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## UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location .....	Columbia, S.C.
Founded .....	1801
Enrollment .....	33,724
Nickname .....	Gamecocks
Colors .....	Garnet (PMS 202) and Black
National Affiliation .....	NCAA Division I
Conference .....	Southeastern (SEC)
Athletics Web Address .....	www.GamecocksOnline.com
University Web Address .....	www.sc.edu
President .....	Dr. Harris Pastides
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Athletics Director .....	Ray Tanner
Basketball Administrator/Chief Operating Officer .....	Kevin O'Connell

## BASKETBALL STAFF/INFORMATION

Head Coach .....	Frank Martin
Alma Mater .....	Florida International, '93
Record At South Carolina/Seasons .....	70-63 (.526), 4 seasons
Overall Record/Seasons .....	187-117 (.615), 9 seasons
Assoc. Head Coach/Recruiting Coord. ....	Matt Figger (Eastern Kentucky, '95)
Assistant Coach .....	Perry Clark (Gettysburg, '74)
Assistant Coach .....	Bruce Shingler (St. Augustine's College, '05)
Director of Basketball Operations .....	Andy Assaley (Cincinnati, '96)
Strength & Conditioning Coach .....	Scott Greenawalt (Muskingum College, '98)
Athletic Trainer .....	Mark Rodger (Buffalo, '01)
Video Coordinator .....	Jay Gibbons (Clayton State, '03)
Student-Athlete Development .....	Doug Edwards (Florida State, '07)
Special Assistant to the Head Coach .....	Jarett Gerald (South Carolina, '11)
Associate Media Relations Director .....	Emily Miles (Ball State, '03)
Home Arena .....	Colonial Life Arena
Capacity .....	18,000
Arena General Manager .....	Sid Kenyon
Press Row Phone Number .....	803-777-6182

## BASKETBALL HISTORY

First Year of Basketball .....	1908
All-Time Record .....	1,367-1,212-1 (.530)
Overall Postseason Record .....	26-19
NCAA Tournament Appearances .....	8 (1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1989, 1997, 1998, 2004)
NCAA Tournament Record .....	4-9
Last NCAA Tournament Appearance .....	2004, L vs. Memphis, 59-43
NIT Appearances .....	11 (1969, 1975, 1978, 1983, 1991, 1996, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2009, 2016)
NIT Record .....	22-10
Last NIT Appearance .....	2016, L vs. Georgia Tech, 83-66
Conference Championships/Titles .....	..... SoCon Regular Season (1927, 1933, 1934, 1945); SoCon Tournament Champion (1933); ACC Regular Season (1970); ..... ACC Champion (1971); SEC Regular Season (1997); SEC East Division Co-Champions (2009)

## TEAM INFORMATION

2015-16 Record .....	25-9
Southeastern Conference Record/Finish .....	11-7/t-3rd
SEC Tournament Record .....	0-1
Postseason .....	NIT, 1-1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost .....	8/8
Starters Returning/Lost .....	2/3
.....	<i>*based on final game starters from 2015-16 season</i>
Newcomers .....	10
Roster Breakdown .....	3 seniors, 3 juniors, 5 sophomores, 5 freshmen

## RETURNING TEAM STATS

Percentage of Scoring .....	49.4% (1,277/2,583)
Percentage of Field Goals Made .....	48.2% (426/882)
Percentage of 3-Point Field Goals .....	59.7% (129/216)
Percentage of Free Throws .....	51.0% (308/603)
Percentage of Rebounding .....	47.2% (648/1,371)
Percentage of Offensive Rebounding .....	46.3% (219/472)
Percentage of Assists .....	66.8% (308/461)
Percentage of Steals .....	58.2% (134/230)
Percentage of Blocks .....	39.7% (60/151)
Percentage of Minutes .....	49.4% (3,390/6,850)

### Players Returning (stats from 2015-16 season):

**Sindarius Thornwell:** Sr., G, 13.4 ppg, 4.8 rpg, 3.8 apg; SEC All-Defensive Team; **Duane Notice:** Sr., G, 10.8 ppg, 2.4 rpg, 39.8% 3-point FG; SEC Sixth Man of the Year; **PJ Dozier:** So., G, 6.7 ppg, 3.0 rpg, 2.1 apg; **Chris Silva:** So., F, 5.4 ppg, 4.5 rpg, 0.9 bpg; **TeMarcus Blanton:** R-So., G, 1.5 ppg, saw action in eight contests; **Justin McKie:** Sr., G, 1.5 ppg, saw action in 27 contests; **Jarrell Holliman:** R-Jr., F, saw action in four contests; **John Ragin:** So., G, saw action in four contests

### Players Lost (stats from 2015-16 season):

**Michael Carrera:** 14.5 ppg, 7.7 rpg, 44.9% FG, 40.5% 3-point FG; All-SEC First Team; **Laimonas Chatkevicius:** 10.2 ppg, 4.8 rpg, 0.9 bpg; **Mindaugas Kacinas:** 9.9 ppg, 5.1 rpg; **Marcus Stroman:** 2.3 ppg, 1.3 apg; **Raymond Doby:** 1.8 ppg, 1.3 rpg; **Jamall Gregory:** 1.7 ppg, 0.9 rpg; **Eric Cobb:** 1.1 ppg, 1.9 rpg

### Newcomers:

**Tommy Corchiani** (Fr., G, Raleigh, N.C.); **Rakym Felder** (Fr., G, Brooklyn, N.Y.); **Hassani Gravett** (R-So., G, Villa Rica, Ga.); **Khadim Gueye** (Fr., F, Dakar, Senegal/Victory Rock Prep); **Evan Hinson** (Fr., G, Deltona, Fla./Deltona); **Kory Holden** (Jr., G, Salisbury, Md./Delaware); **Sedee Keita** (Fr., F, Philadelphia, Pa.); **Maik Kotsar** (Fr., F, Tallin, Estonia/Sunrise Christian Academy); **Christian Schmitt** (Fr., G, Mars, Pa./Mars Area); **Ran Tut** (Jr., F, Melbourne, Australia/Edison Academy/Monroe College)

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## ROSTER BREAKDOWN

### Returning Starters (2)

Duane Notice  
Sindarius Thornwell  
*\*based on final game of 2015-16 season*

### Returning Letterwinners (8)

TeMarcus Blanton  
PJ Dozier  
Jarrell Holliman  
Justin McKie  
Duane Notice  
John Ragin  
Chris Silva  
Sindarius Thornwell

### Guards (10)

Tommy Corchiani  
Rakym Felder  
Evan Hinson  
Christian Schmitt  
PJ Dozier  
John Ragin  
TeMarcus Blanton  
Hassani Gravett  
Kory Holden  
Justin McKie  
Duane Notice  
Sindarius Thornwell

### Forwards (6)

Khadim Gueye  
Sedee Keita  
Maik Kotsar  
Chris Silva  
Ran Tut  
Jarrell Holliman

### By Height

Christian Schmitt (6-0)  
Rakym Felder (6-1)  
Tommy Corchiani (6-1)  
Hassani Gravett (6-1)  
Kory Holden (6-1)  
John Ragin (6-2)  
Duane Notice (6-2)  
Evan Hinson (6-4)  
Justin McKie (6-4)  
TeMarcus Blanton (6-5)  
Sindarius Thornwell (6-5)  
PJ Dozier (6-6)  
Jarrell Holliman (6-7)  
Sedee Keita (6-9)  
Chris Silva (6-9)  
Ran Tut (6-9)  
Maik Kotsar (6-10)  
Khadim Gueye (7-0)

## 2016-17 SOUTH CAROLINA MEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER

### Alphabetical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown/High/Last School
5	TeMarcus Blanton	G	6-5	206	R-SO	1VL	Locust Grove, Ga./Luella
13	Tommy Corchiani	G	6-1	173	FR	HS	Raleigh, N.C./Ravenscroft High School
15	PJ Dozier	G	6-6	205	SO	1VL	Columbia, S.C./Spring Valley
4	Rakym Felder	G	5-10	210	FR	HS	Brooklyn, N.Y./Lincoln High School
2	Hassani Gravett	G	6-1	183	SO	TR	Villa Rica, Ga./Alexander/Pensacola State College
12	Khadim Gueye	F	7-0	235	FR	HS	Dakar, Senegal/Bradenton, Fla./Victory Rock Prep
23	Evan Hinson	G	6-4	240	FR	HS	Deltona, Fla./Deltona
1	Kory Holden	G	6-1	181	JR	2VL/TR	Salisbury, Md./J.M. Bennett/Delaware
31	Jarrell Holliman	F	6-7	206	R-JR	2VL	Alpharetta, Ga./Alpharetta/Elmhurst College
24	Sedee Keita	F	6-9	240	FR	HS	Philadelphia, Pa./22ft Basketball Academy
21	Maik Kotsar	F	6-10	245	FR	HS	Tallin, Estonia/Wichita, Kan./Sunrise Christian Academy
20	Justin McKie	G	6-4	204	SR	3VL	Columbia, S.C./Irmo
10	Duane Notice	G	6-2	225	SR	3VL	Toronto, Canada/St. Michael's/St. Thomas More (Oakdale, Conn.)
34	John Ragin	G	6-2	177	SO	1VL	Eastover, S.C./Cardinal Newman
25	Christian Schmitt	G	6-0	175	FR	HS	Mars, Pa./Mars Area High School
30	Chris Silva	F	6-9	223	SO	1VL	Libreville, Gabon/Roselle (N.J.) Catholic
0	Sindarius Thornwell	G	6-5	211	SR	3VL	Lancaster, S.C./Oak Hill Academy
14	Ran Tut	F	6-9	210	JR	TR	Melbourne, Australia/Edison Academy/Monroe College

### Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown/High/Last School
0	Sindarius Thornwell	G	6-5	211	SR	3VL	Lancaster, S.C./Oak Hill Academy
1	Kory Holden	G	6-1	181	JR	2VL/TR	Salisbury, Md./J.M. Bennett/Delaware
2	Hassani Gravett	G	6-1	183	SO	TR	Villa Rica, Ga./Alexander/Pensacola State College
4	Rakym Felder	G	5-10	210	FR	HS	Brooklyn, N.Y./Lincoln High School
5	TeMarcus Blanton	G	6-5	206	R-SO	1VL	Locust Grove, Ga./Luella
10	Duane Notice	G	6-2	225	SR	3VL	Toronto, Canada/St. Michael's/St. Thomas More (Oakdale, Conn.)
12	Khadim Gueye	F	7-0	235	FR	HS	Dakar, Senegal/Bradenton, Fla./Victory Rock Prep
13	Tommy Corchiani	G	6-1	173	FR	HS	Raleigh, N.C./Ravenscroft High School
14	Ran Tut	F	6-9	210	JR	TR	Melbourne, Australia/Edison Academy/Monroe College
15	PJ Dozier	G	6-6	205	SO	1VL	Columbia, S.C./Spring Valley
20	Justin McKie	G	6-4	204	SR	3VL	Columbia, S.C./Irmo
21	Maik Kotsar	F	6-10	245	FR	HS	Tallin, Estonia/Wichita, Kan./Sunrise Christian Academy
23	Evan Hinson	G	6-4	240	FR	HS	Deltona, Fla./Deltona
24	Sedee Keita	F	6-9	240	FR	HS	Philadelphia, Pa./22ft Basketball Academy
25	Christian Schmitt	G	6-0	175	FR	HS	Mars, Pa./Mars Area High School
30	Chris Silva	F	6-9	223	SO	1VL	Libreville, Gabon/Roselle (N.J.) Catholic
31	Jarrell Holliman	F	6-7	206	R-JR	2VL	Alpharetta, Ga./Alpharetta/Elmhurst College
34	John Ragin	G	6-2	177	SO	1VL	Eastover, S.C./Cardinal Newman

**Head Coach:** Frank Martin (Florida International, '93)

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**Student Assistant Coach:** Brian Steele (South Carolina, '16)

**Graduate Student Manager:** Ryan McIntyre (West Virginia, '16)

**Director of Social Media:** Dushawn Davis (Coastal Carolina, '11)

**Special Assistant to the Head Coach:** Jarett Gerald (South Carolina, '11)

**Associate Media Relations Director:** Emily Miles (Ball State, '03)

### TOP RETURNING ...

Scorer Thornwell, ..... 14.5 ppg  
Rebounder ..... Thornwell, 4.8 rpg  
Assist Maker ..... Thornwell, 3.8 apg  
FG Shooter \* ..... Silva, 48.2 FG%  
3-Point FG Shooter \$ ..... Notice, 39.8 3FG%  
FT Shooter \$ ..... Thornwell, 76.4%  
Shot Blocker ..... Silva, 0.9 bpg  
Steal Maker ..... Thornwell, 1.5 spg  
\* at least 100 attempts  
\$ at least 50 attempts

### PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

RAH-kim Felder  
HA-deem Gaye  
Cee-dee K-ta  
Mike Kotsar  
Justin MACK-ee





## RADIO/TV SPOT CHART



#0

**SINDARIUS THORNWELL**

Sr. - G - 6-5 - 211  
Lancaster, S.C.



#1

**KORY HOLDEN**

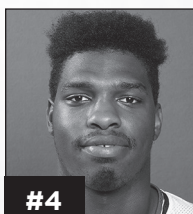
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Salisbury, Md.



#2

**HASSANI GRAVETT**

R-So. - G - 6-1 - 183  
Villa Rica, Ga.



#4

**RAKYM FELDER**

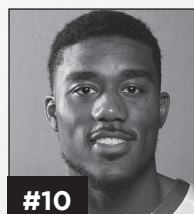
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Brooklyn, N.Y.



#5

**TEMARCUS BLANTON**

R-So. - G - 6-5 - 206  
Locust Grove, Ga.



#10

**DUANE NOTICE**

Sr. - G - 6-2 - 225  
Toronto, Canada



#12

**KHADIM GUEYE**

Fr. - F - 7-0 - 235  
Dakar, Senegal



#13

**TOMMY CORCHIANI**

Fr. - G - 6-1 - 173  
Raleigh, N.C.



#14

**RAN TUT**

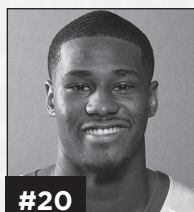
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Melbourne, Australia



#15

**PJ DOZIER**

So. - G - 6-6 - 205  
Columbia, S.C.



#20

**JUSTIN MCKIE**

Sr. - G - 6-4 - 204  
Columbia, S.C.



#21

**MAIK KOTSAR**

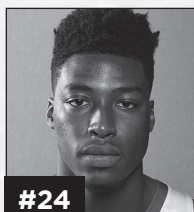
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Tallin, Estonia



#23

**EVAN HINSON**

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Deltona, Fla.



#24

**SEDEE KEITA**

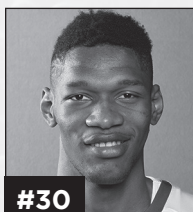
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#25

**CHRISTIAN SCHMITT**

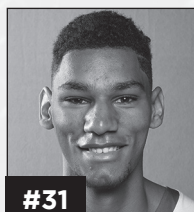
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Mars, Pa.



#30

**CHRIS SILVA**

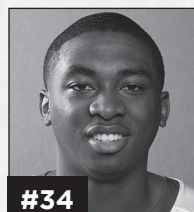
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Libreville, Gabon



#31

**JARRELL HOLLIMAN**

R-Jr. - F - 6-7 - 206  
Alpharetta, Ga.



#34

**JOHN RAGIN**

So. - G - 6-2 - 177  
Eastover, S.C.



**Frank Martin**  
Head Coach



**Matt Figger**  
Associate Head Coach/  
Recruiting Coord.



**Perry Clark**  
Assistant Coach



**Bruce Shingler**  
Assistant Coach



**Andy Assaley**  
Director of Operations



**Scott Greenawalt**  
Strength and  
Conditioning Coach



**Mark Rodger**  
Athletic Trainer



**Doug Edwards**  
Student-Athlete  
Development



**Jay Gibbons**  
Video Coordinator



**Ryan McIntyre**  
Graduate Student  
Manager



**Dushawn Davis**  
Director of  
Social Media



**Brian Steele**  
Student Assistant  
Coach



**Jarett Gerald**  
Special Assistant  
to the Head Coach



**Emily Miles**  
Associate Director of  
Media Relations





# SOUTH CAROLINA 2016-17 MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME	BROADCAST
Nov. 6	Newberry (exhibition)	Columbia, S.C.	4 p.m.	SEC Network+
Nov. 11	Louisiana Tech	Columbia, S.C.	6:30 p.m.	SEC Network+
<i>Brooklyn Hoops Holiday Invitational (Columbia, S.C./Colonial Life Arena)</i>				
Nov. 13	Holy Cross %	Columbia, S.C.	6 p.m.	SEC Network
Nov. 15	Monmouth %	Columbia, S.C.	6:30 p.m.	SEC Network+
Nov. 18	SC State %	Columbia, S.C.	6:30 p.m.	SEC Network+
Nov. 23	Michigan	Columbia, S.C.	5 p.m.	ESPN
<i>Brooklyn Hoops Holiday Invitational (Brooklyn, N.Y./Barclays Center)</i>				
Nov. 26	vs. Syracuse #	Brooklyn, N.Y.	2 p.m.	ESPN3
Dec. 1	Vermont	Columbia, S.C.	6:30 p.m.	SEC Network+
Dec. 4	FIU	Columbia, S.C.	2 p.m.	SEC Network+
<i>Under Armour Reunion (New York, N.Y./Madison Square Garden)</i>				
Dec. 12	vs. Seton Hall \$	New York City, N.Y.	9 p.m.	FS1
Dec. 17	at USF	Tampa, Fla.	1 p.m.	CBS Sports Network
Dec. 21	Clemson	Columbia, S.C.	9 p.m.	ESPN
Dec. 27	Lander	Columbia, S.C.	7 p.m.	SEC Network
Dec. 30	at Memphis	Memphis, Tenn.	9 p.m.	ESPN
Jan. 4	at Georgia*	Athens, Ga.	7 p.m.	ESPN
Jan. 7	Texas A&M*	Columbia, S.C.	1:30/4:30 p.m.	CBS
Jan. 11	at Tennessee*	Knoxville, Tenn.	6:30 p.m.	SEC Network
Jan. 14	Ole Miss*	Columbia, S.C.	6:30 p.m.	ESPN
Jan. 18	Florida*	Columbia, S.C.	6:30 p.m.	SEC Network
Jan. 21	at Kentucky*	Lexington, Ky.	4-8 p.m.	ESPN/2
Jan. 24	Auburn*	Columbia, S.C.	6:30 p.m.	SEC Network
Jan. 28	at Missouri*	Columbia, Mo.	8:30 p.m.	SEC Network
Feb. 1	at LSU*	Baton Rouge, La.	9 p.m.	SEC Network
Feb. 4	Georgia*	Columbia, S.C.	2 p.m.	ESPN/2
Feb. 7	Alabama*	Columbia, S.C.	6:30 p.m.	SEC Network
Feb. 11	at Mississippi State*	Starkville, Miss.	8 p.m.	ESPN2
Feb. 15	Arkansas*	Columbia, S.C.	6:30 p.m.	SEC Network
Feb. 18	at Vanderbilt*	Nashville, Tenn.	8:30 p.m.	SEC Network
Feb. 21	at Florida*	Gainesville, Fla.	7 p.m.	ESPN
Feb. 25	Tennessee*	Columbia, S.C.	1 p.m.	SEC Network
Feb. 28	Mississippi State*	Columbia, S.C.	7 p.m.	ESPN
March 4	at Ole Miss*	Oxford, Miss.	8:30 p.m.	SEC Network
<i>SEC Tournament (Bridgestone Arena)</i>				
March 8-12	TBD	Nashville, Tenn.	TBD	SEC Network/ESPN
<i>NCAA Tournament</i>				
March 14-15	First Four	Dayton, Ohio	TBD	TBD
March 16-19	First/Second Rounds	Various Sites ^	TBD	TBD
March 23-26	Regionals	Various Sites &	TBD	TBD
April 1-3	Final Four/Final	Phoenix, Ariz.	TBD	TBD

All dates and times subject to change | All home games in **bold** | All times listed Eastern | \* indicates SEC contest | ^ sites include: Buffalo, N.Y.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Orlando, Fla.; Salt Lake City, Utah; Greensboro, N.C.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Tulsa, Okla.; Sacramento, Calif. | & sites include: Kansas City, Mo.; San Jose, Calif.; Memphis, Tenn.; New York, N.Y.







## THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

### MISSION STATEMENT

*The University's mission is threefold: the education of the state's diverse citizens through teaching, research and creative activity, and service.*

The University of South Carolina is home to more than 200 years of history and tradition, rising from a single building in 1805 on what would become the heart of the campus, the Horseshoe. Today, the 11 buildings that make up the Horseshoe frame a lush lawn that is an irresistible gathering place for students, faculty and staff members and alumni and the scene of many important university events.

And while the Horseshoe will always be the symbol of Carolina's proud tradition, the university's presence and reach stretch across the state, with baccalaureate universities in Aiken, Spartanburg (Upstate) and the sea islands (Beaufort and the gateway to Hilton Head) as well as Palmetto College, which encompasses our associate degree-granting campuses — in Allendale and Walterboro (Salkehatchie), Sumter, Lancaster and Union — and our online bachelor's degree completion programs.

Together, they are building economic prosperity; fulfilling the university's mission of teaching, research and service to the state; and preparing future leaders in business, law, education, the arts, tourism, communications, medicine and the health sciences.

The University of South Carolina's Columbia campus offers more than 300 degree programs through its 14 degree-granting colleges and schools.

The South Carolina Honors College is the nation's best public honors college based on honors college factors according to the guidebook "A Review of Fifty Public University Honors Programs."

U.S. News & World Report recognizes the Moore School of Business for having the No. 1 undergraduate international business program and No. 1 graduate international business program, and Financial Times credits the Moore School with the No. 1 international course experience.

USC launched a new online degree completion program in 2013. Palmetto College's online offerings bring together the resources of the entire University of South Carolina system to combine the quality of a USC degree with the flexibility of online learning.

Students at the University of South Carolina have earned 786 national fellowships and scholarships valued at \$24 million since 1994. University of South Carolina faculty members generated \$250.1 million in funding for research, training and outreach programs in fiscal year 2015, the highest total ever at the university.

### UNIVERSITY HISTORY

*In 2001, the university celebrated the bicentennial of its charter, but 2005 also marked a watershed anniversary: 200 years since the first classes began at South Carolina College, as it was then known. Carolina has endured the Civil War and Reconstruction, closings and name changes. Permanently chartered in 1906 as the University of South Carolina, it grew throughout the 20th century and today is building its reputation as a cutting-edge research institution.*



USC is ranked in the top 5 percent of U.S. public universities in the number of national awards its faculty has received.

The new Darla Moore School of Business building serves as the front door of Innovista, the university's research district, and is a hub for creativity, research and entrepreneurial activity. The school is pursuing a net zero status and LEED Platinum rating for its new home.

The USC School of Medicine pioneered the nation's first medical school curriculum that teaches first- through fourth-year students how to use leading ultrasound technologies for bedside diagnosis.

The Chronicle of Higher Education named USC a "Top Producer of U.S. Fulbright Students." Our students are consistent winners of other prestigious awards, such as National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowships.

USC has partnered with IBM and Fluor Corporation to open the Center for Applied Innovation on the Columbia campus. The center promises to reshape how technology is used in higher education.

USC is consistently recognized by Kiplinger's Personal Finance magazine, Princeton Review and USA Today for being one of the best values among public colleges and universities.

USC is one of only 32 public universities to earn the Carnegie Foundation's top-tier designations in both research activity and community engagement.





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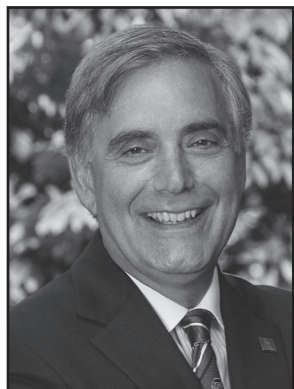
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PASTIDES**

On Aug. 1, 2008, as Harris Pastides began his presidency at the University of South Carolina, he promised to accelerate USC's momentum as a world-class university. He has kept that promise. Indeed, under Pastides' watch, the USC system is now uniquely positioned to meet the state's education, cultural, health and research needs.

Today, USC Columbia, a Carnegie top-tier research university, is also ranked as South Carolina's top global university. Its freshman classes have grown continuously while posting the highest SAT scores in university history. The USC Honors College has been named the No. 1 public honors college in the nation and Carolina is home to top programs in areas such as undergraduate and graduate international business; public health; engineering; nursing; and hospitality, retail and sport management.

An unwavering advocate for a superior student experience, Pastides encourages engagement beyond the classroom through leadership, service learning, international experiences, internships and undergraduate research. Innovative programs like Palmetto College, On Your Time Graduation, Gamecock Gateway and Gamecock Guarantee are providing greater access, flexibility and affordability to South Carolinians seeking a higher education degree. To date, 78,651 degrees have been awarded systemwide during Pastides' presidency.

Committed to civil and substantive campus conversations, Pastides exemplifies the ideals found in the Carolinian Creed. His unqualified support of diversity and inclusiveness is reflected in bold new initiatives such as The Center for Civil Rights History and Research and the Welcome Table SC, both critical steps in creating an era of greater unity of purpose.

Pastides serves on many local, state, national and international boards including the South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities and the Fulbright Faculty Programs. He is the immediate past chair of the NCAA Division I Board of Directors.

Prior to joining the university's faculty as dean of the Arnold School of Public Health, Pastides was a professor of epidemiology and chairman of the Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. He received his master's in public health and his Ph.D. in epidemiology from Yale University. President Pastides and the first lady, Patricia Moore-Pastides, live on USC's historic Horseshoe.

## UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS

**Dr. Harris Pastides is the institution's 28th President since 1804, when Johnathan Maxcy became the first to lead South Carolina College, the University's precursor.**

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*Gaps in the presidential timeline indicate periods when the University was closed or under interim leadership or when its chief executive was known by a different title.*



**FACULTY  
ATHLETICS  
REPRESENTATIVE**  
**DR. VALINDA  
LITTLEFIELD**

Dr. Valinda Littlefield begins her second season as the Athletics Faculty Representative at the University of South Carolina. Littlefield is an associate professor of history and African-American studies in the College of Arts and Sciences. She is a scholar of the history of women, African Americans and education with an emphasis on Southern African-American history from 1877 to the present.

Dr. Littlefield graduated Magna Cum Laude from North Carolina Central University in 1987 with a double major in political science and history. She earned her doctorate from the University of Illinois in 2003.

Dr. Littlefield joined the South Carolina faculty in 1999 after professional stops at each of her alma maters, North Carolina Central and Illinois.

While at USC, Dr. Littlefield has served on numerous university committees including co-chair of the Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of Desegregation, QEP, University Women's Faculty Organization, and Faculty Committee on Instructional Development. She currently serves on the University Caroliniana Society Board and as a TRIO Ronald McNair Faculty Research Mentor. In addition, Littlefield serves on boards and executive committees of a number of local, state and national organizations such as One Columbia, the SC Academy of Authors, the SC African American Council for the Social Studies and the Southern Historical Association.

She is the co-editor with Marjorie Spruill and Joan Marie Johnson of a three-volume anthology, *South Carolina Women: Their Lives and Times*. She also served as subject editor of Education for the *African American National Biography*.

Dr. Littlefield is married to Dr. Daniel C. Littlefield, Carolina Professor of History.





## ATHLETICS DIRECTOR - RAY TANNER



University of South Carolina Athletics Director Ray Tanner is in his fifth year guiding the fortunes of the Gamecocks' athletics programs. After a long and highly successful career as Carolina's baseball coach, Tanner officially began his new duties on Aug. 2, 2012.

Under Tanner's watch, Gamecock student-athletes have achieved tremendous success in intercollegiate athletic competition, in the classroom and the community.

During the past two academic years, Gamecock student-athletes have led all schools in the SEC Academic Honor Roll, earning more than 700 recognitions. Carolina student-athletes have earned a cumulative 3.0 grade point average or better in 18 consecutive semesters.

In the last four academic years, the Gamecocks have won a national championship (equestrian), five SEC regular season and tournament championships and its 686 points in the 2015-16 Learfield Sports Directors' Cup All-Sports Standings is the most since 2002-03 (701 points).

In 2015-16, Carolina also claimed the inaugural Certified SC Grown Palmetto Series, sponsored by the South Carolina Department of Agriculture. The series consists of athletic, community service and academic points in head-to-head matchups against Clemson.

The Gamecocks have had 15 teams finish in the Top 10, 29 finish in the Top 25 with student-athletes earning 127 All-SEC and 205 All-America honors during the last four years.

Carolina student-athletes accomplished these academic and athletic feats while performing more than 9,000 hours of community service, breaking an athletics department record for three straight years.

In September 2014, Tanner spearheaded the development of "The Gamecock Student-Athlete Promise," a document that showcases the depth and breadth of the commitments the South Carolina Athletics Department has made to its student-athletes.

As part of the document, USC became the first school in the SEC to guarantee four-year scholarships for all qualifying sports. It also offers former student-athletes the opportunity to return back to campus to complete their undergraduate degree as part of the "Gamecock Degree Completion Program."

As part of giving Gamecock student-athletes a "championship experience" at USC, the commitment to develop the finest facilities in the nation continues.

Since taking on the athletics director role at USC, Tanner has overseen construction and facility renovation projects such as Springs-Brooks Plaza and the Bignon Game Day Center, Gamecock Football Indoor Practice Facility, USC Soccer Complex, Weems Baskin Outdoor Track, Wheeler Beach Volleyball facility and locker rooms in Carolina Natatorium. Plans are also underway for a new football operations building and upgrades to Founders Park.

Tanner completed his first year as a member of the NCAA Division I Baseball Committee and is scheduled to be on the committee through the 2019 baseball season.

A dedicated community leader whose charitable organization, The Ray Tanner Foundation, has made a difference in many South Carolina families, a three-time National Coach of the Year and Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year, Tanner completed 16 years as head coach at the University of South Carolina, establishing one of the premier programs in college baseball prior to being named AD. He led the Garnet & Black to two NCAA Division I Baseball Championships, a pair of national runner-up finishes, six College World Series appearances, three SEC championships, six SEC Eastern division titles, a SEC tournament crown and 13 consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances.

Under the direction of Tanner, South Carolina's postseason success from 2010-2012 is arguably the greatest run in collegiate baseball history. In the three-year span, the Gamecocks established NCAA records with 22 consecutive postseason wins and 12 consecutive wins in the College World Series. The Gamecocks won the NCAA Division I Baseball Championship in 2010 and 2011 with a national runner-up finish in 2012. South Carolina's

30-4 (.882) record over that three-year period in the NCAA Tournament is the fifth best three-year postseason record in NCAA history.

In addition, the 2012 CWS trip marked the sixth time in 11 years that South Carolina had reached Omaha. No Division I baseball team made more appearances than the Gamecocks over the 11-year span.

For all of his accolades, Tanner's uniform No. 1 was retired and the street outside Carolina Stadium was renamed in his honor. He was inducted into the South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame in May 2013 and into the American Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in January 2016.

The 2012 season marked Tanner's 25th year as a collegiate head coach. He posted a 738-316 record at South Carolina with a .700 winning percentage, second highest all-time among SEC coaches. His career record was 1,133-489-3 for a winning percentage of .699. His final 12 teams featured 23 All-Americans.

Tanner gained valuable experience at an international level in his association with USA Baseball. He served five stints with Red, White and Blue, including in 2003 as head coach for the USA National Baseball Team. At the helm of some of the top freshmen and sophomores in the country, Tanner's club finished with a 27-2 record, the best record for a U.S. National Team (.931 winning percentage) and won a silver medal at the 2003 Pan American Games. He was named the U.S. National Coach of the Year for his work that season. Prior to his head coaching stint, Tanner served as an auxiliary coach under Tommy Lasorda for the 2000 Olympic Team that won a gold medal at the XXVII Olympiad in Sydney, Australia. He was also an assistant under former LSU coach Skip Bertman with the 1995 and 1996 USA teams that culminated in a bronze medal win at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, Ga. Tanner also served alongside former Mississippi State coach Ron Polk on Bertman's staff. Tanner's first stint with USA Baseball came as an assistant coach to the national team in the summer of 1993.

Tanner was named the South Carolina head coach June 14, 1996, after nine successful seasons at North Carolina State. At NC State, Tanner led his alma mater to seven appearances in the NCAA postseason tournament and ranked second for most wins in school history. He was the 1990 Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year and in 1993, was named Atlantic Region Coach of the Year when his team won 49 games.

Following his playing career with the Wolfpack, Tanner served as an assistant at NC State for Coach Sam Esposito. As an assistant coach, he also held additional duties as assistant to athletics director Jim Valvano and an assistant athletics director in charge of game operations. Following Esposito's retirement, Valvano elevated the 28-year-old Tanner to head baseball coach.

Tanner has a bachelor's degree in recreational administration from NC State (1980) and a master's of public affairs, public administration (1983).

Born Donald Ray Tanner, Jr., March 25, 1958, in Smithfield, NC, Tanner grew up in Benson, NC. He is married to the former Karen Donald, a native of Charleston, SC. A University of South Carolina graduate, she was formerly head women's athletic trainer at NC State. During the summer of 1997 she served as trainer for the Charlotte Sting in the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA). She is the former director of athletics and director of sports medicine at Columbia College.

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







## ATHLETICS DEVELOPMENT • THE GAMECOCK CLUB



The Gamecock Club, established in 1940, provides financial support to the more than 500 student-athletes representing the University of South Carolina. This aid is in the form of tuition fees, meal costs, housing costs, medical costs, injury assistance, and other educational needs. Gamecock Club membership is open to all alumni and friends

of the University. More than 19,000 South Carolina fans donate to the Athletics Department through annual Gamecock Club memberships.

South Carolina Athletics' mission centers on developing championship caliber programs in the South-eastern Conference and nationally. There are four components needed to create a championship program: a prominent university committed to its athletics program, a vibrant community that can be proudly presented to recruits, excellent coaches, and outstanding facilities. South Carolina is a distinguished university with an energized and supportive community in Columbia and throughout the state. The Gamecock coaching staff blends hall-of-fame experience and exciting new perspectives that, together with a seasoned athletics staff, give South Carolina Athletics a competitive advantage in the recruiting battle. It is time to focus on providing outstanding facilities for Gamecock student-athletes and fans.

The tremendous support of donors to the Garnet Way Campaign (completed in July 2015), enabled Gamecock Athletics to reach new heights in the SEC, both competitively and in our ability to support our student-athletes. Donors contributed more than \$245 million total in support of Gamecock Athletics' facilities and scholarships.

South Carolina Athletics is taking another step forward with the September 2016 launch of its "Expanding Our Vision" capital initiative. South Carolina Athletics has always been expanding in some capacity. Whether it is expanding expectations for success, expanding the areas from where it recruits talent, or expanding facilities and resources to help student-athletes achieve success academically and athletically, South Carolina is not standing still in living up to the commitments made in the Gamecock Student-Athlete Promise. The pillars of "Expanding Our Vision" are the football operations center, the Carolina Coliseum renovations, the new golf practice facility, and the Gamecock Student-Athlete Promise. For more information on these projects visit [ExpandingOurVision.com](http://ExpandingOurVision.com).

The Gamecock Club is located at 1304 Heyward Street in Columbia, can be reached at (803) 777-4276 and is also online at [www.GamecocksOnline.com/GamecockClub](http://www.GamecocksOnline.com/GamecockClub). Be sure to like The Gamecock Club on Facebook and follow @TheGamecockClub on Twitter.

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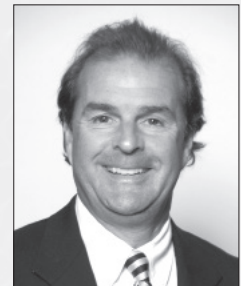
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## COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

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The commitment to compliance ensures institutional control over the department of athletics and furthers the mission of the University of South Carolina. The existence of a successful compliance program depends on the willingness of coaches, administrators, staff, student-athletes and boosters to be cognizant of NCAA, SEC, and institutional rules.

**WHAT IS COMPLIANCE?**

At South Carolina, the Office of Compliance Services works within the department of athletics and the University to ensure South Carolina's compliance with all applicable rules. In doing so, the compliance staff is charged with the following tasks:

- Educating administrators, coaches, staff, prospects, student-athletes and boosters about NCAA, SEC, and institutional rules;
- Developing monitoring systems to ensure compliance with these rules. These systems are designed to monitor rules pertaining to recruiting, academic eligibility, financial aid, awards, extra benefits, ethical conduct, amateurism, agents, employment, occasional meals, and the playing and practice seasons for each sport; and
- Investigating and reporting violations of NCAA, SEC, and institutional rules to the appropriate governing authority.

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You are a booster if you are or ever have:

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- Been involved in promoting South Carolina's athletics program;
- Provided or helped to arrange employment for student-athletes;
- Been a season ticket holder.
- Remember, once a booster, always a booster

**PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES**

A prospective student-athlete (prospect) is a student who has:

- Started classes for the ninth grade, or
- If they haven't started ninth grade, ever received any financial assistance or other benefit prospective students do not generally receive.



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An individual remains a prospect until one of the following occurs (whichever is earlier):

- The individual officially registers and enrolls in a minimum full-time program of studies and attends classes in any term (including summer) of a four-year collegiate institution's regular academic year.
- The individual participates in a regular squad practice or competition at a four-year collegiate institution that occurs before the beginning of any term.

Remember a prospect remains a prospect even after signing a National Letter of Intent with the University of South Carolina.

**EXTRA BENEFITS**

A recruiting inducement or extra benefit is any special arrangement by a University of South Carolina employee or booster to provide a prospect, a student-athlete, or their relatives or friends a benefit not expressly authorized by the NCAA. Examples of impermissible extra benefits include, but are not limited to:

- Free or reduced cost services, rentals, or purchases of any type (e.g., meals, drinks, clothing, laundry, haircuts, legal fees, tattoos, car repairs, free upgrades on products or services, etc.)
- Gifts of any kind, including special occasions (birthdays, holidays, graduation, etc.)
- VIP access to bars, clubs, events, etc.
- Free or reduced cost housing for any length of time
- Loans (including co-signing)
- Cash or like items
- Use of an automobile or transportation
- An employment arrangement for a prospect or student-athlete's relatives
- Entertainment
- Use of your telephone or credit card
- Providing a meal in your home (if occasional meal, please contact compliance services)
- Academic assistance of any kind (e.g., tutoring, editing papers/projects, assistance in completing classwork, use of computer, etc.)
- Any tangible items, including merchandise

**WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES?**

South Carolina is responsible for the actions of its boosters. If a booster provides an impermissible benefit to a prospect, a student-athlete, or their relatives or friends, South Carolina may be subject to penalties, even if the student-athlete has completed his or her eligibility. The prospect or student-athlete who accepts an impermissible benefit jeopardizes his or her eligibility for intercollegiate competition. A booster who provides an impermissible benefit may be disassociated from the University's athletics program. Disassociation results in a loss of all benefits or privileges offered by the department of athletics and may involve other penalties as appropriate.

**GOT QUESTIONS? ASK COMPLIANCE.**

The above information is a brief overview of compliance and rules pertaining to boosters and their interactions with prospective and current student-athletes. It is not an exhaustive discussion. If you have any questions about any NCAA, SEC, or institutional rules, please contact the Office of Compliance Services at (803) 777-1519 or via email at [athcompl@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:athcompl@mailbox.sc.edu).

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## MEDIA SERVICES

The 2016-17 edition of the University of South Carolina basketball media guide is a source of information for the news media. Additional information is available upon request. News releases, action and still photographs, video tapes and digital images are also available to accredited members of the news media upon request.

### MEDIA CREDENTIALS

Credentials are limited to working daily print and electronic media and to others whose duties make necessary access to press row. Photo credentials are issued only to working photographers and cinematographers. Photographers are restricted to the baselines and may use natural light only. Flash units are not allowed.

South Carolina will use the online credentials system. Please go to [www.sportssystem.com/seccredentials](http://www.sportssystem.com/seccredentials) to register for credentials (photo, press row).

**ALL** credentials will be distributed on game day at the press pass gate on the College Street entrance of the Colonial Life Arena. A limited number of media parking spaces are available. Media parking passes must be requested at the time of credential requests.

### INTERVIEW POLICIES

All interview requests must be made in advance to SID Emily Miles in the South Carolina Media Relations Office. Beginning with the start of practice in October, Miles will release a weekly coach and student-athlete availability schedule to media on Monday's.

**Post-Game Interview Policy:** After each home game, the visiting coach will address the media first, followed by South Carolina student-athletes then South Carolina head coach Frank Martin. (Depending on deadline, this may be altered on a game-by-game basis).

**Road Interview Policy:** Interviews with Coach Martin and student-athletes while on the road will be scheduled according to the home post-game media procedure.

### HOME GAME SERVICES

**Press Room:** The South Carolina basketball media room is located behind the visitor bench near the locker room cluster at Colonial Life Arena. This room is open only to accredited media with proper credentials.

**Internet:** There is wireless and high speed data lines in the press room. Those data lines are available on a first come, first served basis. Wireless is also available in the arena.

### FOOD SERVICES

Each credentialed media member will be issued a food coupon that can be used at the concession stands inside Colonial Life Arena.

### STATISTICAL SERVICES

Complete play-by-play, full halftime and final boxscores and post-game coaches' quotes are provided to the media. South Carolina uses Statbroadcast.com to provide statistical data in-game to media.

### BROADCASTS

Announce positions for radio and TV broadcasts are at courtside. Under contracted reciprocal agreements, the official designated originating station or network of the visiting team is allowed to originate radio broadcasts without charge. All others will be charged an origination fee.

Stations must contact Liz McMillan of Gamecock Sports Properties at (803) 777-7895 for information.

### PRESS ROW PASSES

**NEWSPAPERS** are eligible to apply for credentials and access to media opportunities. The granting and number of credentials for daily newspapers will be based on the newspaper's circulation on a space available basis.

Those newspapers publishing more than twice a week, but less than six, will have priority after those in the daily newspaper category.

**WEBSITES** that meet one of the following criteria will be issued a maximum of three (3) season approved press credentials, which includes the videographer, and two (2) photo passes to be used for still photography.

1. Is the official website of the home or visiting school or its conference;
2. Is the official online service of a national over-the-air or cable television network;
3. Has a "national affiliate agreement" with or is an official licensed site of a national or local newsgathering organization and has at least one full-time employee dedicated to writing for the site; or
4. Is a local newsgathering organization that has at least two full-time employees and is owned by a media company with multiple assets.

Websites that are an extension of a non-digital local media outlet (newspaper, radio, television) will not be issued credentials independent of their originating organization.

Sport-specific websites with more than two full-time writers will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

No credentials will be issued to any website that is not deemed by University of South Carolina Assistant Athletics Director/Media Relations to have adequate editorial oversight. Credentials will not be approved to anyone who writes or posts under an alias.

**TELEVISION** stations will be issued a maximum of two (2) season approved credentials.

Local **RADIO** stations will be granted one (1) season approved press row credential per daily sports show. In addition, one (1) press row credential will be distributed per station for the sports director. Non-daily local radio sports shows and out-of-market radio stations that have a daily sports show will be granted a maximum one (1) credential on a game-by-game space available basis.

**STUDENT MEDIA** outlets for the home and visiting schools will be issued credentials in accordance with the policy or their format (newspaper, website, radio, television). To be considered student media, the outlet must be sanctioned as such by the university, have full-time university staff overseeing the training of staff or be governed by a university-appointed board, and receive some portion of its funding from student fees.

**PHOTO WIRE SERVICES** that distribute nationally and retain all rights for sale and usage of any image taken at the event will be issued one (1) season photo pass. Any wire service that sells/shares its images for non-editorial uses must provide the University of South Carolina Athletics Media Relations department with a statement indicating how it ensures that non-editorial clients use its images within NCAA regulations.

#### • Non-affiliated bloggers will not be credentialed.

All other credential requests, including non-daily newspapers, magazines, out-of-market radio stations, etc. will be issued on a game-by-game, case-by-case and space available basis at the discretion of the media relations director.

**Please note:** Due to the high number of applications, it is not possible to accommodate all requests. No one under 18 years of age will be issued a credential without prior approval of the SID.

No credentials will be issued to any website that is not deemed by the University of South Carolina Assistant Athletics Director/Media Relations to have adequate editorial oversight.

### COACH, STUDENT-ATHLETE RADIO POLICY

South Carolina coaches are limited to one appearance from one member of a sport's coaching staff per seven-day period on any radio station or any radio show that is aired as part of a state-wide, regional or national network in the Columbia market. The length of the interview should be no more than one segment, defined as "commercial break to commercial break." The segment shall run no longer than 10 minutes. In addition, the same member of a sport's coaching staff or South Carolina administrator cannot make appearances in consecutive seven-day periods on the same radio station. Media outlets in which the institution or the SEC is contractually affiliated are exempt from this language. Exceptions can be made in the occurrence of a major "breaking news" event.

South Carolina student-athletes may not participate in any live radio show other than during a regularly scheduled newscast and for no longer than four minutes, postgame interview times, conference media days and structured media opportunities during NCAA championships, without the consent of the South Carolina Media Relations department. This policy is in effect year-round and does not apply to institutional networks. It does apply to internet chat rooms that are sponsored by a media outlet for the sole purpose of conducting Q&A sessions with the viewing public concerning the student-athlete's athletic career.

It is not permissible for any non-rightsholder to archive audio or video Event content that exceeds five (5) minutes in length. Events are defined as varsity contests, press conferences and any other group media availability. Archiving may not begin until the conclusion of the entire event.

### SPOTTERS AND STATISTICIANS

The Media Relations Department can supply radio and television broadcasters with spotters and stat personnel if notified of their needs in advance.

### SOUTH CAROLINA STUDENT-ATHLETE MEDIA INTERVIEW POLICY

All interviews are to be coordinated through the Media Relations Department and men's basketball SID Emily Miles. This allows the staff to arrange the interview when it best suits the student-athlete's and the reporter's schedules. Please contact the Media Relations Department in advance to make your interview requests.

**Media are not permitted to contact student-athletes on their own at any time.** All interviews will take place at the designated interview site for that day as listed in the weekly media advisory, or in the media relations office.

Residence hall, apartment or cell phone numbers for student-athletes will not be provided to the media. Should you need to conduct a telephone interview with a student-athlete, a call will be placed to you from the student-athlete at a mutually agreeable time.





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### **Anderson Independent-Mail**

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Anderson, S.C. 29622  
864-260-1237  
Scott Adamson  
(adamsonsl@independentmail.com)

### **Augusta Chronicle**

725 Broad Street  
Augusta, GA 30901  
706-823-3337  
Scott Michaux  
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### **Charleston Post & Courier**

134 Columbus Street  
Charleston, S.C. 29403  
843-937-5598  
Beat: David Caraviello  
(dcarviello@postandcourier.com)

### **Charlotte Observer**

600 S. Tryon Street  
Charlotte, N.C. 28202  
704-358-5118

### **Florence Morning News**

P.O. Box 100528  
Florence, S.C. 29501  
843-317-7271

### **Greenville News**

Box 1688  
Greenville, S.C. 29602  
864-298-4268  
Beat: Willie T. Smith  
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### **Hilton Head Island Packet**

Box 5727  
Hilton Head, S.C. 29938  
843-706-8121

### **Myrtle Beach Sun News**

P.O. Box 406  
Myrtle Beach, S.C. 29578  
843-626-8555

### **Orangeburg Times & Democrat**

P.O. Drawer 1766  
Orangeburg, S.C. 29116  
803-534-1060

### **Rock Hill Herald-Journal**

Box 11707  
Rock Hill, S.C. 29731  
803-329-4099

### **Spartanburg Herald-Journal**

Box 1657  
Spartanburg, S.C. 29304  
864-582-4511

### **Sumter Item**

20 North Magnolia St.  
Sumter, S.C., 29150  
803-774-1241

### **The State**

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### **WCSC (CBS)**

2126 Charlie Hall Blvd., Charleston, S.C. 29414  
843-402-5555  
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### **WNKT (107.5 FM) (Flagship)**

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Kevin McCravery (kmac000@aol.com)

### **WCOS (1400 The Team) - FOX**

**Sports Radio**  
316 Greystone Blvd., Columbia, S.C. 29210  
803-343-1100  
Jonathan Reynolds

### **WGCV (620 AM)**

Teddy Heffner (theffner1@aol.com)  
Rick Sanford

### **WOIC (1230 AM) - ESPN Radio**

### **WVOC (560 AM)**

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## SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE MEDIA INFORMATION



### COACHES TELECONFERENCE

The SEC men's basketball coaches teleconference will be held Monday, Jan. 2 & 16; Thursday, Jan. 26; Monday, Feb. 6, 20 and March 6. Media representatives wishing to participate in the teleconference should contact the SEC Communications Department for further details. Each coach will appear on the teleconference for seven minutes, according to the following schedule:

#### ORDER OF APPEARANCE

*(All Times Eastern)*

11:00 a.m. .... Bryce Drew, Vanderbilt  
11:07 a.m. .... Mike White, Florida  
**11:14 a.m. .... Frank Martin, South Carolina**  
11:21 a.m. .... Mark Fox, Georgia  
11:28 a.m. .... Johnny Jones, LSU  
11:35 a.m. .... John Calipari, Kentucky  
11:42 a.m. .... Rick Barnes, Tennessee  
11:49 a.m. .... Mike Anderson, Arkansas  
11:56 a.m. .... Avery Johnson, Alabama  
12:03 a.m. .... Bruce Pearl, Auburn  
12:10 a.m. .... Andy Kennedy, Ole Miss  
12:17 a.m. .... Ben Howland, Miss. State  
12:24 a.m. .... Kim Anderson, Missouri  
12:31 a.m. .... Billy Kennedy, Texas A&M

In addition, the SEC men's basketball teams who make it to postseason will be on a teleconference on Monday, March 14 beginning at 10:00 a.m. CT.

All SEC basketball teleconferences can be listened to on the internet at [www.secdigitalnetwork.com](http://www.secdigitalnetwork.com) shortly after the conclusion of the teleconference.

### SEC WEBSITES

General SEC basketball information can be accessed on the World Wide Web at [www.secsports.com](http://www.secsports.com). The basketball section is updated with new material daily on the page, with standings, statistics, game previews, notes and other important information.

The SEC also offers a media-only section of the website - [www.secsportsmedia.com](http://www.secsportsmedia.com). Media covering the SEC can retrieve information from the conference office as well as the 14 SEC institutions from the media site. An internet photo gallery, logos and a championship credentialing system for SEC basketball is available on the site. (The site houses all media information for the other 20 sports the SEC sponsors).

### SEC RELEASE

The conference basketball release will be available each Monday beginning in early November via the league's websites. Any media representative wishing to receive information via e-mail should register on [www.secsportsmedia.com](http://www.secsportsmedia.com). SEC standings and team-by-team results will be updated each weekday, while conference statistics will be updated as often as needed based on the schedule of play. Information is also available via the school's SIDs.

### SEC WEEKLY AWARDS

The SEC will name a Player of the Week and Freshman of the Week throughout the 2016-17 season (November-March). Nominations for both awards are made by the SEC men's basketball sports information contacts. The honorees are selected by a vote of the SEC Communications staff.

### SEC TOURNAMENT CREDENTIALS

Media credential request forms for the 2017 SEC Tournament will be available in early January on the SEC media website at [www.secsportsmedia.com](http://www.secsportsmedia.com).

The 2017 SEC Men's Tournament is March 8-12 (Wednesday-Sunday) at Bridgestone Arena in Nashville, Tenn.

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## THE SEC - AMERICA'S ELITE BASKETBALL CONFERENCE



■ Throughout the history of men's college basketball, the Southeastern Conference has captured 11 NCAA Championships and four NIT titles, putting the SEC as one of the nation's top basketball conferences.

■ Twelve of the 14 SEC coaches have led their teams to the NCAA Tournament. One not included in that list is entering his second season coaching collegiately and was previously named the NBA Coach of the Year while directing his team to the NBA Finals. The other coach has directed his teams to four postseason appearances in five years as a head coach.

■ Eight SEC coaches have taken their teams to the Sweet 16, seven have advanced to the Elite Eight and five have gone on to the Final Four (includes Division II).

■ Alabama's Retin Obasohan, Kentucky's Alex Poythress, South Carolina's Mindaugas Kacinas and Vanderbilt's Luke Kornet earned first team Academic All-District honors from CoSIDA in 2016.

■ The SEC has won three of the last 12 NCAA titles (2006-Florida, 2007-Florida, 2012 Kentucky). No other conference has won more titles during that stretch.

■ Every team in the SEC has made at least one NCAA Tournament appearance in the last 13 editions of the NCAA Tournament.

■ Seven of the top 25 scorers from 2016 are slated to return as well as 10 of the top 20 rebounders and three of the top 10 playmakers.



### The SEC Network

The Southeastern Conference and ESPN signed a 20-year agreement through 2034 to create and operate a multiplatform network which launched August 14, 2014. The network and its accompanying digital platform carried SEC content 24/7 including more than 1,000 events in its first year making every SEC basketball game available nationwide. Programming also includes studio shows and original content such as SEC Storied and SEC Inside. The Network has reoccurring weekday programming such as SEC Now, a news & information show featuring SEC Network hosts Peter Burns, Dari Nowkhah or Laura Rutledge and network analysts, discussing all the SEC news of the day, airing each weekday evening. The network also has weekend programming, including SEC Rewind, when the Network takes a look back at a historic game from the SEC, and SEC Scoreboard, a Saturday evening recap show featuring highlights and analysis of all the day's events.

### The South Carolina Operation

The University of South Carolina will produce 120-130 events with an ESPN-caliber production. These include baseball, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's soccer, softball, volleyball and sand volleyball games that are not covered by CBS, ESPN, ESPN2, ESPNU or the SEC Network linear channel. Live operations for the SEC Network at Carolina are led by David Cockfield (producer), Mark Slice (engineer), Justin Stoll (graphic design), Valerie Gerfin (associate producer) and Kim Justice (assistant engineer). Play-by-play duties will be handled by familiar voices Brad Muller, Derek Scott and Burch Antley.







## GAMECOCK RADIO NETWORK



Gamecock Sports Marketing, a partnership between the University of South Carolina Athletics Department and IMG College is the originating medium for radio coverage of 2016-17 South Carolina basketball games.

Gamecock Sports Marketing is responsible for the overall management of the athletic program's corporate partnership effort, which includes producing, selling and distributing the Gamecock Radio Network (live play-by-play and call-in shows) and television programming (coaches shows), print advertising in various athletic department publications, and selected signage in University athletic facilities.

Derek Scott begins his first season as the radio play-by-play voice for Carolina men's basketball and baseball on the Gamecock Radio Network. Since 2007, Scott has served as a television (Gamecock Athletics-produced games on SEC Network Plus) and radio play-by-play voice for various Gamecock teams, including men's and women's basketball, baseball and volleyball. He has also been the host of Gamecock Athletics' weekly show, "Inside the Roost," highlighting the programs of the Carolina athletics department. From 1998-2007, Scott was an Assistant Athletics Director at Ohio University, where he hosted and produced the weekly coach's show for football and men's basketball while also handling play-by-play duties for both sports. He also managed the public relations staff, coordinated all radio and television broadcasts for the Ohio Sports Network and oversaw all licensing efforts for Bobcat athletics.

Casey Manning, the color analyst for the Gamecock Radio Network, earned a varsity letter for the legendary coach Frank McGuire from 1971-73 (freshmen were not eligible to play varsity basketball) and attended South Carolina from 1969-73. Prior to his college career he was named Player of the Year in South Carolina and was a high school All-American at Dillon High School. He won the Freshman Academic Award and he was selected to Who's Who in Colleges and Universities and chosen as a South Carolina outstanding senior during his college career. He was a member of Carolina's ACC Tournament Championship team in 1970-71.

Manning is currently a Circuit Court Judge for the state of South Carolina, having served in that capacity since April 1994. He served as the Assistant Attorney General for the state of South Carolina for five years (1983-88), and was the Chief of Prosecutions from 1988-89. Manning is a member of the American Bar Association and is a past president of the South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame.

Carroll Senn has served as engineer/producer for the Gamecock Basketball Radio Network since 1981.

Liz McMillan is Executive Director for the Network and has been involved since 1993 as the first woman in the SEC to serve in this capacity.



(L TO R): CASEY MANNING, CARROLL SENN, DEREK SCOTT

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## COLONIAL LIFE ARENA - HOME OF THE GAMECOCKS

■ Colonial Life Arena is more than just the home of South Carolina men's and women's basketball. It's also a thriving entertainment venue that the city of Columbia and its surrounding metropolitan area are able to enjoy throughout the year.

■ Colonial Life Arena was ranked third in the nation's highest grossing university arenas for "University Top Stops" in Venues Today for ticket sales in 2015. The arena also ranked number one in sales in South Carolina for 2015 in Venues Today for "Carolina Top Stops".

■ Colonial Life Arena is the largest arena in the state of South Carolina with 18,000 seats, and the 10-largest on-campus basketball facility in the nation. Located on the beautiful University of South Carolina campus, this one-of-a-kind facility features 41 suites, four entertainment suites, and the Frank McGuire Club, a full-service hospitality room that has a capacity of 300. The state-of-the-art facility also features plush seating, a technologically advanced sound system, a four-sided video scoreboard, and a one-of-a-kind selection of unique concession foods that will delight fans of all ages.

■ The Arena has hosted numerous sold out shows, including Barnum and Bailey Circus, Paul McCartney, country superstars Kenny Chesney and Taylor Swift, WWE Wrestling, Kanye West and numerous other acts.

■ The arena is the largest building ever constructed at the University of South Carolina at 342,000 square feet. It features two spacious, identical locker rooms for the Gamecock men's and women's basketball teams with team meeting rooms, recruiting rooms, coaches locker rooms and a training room facility.

■ South Carolina ranked 22nd in the nation and third in the SEC in total attendance for the 2015-16 campaign.



### FUN FACTS ABOUT COLONIAL LIFE ARENA

16,880 cubic yards of earth moved, which is enough to fill 222 swimming pools

3,848 tons of steel, which would weigh equal to 96,200 quarters, which would equal \$24,050

125 miles of cable, which would stretch between Columbia and Folly Beach

1,872 tons of cooling, which would cool an average of 12 grocery stores

205,384 bricks and 60,137 concrete blocks, which would stretch the entire length of Lake Murray (41 miles)

8,750 gallons of paint, which would paint approximately 115 average Columbia 2-story houses

4,781 square yards of carpet, which would carpet approximately the field at Williams-Brice Stadium

443 people working on building the arena at a given time, which would staff 44 fast food restaurants

1,158,000 man-hours to complete Colonial Life Arena, which would equal two working hours from each person living in the Columbia Metro area





## 2016-17 PRESEASON NOTABLES



## 2016-17 SCHEDULE

South Carolina has an exciting schedule set for the 2016-17 campaign. The slate features 14 games, with 10 home contests, including one exhibition. Highlighting the non-conference portion of the schedule is the Gamecocks' participation in the Brooklyn Hoops Holiday Invitational, as well as a matchup versus Seton Hall in the Under Armour "Reunion" doubleheader at Madison Square Garden in mid-December. The Gamecocks will face eight teams that advanced to the postseason a year ago, with four of those NCAA Tournament participants, including Syracuse, which advanced to the Final Four.

## GAMECOCKS WELCOME NEWCOMERS

Carolina welcomes 10 newcomers to the squad this season in freshmen Tommy Corchiani, Rakym Felder, Khadim Gueye, Evan Hinson, Sedee Keita, Maik Kotsar and Christian Schmitt, r-sophomore Hassani Gravett, and juniors Kory Holden and Ran Tut.

## CAROLINA TRENDS UNDER MARTIN

*Gamecock trends under Frank Martin ...*

- South Carolina is 43-33 when posting at least six made 3s in a game.
  - South Carolina posted a 2015-16 season high 12 made 3s in the upset road win at No. 8/8 Texas A&M on Feb. 6.
- South Carolina is 57-23 when scoring more points in the paint than its opponent.
  - The Gamecocks out-scored High Point 58-10 in points in the paint on March 15, 2016, in the opening round of the NIT.
- South Carolina is 58-29 when holding its opponents to under 45 percent from the field.
  - South Carolina has held 26 of 34 opponents under 45 percent from the field last season, most recently High Point in the NIT opener (36.2%, 21-58).
- South Carolina is 56-27 when out-rebounding its opponent.
  - The Gamecocks out-rebounded Mississippi State by 25 in the Jan. 26 win vs. the Bulldogs last season.

## GAMECOCKS CONCLUDE HISTORIC 2015-16 REGULAR SEASON

South Carolina concluded an historic regular season on March 5, 2015, with a 76-61 win on the road at Arkansas. That victory set the school record for regular-season wins at 24. The Gamecocks began the season 15-0, their best start since the 1933-34 campaign, and the 24 wins marked the most since the 1996-97 squad also posted 24 victories. In addition, South Carolina's 11 SEC wins marked the most since 1998, match the second-most ever by a Carolina team and marked just the fourth time that the Gamecocks had double-digit SEC wins in their 25 years in the league.

## ALL-SEC AWARDS

The SEC released its postseason coaches awards on March 7, 2015, and it was announced that senior forward Michael Carrera was named to the First Team, junior guard Sindarius Thornwell was named to the All-Defensive Team and junior guard Duane Notice was named the league's Sixth Man of the Year. The postseason accolade marks the first for Notice, while Thornwell and Carrera collect their second-career honor, as both were named to the All-Freshman team during their rookie campaigns. Carrera's First Team selection marks the first Gamecock to be selected to an all-conference first or second team since the 2010 campaign. Additionally, Carrera was named to the AP All-SEC Second Team on March 14.

## GAMECOCKS IN THE NIT

South Carolina's appearance in the 2016 NIT marked its 12th all-time, and the first since 2009. South Carolina owns an all-time record of 22-10 in the NIT and has won the event twice (2005, 2006) and finished as the tournament's runner-up in 2002.

## 2015-16 ATTENDANCE

South Carolina finished the 2015-16 campaign ranking 22nd in the nation in total attendance, which was third in the SEC. In average attendance, Carolina ranked 31st nationally and fifth in the SEC. Thank you fans!

## GAMECOCKS IN THE TOP 25

The Gamecocks received votes or were ranked for 15 weeks in the USA Today Coaches Poll in 2015-16, rising to as high as 15th, and for a total of 14 weeks in the AP poll, rising to as high as 19th, during the season.

## SUCCESS IN THE CLASSROOM

Martin's Gamecocks continue to excel in the classroom. The spring semester of 2016 saw Carolina post a cumulative team GPA of 3.0 or higher for the fifth time in the last six semesters, and six student-athletes were named to the SEC Winter Academic Honor Roll and four to the SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll. Additionally, seniors Mindaugas Kacinas and Brian Steele were named to the NABC Honors Court for their academic accomplishments.