Field were installed in the grandstand.

Seven NCAA Regionals have been hosted at Beckham Field, including one in 2007 that saw the fourth-seeded Gamecocks take out top-seeded North Carolina State and nationally-ranked Oregon to advance to Super Regionals for the first time since that round was introduced. In 2002, the Gamecocks compiled a record of 28 wins at Beckham Field, most in program history at home. That same year, the Gamecocks claimed the program's 1,000th win as they defeated top-ranked UCLA in NCAA Regional action.

In 28 years, the Gamecocks have posted an impressive 490-171-2 home record for a winning percentage of .741. In the 1997 NCAA Regional, a record 2,250 fans watched the Gamecocks capture the regional championship. The attendance number was the highest single-game crowd of any of the eight NCAA Regionals that year.

Since 1997, Beckham Field has hosted several large crowds of softball spectators. There are six games on record in which attendance has surpassed the 1,000 mark.



Beckham Field All-Time Record

1983	15-4
1984	11-7
1985	22-4-1
1986	15-10
1987	21-2
1988	16-0
1989	20-3
1990	15-2
1991	18-3
1992	23-1
1993	22-6-1
1994	20-5
1995	26-5
1996	10-2
1997	27-1
1998	16-8
1999	21-8
2000	14-8
2001	17-8
2002	28-5
2003	19-7
2004	16-7
2005	11-13
2006	17-8
2007	23-11
2008	10-7
2009	12-10
2010	5-16
TOTALS	490-171-2 (.741) (28 years)

Beckham Field's Top Attendance Records

1.	2,250	Kansas	05/18/97-
2.	1,711	UNC Greensboro	05/16/97-
3.	1,600	Kansas	05/17/97-
4.	1,400	Georgia	05/18/02-
5.	1,076	Tennessee	04/05/97
6.	1,038	North Carolina	02/02/03

- = NCAA Regional

--Attendance records were not kept until 1997

Beckham Field Records

Most Games Played in a Season	34 (2007)
Most Wins in a Season	28 (2002)
Most Consecutive Wins	21 (1995)
Most Losses	16 (2010)
Most Consecutive Losses	14 (2010)
Best Home Record (by percentage)	16-0 (1988)
Worst Home Record	5-16 (2010)
Most Runs Scored by Carolina	17 (1990, vs. UNC Wilmington)
Most Runs by Opponent	12 (1998-LSU; 2000-Florida; 2005-Tennessee; 2009-Mississippi)
Most Combined Runs Scored	20 (2005-SC vs. Gardner-Webb; 2009-SC vs. Mississippi)



With Gamecock players behind them, former athletic director Mike McGee and former head coach Joyce Compton (left) and former senior women's administrator Laurie Massa (right) present the Beckhams with a framed shot of the stadium that bears their name.



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Opponent Directory

Opponent Coaches and Athletic Directors

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2011 Schedule

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	STADIUM/CITY	TIME/TV
Palmetto State Showdown				
Friday	Feb. 11	Charleston Southern	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	3 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 12	Furman	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	10:30 a.m.
Saturday	Feb. 12	Coastal Carolina	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	12:30 p.m.
Sunday	Feb. 13	USC Upstate	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	5 p.m.
Wednesday	Feb. 16	Winthrop	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	3 p.m.
Florida Gulf Coast Tournament				
Friday	Feb. 18	Villanova	FGCU Softball Complex/Fort Myers, Fla.	11:15 a.m.
Friday	Feb. 18	Georgetown	FGCU Softball Complex/Fort Myers, Fla.	3:45 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 19	Villanova	FGCU Softball Complex/Fort Myers, Fla.	3:45 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 19	Florida Gulf Coast	FGCU Softball Complex/Fort Myers, Fla.	8:15 p.m.
Sunday	Feb. 20	Michigan State	FGCU Softball Complex/Fort Myers, Fla.	1:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Feb. 23	Charlotte	D.L. Phillips Complex/Charlotte, N.C.	4 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 26	Elon (DH)	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	2 p.m.
Wednesday	March 2	Winthrop	Terry Field/Rock Hill, S.C.	5 p.m.
Florida Atlantic Miken Classic				
Saturday	March 5	Providence	FAU Softball Stadium/Boca Raton, Fla.	9 a.m.
Saturday	March 5	Seton Hall	FAU Softball Stadium/Boca Raton, Fla.	11 a.m.
Sunday	March 6	Stony Brook	FAU Softball Stadium/Boca Raton, Fla.	11 a.m.
Sunday	March 6	Michigan State	FAU Softball Stadium/Boca Raton, Fla.	1 p.m.
Wednesday	March 9	Mississippi State* (DH)	MSU Softball Field/Mississippi State, Miss.	5 p.m.
Friday	March 11	Mississippi*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	6 p.m.
Saturday	March 12	Mississippi*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	2 p.m.
Sunday	March 13	Mississippi*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	12 p.m.
Wednesday	March 16	Georgia* (DH)	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	4 p.m.
Friday	March 18	Auburn*	Jane B. Moore Field/Auburn, Ala.	7 p.m.
Saturday	March 19	Auburn*	Jane B. Moore Field/Auburn, Ala.	2 p.m.
Sunday	March 20	Auburn*	Jane B. Moore Field/Auburn, Ala.	2 p.m.
Tuesday	March 22	Coastal Carolina	Coastal Carolina Softball Field/Conway, S.C.	6 p.m.
Friday	March 25	Tennessee*	Sherri Parker Lee Softball Stadium/Knoxville, Tenn.	6 p.m.
Saturday	March 26	Tennessee*	Sherri Parker Lee Softball Stadium/Knoxville, Tenn.	1 p.m.
Sunday	March 27	Tennessee*	Sherri Parker Lee Softball Stadium/Knoxville, Tenn.	12 p.m.
Wednesday	March 30	USC Upstate	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	5 p.m.
Friday	April 1	Alabama*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	6 p.m.
Saturday	April 2	Alabama*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	2 p.m.
Sunday	April 3	Alabama*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	12 p.m.
Tuesday	April 5	Charleston Southern	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	5 p.m.
Wednesday	April 6	North Carolina	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	4 p.m.
Saturday	April 9	Longwood (DH)	Lancer Field/Farmville, Va.	1 p.m.
Monday	April 11	Coastal Carolina	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	4 p.m.
Wednesday	April 13	USC Upstate	Cyrril Stadium/Spartanburg, S.C.	5 p.m.
Friday	April 15	Arkansas*	Bogle Park/Fayetteville, Ark.	8 p.m.
Saturday	April 16	Arkansas*	Bogle Park/Fayetteville, Ark.	2 p.m.
Sunday	April 17	Arkansas*	Bogle Park/Fayetteville, Ark.	3 p.m./ESPNU
Tuesday	April 19	North Carolina State	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	5 p.m.
Wednesday	April 20	Charlotte	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	6 p.m.
Friday	April 22	Kentucky*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	7 p.m.
Saturday	April 23	Kentucky*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	4 p.m.
Sunday	April 24	Kentucky*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	1 p.m.
Friday	April 29	Florida*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	7 p.m.
Saturday	April 30	Florida*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	4 p.m.
Sunday	May 1	Florida*	Beckham Field/Columbia, S.C.	1 p.m.
Friday	May 6	LSU*	New Tiger Park/Baton Rouge, La.	7 p.m.
Saturday	May 7	LSU*	New Tiger Park/Baton Rouge, La.	4 p.m.
Sunday	May 8	LSU*	New Tiger Park/Baton Rouge, La.	2 p.m.
Thurs.-Sat.	May 12-14	SEC Tournament	Ole Miss Softball Complex/University, Miss.	TBD

All times Eastern and subject to change

Home games in bold; asterisk denotes Southeastern Conference match

2011 Palmetto State Showdown

2011 Palmetto State Showdown Schedule

Palmetto State Showdown Info

Rebooting after the 2010 snow storm wiped out the first try, a majority of the Division I-playing softball programs in South Carolina will come together to find out who is the best in the state. A three-day event at historic Beckham Field, the Palmetto State Showdown features four games each day between the six programs who have agreed to participate.

Fans can follow the tournament at the official Internet home of South Carolina Athletics, GamecocksOnline.com, as Gametracker will be provided for all 12 games of the tournament. Live audio will also be available for each of South Carolina's games from GamecocksOnline.com.

Championship Criteria Ladder

1. Best Record
2. Head to Head
3. Runs Allowed
4. Runs Scored
5. Coin Flip

History of South Carolina-Hosted Events

The Gamecocks have hosted 26 in-season tournaments since 1985, not counting last year's snow-shortened Palmetto State Showdown. In 1992 and 1993, the program held three events, while two tourneys took place in 1988, 1990 and 1991. Out of those 26 invites or round robins, only eight have seen the Gamecocks square off against an in-state rival, and in none of those were there two fellow Palmetto State schools that South Carolina played.

Weather ended the string of eight-consecutive years of tournaments at Beckham Field. The previous eight events have either been a Carolina Invitational (2003) or Gamecock Invitational (2002, 04-09).

Since 1985, the program hosted an event every season outside of the six from 1996-2001.

Of the participants in the 2011 Palmetto State Showdown, three have played in previous tourneys in Columbia. Winthrop has played in the most at three (1989 USC Round Robin, 1990 USC Invitational, 1992 USC Round Robin). Both Furman (1987 South Carolina Invitational, 1990 USC Round Robin) and Coastal Carolina (1991 USC Round Robin II, 2005 Gamecock Invitational) have played in two. Charleston Southern and USC Upstate are new to the tournament scene in Columbia, though both have played before at South Carolina.

The Gamecocks All-Time Vs. PSS Participants

Charleston Southern	9-1
Coastal Carolina	46-6
Furman	56-9-1
USC Upstate	1-2
Winthrop	40-7-1

Date	Time	Home	Visitor
Fri., Feb 11	10:30 AM	Winthrop	Furman
	12:30 PM	Furman	Coastal Carolina
	3:00 PM	Charleston Southern	South Carolina
	5:00 PM	Coastal Carolina	USC Upstate
Sat., Feb. 12	10:30 AM	Furman	South Carolina
	12:30 PM	South Carolina	Coastal Carolina
	3:00 PM	USC Upstate	Charleston Southern
	5:00 PM	Winthrop	Charleston Southern
Sun., Feb. 13	10:30 AM	Charleston Southern	Furman
	12:30 PM	Coastal Carolina	Winthrop
	3:00 PM	USC Upstate	Winthrop
	5:00 PM	South Carolina	USC Upstate



While Beckham Field has been the home of 26 regular-season tournaments and five NCAA Regional events, the historic stadium of Gamecock Softball has never seen an event like the Palmetto State Showdown. Six of the state's nine NCAA Division I softball teams will descend upon the stadium for the three-day event over Feb. 11-13.



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2011 Roster

Numerical Roster

No	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Class	EX	Hometown/Previous School
1	Molly Brossart	1B	R/R	5-7	Jr.	TR	Tucson, Ariz./Yavapai College
2	P.J. Fulmer	C	R/R	5-6	Sr.	3L	Blythewood, S.C./Spring Valley
3	Sarah Eidt	U	R/R	5-3	Fr.	HS	McLean, Va./Bishop O'Connell
4	Lauren Lackey	OF	L/R	5-4	Jr.	2L	Lake Elsinore, Calif./Temescal Canyon
5	Carolyn Bryan	OF	R/R	5-7	So.	SQ	Midland Park, N.J./Midland Park
6	April Borchardt	OF/P	L/R	5-2	Sr.	1L	Prior Lake, Minn./Northwest Florida State College
8	Laura Mendes	U	L/L	5-7	Sr.	3L	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla./Palm Beach Gardens
10	Chelsea Hawkins	U	R/R	5-5	Fr.	HS	Piedmont, S.C./Wren
11	Evan Childs	IF	R/R	5-10	Jr.	2L	Conway, S.C./Conway
12	Samie Garcia	U	L/R	5-5	So.	TR	Downey, Calif./Cerritos College
13	Kelley Dillon	IF	R/R	5-7	Jr.	TR	Hanahan, S.C./College of Charleston
14	Kylie Morin	IF	L/R	5-4	Jr.	TR	Salem, Ore./Yavapai College
16	Sam Arbaugh	IF	R/R	5-1	Jr.	2L	Aiken, S.C./Aiken
20	Kaitlin Westfall	OF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	2L	Macon, Ga./Mount de Sales Academy
21	Kierstyn White	P	R/R	5-9	Jr.	2L	Columbia, S.C./Irmo
22	Jackie Slawson	OF	L/R	5-9	Jr.	TR	Ladson, S.C./Spartanburg Methodist College
23	Julie Sarratt	P/1B	R/R	5-4	Fr.	HS	Gaffney, S.C./Gaffney
24	Dana Hathorn	IF	R/R	5-6	Fr.	HS	Orlando, Fla./Timber Creek
30	Kaela Jackson	OF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	TR	Morristown, Tenn./Chattanooga State Community College
33	Ashley Chastain	P	R/R	5-8	Sr.	2L	Palmetto, Ga./Landmark Christian School
42	Hannah Milks	U	R/R	5-5	So.	1L	Greenville, S.C./Wade Hampton
80	Audrey Broyles	P	R/R	5-9	R-So.	1L	Pembroke Pines, Fla./Pembroke Pines Charter
82	Kandyce Redondo	2B	L/R	5-0	Jr.	2L	Pembroke Pines, Fla./Pembroke Pines Charter

Alphabetical Roster

No	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Class	EX	Hometown/Previous School
16	Sam Arbaugh	IF	R/R	5-1	Jr.	2L	Aiken, S.C./Aiken
6	April Borchardt	OF/P	L/R	5-2	Sr.	1L	Prior Lake, Minn./Northwest Florida State College
1	Molly Brossart	1B	R/R	5-7	Jr.	TR	Tucson, Ariz./Yavapai College
80	Audrey Broyles	P	R/R	5-9	R-So.	1L	Pembroke Pines, Fla./Pembroke Pines Charter
5	Carolyn Bryan	OF	R/R	5-7	So.	SQ	Midland Park, N.J./Midland Park
33	Ashley Chastain	P	R/R	5-8	Sr.	2L	Palmetto, Ga./Landmark Christian School
11	Evan Childs	IF	R/R	5-10	Jr.	2L	Conway, S.C./Conway
13	Kelley Dillon	IF	R/R	5-7	Jr.	TR	Hanahan, S.C./College of Charleston
3	Sarah Eidt	U	R/R	5-3	Fr.	HS	McLean, Va./Bishop O'Connell
2	P.J. Fulmer	C	R/R	5-6	Sr.	3L	Blythewood, S.C./Spring Valley
12	Samie Garcia	U	L/R	5-5	So.	TR	Downey, Calif./Cerritos College
24	Dana Hathorn	IF	R/R	5-6	Fr.	HS	Orlando, Fla./Timber Creek
10	Chelsea Hawkins	U	R/R	5-5	Fr.	HS	Piedmont, S.C./Wren
30	Kaela Jackson	OF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	TR	Morristown, Tenn./Chattanooga State Community College
4	Lauren Lackey	OF	L/R	5-4	Jr.	2L	Lake Elsinore, Calif./Temescal Canyon
8	Laura Mendes	U	L/L	5-7	Sr.	3L	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla./Palm Beach Gardens
42	Hannah Milks	U	R/R	5-5	So.	1L	Greenville, S.C./Wade Hampton
14	Kylie Morin	IF	L/R	5-4	Jr.	TR	Salem, Ore./Yavapai College
82	Kandyce Redondo	2B	L/R	5-0	Jr.	2L	Pembroke Pines, Fla./Pembroke Pines Charter
23	Julie Sarratt	P/1B	R/R	5-4	Fr.	HS	Gaffney, S.C./Gaffney
22	Jackie Slawson	OF	L/R	5-9	Jr.	TR	Ladson, S.C./Spartanburg Methodist College
20	Kaitlin Westfall	OF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	2L	Macon, Ga./Mount de Sales Academy
21	Kierstyn White	P	R/R	5-9	Jr.	2L	Columbia, S.C./Irmo

Coaching Staff

Head Coach

Beverly Smith (North Carolina, 1995)

Assistant Coach

Janelle Breneman (Bloomsburg, 1994)

Assistant Coach

Calvin Beamon (UNLV, 2009)

Volunteer Ass't. Coach

Chrissy Schoonmaker (South Carolina, 2007)

Roster by Class

Senior (4): April Borchardt, Ashley Chastain, P.J. Fulmer, Laura Mendes

Junior (11): Sam Arbaugh, Molly Brossart, Evan Childs, Kelley Dillon, Kayla Jackson, Lauren Lackey, Kylie Morin, Kandyce Redondo, Jackie Slawson, Kaitlin Westfall, Kierstyn White

Sophomore (4): Audrey Broyles, Carolyn Bryan, Samie Garcia, Hannah Milks

Freshman (4): Sarah Eidt, Dana Hathorn, Chelsea Hawkins, Julie Sarratt

Roster by Height

5-10 Evan Childs
5-9 Audrey Broyles, Jackie Slawson, Kierstyn White
5-8 Ashley Chastain
5-7 Molly Brossart, Carolyn Bryan, Kelley Dillon, Laura Mendes
5-6 P.J. Fulmer, Dana Hathorn, Kaela Jackson, Kaitlin Westfall
5-5 Samie Garcia, Chelsea Hawkins, Hannah Milks, Lauren Lackey, Kylie Morin, Julie Sarratt
5-4 Sarah Eidt
5-3 Sam Arbaugh
5-1 Kandyce Redondo

Roster by State

South Carolina (9): Sam Arbaugh, Evan Childs, Kelley Dillon, P.J. Fulmer, Chelsea Hawkins, Hannah Milks, Julie Sarratt, Jackie Slawson, Kierstyn White
Florida (4): Audrey Broyles, Dana Hathorn, Laura Mendes, Kandyce Redondo
California (2): Samie Garcia, Lauren Lackey
Georgia (2): Ashley Chastain, Kaitlin Westfall
Arizona (1): Molly Brossart
Minnesota (1): April Borchardt
New Jersey (1): Carolyn Bryan
Oregon (1): Kylie Morin
Tennessee (1): Kaela Jackson
Virginia (1): Sarah Eidt



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Preseason Notes

New Chapter Begins

A new chapter begins in South Carolina, as head coach Beverly Smith begins her first season at the helm of the Gamecock softball program. The 10th head coach in South Carolina softball history, Smith and the Garnet and Black begin their 38th year of intercollegiate softball on Fri., Feb. 11. The first game is against Charleston Southern at 3 p.m., as part of the 2011 Palmetto State Showdown.

Infusion of Winning Personalities and Talent

A total of 10 newcomers joined the South Carolina roster this fall, including five from the junior college ranks. Four of those players competed in the NJCAA World Series at their two-year schools. Both Kylie Morin and Molly Brossart helped Yavapai College to the tourney while Kaela Jackson helped Chattanooga State there in 2010. Morin and Yavapai went in 2009 as well as Jackie Slawson and Spartanburg Methodist College. The fifth player, Cal Junior College Co-Player of the Year Samie Garcia, played in a super regional at Cerritos College during her only season at the level.

Coaches Also Know a Bit about Winning

The JUCO additions are not the only newcomers to the South Carolina softball program who know about winning. Both head coach Beverly Smith and assistant coach Janelle Breneman came to the Gamecocks from North Carolina, which has been ranked in the top 25 in each of the last five seasons, while the Tar Heels made NCAA Tournament appearances in eight years during Smith's tenure. Calvin Beamon also knows a little about winning, claiming crowns at all three of his amateur stops. A high school state champion at Smoky Hill High School in Cherry Creek, Colo., Beamon won a JUCO title at the College of Southern Nevada and the College World Series during his year at Texas.

There's Depth, A Lot of Depth

South Carolina's softball roster this season is comprised of 23 student-athletes, possibly the largest in program history (still needs research). That depth, plus the versatility of the student-athletes, presents many options to head coach Beverly Smith this spring. Every position outside of catcher has at least three players on the depth chart, with some spots going as deep as nine.

Back to Bash Again

Laura Mendes has already made her way onto a handful of the Gamecocks all-time top-10 lists after three seasons in Columbia. Holding spots in hits per game, doubles per game and slugging percentage, the Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., native ranks as the top returning Gamecock hitter. Her powerful left-handed bat should once again anchor the lineup. She's led South Carolina in hits, doubles and triples in each of the last two seasons, while she also led the Gamecocks in numerous other categories as a junior.

Steady Influence Behind The Plate

After earning the starting role during her freshman season, catcher P.J. Fulmer has been hard to remove from behind the plate. A solid defensive player, Fulmer has missed just two starts in the past two seasons. Last season, Fulmer threw out 20 percent of those attempting to steal, just off of her 23 percent mark of 2009. Among SEC catchers a year ago, Fulmer stood one passed ball behind the leaders, including 2010 SEC All-Defensive Team and 2011 Preseason All-SEC team member Megan Yocke of Kentucky.

Adding power to her game, Fulmer posted her best slugging and on-base percentage last season. Working with new assistant coach Calvin Beamon, Fulmer hopes to continue that improvement this spring.

Broyles Hoping to Recapture Magic

The start of last season was nothing short of amazing for now redshirt sophomore Audrey Broyles. Among the SEC leaders in strikeouts and ERA during the first month of 2010, a shoulder injury shut her down right as SEC play kicked off. Even after two ineffective starts to end the year, Broyles still managed to hold foes to a .161 batting average in 42.1 innings of work. Now back healthy, Broyles looks to recapture her role as the ace of the staff. As a freshman, Broyles won 10 games and saved three more.

Borchardt Back for Another Go in the Circle

in her first year at South Carolina, April Borchardt became a savior on the pitching staff. Primarily an outfielder during her freshman season at Northwest Florida State College, Borchardt went 14-4 for the Raiders as a sophomore before coming to Columbia. Last season, Borchardt led the Gamecocks in wins and ERA while tossing 75 innings. She may be used both as a speedy outfielder or as the relief ace again this season.

Outfield Full of Veterans

South Carolina's projected starting outfield all have experience in one of the toughest conferences in the land. Junior Lauren Lackey has started from her first day on campus and brings her outstanding defense to center field this season after spending most of 2010 in right. Last year, she added seven outfield assists, tied for the most by a Gamecock over the past nine years. Also back is junior Kaitlin Westfall, who came on toward the end of last season to finish with the second-best batting average among the Gamecocks in SEC play. Rounding out the projected starters is sophomore Hannah Milks. Mainly an infielder as a freshman, Milks has been seen in right this spring, a year after ranking second on the team in on-base percentage and batting average in 2010.

Bringing In The Palmetto State's Best

The Gamecocks have been very active recruiting the best from their own state. Joining the group of Palmetto State prep standouts that includes senior P.J. Fulmer, juniors Sam Arbaugh, Evan Childs and Kierstyn White and sophomore Hannah Milks are freshmen Chelsea Hawkins and Julie Sarratt. Both are fighting for time in the lineup, while Sarratt will also help in the circle. Also coming aboard this season are College of Charleston transfer Kelley Dillon and Spartanburg Methodist College grad Jackie Slawson. The nine South Carolina players on the Gamecock roster are the most in history, as the archives go back to 1981 currently. Anyone with information from earlier years is encouraged to call the South Carolina Athletic Media Relations Office at (803) 777-8017.

Sunshine State Flavor

The Gamecocks have players from all over the country, including at least one from 10 states. Behind South Carolina, Florida has the most players on the 2011 team, with one in each class now. Senior Laura Mendes leads the pack, with junior Kandyce Redondo and redshirt sophomore Audrey Broyles both in their third year on campus. Rounding out the Sunshine State quartet is freshman Dana Hathorn, who, hailing from Orlando, is the only player of the foursome not from the greater Palm Beach area.

Looking to Rebound

Kierstyn White returns for her third season in the Garnet and Black and looks to rebound after a tough sophomore season. One of the top pitchers in the history of South Carolina high school softball, White would like to return to her freshman form, when she went 9-4 with three saves in 86 innings of work.