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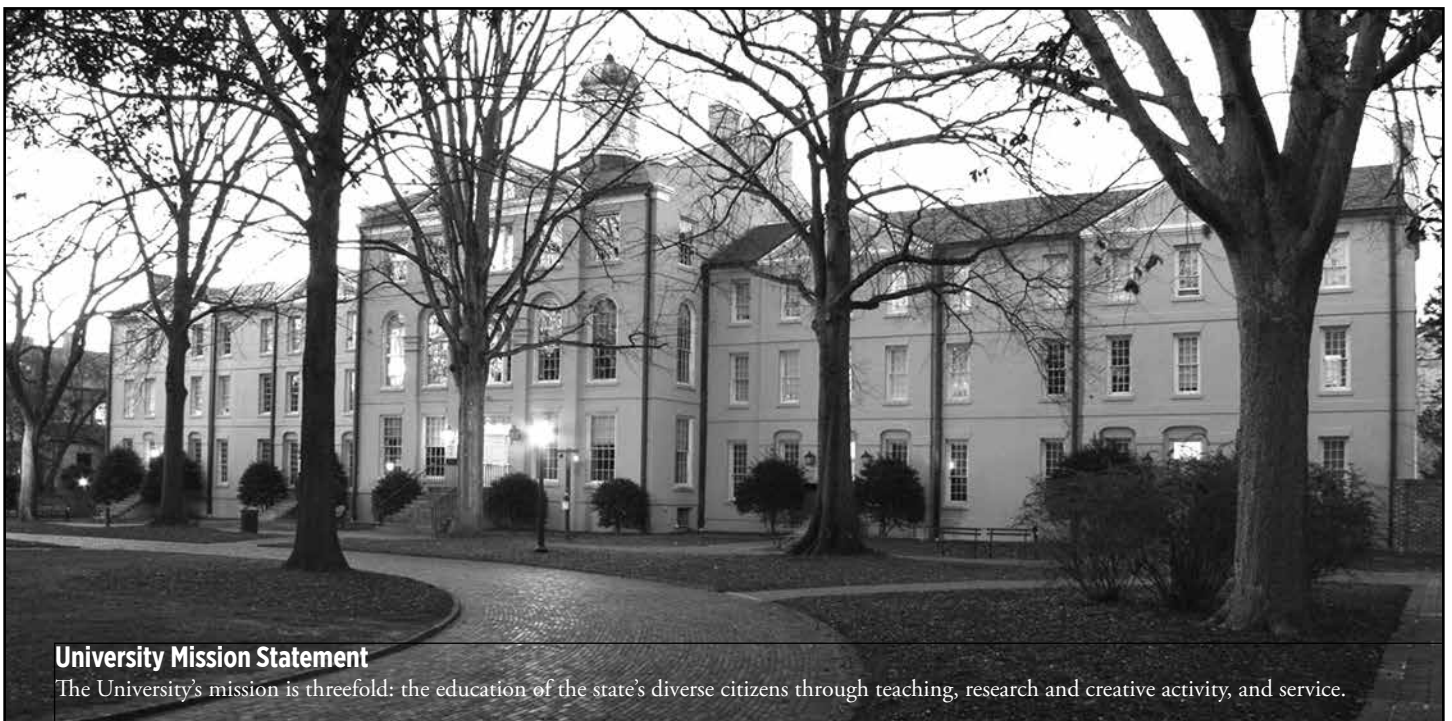
2018 SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCK FOOTBALL

- ◆ The University of South Carolina is the fourth-fastest growing flagship university in the country, according to the *Washington Post*, and has been ranked the No. 25 flagship university by *U.S. News*.
- ◆ The University of South Carolina's Columbia campus has 324 degree programs through its 14 degree-granting colleges and schools.
- ◆ The USC system campuses and alumni pump \$5.5 billion into South Carolina's economy every year.
- ◆ The university is ranked No. 67 in *Forbes'* 2018 list of America's Best Employers and is the 9th best university to work at in the nation.
- ◆ The National Science Foundation (NSF) ranks USC No. 8 in the nation for the number of doctoral degrees awarded to African American students.
- ◆ The South Carolina Honors College was ranked the nation's best public university honors college by Public University Press.
- ◆ The Darla Moore School of Business undergraduate and MBA international business programs were ranked No. 1 by U.S. News & World Report in 2018.
- ◆ The National Academy of Inventors has named USC as a leading generator of patents, putting USC in the top one percent worldwide.
- ◆ As South Carolina's flagship university, USC has more nationally-ranked programs than any other school in the state. In fact, *U.S. News* alone ranks 47 of USC's academic programs as among the best in the nation.
- ◆ Students at the University of South Carolina have earned nearly 800 national fellowships and scholarships valued at \$24 million since 1994.
- ◆ University of South Carolina faculty generated more than \$250 million in funding for research, training and outreach programs in fiscal year 2017.
- ◆ USC is ranked in the top-five percent of U.S. public universities in the number of national awards its faculty have received.
- ◆ USC has created vital business partnerships with Fortune 500 companies IBM, Fluor Corp., Boeing and Samsung to create jobs, accelerate innovation and drive economic prosperity in the state and beyond. It recently opened the Center for Applied Innovation, where the university, IBM and private sector researchers will use technology for a host of real-world applications.

University History

The University of South Carolina is a globally recognized, high-impact research university committed to a superior student experience and dedicated to innovation in learning, research and community engagement. Founded in 1801, the university offers more than 350 degree programs and is one of only 32 public universities to receive both the top-tier research designation and the community engagement designation from the Carnegie Foundation. More than 50,000 students are enrolled at one of 19 locations throughout the state, including the research campus in Columbia.

- ◆ Committed to access and affordability, USC established Palmetto College, offering convenient campus locations and online bachelor's degree completion programs for all South Carolina students. Its On Your Time initiative gives students greater flexibility to graduate sooner and pursue internship and study abroad opportunities.
- ◆ USC is one of only 32 public universities to receive the Carnegie Foundation's top-tier research designation and community engagement designation.
- ◆ USC has had at least one Goldwater Scholar every year for the past 26 years and one or more Fulbright Scholars for 16 consecutive years. USC has also graduated 9 Truman Scholars and 10 Rhodes Scholars.
- ◆ USC has been recognized by Kiplinger's, Forbes and U.S. News as a best value public university.
- ◆ USC is known as a national model for a better student experience, based on its pioneering first-year experience program and other initiatives that give students more flexible and accelerated paths to graduation.
- ◆ Selected by Inc. magazine as one of the nation's top three "Incubators to Watch," the USC-Columbia Technology Incubator is one of several university efforts to cultivate entrepreneurship.
- ◆ USC has the state's most comprehensive suite of health disciplines, including medicine, public health, pharmacy, nursing and social work. Its online nursing graduate program is ranked No. 5, and its exercise science doctoral program is No. 1.



University Mission Statement

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





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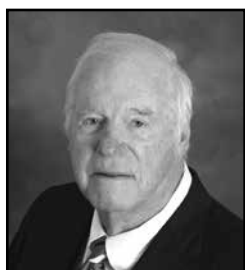
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Dr. Harris Pastides

During the past decade, the University of South Carolina's 28th president, Harris Pastides, has led USC's flagship system of eight institutions in 19 geographic locations to higher achievements and unprecedented growth. Under Pastides' tenure the university has seen the South Carolina Honors College rise to the No. 1 public honors college in the nation; celebrated continual top national academic program rankings, including 47 current programs in undergraduate and graduate international business, public health, engineering, nursing and others; procured record-levels of research funding and surpassed a \$1 billion capital campaign goal.

A steadfast advocate for a superior student experience, Pastides encourages engagement beyond the classroom through leadership, service learning, international experiences, internships and undergraduate research. During his tenure, innovative programs like Palmetto College, On Your Time Graduation, Gamecock Gateway, Gamecock Guarantee and the Gamecock Student Athletic Promise provide greater access, flexibility and affordability to South Carolinians seeking a

higher education degree. In addition to establishing record-setting enrollment, more than 100,000 degrees have been awarded system-wide during Pastides' presidency.

In 2016, Pastides became one of seven Fulbright alumni to receive the inaugural Global Changemaker Award — given in recognition of his ongoing commitment to transform society and humanity through his work. The son of Greek immigrants, Pastides also received the 2017 prestigious Ellis Island Medal of Honor which pays homage to the immigrant experience and the contributions made to our nation by immigrants and their children.

Today, Pastides serves on many local, state, national and international boards including the U.S. Council on Competitiveness, the Fulbright Program, the National Institutes of Health, and the South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium. He is a past chair of the NCAA Division I Board of Directors and currently serves as the President of the Southeastern Conference.

Prior to joining the university's faculty as dean of the Arnold School of Public Health, then advancing to vice president for Research and Health Sciences, Pastides was a professor of epidemiology and chairman of the Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. He received two masters' degrees and a Ph.D. in Epidemiology from Yale University. President Pastides and the first lady, Patricia Moore-Pastides, live on USC's historic Horseshoe.



Faculty Athletics Representative

Dr. Valinda Littlefield

Dr. Valinda Littlefield begins her fourth 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.





Ray Tanner

University of South Carolina Athletics Director Ray Tanner is in his seventh 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.

In May 2017, Tanner was awarded a contract extension by the USC Board of Trustees, keeping him in the athletics director chair until 2022.

In addition to his athletics director duties, Tanner accepted the role of student mentor on the South Carolina campus that was offered to him by President Harris Pastides. "When he does talk to the broader student body, he has huge respect. I am looking for someone who is impactful," said Pastides.

Gamecock student-athletes have led all schools in the SEC Academic Honor Roll, earning 1,066 recognitions in the last 12 reports (2014-18 / Fall, Winter, Spring, First-Year). Carolina student-athletes have earned a cumulative 3.0 grade point average or better in 23 consecutive semesters.

In the last six academic years, the Gamecocks have won two national championships (2017 women's basketball, 2015 equestrian), ten SEC regular season and tournament championships and two of the top five finished in the Learfield Sports Directors' Cup All-Sports Standings in school history. In 2016-17, the Gamecocks placed 21st and followed that up in 2017-18 with a 26th place finish.

For the third straight year, in 2017-18, Carolina also claimed the 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 26 teams finish in the Top 10 and 52 finish in the Top 25 during the last six years.

Carolina student-athletes accomplished these academic and athletic feats while performing more than 7,100 hours of community service, leading the SEC yet again, last season by more than 3,000 hours.

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."

Last year, as part of The Promise, the Gamecock athletics department launched "Beyond Sports," a professional development and internship summer program for student-athletes, who wish to get "real world" experience in their field of study.

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, every athletics program at USC has been the beneficiary of either a new or significantly upgraded practice or competition facility. These include such projects as Springs-Brooks Plaza and the Bignon Game Day Center, Jerri and Steve Spurrier Football Indoor Practice Facility, USC Soccer Complex, Wheeler Beach Volleyball facility, Carolina Softball Stadium, training rooms and weight rooms for basketball and volleyball, and locker rooms in Carolina Natatorium. Carolina hosted the 2017 SEC Outdoor Track & Field Championships at the newly-renovated Cregger Track.

Construction should be completed following the 2018 football season on a new \$50 million football operations building, an indoor track facility and new locker rooms, player lounge and film room for the beach volleyball program.

Tanner has negotiated contracts for Gamecock Athletics that have created additional exposure and revenue for the department.

As part of a 10-year agreement with IMG, a new center-hung scoreboard and 360 degree LED ribbon board was added to Colonial Life Arena last summer.

South Carolina's IMG marketing arrangement, finalized in 2016, was ranked as the 7th-largest in college athletics by the Portland Business Journal.

The Gamecocks have a 10-year contract with Under Armour as its official outfitter, which was signed in 2016. The contract is one of the 10 largest in college athletics, ranked by Forbes magazine.

Tanner completed his third year as a member of the NCAA Division I Baseball Committee serving as its chair. He 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.

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. He was named the U.S. National Coach of the Year for his work that season.

Tanner was named the South Carolina head coach June 14, 1996, after nine successful seasons as head coach at his alma mater, North Carolina State.

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

Key Numbers Under Tanner

National Championships (2)

Equestrian (2015)
Women's Basketball (2017)

Southeastern Conference Championships (9)

Equestrian (2013, 2014)
Women's Basketball (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
Women's Soccer (2016, 2017)

Programs Achieving Final Top 25 National Rankings (18)

Baseball, Men's Basketball, Women's Basketball, Beach Volleyball, Equestrian, Football, Men's Golf, Women's Golf, Men's Soccer, Women's Soccer, Softball, Men's Swimming and Diving, Women's Swimming & Diving, Men's Tennis, Women's Tennis, Men's Indoor Track & Field, Women's Indoor Track & Field, Women's Outdoor Track & Field,

Key Dates Under Tanner

June 14, 1996	Named Baseball Coach at University of South Carolina
June 29, 2010	USC wins its first NCAA Baseball National Championship
June 28, 2011	USC wins its second NCAA Baseball National Championship
Aug. 2, 2012	Became Director of Athletics at University of South Carolina
March 21, 2014	"Wheeler Beach" opens as University of South Carolina hosts its first home beach volleyball match in its inaugural season.
September 2014	USC introduces "The Gamecock Student-Athlete Promise"
February 2015	Named to NCAA Baseball Committee
May 9, 2015	Ground is broken on the Sheila and Morris Cregger Track Stadium
Summer, 2015	Jerri and Steve Spurrier Indoor Football Practice Facility Opens
August 2015	Student-athletes move into the new 650 Lincoln residence hall
September 2015	Springs Brooks Plaza is completed around Williams-Brice Stadium
Oct. 22, 2015	Founders Federal Credit Union becomes the naming rights partner for the USC baseball stadium (Founders Park)
Dec. 1, 2015	Will Muschamp named head football coach
September 2016	The "Gamecock Leadership Academy" begins as a development resource for University of South Carolina student-athletes
April 2017	The "Beyond Sports Professional Development and Internship Program" launched to provide University of South Carolina student-athletes valuable work experience in their chosen field.
June 30, 2017	Mark Kingston named head baseball coach.





Dr. Harris Pastides
University President



Ray Tanner
Athletics Director



Charles Waddell
Deputy Athletics Director



Kevin O'Connell
Chief Operating Officer



Jeff Tallant
Chief Financial Officer



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Chief of Staff/CCO



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Assistant Athletics Director
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Assistant Athletics Director
Development



Joe Lisle
Assistant Athletics Director
Video Operations



Jeff Whitehead
Assistant Athletics Director
Compliance Services



Attention Boosters

The University of South Carolina Office of Compliance Services is committed to a comprehensive compliance program that educates everyone about the importance of adhering to NCAA, SEC, and institutional rules. We strive to create a “compliance conscience” within the University and throughout the community.

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.

Are You a Booster?

You are a booster if you are or ever have:

- Been a member of a booster organization that supports University of South Carolina athletics;
- Made any financial contributions to any area the University of South Carolina;
- Made any annual or lifetime membership commitment to a booster organization;
- Been involved with the recruitment of a prospect;
- Provided benefits to an enrolled student-athlete or his/her relatives or friends;
- Been involved in promoting South Carolina’s athletic program;
- Provided or helped to arrange employment for student-athletes;
- Been a season ticket holder.

Prospective Student-Athletes

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

- Started classes for the ninth grade, or
- Ever received any financial assistance or other benefit prospective students do not generally receive.

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
- 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 inter-collegiate 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.

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THE RICE ATHLETICS CENTER



The University of South Carolina understands the importance of assisting the media in providing coverage of the institution, its athletics programs, administrators, coaches and student-athletes. Our goal is to disseminate information as widely, uniformly and fairly as possible using normally accepted media standards. To this end, the best attempt will be made to fill reasonable requests by recognized media outlets. Members of the media are encouraged to work with the South Carolina Athletics Communications and Public Relations staff to assist in that endeavor. **It is not permissible for media members to contact any athletics department administrator, associate, coach or student-athlete directly without working through the communications department.**

Media Day

South Carolina's annual Football Media Day is set for Thursday, August 2. Head coach Will Muschamp will hold a press conference at 3 pm in the Media Interview Room, located under the west stands at Williams-Brice Stadium. Selected student-athletes will be available in the Crews Building from 4-5 pm. Photo Day is scheduled for Friday, August 17 from 5-6 pm.

Press Credentials

Working press credentials for the 2018 South Carolina home football games must be requested online through www.sportssystem.com/clients/seccredentials. Credential requests must come from the sports editors and the sports directors only.

It is not always possible to accommodate all requests. No one under 18 years of age will be issued a credential without prior approval.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Associate Director of Athletics Communications and Public Relations Kent Reichert at 803-777-5257 or by email at kentr2@mailbox.sc.edu. Requests for season passes should be submitted no later than August 3. Requests for single games should be made no later than seven (7) days prior to game day and will be approved the week of the game. Once approved, all credentials must be picked up on game day at Media Will Call, located on the west side of the stadium by the press elevators. Media Will Call will open three (3) hours prior to kick-off. A photo ID must be presented to receive the press credential. Photographers must have appropriate equipment on hand to receive a sideline photo vest.

Note: Credentials will be considered only for those media members on specific assignment for a specific media outlet that meets the criteria below. Credentials are non-transferable and may be revoked at any time.

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 box credentials, which includes the videographer, and two (2) season field 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 officially licensed site of a national or local news gathering organization and has at least one full-time employee dedicated to writing for the site; or
4. Is a local news gathering 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 the Athletics Communications department 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 press box credentials. However, press box seating is not guaranteed for both credentials. Television stations will receive a maximum of two (2) field passes.

Local **RADIO** stations will be granted one (1) season approved press box credential for a full-time host of a daily sports show that is a minimum of 30 minutes in length. In addition, one (1) press box credential will be distributed per station for the sports director. Field passes will not be issued to radio stations. 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 for 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 field pass with an option for a second on a game-by-game, space-available basis. Any wire service that sells/shares its images for non-editorial uses must provide the University of South Carolina Athletics Communications and Public Relations department with a statement indicating how it ensures that non-editorial clients use its images within NCAA regulations.

All other credential requests, including weekly newspapers, magazines, specialty publications, etc. will be considered on a game-by-game and case-by-case basis at the discretion of Steve Fink, Assistant AD/Communications. All credential policies are subject to change, and final approval of all credentials is at the discretion of the Assistant AD/Communications.

Non-affiliated bloggers and freelance photographers will not be credentialed.

Media outlets that cover the visiting school will be considered following consultation with that school's athletics media relations department.

Sideline Policy

The University of South Carolina adheres to the NCAA and SEC guidelines regarding media representatives on the sidelines:

1. Photo credentials will be issued only to accredited media outlets prior to the game and photo identification must be provided.

2. Photographers must check in at Media Will Call on the West side of the stadium adjacent to the press elevator. Those photographers who will work on the sidelines will be issued a vest. This vest must be worn at all times to gain access to the sidelines. No other type of photo or media credential will allow an individual access to the sidelines during the game. The vest must be returned to the South Carolina media relations staff following the game.

3. Only working photographers/videographers with professional-grade cameras will be allowed on the field. Those without proper equipment or not shooting the game will be escorted from the sidelines regardless of credential.

4. Working photographers/videographers are permitted to shoot in the designated area (between the two marked dotted lines outside the 25-yard lines). All other media representatives on the field must stand behind the designated area to ensure that photographers/videographers have the appropriate space to work. No one will be allowed to shoot from either end zone.

5. Photographers are encouraged to use the photo work room, located on the ground level of Williams-Brice Stadium. Wired and wireless internet are available. While security in this area is provided, the University of South Carolina is not responsible for the loss of any items.

6. According to NCAA policies, the presence of any type of photographer/videographer in the bench area for all sports is strictly prohibited with the exception of one (1) institutional videographer in the football bench area. According to the NCAA Football Rules and Interpretations Manual (Rule 1, Section 2, Article 4b): "the team area shall be limited to squad members in full uniform and a maximum of 60 other individuals directly involved in the game. The 60 individuals not in full uniform shall wear special team area credentials." (Rule 1, Section 2, Article 4e): "No media personnel, including journalists, radio and television personnel, or their equipment, shall be in the team area or coaching box, and no media personnel shall communicate in any way with persons in the team area or coaching box."

The SEC also prohibits photographers/videographers from stopping and shooting from behind the bench area or into the bench area. The bench area at Williams-Brice Stadium is defined by the area between the 25-yard lines and covered with a white tarp.

7. Photographers and videographers are considered working members of the media and they are to refrain from cheering or talking to players, coaches or officials.

SEC Internet Real Time Policy

By acceptance and use of an SEC media credential, the holder agrees to the following conditions for any and all athletic events hosted by the SEC and its member institutions:



1. The SEC and its member institutions grant a media organization a limited license to use certain gathered information on the media organization's own Internet or online site beginning at the start of an athletic event and up to the conclusion of such event, all subject to the following limitations and conditions:

(a) No more than 10 still photographs may be used for news coverage of the game and other editorial purposes during the event.

(b) Videotape may only be shown as part of a single, non-archived, online "simulcast" of a television station's regularly-scheduled news program.

(c) While a game is in progress, the use of statistical information is time-delayed and limited in amount so that an organization's Internet or online game coverage does not undercut the authorized and rights-paying fee organization's rights to play-by-play accounts of the game and/or exclusivity as to such rights.

2. Any proposed media use on an Internet or online site of the game information that is more detailed and/or more than described above will require separate written authorization by the SEC and/or its member institutions. However, such written authorization will not permit the use of game information in entertainment contexts and will not authorize game coverage that, due to immediacy of detail, constitutes or approaches a play-by-play account of a game.

3. Should any of these conditions be breached, the SEC and/or its member institutions will issue a written warning for the first violation. If this violation occurs during the last game of the institutions' regularly scheduled season, the media organization may not be credentialed for the SEC Championship. A second violation of this policy will result in revocation of credentials to cover future football games hosted by the SEC and/or its member institutions.

Press Box

South Carolina's press box has seats for 144 members of the media, along with television and radio booths, coaches' booths and public address and stadium operations/security booths. Located just above the press level is the photo deck. All members of the media covering the game are invited to a catered meal, which is served beginning two hours prior to kickoff.

Wireless internet is available for use. Wired outlets for photographers and videographers are available in the back of the press box. The photo work room, located on the ground level of Williams-Brice Stadium, also has wired and wireless internet access.

Any media outlet that wishes to install its own telephone should contact South Carolina Telephone Communications at (803) 777-1800.

The Athletics Communications and Public Relations department supplies quarterly play-by-plays and quickie stats, halftime statistics, final team and individual statistics and coaches and players quotes. An inside public address announcer also keeps the media informed of play-by-play, records and game notes.

The South Carolina press box is for the working media only. In accordance with the Football Writers Association of America, no cheering will be allowed.

In-Game Statistics

Media should utilize StatBroadcast for all the latest live statistical information during games. Visit gamecocks.statbroadcast.com for live scoring of all home football games. The password will be provided on game day.

Postgame Interviews

The press box elevator will be held at press level midway through the fourth quarter for anyone attending postgame press conferences. South Carolina's postgame press conferences take place in the Media Interview Room, located underneath the stands on the west side

of Williams-Brice Stadium. The visitors' locker room and postgame interview room are located under the west stands at the north end. The Gamecock locker room will be closed following the game. Coach Muschamp will be available in the postgame interview room approximately 10 minutes after the game. Selected student-athletes will also be brought to the interview room following the cool-down period. Admittance to postgame interviews is by credential only. The South Carolina press conference will be televised live to the press box. **No interviews, other than those conducted by the rightsholders, may be conducted on the field following the game.**

Media Parking

Media parking is available in the Key Road parking lot, located southeast of Williams-Brice Stadium. Please contact Associate Director of Athletics Communications and Public Relations Kent Reichert at 803-777-5257 or by email at kentr2@mailbox.sc.edu for any parking needs. Parking passes will be distributed in advance via the method indicated on the credential application.

Satellite Truck Parking

Limited parking is available for TV station live/satellite trucks, and those vehicles will need to be approved prior to game day. Please contact Associate Director of Athletics Communications and Public Relations Kent Reichert at least three days prior to the game to schedule live/satellite truck parking.

Visiting Radio

The visitor's radio network must be designated by the opponent's athletic director. Booth space will be assigned by Steve Fink, Assistant Athletics Director/Communications. Any non-designated stations will be admitted on a space-available basis. The Gamecock Sports Network will be handled by IMG College. Stations requesting information regarding the network should contact: Liz McMillan, Executive Director, IMG College, (803) 777-8254.

Football Video Services

For information on receiving mid-week press conference videos, post-game press conference videos, and other football related footage, please contact Director of Athletics Communications and Public Relations Matt Freed at 803-777-9917 or at mfreed@mailbox.sc.edu. Login information to the department's media FTP site will be provided. Please credit GamecocksOnline when using footage from the FTP site.

Live Broadcasts

It is not permissible for any non-rightsholder to broadcast over the air, stream over the internet (audio or video), or transmit in any other way, including social media apps, any live event without the consent of the University of South Carolina Athletics Department. Live events include varsity contests, press conferences (including but not limited to weekly scheduled and postgame press conferences) and any other group media availability. Exceptions may be made for any major news-breaking event and will be communicated in the media advisory for the event. No television live shots, with the exception of the rightsholder, may take place inside the stadium beginning 30 minutes prior to kickoff until the broadcast is concluded.

Audio/Video Event Archiving

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. WNKT-FM is the only radio station that can carry press conferences live and/or archived in their entirety.

Non-Rightsholder Radio Appearances

South Carolina coaches will be limited to one appearance from one member of a sport's coaching staff per week 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." In addition, the same member of a sport's coaching staff or administrator cannot make appearances in consecutive weeks on the same radio station. Media outlets in which the institution or the SEC is contractually affiliated is exempt from this language. Exceptions can be made in the occurrence of a major "breaking news" event. Please work through the team's communications and public relations contact to help coordinate any request.

Game Day Media Availability

No University of South Carolina Athletics staff member may appear live on a non-rightsholder radio show on the same day as any USC contractual programming, including live game action or coaches' call-in shows, without prior consent of Athletics Communications.

Radio/TV Appearances

South Carolina student-athletes may not participate in any live radio or television show other than during a regularly scheduled newscast and for no longer than four minutes, post-game interview times, conference media days and structured media opportunities during NCAA championships, without the consent of the South Carolina Athletics Communications. 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.

SEC Weekly Teleconference

The SEC hosts a weekly press teleconference featuring the head coach from every team each Wednesday from Aug. 29 to Nov. 21. To participate, please contact either the SEC Media Relations office at (205) 458-3010 for the telephone number and passcode.

11:00 a.m. ET	Ed Orgeron, LSU
11:10 a.m. ET	Kirby Smart, Georgia
11:20 a.m. ET	Dan Mullen, Florida
11:30 a.m. ET	Derek Mason, Vanderbilt
11:40 a.m. ET	Nick Saban, Alabama
11:50 a.m. ET	Jeremy Pruitt, Tennessee
12:00 a.m. ET	Chad Morris, Arkansas
12:10 p.m. ET	Will Muschamp, South Carolina
12:20 p.m. ET	Matt Luke, Ole Miss
12:30 p.m. ET	Jimbo Fisher, Texas A&M
12:40 p.m. ET	Mark Stoops, Kentucky
12:50 p.m. ET	Joe Moorhead, Mississippi State
1:00 p.m. ET	Barry Odom, Missouri
1:10 p.m. ET	Gus Malzahn, Auburn

South Carolina Student-Athlete Interview Policy

All interviews must be coordinated through the Athletics Communications department. This allows the staff to arrange the interview when it best suits the student-athlete's and the reporter's schedules. Please contact the communications department in advance to make your interview requests. **Media are not permitted to contact student-athletes on their own at any time.**

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.



Gamecock Sports Marketing, a partnership between the University of South Carolina Athletics Department and the country's leaders in the collegiate sports marketing industry, IMG College, is the originating medium for radio coverage of the South Carolina Gamecocks.

2018 is the second year of a 10-year agreement between the University and IMG College that runs through 2026. The extension adds to an agreement between the University of South Carolina and IMG that dates back to 2003. 2018 also marks the second year of a five-year extension with Cumulus Media for WNKT-FM (107.5 The Game) to continue as the official flagship station of Gamecock Athletics through 2022.

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

The Gamecock Sports Network from IMG College counts two dozen affiliate stations for the 2018-19 season. For Sirius/XM subscribers, follow the Gamecock Radio Twitter page for weekly updates on channel information for Gamecock broadcasts.

Todd Ellis, the all-time leading passer in Gamecock history, begins his 27th season with the network and his 16th as the play-by-play voice of Carolina football. Ellis previously served as sideline reporter for the radio network and as a color analyst and play-by-play announcer for Comcast Sports Southeast for Gamecock telecasts. Ellis has also hosted the coaches television show and served on CBS's bowl game radio coverage. He hosts the Will Muschamp Television Show and Carolina Calls with Will Muschamp, the Coach's weekly radio call-in show. Ellis set more than 20 school passing marks during his career (1986-89) while throwing for 9,953 yards.

Tommy Suggs, a former standout Gamecock quarterback, is back for his 46th year as color analyst for the radio network. Suggs played for Carolina from 1968-70 and is regarded as one of the school's all-time premier signal-callers. He led the Gamecocks to the 1969 ACC championship and Peach Bowl berth and was named MVP of the 1970 Blue-Gray All-Star Classic. Suggs was inducted into the University's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1989 and is also a member of the state of South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame. In 2012, friends and colleagues of Tommy and Jane Suggs established the Tommy Suggs Endowed Quarterback Scholarship to honor his long-time commitment to the University and Gamecock Athletics. The scholarship is awarded to a quarterback each year and was the first endowed scholarship for the football program.

Former South Carolina and NFL defensive lineman **Langston Moore** joined the Gamecock IMG Sports Network as sideline reporter in 2012. Moore was a member of the Carolina football team from 1999-2002 before embarking on an NFL career that included stints in Cincinnati (2003-04), Arizona (2005-06), and Detroit (2007-08). He was originally a sixth round pick by the Bengals in the 2003 NFL Draft. He has been a volunteer for the Frye Foundation and USAA Cares, as well as Home Town Huddle during his playing and post-NFL career.

Liz McMillan serves as the Executive Director of Gamecock IMG Sports Marketing in Columbia. **Robert Gahagan** serves as the General Manager. **Brent Johnson** serves as the Network Host, **David Spence** is the spotter and **Doug Adams** is the statistician.



The South Carolina Radio Crew (L-R):
David Spence, Todd Ellis, Tommy Suggs,
Liz McMillan, Brent Johnson,
Doug Adams, Langston Moore.

The **Will Muschamp Television Show** airs at 11:30 a.m. on Sundays on Fox Sports Southeast, WACH-FOX in Columbia, WPDE in Florence and WCIV in Charleston.

The weekly **Carolina Calls** show will air Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. on the flagship station of the Gamecocks, WNKT-FM, across the Palmetto state on the Gamecock Radio Network and over the Internet at GamecocksOnline.com. The show takes place at Wild Wing Café, located at 729 Lady Street in the Vista.

Longest Active Football Radio Announcers

Announcer.....	School.....	Years
Bill Hillgrove.....	Pittsburgh	50
Tommy Suggs	South Carolina.....	45
Don Fischer.....	Indiana.....	45
Dave Nitz.....	Louisiana Tech	43
Joe Starkey.....	California.....	43
Frank Hoffman	Louisiana-Monroe.....	42
George Blaha.....	Michigan State	40

Gamecock Television History

South Carolina Football's first televised contest was a local telecast of a game against Marquette in Milwaukee, Wis., on November 5, 1949. The first Gamecock home game to be televised was against North Carolina in Carolina (now Williams-Brice) Stadium, on November 7, 1953.

Carolina Football Radio Affiliates

Abbeville	WZLA-FM	92.9	Hilton Head	WVSC-FM	99.1
Aiken/Edgefield	WKSX-FM	92.7	Hilton Head	WVSC-FM	106.5
Allendale	WDOG-FM	93.5	Lake City	WHYM-AM	1260
Camden	WPUB-FM	102.7	Myrtle Beach	WMIR-FM	93.9
Camden	WCAM-AM	1590	Newberry	WKDK-AM	1240
Charleston	WWIK-FM	98.9	Rock Hill	WRHM-FM	107.1
Chesterfield	WVSZ-FM	107.3	Rock Hill	WVSZ-FM	107.3
Columbia	WNKT-FM	107.5	Seneca	WSNW-AM	1150
Florence	WFRK-FM	93.5	Seneca	WSNW-FM	94.1
Florence	WHYM-AM	1260	Spartanburg	WSPG-AM	1400
Gaffney	WZZQ-AM	1500	Spartanburg	WSPG-FM	98.3
Gaffney	WZZQ-FM	104.3	Sumter	WIBZ-FM	95.5
Greenville	WROO-FM	104.9	Union	WBCU-AM	1460
Greenwood	WCZZ-AM	1090	Union	WBCU-FM	103.5
Greenwood	WCZZ-FM	102.7			

Gamecock IMG Radio Contacts

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Tommy Suggs	803-799-5533	tsuggs@keenansuggs.com
Langston Moore	214-769-5087	langstonmoore7@gmail.com



Williams-Brice Stadium Facts

- First game as Carolina Stadium: Oct. 6, 1934 (USC 22, VMI 6)
- Dedicated as Williams-Brice Stadium: Sept. 9, 1972 (UVA 24, USC 16)
- Capacity: 80,250
- Stadium Record: 293-189-14 (.605)
- When the Gamecocks take the field on gameday, Williams-Brice Stadium is packed with 80,000+ screaming Gamecock fans, making it more populated than all but three cities in the state of South Carolina.
- Williams-Brice Stadium is recognized as one of the finest facilities in all of college football. Carolina annually ranks among the nation's leaders in attendance, and Gamecock fans are regarded as some of the most loyal in the country.
- South Carolina established a school record for football season tickets sold in 2005, selling 62,604 season tickets, surpassing the previous mark of 62,103 set in 2002. The numbers do not include student tickets and tickets contractually obligated to visiting teams.
- South Carolina ranked 16th in the nation in attendance in 2017, averaging 78,586 fans for seven games at Williams-Brice Stadium.

Williams-Brice Stadium, formerly Carolina Stadium, was first constructed in 1934 by the Works Progress Administration (WPA). Then, it seated 17,600 Gamecock fans. It has undergone a number of expansions and revisions over the years, with the largest prior to the 1982 expansion coming in 1971-1972. A bequest from the estate of Mrs. Martha Williams-Brice helped boost the capacity then from slightly more than 43,000 to greater than 54,000.

Mrs. Williams-Brice's husband, Thomas H. Brice, was a Gamecock football letterman from 1922-24, and her family operated the Williams Furniture Company in Sumter. She left a substantial inheritance from the furniture fortune to her nephews, Thomas W. and Philip L. Edwards, much of which they passed on to the University of South Carolina. That included a bequest for the stadium project.

The name was officially changed from Carolina Stadium to Williams-Brice Stadium in dedication ceremonies during the Sept. 9, 1972 opener with Virginia.

Added in 2012 was a \$6.5 million state-of-the-art videoboard that sits above the north stands. It measures 36' x 124'.

In 2015, the \$14.5 million Springs Brooks Plaza transformed the entire circumference of Williams-Brice Stadium into an aesthetically pleasing walkway with the look and feel similar to the majestic Gamecock Park.

HOME OF THE GAMECOCKS





UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

THE GAMECOCK STUDENT-ATHLETE PROMISE

A CHAMPIONSHIP EXPERIENCE



MISSION STATEMENT
Gamecock Athletics develops our student-athletes intellectually, athletically, socially and culturally to compete relentlessly for championships and to attain high levels of achievement at the University, and throughout life, in harmony with our University's mission and vision.



COST OF EDUCATION

• FULL COST OF ATTENDANCE

Scholarships provided to student-athletes in all sports will be calculated based on the maximum amount allowed by the NCAA including tuition, fees, room, board, books and other expenses up to the full cost of attendance.

• SCHOLARSHIP COMMITMENT TO STUDENT-ATHLETES

All athletically related scholarships provided to incoming freshmen will be four-year agreements that outline the amount of aid to be provided during each fall and spring term of the student's academic career. For incoming transfer student-athletes, the University will provide an agreement that outlines the student's scholarship for the remaining period of time towards four years of college enrollment. The University may extend the scholarship for a fifth year, if needed. These scholarships may not be reduced or non-renewed for athletically-related reasons.

• GAMECOCK LIFETIME DEGREE GUARANTEE

The Carolina Degree Completion Program provides funding for former scholarship student-athletes who have left the University to return and complete his or her undergraduate degree. To be eligible to receive funding, which includes tuition, room and board, books and permissible fees, a former scholarship student-athlete must 1) be in good standing with the University, 2) be readmitted to the University through the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, and 3) complete the Carolina Degree Completion application process.

• NCAA EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT-ATHLETE DISABILITY INSURANCE PREMIUMS

Student-athletes who qualify for the NCAA's Exceptional Student-Athlete Disability Insurance Program have their premiums deferred until they depart the University or begin their professional sports career. Student-athletes who depart in good standing and then demonstrate financial need will receive funds to cover the cost of the NCAA disability insurance premiums.

• ACCESS TO THE NCAA STUDENT-ATHLETE OPPORTUNITY FUND

Through its NCAA Student-Athlete Opportunity Fund, the University of South Carolina provides funds to assist student-athletes with extraordinary circumstances and needs such as clothing, course supplies and leadership training, as allowed by the NCAA.

COMMITMENT TO ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

• ACADEMIC SUPPORT

The primary goal of the University of South Carolina academic support program is to ensure that every student-athlete earns his or her undergraduate degree. This commitment to academic success is enhanced by the following:

- Degree completion plan from day one to ensure student-athletes are making continuous progress towards a degree;
- Priority registration to minimize athletics conflicts with academic requirements;
- Innovative objective-based study sessions for greater efficiency and productivity;
- Time management and organizational skills training;
- Diagnostic screening and learning assessments provided by a certified school psychologist;
- Campus partnerships to maximize programming and resources available to student-athletes;
- Experienced and qualified staff:

- **Academic Advisors** are experienced professionals who have a strong knowledge of University academic degree requirements and NCAA eligibility rules.

- **Learning Specialists** work directly with student-athletes needing instruction outside the classroom in order to achieve academic success. These specialists have considerable experience in education and are trained in academic intervention.

- **Tutors and Academic Mentors.** The Tutor Program provides subject-specific assistance to student-athletes as a supplement to the classroom learning experience. The Academic Mentor Program supports student-athletes as they learn to function effectively in the college environment and provide guidance on study and organizational skills, time management and goal setting.

• DODIE ANDERSON ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT CENTER - "The Dodie"

The primary purposes of The Dodie are to promote excellence in academics and foster a sense of community among student-athletes. This beautifully designed building is conveniently located within the Athletics Village and provides student-athletes with a state-of-the-art facility in which to eat, study and meet with academic

advisors. Features of The Dodie include:

- 40,500 square feet dedicated to the academic success of student-athletes;
- Extensive study areas, 20 tutor rooms, 12 seminar rooms, 3 computer labs with over 100 computers and the latest in technology;
- Full-service dining room.

• PREP 100: SUMMER BRIDGE PROGRAM FOR INCOMING FRESHMAN

The University of South Carolina offers a Summer Bridge Program for student-athletes during the summer prior to their freshman year. The program is designed to improve the student-athlete's reading, writing and study skills necessary to be successful academically, and is paired with another course within the University so that the student-athlete will be able to practice the skills with actual college-level material.

COMMITMENT TO PERSONAL AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

• PREPARING STUDENT-ATHLETES FOR LIFE

Student-athletes are provided a variety of innovative programming to enhance their opportunities for personal and career development in preparation for life after graduation.

- **Topics:** Career development, diversity, "Dress for Success," drugs and alcohol education, etiquette, financial planning/personal finances, leadership development, life after sports, mental wellness, networking, nutrition, personal safety, sexual health and relationships as well as educational topics involving bullying, conflict resolution, hazing, respect for others, inclusion, sexual assault and sexual harassment.

- **University 101.** The University boasts an award-winning freshman training course, the first of its kind, which continues to serve as a national model. This course provides valuable information to students on a wide array of practical topics to ensure incoming students are prepared for a successful collegiate experience.





GAMECOCK CAREER NETWORK

The University of South Carolina is committed to assisting its student-athletes not only to graduate but also to find employment in their chosen profession after graduation. Through the Gamecock Career Network, the Athletics Department matches student-athletes with potential employers to assist them in securing jobs and internships. The Career Network also provides lessons on preparing resumes and interview training. In addition, every student-athlete is provided a business suit that can be worn at job interviews. The Gamecock commitment lasts a lifetime.

TEAM GAMECOCKS GIVING BACK

Gamecock student-athletes not only represent themselves, their families and the University, but they also help make their communities, South Carolina, our nation and the world a better place. "Team Gamecocks" performed almost 8,000 hours of community service during 2013-14, including reading to elementary school children, collecting food for the Harvest Hope Food Bank, visiting both hospitalized children and veterans, interacting with kids in after-school programs, and making a difference all over the world.

RESPECT AND DIGNITY FOR ALL

University of South Carolina student-athletes live in an environment of respect and dignity, embodied by the Carolinian Creed:

*"As a Carolinian ...
I will practice personal and academic integrity;
I will respect the dignity of all persons;
I will respect the rights and property of others;
I will discourage bigotry, while striving to learn from differences in people, ideas and opinions;
I will demonstrate concern for others, their feelings, and their need for conditions which support their work and development."*

These values are also shared and followed by all Gamecock coaches and staff.

COMMITMENT TO ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE

THE NATION'S LEADING COACHES

The University of South Carolina has one of the finest collections of coaches in the nation. Gamecock head coaches have won a litany of national and conference coach of the year honors, championships and even Olympic gold medals. Our coaches have trained All-Americans, all-conference performers and Olympians and are also members of their sports' respective Halls of Fame.

AWARD-WINNING ATHLETICS FACILITIES

Whether talking about "The Dodie," where student-athletes study, socialize and eat, or various practice and competition venues, locker rooms, and strength and conditioning facilities, Gamecock student-athletes train and compete in some of the finest facilities in the nation. The University is committed to continuing that level of support. Currently, facility construction and upgrades are taking place for basketball, football, soccer, track and field, tennis and swimming and diving.

NATIONAL MEDIA ATTENTION

An overwhelming majority of all U.S. cable households are able to see Gamecock Athletics events through the newly-created SEC Network. As a member of the Southeastern Conference, Gamecock Athletics is covered by national, regional and local media. South Carolina sporting events are on national television networks, including CBS and the ESPN family of networks. In social media, South Carolina Athletics' official pages on Twitter and Facebook rank among the top 12 of all college sports programs in total users. The Gamecock Sports Network can be heard on radio stations throughout the state and region as well as on GamecocksOnline.com, the official website of South Carolina Athletics, and on the University's official app, available at the iTunes store and Android Marketplace.

APPAREL AND EQUIPMENT

Gamecock student-athletes enjoy the use of premier practice and competition apparel and equipment that is designed to promote comfort and safety, to create a distinctive appearance that enhances recognition of the athletics program, and that allows student-athletes to perform at the highest level.

GAMECOCK COUNTRY

Recognized nationally as one of the toughest places for opponents to play, Gamecock Country provides Gamecock student-athletes the advantage of competing in front of large numbers of faithful and boisterous fans who cheer loudly for the Gamecocks at all home venues. Gamecock fans have a tradition of passionate support, filling the stands while not sitting still. More than 1.16 million loyal fans attended Gamecock home athletics events in 2013-14.

COMPREHENSIVE HEALTHCARE

COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FOR SCHOLARSHIP AND NON-SCHOLARSHIP STUDENT-ATHLETES

The University of South Carolina provides its enrolled student-athletes with high-quality health care from nationally recognized surgeons and athletic trainers. This care includes a comprehensive physical medical exam with lab tests (e.g., sickle cell, CBC blood test, Iron and Ferritin) and comprehensive medical, dental, vision, psychological, rehabilitation and associated health care services for injuries or illnesses sustained by a student-athlete while practicing or competing in a varsity sport.

CONCUSSION TREATMENT

Gamecock student-athletes are provided the most up-to-date concussion prevention, management and treatment services. Student-athletes diagnosed with a concussion are not allowed to practice or compete until cleared by a medical professional.

STATE OF THE ART ATHLETIC TRAINING ROOMS; REHABILITATION EQUIPMENT

Gamecock student-athletes have access to six state-of-the-art, conveniently located athletic training rooms, complete with the latest rehabilitation equipment. Four additional training rooms are currently scheduled for construction.

SOUND MIND: MENTAL HEALTH

The University of South Carolina cares about the mental health and wellness of its student-athletes. The Gamecock Athletics staff includes three sports psychologists, and a psychiatrist is available to assist student-athletes in dealing with issues affecting their lives.

SOUND BODY: LEADERS IN SPORTS NUTRITION

As part of its commitment to ensuring healthy student-athletes' health, the University of South Carolina provides nutritious, high-quality meals, snacks and beverages that allow student-athletes to practice and compete at their physical best, be mentally alert for academics and minimize their risk for illness. This commitment includes:

- **Dining at "The Dodie."** Opened in 2010, the Dodie Anderson Academic Enrichment Center dining room serves South Carolina student-athletes and provides high-quality, nutrition-rich foods designed by a nutritionist and prepared by a chef. The 2,650-square-foot dining room and the 2,000-square-foot kitchen host 200 student-athletes at any one time. Student-athletes may dine throughout the day.
- **Two Full-Time Certified Sports Nutritionists** (Dietitians) ensure student-athletes receive both team and personalized nutritional support.
- **The Gamecock Nutrition Center**, one of the first of its kind in intercollegiate sports, is staffed by a full-time nutritionist. Housed at Williams-Brice Stadium and open to all student-athletes, its focus is on maximizing nutritional health and well-being. In addition, nutritional snacks are made available to all student-athletes surrounding practice and competition activities for optimal recovery.

INNOVATIVE SPORT-SPECIFIC STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING PROGRAMS

The University of South Carolina is unique in being one of the few universities with a MSCC certified master strength and conditioning coach and a certified strength and conditioning staff training student-athletes.

CUTTING EDGE SPORTS & HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY

The University of South Carolina is continuously reviewing and implementing cutting edge health research to enhance the athletic ability of student-athletes. For example:

- **The iDxa Body Scanner** scans the composition of a student-athlete's entire body, measuring his or her overall body fat, lean muscle mass, bone density and providing a differentiation of fat mass versus lean mass in every area of the body.
- **My VERT Jump Device** is an innovative software accessory that measures the height and quantity of student-athlete vertical jumps for training.
- **Anti-gravity treadmill** provides for superior training and injury rehabilitation.

A VITAL VOICE

STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee provides an equal and representative voice for all University of South Carolina teams. Members of the SAAC play a leadership role, as well as provide input on University, SEC and NCAA policies, rules and legislation.



GAMECOCKSONLINE.COM/PROMISE



Nickname: The Fighting Gamecocks

The University of South Carolina is the only major college athletic program in the country that uses "Fighting Gamecocks" as its official nickname and mascot. The University's athletic teams have been known as Gamecocks for over 100 years.

At the turn of the 20th century, after struggling for more than a decade under numerous nicknames, the school's football team was the impetus of the new moniker. In 1903, Columbia's morning newspaper, *The State*, shortened the name to one word and Carolina teams have been Gamecocks ever since.

Those early teams must have been a feisty and spirited group. A gamecock, of course, is a fighting rooster known for its spirit and courage. A cock fight, which was a popular sport throughout the United States in the 19th century, would last until the death of one of the combatants. Cock fighting has been outlawed by most states for humanitarian reasons, but it is still held surreptitiously in many areas.

The State of South Carolina has long been closely connected with the breeding and training of fighting gamecocks. General Thomas Sumter, famed guerrilla fighter of the Revolutionary War, was known as "The Fighting Gamecock."

The South Carolina Mascot

The Gamecock mascot, "Cocky," is a familiar sight at a variety of South Carolina athletic events. He appears at all home and road football and basketball games, and at home baseball games. In addition, he can be found frequenting other Olympic sports events on the Columbia campus.

Cocky was chosen National Mascot of the Year in 1986, 1994, and 2004 and is recognized as one of the most colorful mascots in collegiate sports.

In 1981, and 1982, the Gamecocks participated in the College Baseball World Series and "Cocky" was selected both years as the official mascot of the CWS.



"2001"

The University of South Carolina Gamecocks feature perhaps the most unique and electrifying pregame entry in all of college football. In fact, *Sporting News* rated USC's "2001" as the most exciting pregame entry in all of college football. As the minutes wind down on the game clock prior to the opening kickoff, the Gamecocks leave the locker room following final pregame instruction from their coaching staff and assemble in the tunnel in the southwest corner of Williams-Brice Stadium. Then, as the crowd of more than 80,000 begins its roar of anticipation, the first notes of the theme song from "2001-A Space Odyssey" blare over the stadium sound system. As the music continues, the enthusiasm of the crowd is feverish. Finally, at just the exact moment, in perfect coordination with the music, the Gamecocks hit the field running, and the stadium goes wild.

Gamecock Walk

Approximately two hours and 20 minutes prior to every home game, the Carolina team buses drop the players off on the Garnet Way in Gamecock Park. Through a throng of Gamecock fans and well-wishers along with the Carolina Marching Band, the team walks on the Garnet Way, crosses Bluff Road and the stadium tarmac and heads to the locker room, located in the southwest corner of Williams-Brice Stadium, to prepare for the game ahead.

School Colors

Garnet and Black were adopted near the turn of the century as the official colors of the University of South Carolina athletic teams. The colors are the dominant ones on the gamecock, which is the University's official mascot for its athletic teams.

The Cockaboose Railroad

What is perhaps the most unique form of tailgating and featured throughout the years in numerous magazines and television shows, the Cockaboose Railroad has made its way to Columbia and University of South Carolina football. Twenty-two cabooses line a railroad track just outside of Williams-Brice Stadium - but these rail cars don't move and they certainly aren't something you would see passing by on the rear end of a train.

Several years ago, a local businessman and his wife finally had enough of the railroad tracks which sit just a stone's throw from the south side of the stadium. In 1990, the beautifully-designed Cockaboose Railroad began catering to the serious Gamecock tailgater with amenities never before associated with in tailgating: running water, cable television, air conditioning, and heating, and a living room highlight each and every Cockaboose.

The Carolina Cockabooses are stationary and many are wired with closed-circuit television to watch Gamecock away games if making the trip is not feasible.

The Cockaboose Railroad - it's different, it's unique, and it's exciting; and there's nothing else like it in the nation.



Alma Mater: "We Hail Thee Carolina"

We hail thee, Carolina, and sing thy high praise; With loyal devotion, remembering the days; When proudly we sought thee, thy children to be: Here's a health, Carolina, forever to thee!

Since pilgrims of learning, we entered thy walls; And found dearest comrades in thy classic halls; We've honored and loved thee as sons faithfully: Here's a health, Carolina, forever to thee!

Generations of sons have rejoiced to proclaim; Thy watchword of service, thy beauty and fame; For ages to come shall their rallying cry be: Here's a health, Carolina, forever to thee!

Fair shrine of high honor and truth, thou shalt still; Blaze forth as a beacon, thy mission fulfill; And crowned by all hearts in a new jubilee: Here's a health, Carolina, forever to thee!

Fight Song: "The Fighting Gamecocks Lead the Way"

Hey, Let's give a cheer, Carolina is here, The Fighting Gamecocks lead the way.

Who gives a care, If the going gets tough, And when it is rough, that's when the 'Cocks get going.

Hail to our colors of garnet and black, In Carolina pride have we.

So, Go Gamecocks Go - FIGHT! Drive for the goal - FIGHT! USC will win today - GO COCKS!

So, let's give a cheer, Carolina is here. The Fighting Gamecocks All The Way!





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SEC Mission Statement

“The purpose of the SEC is to assist its member institutions in the maintenance of programs of intercollegiate athletics which are compatible with the highest standards of education and competitive sports.”

The SEC

Since its formation in 1933, the SEC has directed and organized interscholastic athletic competitions, conducted tournaments and prescribed eligibility rules for student-athletes. The Conference also facilitates and assists its member institutions in maintaining intercollegiate athletic programs compatible with the highest standards of education and competitive sports. The Southeastern Conference crowns champions in 21 sports - 12 women's sports and nine men's sports.

National Champions since 1992

Since it expanded in 1992, the SEC has the most football national championships (AP, USA Today) with 13, including nine titles in the last 12 seasons. During that time, the SEC has had more teams (5) with national titles than any other conference.

SEC: Florida (1996, 2006, 2008), LSU (2003, 2007), Tennessee (1998), Alabama (1992, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2017), Auburn (2010)

Big 12: Texas (2005), Oklahoma (2000), Nebraska (1994, 1995, 1997)

Big Ten: Ohio State (2002, 2014), Michigan (1997)

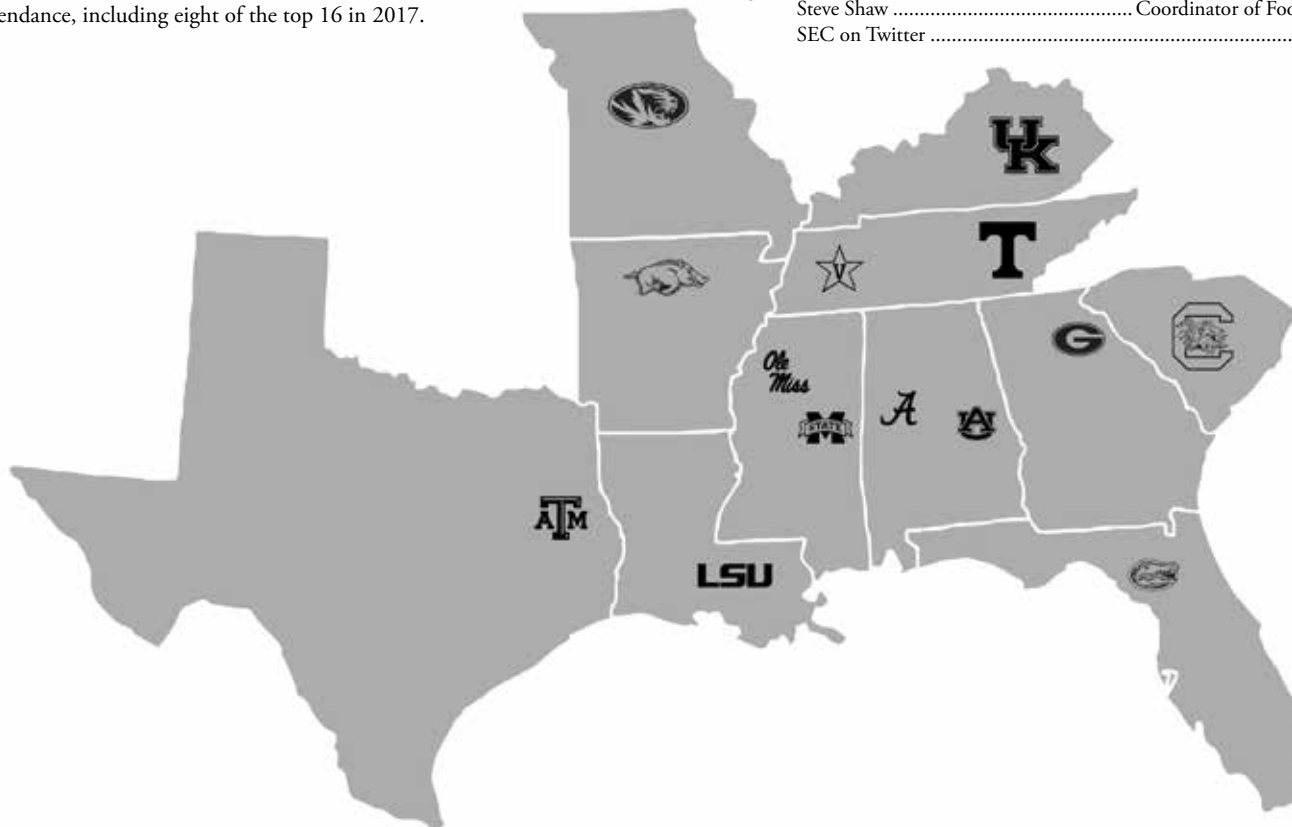
Pac-12: Southern California (2003, 2004)

ACC: Florida State (1993, 1999, 2013), Clemson (2016)

Big East: Miami, Fla. (2001)

SEC Tops in Fan Support

The Southeastern Conference has led the nation in total attendance in football every year since 1981 and since 1988, the SEC has led the nation in average attendance. Over 7.3 million fans witnessed first-hand, the excitement of SEC football in 2017. The average capacity of the 14 SEC stadiums during the last 10 years has been over 97 percent. Every year since 1988, the SEC has had at least four teams ranked in the top 10 in average attendance, including eight of the top 16 in 2017.



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**COASTAL CAROLINA
CHANTICLEERS**
Sept. 1 ♦ Columbia, S.C.

General Information

Location Conway, S.C.
 Founded 1954
 Enrollment 10,663
 Colors Teal, Bronze and Black
 Conference Sun Belt
 President Dr. David A. DeCenzo
 Athletics Director Matt Hogue
 Stadium Brooks Stadium
 Capacity 15,500
 Surface Field Turf

Coaching Information

Head Coach Joe Moglia
 Alma Mater Fordham (1971)
 Record at School 51-15 (5 years)
 Overall Record 51-15 (5 years)
 Assistant Coaches:
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Team Information

2017 Overall Record 3-9
 2017 Conference Record 2-6
 2017 Bowl Appearance N/A
 Letterman Returning (O/D/S) 46 (22/20/4)
 Letterman Lost (O/D/S) 26 (14/11/1)
 Starters Returning (O/D/S) 16 (8/4/4)
 Starters Lost (O/D/S) 11 (3/7/1)

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2018 Schedule

September 1 at South Carolina
 September 8 vs. UAB
 September 15 vs. Campbell
 September 22 at Louisiana
 September 29 at Troy
 October 6 OPEN
 October 13 vs. ULM
 October 20 at UMass
 October 27 at Georgia State
 November 3 vs. Appalachian State
 November 10 vs. Arkansas State
 November 17 vs. Georgia Southern
 November 24 at South Alabama



**GEORGIA
BULLDOGS**
Sept. 8 ♦ Columbia, S.C.

General Information

Location Athens, Ga.
 Founded 1785
 Enrollment 37,606
 Colors Red and Black
 Conference Southeastern
 President Jere W. Morehead
 Athletics Director Greg McGarity
 Stadium Sanford Stadium
 Capacity 92,746
 Surface Natural Grass, Bermuda Tifway 419

Coaching Information

Head Coach Kirby Smart
 Alma Mater Georgia (1998)
 Record at School 21-7 (2 years)
 Overall Record 21-7 (2 years)
 Assistant Coaches:
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 Co-OC/Quarterbacks James Coley
 Running Backs Dell McGee
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 Offensive Line Sam Pittman
 Defensive Line Tray Scott
 Inside Linebackers Glenn Schumann
 Outside Linebackers Dan Lanning
 Special Teams Scott Fountain
 Football Office Phone 706-542-1515

Team Information

2017 Overall Record 13-2
 2017 Conference Record 7-1
 2017 Bowl Appearance National Championship
 Alabama 26, Georgia 23 OT
 Letterman Returning (O/D/S) 53 (26/25/3)
 Letterman Lost (O/D/S) 35 (16/13/6)
 Starters Returning (O/D/S) 13 (8/4/1)
 Starters Lost (O/D/S) 12 (3/7/2)

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September 1 vs. Austin Pey State
September 8 at South Carolina
 September 15 vs. Middle Tennessee
 September 22 at Missouri
 September 29 vs. Tennessee
 October 6 vs. Vanderbilt
 October 13 at LSU
 October 20 OPEN
 October 27 vs. Florida (Jacksonville)
 November 3 at Kentucky
 November 10 vs. Auburn
 November 17 vs. UMass
 November 24 vs. Georgia Tech



**MARSHALL
THUNDERING HERD**
Sept. 15 ♦ Columbia, S.C.

General Information

Location Huntington, W. Va.
 Founded 1837
 Enrollment 13,654
 Colors White and Kelly Green
 Conference Conference USA
 President Dr. Jerome A. Gilbert
 Athletics Director Mike Hamrick
 Stadium Joan C. Edwards Stadium
 Capacity 38,227
 Surface AstroTurf

Coaching Information

Head Coach Doc Holliday
 Alma Mater West Virginia (1979)
 Record at School 61-42 (7 years)
 Overall Record 61-42 (7 years)
 Assistant Coaches:
 Defensive Coordinator/Safeties ... Adam Fuller
 OC/Quarterbacks Tim Cramsey
 Defensive Ends Cornell Brown
 Linebackers Byron Thweatt
 Wide Receivers Dallas Baker
 Co-OC/Tight Ends Todd Goebbel
 Offensive Line Greg Adkins
 Defensive Tackles J.C. Price
 Running Backs Pepe Pearson
 Cornerbacks/Recruiting Coord. Mike Treier
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Team Information

2017 Overall Record 8-5
 2017 Conference Record 4-4
 2017 Bowl Appearance New Mexico Bowl
 Marshall 31, Colorado State 28
 Letterman Returning (O/D/S) 52 (25/26/1)
 Letterman Lost (O/D/S) 20 (8/11/1)
 Starters Returning (O/D/S) 18 (9/8/1)
 Starters Lost (O/D/S) 5 (2/3/0)

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2018 Schedule

September 1 at Miami (Ohio)
 September 8 vs. Eastern Kentucky
September 15 at South Carolina
 September 22 vs. NC State
 September 29 at Western Kentucky
 October 5 vs. Middle Tennessee
 October 13 at Old Dominion
 October 20 vs. Florida Atlantic
 October 27 OPEN
 November 3 at Southern Miss
 November 10 vs. Charlotte
 November 17 vs. UTSA
 November 24 at FIU





**VANDERBILT
COMMODORES**

Sept. 22 ♦ Nashville, Tenn.

General Information

Location Nashville, Tenn.
 Founded 1794
 Enrollment 12,686
 Colors Black and Gold
 Conference Southeastern
 Chancellor Nicholas S. Zeppos
 Athletics Director David Williams II
 Stadium Vanderbilt Stadium
 Capacity 39,790
 Surface Shaw Sports Legion 46

Coaching Information

Head Coach Derek Mason
 Alma Mater Northern Arizona (1992)
 Record at School 18-31 (4 years)
 Overall Record 18-31 (4 years)
 Assistant Coaches:
 OC/Running Backs Andy Ludwig
 DC/Outside Linebackers Jason Tarver
 Special Teams Coord. Shawn Mennenga
 Quarterbacks Gerry Gdowski
 Wide Receivers Aaron Moorehead
 Cornerbacks Terrence Brown
 Defensive Backs Marc Mattioli
 Defensive Line C.J. Ah You
 Inside Linebackers Chris Marve
 Offensive Line Cameron Norcross
 Football Office Phone 615-322-3565

Team Information

2017 Overall Record 5-7
 2017 Conference Record 1-7
 2017 Bowl Appearance N/A
 Letterman Returning (O/D/S) 47 (23/22/2)
 Letterman Lost (O/D/S) 23 (8/11/4)
 Starters Returning (O/D/S) 11 (7/4/0)
 Starters Lost (O/D/S) 13 (4/7/2)

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2018 Schedule

September 1 vs. Middle Tennessee
 September 8 vs. Nevada
 September 15 at Notre Dame
September 22 vs. South Carolina
 September 29 vs. Tennessee State
 October 6 at Georgia
 October 13 vs. Florida
 October 20 at Kentucky
 October 27 at Arkansas
 November 3 OPEN
 November 10 at Missouri
 November 17 vs. Ole Miss
 November 24 vs. Tennessee



**KENTUCKY
WILDCATS**

Sept. 29 ♦ Lexington, Ky.

General Information

Location Lexington, Ky.
 Founded 1865
 Enrollment 30,473
 Colors Blue and White
 Conference Southeastern
 President Dr. Eli Capilouto
 Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart
 Stadium Kroger Field
 Capacity 61,000
 Surface S5 Synthetic Turf

Coaching Information

Head coach Mark Stoops
 Alma Mater Iowa (1989)
 Record at School 26-36 (5 years)
 Overall Record 26-36 (5 years)
 Assistant Coaches:
 AHC/Running Backs Eddie Gran
 Defensive Backs Steve Clinkscale
 DC/Inside Linebackers Matt House
 Special Teams/Defensive Backs Dean Hood
 Defensive Line Derrick LeBlanc
 Offensive Line John Schlarman
 Wide Receivers Michael Smith
 Outside Linebackers Brad White
 Co-OC/Quarterbacks Darin Hinshaw
 Tight Ends/Recruiting Coord.. Vince Marrow
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Team Information

2017 Overall Record 7-6
 2017 Conference Record 4-4
 2017 Bowl Appearance Music City Bowl
 Northwestern 24, Kentucky 23
 Letterman Returning (O/D/S) 44 (19/21/4)
 Letterman Lost (O/D/S) 22 (11/9/2)
 Starters Returning (O/D/S) 19 (8/9/2)
 Starters Lost (O/D/S) 8 (4/2/2)

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2018 Schedule

September 1 vs. Central Michigan
 September 8 at Florida
 September 15 vs. Murray State
 September 22 vs. Mississippi State
September 29 vs. South Carolina
 October 6 at Texas A&M
 October 13 OPEN
 October 20 vs. Vanderbilt
 October 27 at Missouri
 November 3 vs. Georgia
 November 10 at Tennessee
 November 17 vs. Middle Tennessee
 November 24 at Louisville



**MISSOURI
TIGERS**

Oct. 6 ♦ Columbia, S.C.

General Information

Location Columbia, Mo.
 Founded 1839
 Enrollment 30,870
 Colors Old Gold and Black
 Conference Southeastern
 Chancellor Dr. Alexander N. Catwright
 Athletics Director Jim Sterk
 Stadium Memorial Stadium/Faurot Field
 Capacity 71,168
 Surface Field Turf

Coaching Information

Head Coach Barry Odom
 Alma Mater Missouri (1999)
 Record at School 11-14 (2 years)
 Overall Record 11-14 (2 years)
 Assistant Coaches:
 Sr. Associate HC/Defensive Line.. Brick Haley
 Associate HC/ Special Teams Andy Hill
 AHC/Running Backs Cornell Ford
 DC/Defensive Backs Ryan Walters
 OC/Quarterbacks Derek Dooley
 Tight Ends Joe Jon Finley
 Outside Linebackers Brian Odom
 Inside Linebackers Vernon Hargreaves
 Offensive Line Brad Davis
 Wide Receivers A.J. Ofodile
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Team Information

2017 Overall Record 7-6
 2017 Conference Record 4-4
 2017 Bowl Appearance Texas Bowl
 Texas 33, Missouri 16
 Letterman Returning (O/D/S) 51 (19/28/4)
 Letterman Lost (O/D/S) 18 (9/9/0)
 Starters Returning (O/D/S) 16 (9/7/0)
 Starters Lost (O/D/S) 6 (2/4/0)

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2018 Schedule

September 1 vs. UT Martin
 September 8 vs. Wyoming
 September 15 at Purdue
 September 22 vs. Georgia
 September 29 OPEN
October 6 at South Carolina
 October 13 at Alabama
 October 20 vs. Memphis
 October 27 vs. Kentucky
 November 3 at Florida
 November 10 vs. Vanderbilt
 November 17 at Tennessee
 November 24 vs. Arkansas





**TEXAS A&M
AGGIES**

Oct. 13 ❖ Columbia, S.C.

General Information

Location College Station, Texas
 Founded 1876
 Enrollment 68,625
 Colors Maroon and White
 Conference Southeastern
 President Michael K. Young
 Athletics Director Scott Woodward
 Stadium Kyle Field
 Capacity 102,733
 Surface Grass

Coaching Information

Head Coach Jimbo Fisher
 Alma Mater Salem University (1990)
 Record at School 0-0 (1st year)
 Overall Record 83-23 (8 years)
 Assistant Coaches:
 OC/Quarterbacks Darrell Dickey
 Defensive Coordinator/Safeties Mike Elko
 Tight Ends Tim Brewster
 Wide Receivers Dameyune Craig
 Running Backs Jay Graham
 Cornerbacks Maurice Linguist
 Linebackers Bradley Dale Peveto
 Defensive Ends Terry Price
 Defensive Line Elijah Robinson
 Offensive Line Jim Turner
 Football Office Phone 979-845-5129

Team Information

2017 Overall Record 7-6
 2017 Conference Record 4-4
 2017 Bowl Appearance Belk Bowl
 Wake Forest 55, Texas A&M 52
 Letterman Returning (O/D/S) 52 (23/26/3)
 Letterman Lost (O/D/S) 20 (10/7/1)
 Starters Returning (O/D/S) 17 (7/8/2)
 Starters Lost (O/D/S) 9 (4/3/2)

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2018 Schedule

August 30 vs. Northwestern State
 September 8 vs. Clemson
 September 15 vs. Louisiana-Monroe
 September 22 at Alabama
 September 29 vs. Arkansas
 October 6 vs. Kentucky
October 13 at South Carolina
 October 20 OPEN
 October 27 at Mississippi State
 November 3 at Auburn
 November 10 vs. Ole Miss
 November 17 vs. UAB
 November 24 vs. LSU



**TENNESSEE
VOLUNTEERS**

Oct. 27 ❖ Columbia, S.C.

General Information

Location Knoxville, Tenn.
 Founded 1794
 Enrollment 28,321
 Colors Orange and White
 Conference Southeastern
 President Joe DiPietro
 Athletics Director Phillip Fulmer
 Stadium Neyland Stadium
 Capacity 102,455
 Surface Grass

Coaching Information

Head Coach Jeremy Pruitt
 Alma Mater Alabama (1996)
 Record at School 0-0 (1st year)
 Overall Record 0-0 (1st year)
 Assistant Coaches:
 OC/Quarterbacks Tyson Helton
 DC/Inside Linebackers Kevin Sherrer
 Co-DC/Outside Linebackers Chris Rumph
 Special Teams/Safeties Charles Kelly
 Cornerbacks Terry Fair
 Offensive Line Will Friend
 Wide Receivers David Johnson
 Tight Ends Brian Niedermeyer
 Defensive Line Tracy Rocker
 Running Backs Chris Weinke
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Team Information

2017 Overall Record 4-8
 2017 Conference Record 0-8
 2017 Bowl Appearance N/A
 Letterman Returning (O/D/S) 47 (20/24/3)
 Letterman Lost (O/D/S) 24 (10/11/3)
 Starters Returning (O/D/S) 13 (6/7/0)
 Starters Lost (O/D/S) 13 (5/6/2)

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2018 Schedule

September 1 vs. West Virginia (Charlotte)
 September 8 vs. ETSU
 September 15 vs. UTEP
 September 22 vs. Florida
 September 29 at Georgia
 October 6 OPEN
 October 13 at Auburn
 October 20 vs. Alabama
October 27 at South Carolina
 November 3 vs. Charlotte
 November 10 vs. Kentucky
 November 17 vs. Missouri
 November 24 at Vanderbilt



**OLE MISS
REBELS**

Nov. 3 ❖ Oxford, Miss.

General Information

Location Oxford, Miss.
 Founded 1848
 Enrollment 23,780
 Colors Cardinal Red and Navy Blue
 Conference Southeastern
 Chancellor Jeff Vitter
 Athletics Director Ross Bjork
 Stadium Vaught-Hemingway Stadium
 Capacity 64,038
 Surface Grass

Coaching Information

Head Coach Matt Luke
 Alma Mater Ole Miss (2000)
 Record at School 6-6 (1 year)
 Overall Record 6-6 (1 year)
 Assistant Coaches:
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 OC/Quarterbacks Phil Longo
 Co-DC/Safeties Jason Jones
 Cornerbacks Charles Clark
 Offensive Line Jack Bicknell Jr.
 Recruiting Coord./TE Maurice Harris
 Running Backs Derrick Nix
 Wide Receivers Jacob Peeler
 Defensive Line Freddie Roach
 Linebackers Jon Sumrall
 Football Office Phone 662-915-1821

Team Information

2017 Overall Record 6-6
 2017 Conference Record 3-5
 2017 Bowl Appearance N/A
 Letterman Returning (O/D/S) 56 (25/28/3)
 Letterman Lost (O/D/S) 29 (12/15/2)
 Starters Returning (O/D/S) 17 (8/7/2)
 Starters Lost (O/D/S) 9 (3/4/2)

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 September 8 vs. Southern Illinois
 September 15 vs. Alabama
 September 22 vs. Kent State
 September 29 at LSU
 October 6 vs. Louisiana-Monroe
 October 13 at Arkansas
 October 20 vs. Auburn
 October 27 OPEN
November 3 vs. South Carolina
 November 10 at Texas A&M
 November 17 at Vanderbilt
 November 22 Mississippi State





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August 30

Northwestern State at Texas A&M

September 1**Coastal Carolina at South Carolina**

Alabama vs. Louisville (Orlando)
 Eastern Illinois at Arkansas
 Auburn vs. Washington (Atlanta)
 Charleston Southern at Florida
 Austin Peay at Georgia
 Central Michigan at Kentucky
 Ole Miss vs. Texas Tech (Houston)
 Stephen F. Austin at Mississippi State
 UT Martin at Missouri
 Tennessee vs. West Virginia (Charlotte)
 Middle Tennessee at Vanderbilt

September 2

LSU vs. Miami (Arlington)

September 8***Georgia at South Carolina**

Arkansas State at Alabama
 Arkansas at Colorado State
 Alabama State at Auburn
 *Kentucky at Florida
 Southeastern Louisiana at LSU
 Southern Illinois at Ole Miss
 Mississippi State at Kansas State
 Wyoming at Missouri
 East Tennessee State at Tennessee
 Clemson at Texas A&M
 Nevada at Vanderbilt

September 15**Marshall at South Carolina**

*Alabama at Ole Miss
 North Texas at Arkansas
 *LSU at Auburn
 Colorado State at Florida
 Middle Tennessee at Georgia
 Murray State at Kentucky
 Louisiana-Lafayette at Mississippi State
 Missouri at Purdue
 UTEP at Tennessee
 Louisiana-Monroe at Texas A&M
 Vanderbilt at Notre Dame

September 22***South Carolina at Vanderbilt**

*Texas A&M at Alabama
 *Arkansas at Auburn
 *Florida at Tennessee
 *Georgia at Missouri
 *Mississippi State at Kentucky
 Louisiana Tech at LSU
 Kent State at Ole Miss

September 29***South Carolina at Kentucky**

Louisiana-Lafayette at Alabama
 *Arkansas vs. Texas A&M (Arlington)
 Southern Miss at Auburn
 *Florida at Mississippi State
 *Tennessee at Georgia
 *Ole Miss at LSU
 Tennessee State at Vanderbilt

October 6***Missouri at South Carolina**

*Alabama at Arkansas
 *Auburn at Mississippi State
 *LSU at Florida
 *Vanderbilt at Georgia
 *Kentucky at Texas A&M
 Louisiana-Monroe at Ole Miss

October 13***Texas A&M at South Carolina**

*Missouri at Alabama
 *Arkansas vs. Ole Miss (Little Rock)
 *Tennessee at Auburn
 *Florida at Vanderbilt
 *Georgia at LSU

October 20

*Alabama at Tennessee
 Tulsa at Arkansas
 *Auburn at Ole Miss
 *Vanderbilt at Kentucky
 *Mississippi State at LSU
 Memphis at Missouri

October 27***Tennessee at South Carolina**

*Vanderbilt at Arkansas
 *Florida vs. Georgia (Jacksonville)
 *Kentucky at Missouri
 *Texas A&M at Mississippi State

November 3***South Carolina at Ole Miss**

*Alabama at LSU
 *Texas A&M at Auburn
 *Missouri at Florida
 *Georgia at Kentucky
 Louisiana Tech at Mississippi State
 Charlotte at Tennessee

November 10***South Carolina at Florida**

*Mississippi State at Alabama
 *LSU at Arkansas
 *Auburn at Georgia
 *Kentucky at Tennessee
 *Ole Miss at Texas A&M
 *Vanderbilt at Missouri

November 17**Chattanooga at South Carolina**

The Citadel at Alabama
 *Arkansas at Mississippi State
 Liberty at Auburn
 Idaho at Florida
 Massachusetts at Georgia
 Middle Tennessee at Kentucky
 Rice at LSU
 *Ole Miss at Vanderbilt
 *Missouri at Tennessee
 UAB at Texas A&M

November 22

*Mississippi State at Ole Miss

November 24**South Carolina at Clemson**

*Auburn at Alabama
 *Arkansas at Missouri
 Florida at Florida State
 Georgia Tech at Georgia
 Kentucky at Louisville
 *LSU at Texas A&M
 *Tennessee at Vanderbilt

December 1

SEC Football Championship (Atlanta)





2018 SEC FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

(Tentative and Subject to Change)



Date Team	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22	Sept. 29	Oct. 6	Oct. 13	Oct. 20	Oct. 27	Nov. 3	Nov. 10	Nov. 17	Nov. 24
ALABAMA	LOUISVILLE Orlando	ARKANSAS STATE Tuscaloosa	OLE MISS Oxford	TEXAS A&M Tuscaloosa	LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE Tuscaloosa	ARKANSAS Fayetteville	MISSOURI Tuscaloosa	TENNESSEE Knoxville		LSU Baton Rouge	MISSISSIPPI STATE Tuscaloosa	CITADEL Tuscaloosa	AUBURN Tuscaloosa
ARKANSAS	EASTERN ILLINOIS Fayetteville	COLORADO STATE Fort Collins	NORTH TEXAS Fayetteville	AUBURN Auburn	TEXAS A&M Arlington	ALABAMA Fayetteville	OLE MISS Little Rock	TULSA Fayetteville	VANDERBILT Fayetteville		LSU Fayetteville	MISSISSIPPI STATE Starkville	MISSOURI Columbia
AUBURN	WASHINGTON Atlanta	ALABAMA STATE Auburn	LSU Auburn	ARKANSAS Auburn	SOUTHERN MISS Auburn	MISSISSIPPI STATE Starkville	TENNESSEE Auburn	OLE MISS Oxford		TEXAS A&M Auburn	GEORGIA Athens	LIBERTY Auburn	ALABAMA Tuscaloosa
FLORIDA	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN Gainesville	KENTUCKY Gainesville	COLORADO STATE Gainesville	TENNESSEE Knoxville	MISSISSIPPI STATE Starkville	LSU Gainesville	VANDERBILT Nashville		GEORGIA Jacksonville	MISSOURI Gainesville	SOUTH CAROLINA Gainesville	IDAHO Gainesville	FLORIDA STATE Tallahassee
GEORGIA	AUSTIN PEAY Athens	SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia	MIDDLE TENNESSEE Athens	MISSOURI Columbia	TENNESSEE Athens	VANDERBILT Athens	LSU Baton Rouge		FLORIDA Jacksonville	KENTUCKY Lexington	AUBURN Athens	UMASS Athens	GEORGIA TECH Athens
KENTUCKY	CENTRAL MICHIGAN Lexington	FLORIDA Gainesville	MURRAY STATE Lexington	MISSISSIPPI STATE Lexington	SOUTH CAROLINA Lexington	TEXAS A&M College Station	GEORGIA Baton Rouge	VANDERBILT Lexington	MISSOURI Columbia	GEORGIA Lexington	TENNESSEE Knoxville	MIDDLE TENNESSEE Lexington	LOUISVILLE Louisville
LSU	MIAMI Arlington (Sept. 2)	SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA Baton Rouge	AUBURN Auburn	LOUISIANA TECH Baton Rouge	OLE MISS Baton Rouge	FLORIDA Gainesville	GEORGIA Baton Rouge	MISSISSIPPI STATE Baton Rouge		ALABAMA Baton Rouge	ARKANSAS Fayetteville	RICE Baton Rouge	TEXAS A&M College Station
OLE MISS	TEXAS TECH Houston	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS Oxford	ALABAMA Oxford	KENT STATE Oxford	LSU Baton Rouge	LOUISIANA-MONROE Oxford	ARKANSAS Little Rock	AUBURN Oxford		SOUTH CAROLINA Oxford	TEXAS A&M College Station	VANDERBILT Nashville	MISSISSIPPI STATE Oxford (Nov. 22)
MISSISSIPPI STATE	STEPHEN E. AUSTIN Starkville	KANSAS STATE Manhattan	LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE Starkville	KENTUCKY Lexington	FLORIDA Starkville	AUBURN Starkville	ALABAMA Tuscaloosa	LSU Baton Rouge	TEXAS A&M Starkville	LOUISIANA TECH Starkville	ALABAMA Tuscaloosa	ARKANSAS Starkville	OLE MISS Oxford (Nov. 22)
MISSOURI	UT MARTIN Columbia	WYOMING Columbia	PURDUE West Lafayette	GEORGIA Columbia		SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia, S.C.	ALABAMA Tuscaloosa	MEMPHIS Columbia	KENTUCKY Columbia	FLORIDA Gainesville	VANDERBILT Columbia	TENNESSEE Knoxville	ARKANSAS Columbia
SOUTH CAROLINA	COASTAL CAROLINA Columbia	GEORGIA Columbia	MARSHALL Columbia	VANDERBILT Nashville	KENTUCKY Lexington	MISSOURI Columbia, S.C.	TEXAS A&M Columbia		TENNESSEE Columbia	OLE MISS Oxford	FLORIDA Gainesville	CHATTANOOGA Columbia	CLEMSON Clemson
TENNESSEE	WEST VIRGINIA Charlotte	EAST TENNESSEE STATE Knoxville	UTEP Knoxville	FLORIDA Knoxville	GEORGIA Athens	AUBURN Auburn	AUBURN Auburn	ALABAMA Knoxville	SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia	CHARLOTTE Knoxville	KENTUCKY Knoxville	MISSOURI Knoxville	VANDERBILT Nashville
TEXAS A&M	NW STATE College Station (Aug. 30)	CLEMSON College Station	LOUISIANA-MONROE College Station	ALABAMA Tuscaloosa	ARKANSAS Arlington	SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia	SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia		MISSISSIPPI STATE Starkville	AUBURN Auburn	OLE MISS College Station	UAB College Station	LSU College Station
VANDERBILT	MIDDLE TENNESSEE Nashville	NEVADA Nashville	NOTRE DAME South Bend	SOUTH CAROLINA Nashville	TENNESSEE STATE Nashville	GEORGIA Athens	FLORIDA Nashville	KENTUCKY Lexington	ARKANSAS Fayetteville		MISSOURI Columbia	OLE MISS Nashville	TENNESSEE Nashville

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