



Watsco Center  
December 6 • 7 p.m.

LIU  
**SHARKS**  
(1-6, 0-0 NEC)



## 2023-24 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT/TIME/TV
Nov. 6	NJIT	W, 101-60
Nov. 10	UCF	W, 88-72
Nov. 13	FIU	W, 86-80
Nov. 17	vs. Georgia+	W, 79-68
Nov. 19	vs. Kansas State+	W, 91-83
Nov. 28	at #12 Kentucky^	L, 95-73
Dec. 2	NOTRE DAME*	W, 62-49
Dec. 6	LIU	7 p.m. / ACCNX
Dec. 10	vs. Colorado&	2 p.m. / TBA
Dec. 16	LA SALLE	12 p.m. / CW
Dec. 21	STONEHILL	8 p.m. / ACCN
Dec. 29	NORTH FLORIDA	6 p.m. / ACCN
Jan. 3	CLEMSON*	8 p.m. / ESPN
Jan. 6	at Wake Forest*	2:15 p.m. / CW
Jan. 10	LOUISVILLE*	7 p.m. / ACCN
Jan. 13	at Virginia Tech*	7 p.m. / ACCN
Jan. 17	FLORIDA STATE*	7 p.m. / ACCN
Jan. 20	at Syracuse*	TBD / ESPN/2/U
Jan. 24	at Notre Dame*	7 p.m. / ESPN/2/U
Jan. 27	PITTSBURGH*	2:15 p.m. / CW
Jan. 30	at NC State*	9 p.m. / ESPN/2/U
Feb. 3	VIRGINIA TECH*	12 p.m. / ESPN/2
Feb. 5	at Virginia*	7 p.m. / ESPN
Feb. 10	NORTH CAROLINA*	4 p.m. / ESPN/2
Feb. 14	at Clemson*	7 p.m. / ESPN/2/U
Feb. 17	at Boston College*	4 p.m. / ACCN
Feb. 21	DUKE*	7 p.m. / ESPN/2/U
Feb. 24	GEORGIA TECH*	4 p.m. / ACCN
Feb. 26	at North Carolina*	7 p.m. / ESPN
March 6	BOSTON COLLEGE*	7 p.m. / ESPNU
March 9	at Florida State*	4 p.m. / ESPNU

**BOLD CAPS** = Home game

\* ACC game

+ Baha Mar Bahamas Hoops Championship (Nassau, Bahamas)

^ ACC/SEC Challenge (Lexington, Ky.)

& NABC Brooklyn Showcase (Brooklyn, N.Y.)

## MIAMI

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	YR.	CL.	HOMETOWN / LAST SCHOOL
0	Matthew Cleveland	G	6-7	208	3Yr.	Jr.	Atlanta, Ga. / Florida State / Pace Academy
1	Michael Nwoko	C	6-10	245	1Yr.	Fr.	Toronto, Ontario / Prolific Prep (Calif.)
2	Carson Mastin	G	6-3	190	1Yr.	Fr.	Austin, Texas / George School (Pa.)
3	Christian Watson	G	6-7	211	2Yr.	So.	Lanham, Md. / St. John's College HS (D.C.)
4	Bensley Joseph	G	6-2	196	3Yr.	Jr.	Arlington, Mass. / Putnam Science Academy (Conn.)
5	Wooga Poplar	G	6-5	197	3Yr.	Jr.	Philadelphia, Pa. / Math, Civics and Sciences Charter School
7	Kyshawn George	G	6-8	205	1Yr.	Fr.	Monthey, Switzerland / Lycée Emiland Gauthey (France)
10	Paul Djobet	G	6-7	195	1Yr.	Fr.	Lille, France / West Oaks Academy (Fla.)
11	Nick Cassano	F	6-7	228	1Yr.	Fr.	Naples, Fla. / Seacrest Country Day School
13	Jakai Robinson	G	6-5	208	3Yr.	R-So.	Ossining, N.Y. / Rock Creek Christian Academy (Md.)
15	Norchad Omier	F	6-7	240	4Yr.	Jr.	Bluefields, Nicaragua / Arkansas State / Miami Prep (Fla.)
23	AJ Casey	F	6-9	221	2Yr.	So.	Chicago, Ill. / Whitney Young
24	Nijel Pack	G	6-0	185	4Yr.	Jr.	Indianapolis, Ind. / Kansas State / Lawrence Central

**Head Coach:** Jim Larrañaga (Providence '71, 13th season)

**Associate Head Coach:** Bill Courtney (Bucknell '92, fifth season)

**Assistant Coach:** DJ Irving (Boston University '14, third season)

**Assistant Coach:** Kotie Kimble (Coastal Carolina '07, second season)

## LIU

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN / HIGH SCHOOL / LAST SCHOOL
2	Eric Acker	G	6-2	160	Fr.	East New York, N.Y. / Eagle Academy for Young Men II
3	Greg Kenney	F	6-6	176	Fr.	Williston Park, N.Y. / The Frederick Gunn School
4	Tre'shawn Sheppard	G/F	6-6	230	Fr.	Brooklyn, N.Y. / Eagle Academy for Young Men II
5	Andre Washington	G	5-11	178	Jr.	Staten Island, N.Y. / Williston North Hampton
6	Tana Kopa	G/F	6-6	178	Jr.	Perth, Western Australia / Grace Baptist Academy / Spring Hall
8	Jason Steele	F	6-6	190	Fr.	Flushing, N.Y. / Our Savior Lutheran
10	RJ Greene	G	6-5	210	So.	The Bronx, N.Y. / Iona Prep
11	Terell Strickland	G	6-0	175	R-Jr.	Tampa, Fla. / St. Petersburg / James Madison
13	Tai Strickland	G	6-2	185	Gr.	Tampa, Fla. / St. Petersburg / Georgia Southern
15	C.J. Delancy	C	6-8	210	So.	Jonesboro, Ark. / Valley View
21	Ahmed Essahaty	G	6-3	201	So.	Wellington, New Zealand / Onslow College
23	Nikola Djapa	F	7-0	230	Fr.	Belgrade, Serbia / Hoosac School
43	Gezim Bajrami	C	6-9	264	Fr.	Tampere, Finland / Omnia

**Head Coach:** Rod Strickland (DePaul '88, second season)

**Assistant Coach:** Chris Thomas (Dayton, second season)

**Assistant Coach:** Maurice Hicks (Loyola, second season)

**Assistant Coach:** Charles Jones (LIU, second season)

## 2023-24 MIAMI HURRICANES



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**MATTHEW CLEVELAND**

Jr. | G | 6-7  
ATLANTA, GA.  
(Florida State/Pace Academy)



#1

**MICHAEL NWOKO**

Fr. | G | 6-10  
TORONTO, ONTARIO  
(Prolific Prep (Calif.))



#2

**CARSON MASTIN**

Fr. | G | 6-3  
AUSTIN, TEXAS  
(George School (Pa.))



#3

**CHRISTIAN WATSON**

So. | G | 6-7  
LANHAM, MD.  
(St. John's College HS (D.C.))



#4

**BENSLEY JOSEPH  
Jr.**

| G | 6-2  
ARLINGTON, MASS.  
(Putnam Science Academy (Conn.))



#5

**WOOGA POPLAR**

Jr. | G | 6-5  
PHILADELPHIA, PA.  
(Math, Civics and Sciences Charter)



#7

**KYSHAWN GEORGE**

Fr. | G | 6-8  
MONTHEY, SWITZERLAND  
(Lycée Emiliand Gauthey (France))



#10

**PAUL DJOBET**

Fr. | G | 6-7  
LILLE, FRANCE  
(West Oaks Academy (Fla.))



#11

**NICK CASSANO**

Fr. | F | 6-7  
NAPLES, FLA.  
(Seacrest Country Day School)



#13

**JAKAI ROBINSON**

RSo. | G | 6-5  
OSSINING, N.Y.  
(Rock Creek Christian Academy (Md.))



#15

**NORCHAD OMIER**

4th-Yr. Jr. | F | 6-7  
BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA  
(Arkansas State/Miami Prep (Fla.))



#23

**AJ CASEY**

So. | F | 6-9  
CHICAGO, ILL.  
(Whitney Young)



#24

**NIJEL PACK**

4th-Yr. Jr. | G | 6-0  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.  
(Kansas State/Lawrence Central)

## 2023-24 COACHING STAFF



HC

**JIM LARRAÑAGA**

HEAD COACH  
13TH SEASON



AHC

**BILL COURTNEY**

ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH  
FIFTH SEASON



AC

**DJ IRVING**

ASSISTANT COACH  
THIRD SEASON



AC

**KOTIE KIMBLE**

ASSISTANT COACH  
SECOND SEASON

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

NAME	FIRST	LAST	NAME	FIRST	LAST
Jim Larrañaga		Lare-Uh-NAY-Guh	Norchad Omier		Or-MEER
Nick Cassano		Cuh-SAH-No	Nijel Pack		NYE-Juhl (like "Nigel")
Paul Djobet		Joe-BAY	Wooga Poplar		WUH-Guh
Kyshawn George	KEY-Shawn		Jakai Robinson		Juh-KYE
Michael Nwoko		Nuh-WOE-Koe			