

Locker Room

The LSU soccer program boasts a modern and spacious locker room that includes locker rooms for the Tigers, as well as facilities for opponents and game officials. The complex also provides an on-site training room, a meeting room and lounge for the team and offices for the coaching staff.



Renovations

The locker room facility at the LSU Soccer Complex is scheduled for extensive renovations in 2006-07 and will include the addition of a brand new visitor's locker room on the south end of the facility. The current visitor's locker room will expand to 2,000 square feet and be transformed into a state-of-the-art squad room and lounge for the Tigers to enjoy.



LSU Indoor Facility

When the weather prevents the soccer team from practicing at the LSU Soccer Complex, the squad moves inside to the climate-controlled indoor football practice facility. The indoor facility was built as part of a \$15 million upgrade in the early 1990s and houses a 100-yard football field that was renovated with brand new Momentum Field Turf in the spring of 2006.


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LSU Soccer Complex Highlights

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First Game

The LSU Soccer Complex was christened on September 13, 1996, when the Tigers played host to SEC Eastern Division rival Tennessee before a raucous crowd of 911 fans – the second largest crowd in the facility's 10-year history.



MLS Comes To Baton Rouge

U.S. National Team member DaMarcus Beasley and the Chicago Fire squared off against the Colorado Rapids in a Major League Soccer exhibition game at the LSU Soccer Complex in 2003.



Brown Sets Career Scoring Record

Forward Artie Brown set the school's all-time goals and points record in a 3-0 shutout of Arkansas on Oct. 29, 2004. Brown finished her career with 40 goals and 90 points, surpassing the old mark of 36 goals and 82 points set by Jackie Cooper from 1995-96.



Cram The Complex

A record crowd of 1,689 fans crammed the LSU Soccer Complex on Sept. 30, 2005, to witness the Tigers play host to SEC Western Division rival Ole Miss. This shattered the previous high of 911 fans that saw the Tigers play their first game at the facility in 1996.





Tiger Stadium

Football
Built - 1924 • Capacity - 92,400
Largest Crowd - 92,664 vs. Auburn on October 22, 2005



Pete Maravich Assembly Center

Men's and Women's Basketball, Volleyball and Gymnastics
Built - 1971 • Capacity - 13,472
Largest Crowd - 15,694 (MBKB vs. Ole Miss on Feb. 25, 1981)



Alex Box Stadium

Baseball
Built - 1938 • Capacity - 7,760
Largest Crowd - 8,683 vs. Houston on March 6, 2004



Bernie Moore Track Stadium

Men's and Women's Outdoor Track & Field
Built - 1969 • Capacity - 5,680
Largest Crowd - 3,947 on June 1, 2001 (NCAA Championships)



Tiger Park

Softball
Built - 1996 • Capacity - 1,000
Largest Crowd - 1,506 vs. Southern Miss on May 22, 1999 (NCAA Regional)



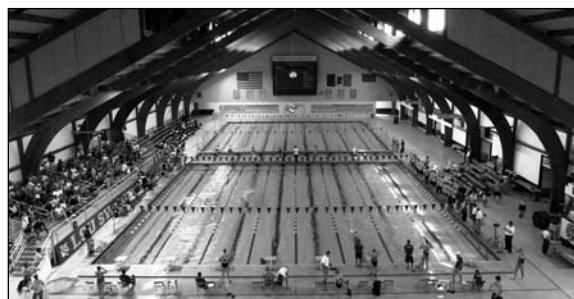
Soccer Complex

Women's Soccer
Built - 1996 • Capacity - 1,500
Largest Crowd - 1,689 vs. Ole Miss on Sept. 30, 2005



W.T. "Dub" Robinson Stadium

Men's and Women's Tennis
Built - 1970 • Capacity - 550



Natatorium

Men's and Women's Swimming & Diving
Built - 1985 • Capacity - 2,200

Dr. Martin J. Broussard Center for Athletic Training

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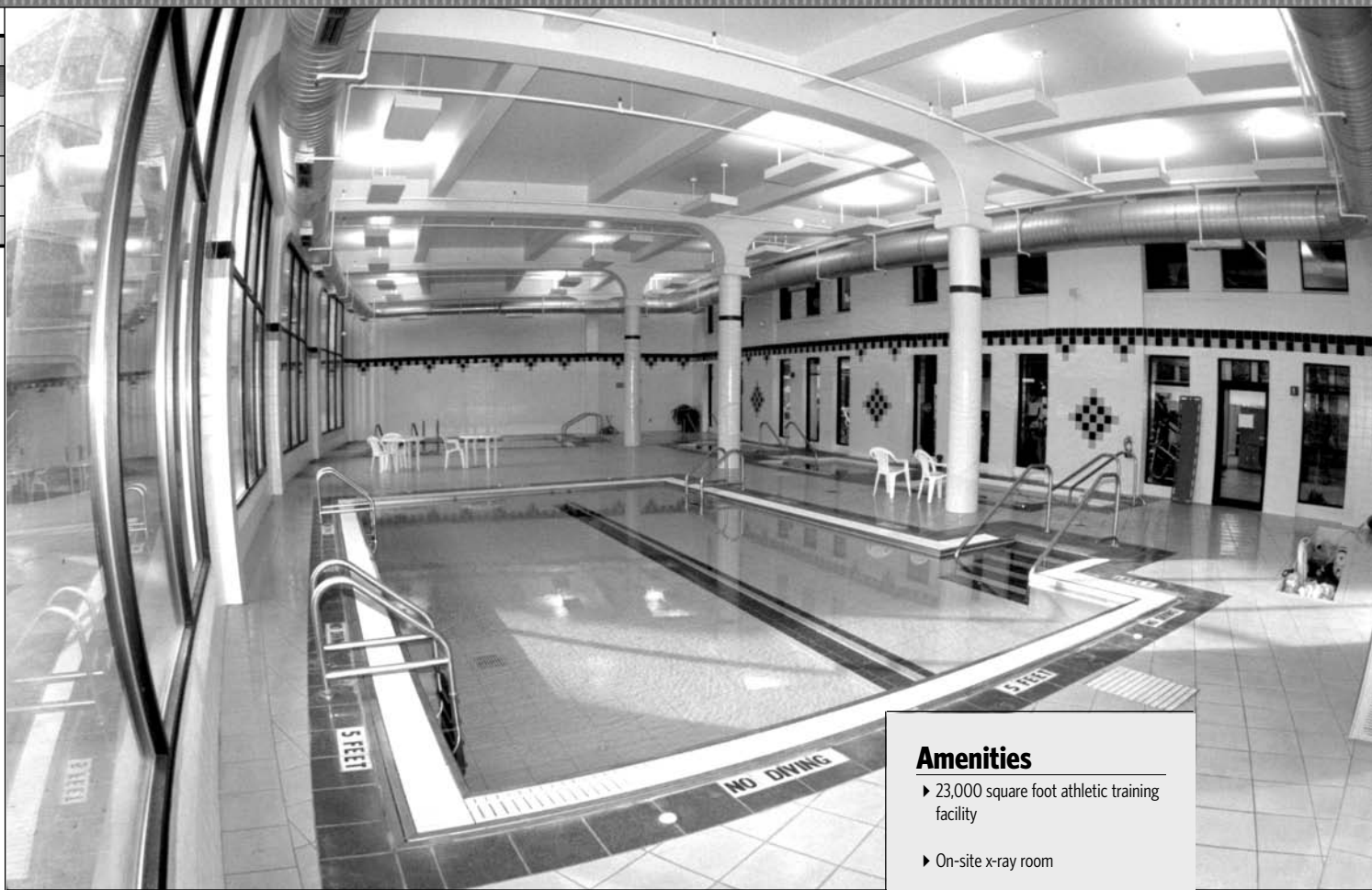
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Amenities

- ▶ 23,000 square foot athletic training facility
- ▶ On-site x-ray room
- ▶ In-house full-service pharmacy
- ▶ In-house dental and vision centers
- ▶ A Hydrotherapy pool

LSU BOASTS THE LARGEST AND MOST COMPLETE ATHLETIC TRAINING FACILITY IN ALL OF COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS.

Focused on aggressive rehabilitation, the Broussard Center for Athletic Training is furnished with the latest in technology and equipment. Some of the features of the 23,000-square foot facility include an on-site x-ray room, an in-house pharmacy, as well as state of the art hydrotherapy pools. The Broussard Center for Athletic Training is equipped with the largest hydrotherapy pools in both collegiate and professional sports and is one of the few collegiate training centers with a full-service pharmacy, as well as on-site x-ray room. LSU is also the only school in college athletics with a training room equipped with a full-service vision center. The facility is named in honor of legendary trainer Dr. Martin J. Broussard, who served as LSU's athletic trainer for several decades.



FACILITY BUILT BY THE TIGER ATHLETIC FOUNDATION



Dr. Martin J. Broussard Center for Athletic Training

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Dental Center

A fully functional dental center, staffed by Dr. Walter Atkinson, is located inside the Broussard Center for Athletic Training.



Rehabilitation

LSU's Broussard Center for Athletic Training boasts some of the most technologically advanced equipment to aid the recuperation and rehabilitation of LSU's student-athletes.



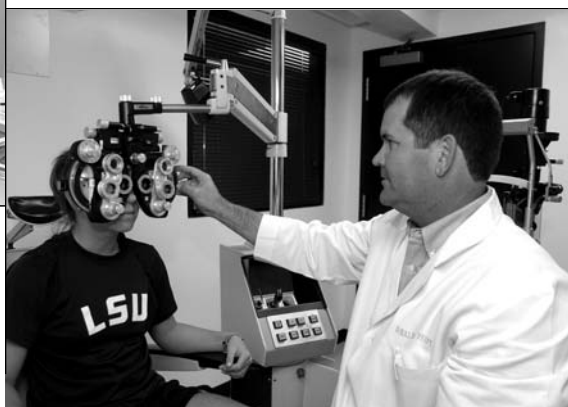
Pharmacy

The LSU Athletic Training Pharmacy is the only one of its kind in college athletics. Staffed by pharmacist David Chavin, the LSU Athletic Training Pharmacy provides the Tigers with first-class service in a convenient location.



Vision Center

Dr. Don Peavy conducts eye exams for LSU's student-athletes in a convenient location in the Broussard Center for Athletic Training.



Dr. Martin J. Broussard with running back Billy Cannon in 1959.

LSU's multi-million dollar athletic training facility is named in honor of Dr. Martin J. Broussard, the legendary trainer whose career spanned over 40 years at LSU, having been appointed to the position of head athletic trainer in 1948. Following his semi-retirement from the day-to-day work as trainer in 1993, he continued to serve LSU as an Assistant to the Athletic Director through 2001, giving him well over 50 years of service to the Athletic Department.

Among his many accomplishments was the formulation of "Quick Kick", an isotonic drink used to replace liquids, vitamins and the electrolytes lost through sweating. He was a trainer for the Pan American Games in 1955 and the U.S. Olympic team in 1960. In 1963, the Rockne Foundation named him Trainer of the Year. In 1978, Broussard was named to the NATA Hall of Fame followed by the Louisiana Athletic Trainer's Hall of Fame in 1982.

Strength and Conditioning

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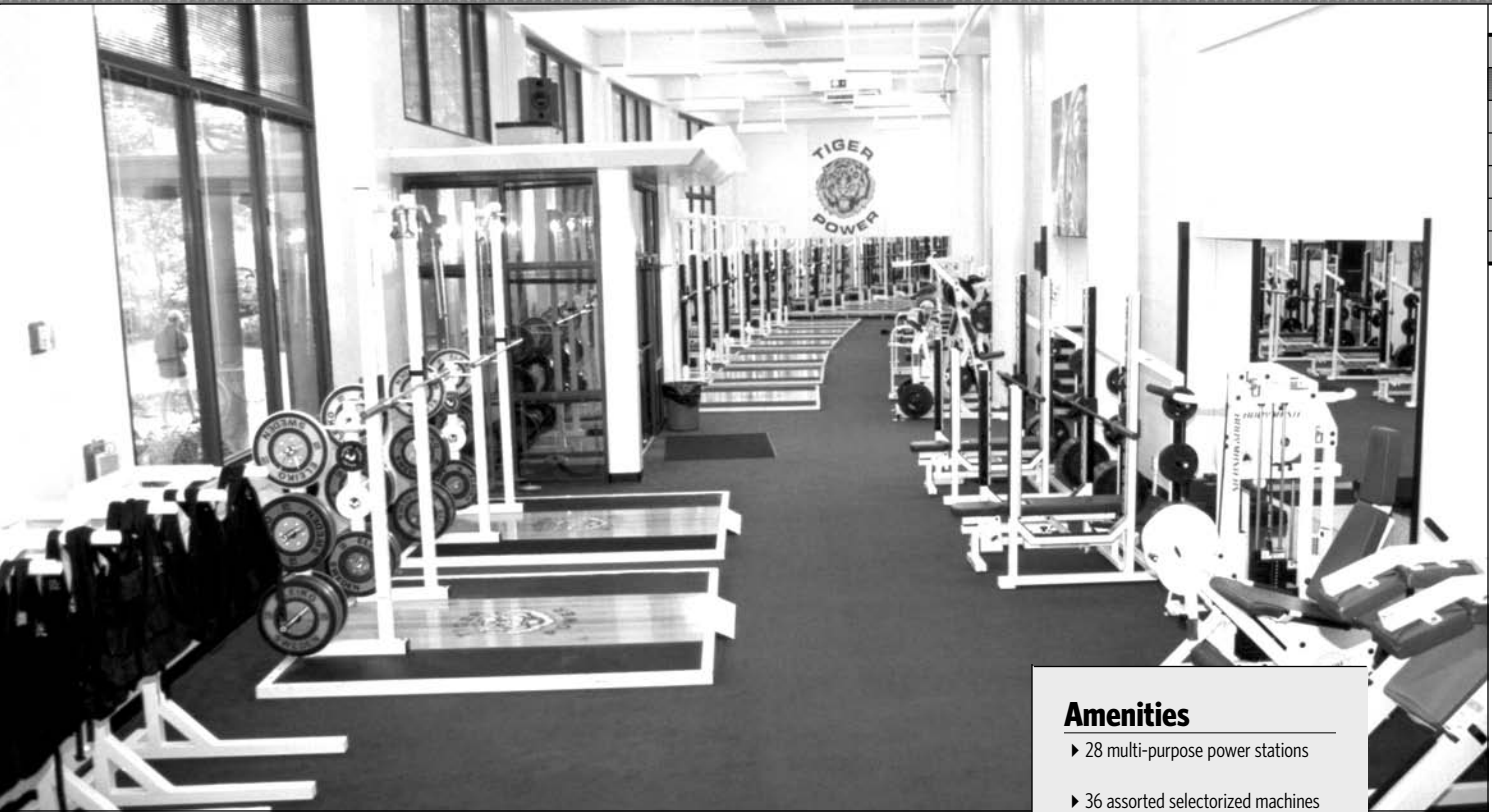
OPERATIONS CENTER **WEIGHT ROOM**

16
Multi-purpose platform, bench, incline, squat and Olympic lifting stations.

12
Dumbbell bench stations

Custom Weights
Custom iron-grip dumbbells, weights and equipment made by Body Masters and Eleiko. Watch and listen to state-of-the-art video and sound system.





TIGER STADIUM WEIGHT ROOM

Amenities

- ▶ 28 multi-purpose power stations
- ▶ 36 assorted selectorized machines
- ▶ 10 dumbbell stations with 2 sets of 5-180 pound free weights
- ▶ Custom made equipment by Body Masters and Eleiko



THE LSU STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING FACILITY, located in Tiger Stadium, was built in 1997 and features the latest in both strength training and cardiovascular training equipment. Measuring 10,000-square feet, LSU has one of the finest strength and conditioning facilities in the nation.

LSU strength and conditioning team took a new direction in 2000 under strength coach Tommy Moffitt, who was named the 1999 Collegiate Football Strength and Conditioning Coach of the Year by the Professional Football Strength and Conditioning Coaches Society.

Strength and conditioning can be the heart and soul of an athletic program's success, and LSU has taken great strides to improve its strength program and facilities.

FACILITY BUILT BY THE TIGER ATHLETIC FOUNDATION



A Champions



The 2005-06 athletics year was another wonderful one for LSU. The Tigers and Lady Tigers enjoyed success from the fields and courts to the classroom. All in all, it was an exciting year for LSU's student-athletes, coaches and fans.

Postseason Presence

Of LSU's 20 sports, 12 teams advanced to postseason play. Among the highlights: Both of LSU's basketball teams advanced to the NCAA Final Four, the football team defeated Miami in the Chick-Fil-A Peach Bowl, the men's track and field team finished second at both the indoor and outdoor NCAA Championship meets, while the women placed seventh at both meets. The gymnastics team finished the season ranked eighth in the nation and softball was 15th.



In the Classroom

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Nine of LSU's sports posted a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better during 2005-06.

50%

50 percent of student-athletes (207 of 314) recorded a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. 79 of those student-athletes recorded at least a 3.5 GPA and 28 finished with a perfect 4.0 GPA.

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One Tiger - Rudy Niswanger in football - was named the SEC Scholar-Athlete of the Year. Niswanger also earned the 2005-06 H. Boyd McWhorter SEC Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year honor.

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LSU had a total of 141 student-athletes named to the SEC Academic Honor Roll in 2005-06. To receive the recognition, each student-athlete must maintain a 3.0 grade point average for the previous year.



XAVIER CARTER

X Factor

Track sprinter Xavier Carter sprinted his way into the record books in 2006. Carter won six NCAA titles and became the first athlete in NCAA history to ever win both the 100 and 400 meters at the championship meet and was the first male to win four titles in one meet since Jesse Owens in 1936. Carter was named the NCAA Indoor and Outdoor Track Athlete of the Year.

Augustus Again

Seimone Augustus earned women's basketball's National Player of the Year honors for the second straight season. She received the Wade, the Naismith and the John R. Wooden Awards and was named the Associated Press' Player of the Year. Augustus, a Kodak All-American, also led the nation in scoring averaging 22.7 points per game.



APRIL BURKHOLDER

National Champions

Gymnast April Burkholder earned the individual NCAA title on the balance beam. Track star Xavier Carter was a six-time NCAA champion in 2006, winning the 100m and 400m races at the NCAA Outdoor Championships and the 400m race at the NCAA Indoor Championships. He also led the 4x100m relay to an outdoor title and both the indoor and outdoor 4x400m relays to titles. The LSU women's 4x400m relay also claimed both the NCAA indoor and Outdoor titles as well.

Ship Tradition



SEC MEN'S PLAYER OF THE YEAR, GLEN DAVIS



2005 PEACH BOWL CHAMPIONS, LSU FOOTBALL

WADE, NAISMITH AND WOODEN TROPHY
WINNER FOR NATIONAL PLAYER OF THE
YEAR - SEIMONE AUGUSTUS



Hoops Sweep

LSU's duo of Glen Davis and Seimone Augustus were named the Southeastern Conference Men's and Women's Players of the Year, respectively. Davis helped lead the men's program to its first SEC title since 2000, while Augustus guided the Lady Tigers to a second straight league title. Tyrus Thomas was crowned the SEC's Freshman of the Year as well.

Tops in the League

Xavier Carter and Seimone Augustus swept the SEC Male and Female Athlete of the Year honors. Carter, the NCAA Indoor and Outdoor Track Athlete of the Year, was a three-time individual NCAA champion, winning the outdoor 100 and 400 meter races and the 400m indoors. Augustus led the SEC in scoring and help guide the Lady Tigers to a second straight conference title.

Rare Feat

LSU joined North Carolina as the only schools in NCAA history to have its football team and men's and women's basketball teams finish their seasons ranked in the top 5 in the nation during the same athletic year. LSU's football team finished fifth in the nation after a solid victory over Miami in the Peach Bowl. The men's basketball team finished third in the polls after advancing to the NCAA Final Four, while the women's basketball team competed the season ranked fourth after a third straight trip to the NCAA Final Four.

National Team Championships (43)

Men's Basketball (1)	1935
Boxing (1)	1949
Football (2)	1958, 2003
Men's Golf (4)	1940, 1942, 1947, 1955
Men's Indoor Track (2)	2001, 2004
Women's Indoor Track (11)	1987, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 2002, 2003, 2004
Men's Outdoor Track (4)	1933, 1989, 1990, 2002
Women's Outdoor Track (13)	1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 2000, 2003
Baseball (5)	1991, 1993, 1996, 1997, 2000

SEC Team Championships (108)

Baseball (13)	1939, 1943, 1946, 1961, 1975, 1986, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997, 2003
Men's Basketball (9)	1935, 1953, 1954, 1979, 1981, 1985, 1991, 2000, 2006
Women's Basketball (2)	2005, 2006
Football (9)	1935, 1936, 1958, 1961, 1970, 1986, 1988, 2001, 2003
Men's Golf (15)	1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1942, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1953, 1954, 1960, 1966, 1967, 1986, 1987
Women's Golf (1)	1992
Gymnastics (1)	1981
Men's Swimming (1)	1988
Men's Tennis (4)	1976, 1985, 1998, 1999
Men's Indoor Track (4)	1957, 1963, 1989, 1990
Women's Indoor Track (10)	1985, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999
Men's Outdoor Track (22)	1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1951, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1963, 1988, 1989, 1990
Women's Outdoor Track (8)	1985, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1993, 1996
Softball (5)	1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2004
Volleyball (4)	1986, 1989, 1990, 1991

OVERALL NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. UCLA	99
2. Stanford	92
3. USC	84
4. Abilene Christian	50
4. Kenyon	50
6. Oklahoma State	48
7. LSU	43
7. Arkansas	43
9. Texas	39
10. College of New Jersey	37

OVERALL WOMEN'S NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Stanford	35
2. College of New Jersey	31
3. UCLA	29
4. LSU	24
5. Kenyon	23

THE FIVE INDIVIDUALS ON THIS PAGE ARE THE ONLY MEN TO HAVE THEIR JERSEYS RETIRED BY LSU.

Basketball has retired the No. 23 for Pete Maravich, No. 50 for Bob Pettit, Jr., and No. 33 for Shaquille O'Neal. Football's only retired jersey is the No. 20 worn by Billy Cannon, while baseball retired the No. 15 in honor of longtime coach and current athletics director Skip Bertman.



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Bob Pettit

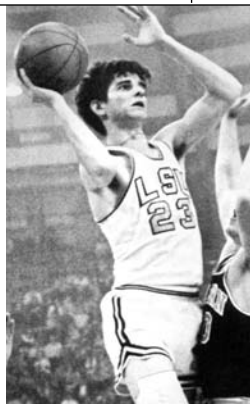
Led LSU to its first NCAA Final Four in 1953 and he later became the first player in NBA history to exceed the 20,000-plus point barrier. Pettit is a member of the NBA Hall of Fame and in 1997 he was named as one of the top 50 players in NBA history.



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Billy Cannon

One of the true legends of college football in the South, Cannon was the 1959 Heisman Trophy winner and helped the Tigers to the 1958 national title. Cannon's most memorable performance came in 1959 against Ole Miss when No. 1 LSU trailed No. 3 Ole Miss 3-0 in the fourth quarter. He fielded a punt, broke seven tackles and returned it 89 yards for the 7-3 victory. He went on to a successful 11-year professional career.



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Pete Maravich

"Pistol Pete," Maravich still holds the NCAA record for career points with 3,667 and for career scoring average with 44.2 points a game. He was selected the National Player of the Year in 1970 after leading the Tigers to the NIT Final Four. He scored 50+ points an amazing 28 times. He went on to a 10-year professional career and was selected as one of the NBA's 50 greatest players in 1997.



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Shaquille O'Neal

Was the first pick in the 1992 NBA Draft. He was named MVP of the league in 2000 and was a three-time NBA Finals MVP after leading the Los Angeles Lakers to three World Championships. At LSU, O'Neal averaged 21.6 points and 13.6 rebounds for his career, and in 1991, he was named the World's Amateur Athlete of the Year as well as SEC Athlete of the Year and National Player of the Year. In 1997, he was named as one of the top 50 players in NBA history.



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Skip Bertman

A legend in the college baseball ranks, Bertman created a dynasty at LSU, guiding the Tigers to five national titles in a 10-year stretch from 1991-2000. He also skippered the United States to a bronze medal at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta and was an assistant on the gold medal-winning U.S. squad in Seoul, Korea in 1988. Bertman retired from coaching following the 2001 season and is currently the LSU athletic director. Bertman was inducted into the College Baseball Hall of Fame in 2006.

LSU's Success in each of its 20 sports is evident with this outstanding list of former Tigers.

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Seimone Augustus

Augustus was the two-time NCAA National Player of the Year, receiving the Wade Trophy, the Naismith and the Wooden Awards as a junior and a senior. Augustus helped lead the Lady Tigers to three straight Final Fours and was the NCAA Regional MOP three times. She was the No. 1 draft pick in the 2006 WNBA draft.



Temeka Johnson

The 2004-05 Lieberman Award winner as the nation's top point guard, Johnson led the Lady Tigers to back-to-back NCAA Final Fours, the 2004-05 SEC regular season title and the 2003 tournament title, and was the SEC's all-time assist leader, finishing her career fifth in NCAA history with 945.



Nicki Arnstad

The 2002 NCAA floor exercise co-champion, Arnstad became the first LSU gymnast to win a national title. She was a two-time All-American and won the NCAA Central Regional Floor and All-Around Championships.



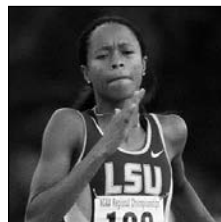
Esther Jones

A 21-time All-American while a LSU, Jones won a gold medal as a member of the United States' 4x100-meter relay team at the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona.



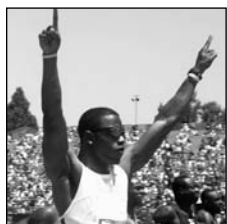
April Burkholder

The 2006 NCAA beam co-national champion. Finished her career with 14 All-America honors and four All-SEC selections. In addition, was named the NCAA Central Region Gymnast of the Year twice (2004, 2005), the SEC Gymnast of the Year on two occasions (2004 and 2005) and was also the conference's Freshman of the Year in 2003.



Muna Lee

The most decorated track and field athlete in school history, Lee won 20 All-America awards and a school record seven national titles while helping the Lady Tigers to five NCAA team championships during her time at LSU. A 2004 Olympian, she finished seventh in the 200 meters at the Summer Games in Athens, Greece.



Xavier Carter

Carter won a school record-tying seven NCAA titles on the track and earned a total of 10 All-America honors. He became just the second athlete to win four titles at one national meet, joining Jesse Owens. Holds four individual school records and anchored LSU's 4x400-meter relay teams to two school records.



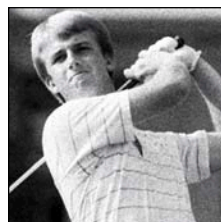
Ben McDonald

Named the Golden Spikes National Player of the Year in 1989 and he was later the first player chosen in the Major League Baseball Draft by the Baltimore Orioles.



Walter Davis

A two-time Olympian and World Champion, Davis helped LSU to national titles in 2001 and 2002. The SEC Male Athlete of the Year in 2002, he won six NCAA titles and earned a school-record nine All-America honors.



David Toms

The two-time SEC Player of the Year, Toms has gone on to a successful career on the PGA Tour. Among his PGA Tour victories was a thrilling win at the PGA Championship in August of 2001.



Meredith Duncan

The nation's top collegiate golfer in 2002, Duncan left LSU as the school's best female golfer. She earned first-team All-America honors as a senior in 2002 and won the United States Women's Amateur Championship in 2001.



Todd Walker

Capped his LSU career as the SEC's all-time leader in hits, runs, RBIs, and total bases. Walker, who is a member of the All-Time College World Series Team, led LSU to the national title in 1993.

Prominent Alumni

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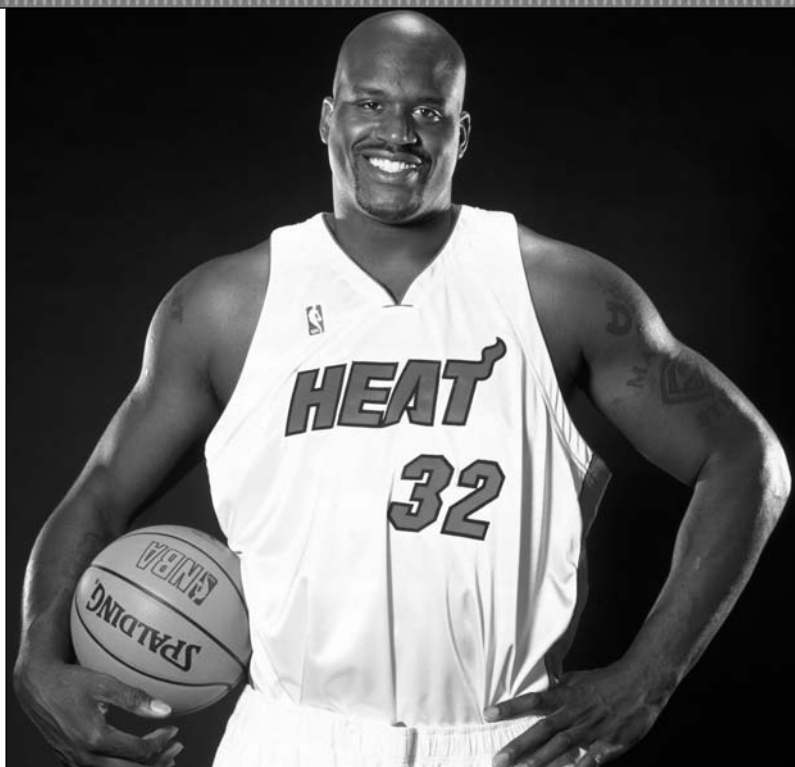
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Seimone Augustus

Received her degree in 2005 after just three years at LSU and while earning NCAA Women's Basketball National Player of the Year honors twice. Augustus was the first pick of the 2006 WNBA draft by the Minnesota Lynx.



Shaquille O'Neal

Four-time NBA champion, including the 2006 title with Miami, Shaquille O'Neal, the 2000 NBA MVP, joined the long list of prominent LSU alumni when he earned his degree in general studies in December 2000.

While LSU continues to make its mark on the playing field, winning

43 national titles, the state's flagship

University continues to be a breeding ground for some of the greatest minds in the world - past and present.



Eduardo Aguirre, Jr.

Named the first Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) for the Department of Homeland Security in 2003, Aguirre, Jr., was appointed the U.S. Ambassador to Spain in 2005.



Dr. James Andrews

A world-renowned orthopedic surgeon. Andrews is a 1963 graduate of LSU and a 1967 graduate of LSU Medical School. While at LSU, Andrews won the SEC indoor and outdoor titles in the pole vault.



Lod Cook

Graduated from LSU with a bachelor's degree in Mathematics in 1955 and then earned his Master's degree in Petro Engineering in 1955. Cook served as CEO of ARCO for nine years.



Kevin Faulk

Excelled in both the classroom and on the playing field as he graduated in just three years. Faulk is currently a member of the three-time Super Bowl Champion New England Patriots.



Carlos Roberto Flores

The president of Honduras from 1997-2001, Flores helped the nation recover after Hurricane Mitch devastated the country in 1998. Flores is married to the former Mary Carol Flake, also an alumnus of LSU.



Jim Flores

Graduated from LSU and currently is the Vice Chairman of Ocean Energy, the World's Leader in Oil Exploration, based in Houston, Texas.

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Dr. Larry O. Arthur - AIDS researcher.

John Ed Bradley - Sports Illustrated writer and novelist.

John Breaux - U.S. Senator (1987-2005) and U.S. Congressman (1972-86) from Louisiana.

Kenneth Brown - Host of Home and Garden Television (HGTV)'s "reDesign."

Wil Calhoun - Executive Producer of television sitcom "Friends."

"Lightning Joe" Lawton Collins - Chief of Staff for President Harry Truman.

Eric Arturo Delvalle - President of Panama (1985-1988).

A. Wright Elliott - Retired executive vice president, Chase Manhattan Bank.

Graves Erskine - U.S. Marine Corps General in WWII.

Maxime A. Faget - Designed Mercury and Gemini spacecrafts.

Mary Carol Flake Flores - Former first lady of Honduras.

Murphy "Mike" Foster, Jr. - Former governor of Louisiana (1996-2004).

Kevin Griffin - Lead singer of the platinum-selling rock band "Better than Ezra"

Paul Groves - Award-winning tenor with the Metropolitan Opera

Rufus William (Bill) Harp - Television set decorator for series including "L.A. Law" and "Moonlighting"

Walter Hitesman - Former president, Reader's Digest.

Hubert Humphrey - U.S. vice president (1965-69).

W. Vernon Jones - Senior Scientist for Suborbital Research, NASA headquarters

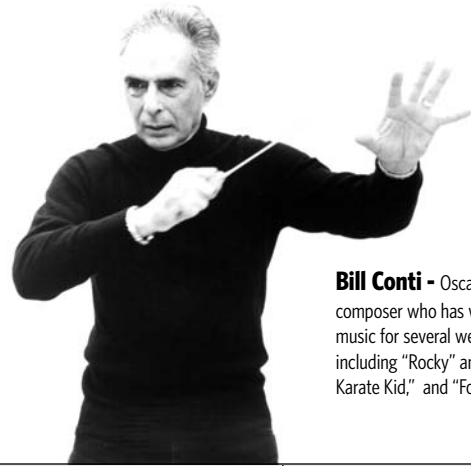
Russell Long - U.S. Senator from Louisiana (1948-87).

Ray Marshall - Secretary of Labor under President Jimmy Carter.

James E. Maurin - Founding partner and CEO of Stirling Properties, a national real estate services firm.

Grover Murray - Former president of Texas Tech University.

Jake Lee Netterville - Chairman of the board of Postlethwaite and Netterville, the largest Louisiana-based public accounting firm.



Bill Conti - Oscar-winning composer who has written theme music for several well-known movies, including "Rocky" and its sequels, "The Karate Kid," and "For Your Eyes Only."

Edwin Newman - Longtime NBC News journalist and author.

Carolyn Bennett Patterson - Former senior editor, National Geographic.

J. Howard Ramin - Former CEO and Chairman of the Board, Texaco.

Rex Reed - Drama critic, syndicated columnist.

Maj. Gen. Thomas Rhame - Led 1st Infantry Division against Iraq during Persian Gulf War.

Thomas O. Ryder - Chairman of the Board, The Reader's Digest Association.

Dolores Spikes - Former President of the Southern University System and the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore.

Ray Strother - Author, political consultant.

David Suarez - Co-owner of Atlantic Company of America, Inc., which performed the historic restoration of the Washington Monument, the Smithsonian's Air and Space Museum and the main U.S. Treasury Building.

Joanne Woodward - Academy Award-winning actress and wife of Paul Newman.



Reinosuke Hara

Researched at LSU in the 1950s and then later received an honorary Doctorate of Science degree from LSU in 1992. Former President and CEO of Seiko Instruments.



Eddie J. Jones

Former President of the NFL's Miami Dolphins franchise, the 37-year veteran of the NFL is currently a Trustee of the Bert Bell/Pete Rozelle Retirement and Disability Plan.



Mary L. Landrieu

Became the first woman from Louisiana elected to a full term in the United States Senate in 1997.



Marty Sixkiller

Senior Technical Director for PDI/DreamWorks' movies "Antz," "Shrek," "Shrek 2," "Madagascar" and "Over the Hedge".



Harry J. Longwell

Graduated from LSU in 1963 with a Bachelor's degree in petroleum engineering and retired in 2004 as the Executive Vice President and Director of ExxonMobil.

James Carville

Received both a Bachelor's degree and Law degree from LSU. Carville gained fame in the 1990s as the chief campaign strategist for Bill Clinton and Al Gore. Carville also penned a best-selling memoir titled All's Fair: Love, War and Running for President.



The City of Baton Rouge

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The state capitol building of Louisiana, located in Baton Rouge, is the tallest capitol building in the nation at 34 stories.

Hospitality and comfort are a Southern tradition practiced to perfection around Baton Rouge. Minutes from the city, ancient moss-draped oaks, fragrant honeysuckle, formal gardens and the finest examples of Southern architecture await. Combine this with the excitement of the mighty Mississippi River, Cajun music and a gourmet meal that is topped with freshly brewed cafe-au-lait at one of Baton Rouge's fine restaurants. Mix in an LSU athletic event, and Baton Rouge becomes one of the most attractive cities for living, entertainment and education in the South.



Baton Rouge Facts

POPULATION:
Greater Baton Rouge 750,000

AVERAGE TEMPERATURES:
High 81.3
Low 52.5
Average 67.5

The average annual temperature in Baton Rouge is 68 degrees and the city features a subtropical climate highlighted by mild winter months.



Proximity

Baton Rouge is just an hour away from the French Quarter in New Orleans and even closer to the million-acre Atchafalaya Swamp, which is called one of the biggest fishing ponds in the country.



Mississippi River

Baton Rouge, the capital city of Louisiana, sits on the banks of the Mississippi River.

Distance Chart from Baton Rouge (BASED ON 70 MPH SPEED):

Atlanta, Ga.7 hours	Jackson, Miss.2 ¹ / ₂ hours	New Orleans, La.1 hour
Biloxi, Miss.2 hours	Jacksonville, Fla.8 ¹ / ₂ hours	Orlando, Fla.10 hours
Birmingham, Ala.6 hours	Little Rock, Ark.5 hours	Pensacola, Fla.4 hours
Dallas, Texas6 ¹ / ₂ hours	Mobile, Ala.3 hours	Shreveport, La.4 hours
Houston, Texas4 hours	Monroe, La.2 ¹ / ₂ hours	

The St. Louis Cathedral in Jackson Square is located in the heart of the historic French Quarter area of New Orleans.



Unique Culture

Louisiana is home to Mardi Gras, a two-week party that includes more than 60 parades and millions of visitors from around the world. All year long New Orleans Jazz, Creole culture, stately riverboats and some of the finest cuisine in the world is mixed into the diverse and renowned culture of Louisiana.



Sportsman's Paradise

Louisiana offers some of the finest hunting, fishing and boating opportunities in the country.



Cuisine

Foods like boiled crawfish, jambalaya, shrimp etouffee, and gumbo make the cajun and creole cuisine of Louisiana the envy of the nation.



The Brown Pelican is Louisiana's State Bird.

Louisiana, one of America's most culturally and geographically diverse states, is located in the heart of the Deep South. Adjacent to the Gulf of Mexico and dotted with hundreds of lakes and bayous, Louisiana is home to all types of terrain from swamps and marshes to lush forests and gentle hills. The state is known for its charm and friendly people, and still maintains the stately antebellum plantations and majestic oaks of its early days. The atmosphere is elegant, yet relaxed and casual.

Louisiana Facts

Nickname:The Pelican State
Admitted to Union: April 30, 1812
State Colors:Gold, white and blue
State Bird:Brown Pelican

State Dog:Catahoula Leopard Dog
State Tree:Bald Cypress
State Flower:Magnolia
Climate:Subtropical



The **SKIP BERTMAN** Legacy

Bertman's unyielding desire to succeed drove him to the pinnacle of his profession, and his astute knowledge of the game -- obtained from over 40 years of coaching -- combined with his steadfast determination and irrepressible enthusiasm transformed LSU Baseball into the nation's premier program.

National Championships

2000, 1997, 1996, 1993, 1991

SEC Championships

1997, 1996, 1993, 1992, 1991, 1990, 1986

Career Record (1984-2001)

870-330-3 (.724)

NCAA Tournament Record

89-29 (.754), highest winning percentage in NCAA history

National Coach of the Year

2000, 1997, 1996, 1993, 1991, 1986

College World Series Appearances

2000, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1994, 1993, 1991, 1990, 1989, 1987, 1986

ALREADY A LOUISIANA LEGEND AND ONE OF THE GREATEST COLLEGE BASEBALL COACHES OF ALL TIME,

J. Stanley "Skip" Bertman has made the seamless transition into the athletics director's chair with the same enthusiasm, vision and demand for excellence that were trademarks of his stellar coaching career.

In just four years as LSU's director of athletics, Bertman has already added to his impressive list of on-the-field achievements. Under his direction, LSU enjoyed arguably the greatest athletics years in the history of the institution. In 2003-04 three teams won national championships, nine teams finished in the nation's top ten, and fourteen teams ranked in the top 25 and in 2004-05 14 teams advanced to the post-season. LSU teams also enjoyed improved grade point averages across the board, making the LSU student-athlete experience a success on and off the fields of competition.

While supervising the Tigers' progress on the playing fields, he has begun to implement measures necessary to realize his vision of building the LSU athletics department into the best in the country. Bertman's bold and innovative plans promise to keep the Tigers among the nation's elite in all phases of collegiate athletics.

Bertman is now in the midst of upgrading LSU's athletics complex. Working hand in hand with the Tiger Athletic Foundation, Bertman has already overseen the completion of the Cox Communications Academic Center for Student-Athletes while renovating Tiger Stadium and the Pete Maravich Assembly Center, and constructing the Football Operations Center.

It was also Bertman who took the bold but essential move to implement a seat contribution program in Tiger Stadium to fund facility improvements and ensure the financial stability of the LSU Athletics Department for the next decade.

Bertman was named LSU's athletics director on January 19, 2001. With Bertman, LSU gained an athletics director who provides the leadership and experience necessary to manage the Tigers' \$52 million budget.

Bertman guided LSU to five NCAA baseball titles, and his teams drew huge crowds to venerable Alex Box Stadium, as the Tigers led the nation in attendance in each of his final six seasons (1996-2001).

He also served as head coach of the 1996 U.S. Olympic team which captured the bronze medal in Atlanta.

Bertman continues to be honored for his remarkable coaching tenure, as he was inducted in June, 2002, into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame. He was inducted into the American Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in January, 2003.

In a Baseball America poll published in 1999, Bertman was voted the second greatest college baseball coach of the 20th century, trailing only Rod Dedeaux of Southern California. Bertman and Dedeaux are the only coaches to win five CWS titles.

He had previously earned recognition as one of the nation's brightest assistant coaches while at the University of Miami (Fla.) for eight seasons (1976-83). Before working at Miami, Bertman was renowned for his coaching excellence. In 11 seasons at Miami Beach High School, he directed the Hi-Tides to a state championship and two runners-up finishes and he was named Florida's Coach of the Year on three occasions.

In 1975, Bertman coached at Miami-Dade Downtown, leaving after one season to join legendary head coach Ron Fraser at Miami. The move was a homecoming of sorts, as Bertman spent his collegiate playing days with the Hurricanes as an outfielder and catcher from 1958-60. He earned his B.A. in health and physical education from Miami in 1961 and received his master's degree from UM in 1964.

Bertman and his wife Sandy are the parents of four daughters - Jan, Jodi, Lisa and Lori. The Bertman's have three grandchildren - Sophie Faith and Isaac Stanley, the children of Emile and Lori Bertman Guirard, and Samuel Aaron, the son of Drew and Lisa Pate.