TIGERS BASKETBALL

TEXAS SOUTHERN
Record: 0-0 (0-0 SWAC)
Head Coach: Mike Davis
16th season, 4th at TSU (295-194)

NEW MEXICO
November 13, 2015
Wisepies Arena
5:30 pm

THE OPENING TIP

- Texas Southern has won SWAC Titles in three straight season
- Transfer Orlando Coleman will be looked upon to make an impact this season
- TSU scored 113 points versus Wiley in 2013-14 marking the most points scored by the Tigers during the Mike Davis era
- Texas Southern won the 2014 and 2015 SWAC Tournament Titles
- Texas Southern head coach Mike Davis reached 250 career victories in 2013
- Former Tigers guard Madarious Gibbs was named the 2014-15 SWAC Player of the Year
- Transfer forward Chris Thomas has been one of the anchors on the Tigers basketball team and has proven to be one of TSU's toughest players to defend defensively
- Texas Southern head coach Mike Davis is one of only a handful of coaches to win league titles in three different Division I conferences
- Mike Davis Jr. is an assistant coach on his fathers' staff
- Texas Southern traveled to China this past summer playing in exhibition games against some of the top programs in the country.
- Last season TSU was awarded a #15 seed in the NCAA Tournament

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Note
11	Malcolm Riley	F	6-5	200	SR	One of the Tigers most versatile players
3	David Blanks	G	6-1	190	SR	Serves as the Tigers floor general
33	Jermaine Davis	C	6-9	275	GR	Versatile big that runs the floor well
2	Chris Thomas	F	6-5	190	JR	Long athletic player, scored 28 points versus Norfolk St.
24	Orlando Coleman	F	6-3	200	GR	Athletic wing man with solid mid range jumper

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.- Texas Southern University was picked to win the 2015-16 Southwestern Athletic Conference men's basketball championship in a preseason poll of the league's head coaches and sports information directors.

The announcement was made by the SWAC during its annual media teleconference on Wednesday, October 14.

The Tigers finished 2014-15 with a 22-13 overall record and were 16-2 in the Conference. TSU also won the SWAC tournament title and earned a 15 seed in the 2015 NCAA Tournament. Their opponent in last season's title game, Southern University came in second place followed by Alabama State in third. Alabama A&M was predicted to finish fourth with Prairie View A&M coming in fifth.

Rounding out the poll includes: Jackson State, Arkansas-Pine Bluff, Mississippi Valley State, Alcorn State and Grambling State

The 2015-16 All-SWAC preseason first and second teams are highlighted by senior guard Ladarius Tabb (Alabama A&M) and senior guard David Blanks (Texas Southern). Tabb was selected as the SWAC Preseason Player of the Year with Blanks garnering the SWAC Preseason Defensive Player of the Year honor.

2015-16 Men's Basketball Quick Facts	
School	Texas Southern University
Location	Houston, Texas 77004
Enrollment	9,500
Founded	1947
Colors	Maroon and Gray
Mascot	Tigers
Conference	Southwestern Athletic (SWAC)
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Arena (Capacity)	H&PE Arena (8,100)
President	Dr. John Rudley
Director of Athletics	Dr. Charles McClelland
Faculty Athletics Representative	Anna James
Senior Woman Administrator	Dr. Dwalah Fisher
Athletic Trainer	Erin Hassler
Equipment Manager	Eddie Davis
Strength and Conditioning Head Coach	Omar Jones
Executive Director of Basketball Operations	Timothy Waller
Head Coach	Mike Davis (Thomas Edison '00')
Record at Texas Southern	58-42 (4th season)
Career Record	295-194 (16 seasons)
Office Phone	713-313-1979
Best Time to Call	Contact SID
Assistant Coaches:	
Donnie Marsh, Keith Legree, and Mike Davis, Jr.	
Lettermen Returning/Lost	**6/4**
Starters Returning/Lost	1/4
2014-15 Overall Record	22-13
2014-15 SWAC Record (Finish)	16-2 (1st)
Postseason Appearances (6)	
NCAA	0-6
NIT	0-1
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2015 TEXAS SOUTHERN NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown (Previous school)
0	Brian Carey	G	5-9	160	Fr.	Denver, Colo. (East HS)
2	Chris Thomas	F	6-5	190	Sr.	Denver, Colo. (Marshall Univ.)
3	David Blanks	G	6-3	180	Sr.	Akron, Ohio (Vincent-St. Mary HS)
4	Jose Rodriguez	F	6-5	215	Sr.	Bronx, N.Y. (Gulf Coast State College)
5	Tyree Bynum	G	5-10	165	Jr.	Philadelphia, Pa. (Penn Wood HS)
11	Malcolm Riley	F	6-5	200	Sr.	Newport, Va. (Trinity Valley CC)
14	Eric Washington	F	6-4	210	Jr.	Birmingham, Ala. (Murray State Univ.)
20	Jerron Martin	G	6-0	175	Jr.	Baltimore, MD (South Plains JC)
24	Orlando Coleman	F	6-3	200	Gr.	Birmingham, Ala. (Kennesaw State Univ.)
25	Joshua Friar	F	6-9	245	So.	Houston, Texas (North Texas Univ.)
32	Dewayne Washington	F	6-6	225	Sr.	Houston, Texas (Booker T. Washington HS)
33	Jermaine Davis II	C	6-9	275	Gr.	Cleveland, Ohio (La Salle Univ.)

HEAD COACH: Mike Davis, 4th season
ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH: Donnie Marsh, 3rd season
ASSISTANT COACH: Keith LeGree, 4th season
ASSISTANT COACH: Mike Davis Jr., 4th season
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS: Tim Waller, 4th season

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Jerron Martin – Jer-RON Martin

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

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Head Coach Mike Davis

Texas Southern University announced the appointment of Mike Davis to the position of Head Men's Basketball Coach on October 27, 2012. Davis arrived to TSU after spending six seasons at the helm of the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) men's basketball program.

In 2014 and 2015 Davis led the Tigers to a SWAC Tournament Championship titles as TSU defeated Prairie View A&M and Southern respectively. The Tigers advanced to the 2014 NCAA Tournament where they went on to face Cal-Poly in the First Four.

In 2015 they face Arizona as a #15 seed in the first of the Big Dance.

Davis was instrumental in the development of 2014 SWAC Player of the Year Aaric Murray. Murray was also named the 2014 SWAC Tournament MVP as he led the conference in scoring (21.3), blocked shots (2.5), and shot 49 percent from the field. In 2015 he helped guide Madarious Gibbs to POY honors as well.

In his first season at Texas Southern Davis led the Tigers' basketball program to a 2012-13 Southwestern Athletic Conference regular season championship. TSU reeled off 12 consecutive wins to conclude the season with a 16-2 mark in conference play. Davis also eclipsed the 250 career wins mark during the Tigers 2012-13 campaign.

Under the coaching guidance of Davis Texas Southern had four players named to the All-SWAC team highlighted by senior guard Omar Strong being named the 2012-13 SWAC Player of the Year. Fred Sturdivant was selected as the 2012-13 SWAC Defensive Player of the Year after leading the league in blocked shots.

Through five seasons with the Blazers, Davis owned an impressive record of 122-72 (.629) overall with a 62-34 mark in Conference USA play during his six years in Birmingham. Davis holds a 237-151 (.608) overall career record in his 12 years as a head coach highlighted by seven 20+ win seasons.

Davis also led his teams to success off the court and in the classroom, as the Blazers achieved a team GPA of 3.0 during the 2010 fall semester. Additionally, the squad also had four consecutive semesters of a perfect 1000 APR score while Davis was at the helm of the program.

"I'm really excited for the opportunity to lead the Texas Southern men's basketball program," said Davis. "Basketball has grown tremendously in the state of Texas over the past years and I'm looking forward to being apart of the TSU athletic department and the local community."

Davis had a highly successful season at UAB in 2010-11, as he guided the Blazers to the program's first-ever Conference USA regular season title. In doing so, he was named the 2011 Conference USA Coach of the Year, while also earning NABC All-District Coach of the Year accolades.

In 2010-11 Davis also guided the Blazers to an NCAA Tournament at-large berth with a record of 22-9 and a 12-4 mark in league play. UAB earned at least 20 victories in the regular season in four-straight years under Davis tenure (2007-2012), marking the first time that feat had been in achieved in program history. The Blazers also won at least 11 conference games in each of those seasons.

Under Davis the program clinched four consecutive postseason berths (three NITs and one NCAA Tournament). Davis subsequently etched his name in the record books as he became only the second coach in UAB history to reach 90 wins in a four-year span. The only other coach in program history to accomplish the feat was Hall of Famer Gene Bartow, who reached the pinnacle with a school record 94 from 1983-87.

The Fayette, Ala., native arrived at UAB from Indiana University, where he served as the head coach of the Indiana Hoosiers from 2000-06. While there, he compiled a 115-79 record. Davis teams played some of their best basketball during the postseason, evidenced by Davis' 21-12 record in the month of March and his 7-4 NCAA Tournament mark, including a run to the NCAA Championship game in 2002.

Under Davis, the Hoosiers enjoyed considerable success, including a trip to the 2002 national championship game against Maryland. Named the 25th head coach in Indiana history on Sept. 12, 2000, Davis had the most successful first season of any of his 24 predecessors. His 21 wins were four more than any other first-year IU head coach. His success was not limited to just IU, as his 21 victories ranked him second among first-year head coaches in the country in 2000-01.

Prior to being named head coach Davis had already contributed significantly to the Indiana program. He spent the previous three seasons as an assistant coach with the Hoosiers. His successful recruitment of several of the country's top prep players earned him national recognition at Indiana.

In addition to his recruiting success, he was instrumental in the development of several players including A.J. Guyton, the Big Ten's Most Valuable Player in 2000, Kirk Haston, a first-round NBA selection in 2001, and 2002 Big Ten MVP and consensus second-team All-American Jared Jeffries, who was the 11th overall pick of the 2002 NBA Draft by the Washington Wizards.

In Davis' three seasons as an IU assistant, the Hoosiers compiled a 63-32 overall record and advanced to the NCAA Tournament all three seasons. Davis came to Indiana after a two-year stint (1995-97) as an assistant coach under David Hobbs at the University of Alabama. The 1995-96 Crimson Tide basketball team posted a 23-10 record and advanced to the NIT Final Four. Davis' coaching tenure with Alabama marked his return to the Crimson Tide.

Davis spent his collegiate-playing career with the Tide after earning the state's Mr. Basketball honor and All-America status in 1979. He was a standout for four seasons at Alabama and finished his career in the Top 25 on the Crimson Tide's all-time scoring list with 1,211 points. In his first season, he played for the legendary C.M. Newton and then spent his final three years playing under another coaching legend, Wimp Sanderson. Davis averaged 10.1 points per game for his career and ranks third all-time on the school's steals list with 165. During his four seasons at Alabama, the Crimson Tide posted an 80-42 record and advanced to two NIT and two NCAA Tournaments.

Texas Southern Tigers Radio/TV Roster

0 Brian Carey G

2 Chris Thomas F

3 David Blanks G

32 Dewayne Washington F

14 Eric Washington F

33 Jermiane Davis C

20 Jerron Martin G

4 Jose Rodriguez F

25 Joshua Friar F

11 Malcolm Riley F

24 Orlando Coleman F

5 Tyree Bynum G

TEXAS SOUTHERN MEN'S BASKETBALL 2015-16 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
11/13	New Mexico	Albuquerque, NM	9:00 pm
11/14	Creighton*	Omaha, NE	TBD
11/19	Clemson*	Greenville, SC	8:00 pm
11/23	Howard	Las Vegas, NV	TBD
11/25	UTSA / Central Ark	Las Vegas, NV	TBD
11/28	Washington State	Pullman, WA	TBD
12/1	Mississippi State	Starkville, MS	7:00 pm
12/5	Stephen F. Austin	Nacogdoches, TX	4:00 pm
12/12	Central Michigan	Mt. Pleasant, MI	TBD
12/27	Syracuse	Syracuse, NY	TBD
12/29	Baylor	Waco, TX	7:00 pm
12/31	Hampton***	Birmingham, AL	2:00 pm
1/2	Southern	Houston, TX	TBD
1/4	Alcorn St.	Houston, TX	7:00 pm
1/9	Prairie View	Houston, TX	7:30 pm
1/16	Jackson State	Jackson, MS	7:30 pm
1/18	Grambling State	Grambling, LA	7:30 pm
1/23	Mississippi Valley	Houston, TX	7:30 pm
1/25	Arkansas-PB	Houston, TX	7:30 pm
1/30	Alabama State	Birmingham, AL	5:00 pm
2/1	Alabama A&M	Huntsville, AL	7:30 pm
2/6	Prairie View A&M	Prairie View, TX	7:30 pm
2/13	Jackson State	Houston, TX	TBD
2/15	Grambling	Houston, TX	7:30 pm
2/20	Mississippi Valley	Itta Bena, MS	7:30 pm
2/22	Arkansas-PB	Pine Bluff, AR	7:30 pm
2/27	Alabama A&M	Houston, TX	7:30 pm
2/29	Alabama State	Houston, TX	8:00 pm
3/3	Southern	Baton Rouge, LA	7:30 pm
3/5	Alcorn State	Lorman, MS	7:30 pm
3/8-12	SWAC Tournament	Houston, TX	TBD

*Las Vegas Classic

All times are Central Standard Time

***SWAC/MEAC Classic

2014-15 Texas Southern Statistics

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	(22-13)	(9-1)	(10-11)	(3-1)
CONFERENCE	(16-2)	(8-1)	(8-1)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE	(6-11)	(1-0)	(2-10)	(3-1)

			MINUTES		TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS										SCORING	
##	Player	GP	GS	Tot	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
03	Gibbs,Madarious	32	32	1234	38.6	158	368	.429	23	91	.253	114	169	.675	20	86	106	3.3	71	0	135	92	2	30	453	14.2
02	Thomas,Chris	34	32	1055	31.0	156	343	.455	21	83	.253	95	169	.562	65	103	168	4.9	81	0	56	86	19	40	428	12.6
01	Biggs,Deverell	26	26	753	29.0	112	240	.467	28	72	.389	54	70	.771	13	73	86	3.3	64	1	50	69	6	43	306	11.8
11	Riley,Malcolm	35	29	1023	29.2	119	238	.500	25	58	.431	93	125	.744	68	156	224	6.4	72	2	19	30	4	35	356	10.2
12	Collier,Tonnie	33	3	521	15.8	73	175	.417	37	109	.339	59	76	.776	28	64	92	2.8	45	0	9	33	2	8	242	7.3
15	Blanks,David	34	10	780	22.9	70	140	.500	18	46	.391	64	96	.667	28	86	114	3.4	46	2	55	43	0	20	222	6.5
23	Carter,Jason	25	2	375	15.0	51	134	.381	13	46	.283	19	39	.487	13	40	53	2.1	63	2	3	32	11	14	134	5.4
24	Johnson,Nevin	32	7	384	12.0	24	72	.333	10	40	.250	29	38	.763	17	39	56	1.8	36	0	21	21	2	8	87	2.7
33	Shepherd,Nick	34	28	558	16.4	31	62	.500	0	0	.000	30	54	.556	43	41	84	2.5	86	3	7	14	56	8	92	2.7
20	Mack,Giovanni	24	1	223	9.3	13	34	.382	7	17	.412	9	14	.643	3	18	21	0.9	16	1	14	8	1	6	42	1.8
05	Bynum,Tyree	11	0	96	8.7	7	24	.292	3	12	.250	0	0	.000	0	8	8	0.7	3	0	2	5	0	1	17	1.5
34	McCoggle,Christian	10	2	94	9.4	2	6	.333	0	0	.000	3	9	.333	12	16	28	2.8	16	0	2	3	4	1	7	0.7
25	Friar,Joshua	9	3	56	6.2	2	4	.500	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	3	5	8	0.9	10	0	2	2	2	0	4	0.4
	TEAM														81	64	145	4.1	0			16			0	
	Total.....	35		7152		818	1840	.445	185	574	.322	569	861	.661	394	799	1193	34.1	609	11	375	454	109	214	2390	68.3
	Opponents.....	35		7153		882	1983	.445	193	561	.344	429	656	.654	422	772	1194	34.1	727	21	421	431	132	228	2386	68.2

Score by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	OT3	Total
Texas Southern	1120	1219	35	5	11	2390
Opponents	1092	1255	24	5	10	2386