



**PREVIEW**

# 2002 Outlook



Brad David

The LSU Fighting Tigers embark upon the 2002 season under first-year head coach **Raymond "Smoke" Laval**, a former LSU assistant coach and the head coach at Louisiana-Monroe from 1994-2000. Laval replaces Skip Bertman, who in 18 seasons guided the Tigers to five NCAA titles and 11 appearances in the College World Series in Omaha, Neb. While working with Bertman for 10 seasons as an assistant coach (1984-93), Laval helped lead LSU to two national championships (1991, 1993), six College World Series appearances and five Southeastern Conference titles.

Laval left LSU after the '93 national championship to take on his first head coaching assignment -- reviving a struggling UL-Monroe program. In seven seasons, Laval compiled a 241-159 mark at ULM, guiding the Indians to NCAA Regional appearances in 1995, 1999 and 2000. The 2000 club posted a 41-22 mark en route to the Southland Conference title, tying the school record for wins. Laval, the 1999 SLC Coach of the Year, also led the Indians to the 1999 regular-sea-

son league title and to the 1995 conference tournament crown.

Now, Laval returns to LSU to perpetuate the college baseball dynasty he helped to create.

The 2002 Tigers face a demanding challenge -- adjusting to a new head coach while attempting to enhance LSU's phenomenal legacy.

"I think this club is trying to come up with its own new identity, which is very difficult when you've had 11 trips to Omaha and five national championships," Laval explained. "This team wants to do what the past teams did, but not in the same way. They've got to get their own identity and go from there."

Laval said his squad, which includes 15 returning lettermen and 17 incoming freshmen and transfers, has enjoyed an outstanding off-season conditioning period.

"What I like about this club is the players seem to have a great work ethic," Laval said. "We get them up early to lift weights and run, and their will to get better appears to be

there. They came back to school in great shape. Mentally and physically, we're actually further along than I thought we'd be.

"As coaches, we need to determine what kind of club we're going to have," Laval continued. "Are we going to be a physical team that hits the long ball, or do we need to pitch better and play better defense to help us combat not hitting 120 homers? Based on the guys who are back from last year and the new players coming in, our chances are good to be another physical club, but we don't know for sure."

## POSITION PLAYERS

The 2002 Tigers will feature five starting position players and seven pitchers from last year's team, which captured the SEC Western Division title and advanced to NCAA Super Regional play. LSU will have to compensate for the loss of four 2001 all-SEC players -- second baseman Mike Fontenot, shortstop Ryan Theriot, first baseman Bryan Moore and outfielder Todd Linden, all of whom signed professional contracts.

Returning position players who started at least 20 of LSU's games last season include junior third baseman **Wally Pontiff** (.347, 7 HR, 58 RBI in 2001), senior outfielder **Matt Heath** (.293, 10 HR, 47 RBI), senior outfielder **David Raymer** (.324, 4 HR, 30 RBI), sophomore infielder **Aaron Hill** (.299, 5 HR, 36 RBI) and senior outfielder **Sean Barker** (.338, 3 HR, 16 RBI).

Pontiff, the starting DH on LSU's 2000 national championship club, was a 2001 first-team all-SEC selection at third base, and he was named to the NCAA Baton Rouge Regional all-tournament team. He was LSU's leading hitter last year in post-season games, batting .362 (17-for-47) with two doubles and 10 RBI.

Heath, LSU's starting catcher last season, moves to left field in 2002, and he should also see action at designated hitter. A member of the 2001 SEC all-tournament team, the switch-hitting Heath is a versatile performer who features both power and speed (12 stolen bases in 2001).

Raymer, an emotional player who provides veteran leadership, emerged as the Tigers' starting center fielder near the end of last season. He hit .345 (30-for-97) over the second half of the year (33 games) with eight doubles, one triple, three homers, 23 RBI, 27 runs and nine steals.

Hill, a former seventh-round draft pick of the Anaheim Angels, returns to his natural shortstop position in 2002 after starting 34 games last season, primarily in left field. A 2001 Freshman all-American, Hill was one of LSU's best clutch hitters, batting .348 with runners in scoring

## 2002 Pre-Season Polls

### COLLEGIATE BASEBALL

1. Stanford (51-17)
2. Florida State (47-19)
3. Tulane (56-13) \*
4. Southern California (45-19)
5. **LSU (44-22-1)**
6. Clemson (41-22)
7. Miami, Fla. (53-12)
8. South Carolina (49-20) \*
9. Wichita State (42-24)
10. Oklahoma State (42-22)
11. Fresno State (41-25)
12. Rice (47-20)
13. Nebraska (50-16)
14. Mississippi (39-23-1) \*
15. Texas (36-26)
16. Wake Forest (44-18)
17. Cal State Fullerton (48-18)
18. Baylor (37-24)
19. Notre Dame (49-13-1)
20. Arizona State (37-20-1)
21. Florida (35-27) \*
22. Georgia Tech (41-20)
23. Mississippi State (39-24) \*
24. Ohio State (43-18)
25. Rutgers (42-17)

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18. Arizona State (37-20)
19. North Carolina (31-26)
20. Mississippi (39-23) \*
21. Wake Forest (44-18)
22. Cal State Northridge (34-22)
23. Oklahoma State (42-22)
24. Washington (29-23)
25. Rutgers (42-17)

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(2001)

position.

Barker, selected in the 47th round by the Toronto Blue Jays last June, projects as LSU's starting right fielder. He was among LSU's leading hitters in SEC regular-season games, batting .367 (11-for-30) with four doubles, one homer and 10 RBI.

The returning starters are complimented by a talented collection of true/red-shirt freshmen and transfers who should make significant contributions.

True freshmen like infielder **J.C. Holt**, outfielders **Dustin Hahn** and **Jay Mattox**, and catcher **Jon Zeringue** should play prominent roles for the Tigers, as will red-shirt freshmen infielders **Blake Gill** and **Rocky Scelfo**.

First basemen **Jason Columbus** and **Jeff Lambert**, both JUCO transfers, will bolster LSU's offense, and NCAA Division I transfers **Darren Welch** (Southern Mississippi) and **Dustin Weaver** (Southeastern Louisiana) will provide an immediate impact at the catcher position.

### PITCHERS

The returning pitchers are led by sophomore left-hander **Lane Mestepey**, the 2001 National Co-Freshman of the Year. Mestepey posted an 11-3 mark last season with a 3.75 ERA and 79 strikeouts in 139.1 innings. Mestepey, a first-team all-SEC and third-team all-America selection, culminated his rookie campaign with a brilliant 10-inning outing versus Tulane in the NCAA Super Regional, limiting the Green Wave to three runs on 11 hits with one walk and six



Aaron Hill

## The 2002 Tigers

### BY CLASS

- Seniors: 10
- Juniors: 9
- Sophomores: 4
- Freshmen: 17

### BY STATE

- Louisiana: 24
- California: 6
- Florida: 2
- Texas: 2
- Arkansas: 1
- Mississippi: 1
- Nevada: 1
- New Hampshire: 1
- New Mexico: 1
- North Carolina: 1



strikeouts.

Junior right-hander **Bo Pettit** (4-0, 2.42 ERA in 2001), who has been plagued by a shoulder injury over the past two years, appears to be at full strength heading into the 2002 season. Pettit projects as a weekend starter for the Tigers, combining with Mestepey to form one of the best 1-2 pitching tandems in the SEC.

Right-hander **Jake Tompkins**, a JUCO transfer, is a strong contender for a berth in the weekend starting rotation.

The bullpen features several skilled hurlers, including senior right-hander **Weylin Guidry**, the Tigers' saves leader (seven) in 2000 who last season was 1-3 with a 5.65 ERA, two saves and 34 strikeouts in 28.2 innings. Other returning veterans include junior left-hander **Brad David** (2-1, 4.40 ERA), senior right-hander **Justin Hill** (1-1, 6.16 ERA) and senior right-hander **Billy Brian** (0-0, 9.00 ERA).

Sophomore right-hander **Brian Wilson** (3-2, 5.67 ERA), who was 1-0 with a 3.38 ERA and two saves in the 2001 post-season, will be the Tigers' closer.

Pitchers also vying for mound appearances include senior right-handers **David Miller** and **David Shank**, junior right-handers **Chad Vaught** and **Lukas Guidroz**, true freshman right-hander **Clay Harris** and true freshmen left-handers **Jason Determann** and **Jason Vargas**.

# 2002 Depth Chart

## SQUADBREAKDOWN

Position Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 7/4  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 15/15

(2001 )

### First Base

#### Projected Starter:

3 Blake Gill (5-11, 195, L-R, Fr. - red-shirt in 2001) or  
 47 Eric Wiethorn (6-2, 205, R-R, Jr. - .200, 0 HR, 1 RBI)

#### Reserve:

39 Jason Columbus (6-5, 235, R-R, Jr. - JC transfer)

#### Last Year's Starter:

Bryan Moore (.373, 7 HR, 50 RBI - signed with Cardinals)

### Second Base

#### Projected Starter:

4 Rocky Scelfo (6-2, 195, R-R, Fr. - red-shirt in 2001) or  
 1 J.C. Holt (5-8, 163, L-R, Fr. - HS signee)

#### Reserve:

Scelfo or Holt

#### Last Year's Starter:

Mike Fontenot (.339, 14 HR, 50 RBI - signed with Orioles)

### Shortstop

#### Projected Starter:

5 Aaron Hill (5-11, 196, R-R, So. - .299, 5 HR, 36 RBI)

#### Reserve:

4 Rocky Scelfo (6-2, 195, R-R, Fr. - red-shirt in 2001)

#### Last Year's Starter:

Ryan Theriot (.353, 1 HR, 48 RBI - signed with Cubs)

### Third Base

#### Projected Starter:

31 Wally Pontiff (6-0, 200, L-R, Jr. - .347, 7 HR, 58 RBI)

#### Reserve:

21 Clay Harris (6-4, 228, R-R, Fr. - HS signee)

#### Last Year's Starter:

31 Wally Pontiff (returns)

### Catcher

#### Projected Starter:

14 Darren Welch (6-1, 210, R-R, Sr. - Southern Miss transfer) or  
 9 Dustin Weaver (5-11, 180, R-R, So. - SE Louisiana Univ. transfer)

#### Reserves:

16 Jon Zeringue (6-1, 215, R-R, Fr. - HS signee)

8 Chris Phillips (6-0, 217, R-R, Sr. - .190, 0 HR, 4 RBI)

#### Last Year's Starter:

6 Matt Heath (.293, 10 HR, 47 RBI - moves to left field in 2002)

### Designated Hitter

#### Projected Starter:

24 Jeff Lambert (6-1, 225, R-R, Jr. - JC transfer) or  
 6 Matt Heath (6-0, 200, S-R, Sr. - .293, 10 HR, 47 RBI)

#### Reserve:

Lambert or Heath

#### Last Year's Starter:

Zeph Zinsman (.302, 16 HR, 45 RBI - transferred from LSU)

### Left Field

#### Projected Starter:

7 Dustin Hahn (6-0, 220, L-R, Fr. - HS signee) or  
 6 Matt Heath (6-0, 200, S-R, Sr. - .293, 10 HR, 47 RBI)

#### Reserve:

Hahn or Heath

#### Last Year's Starter:

Todd Linden (.312, 20 HR, 76 RBI - signed with Giants)

### Center Field

#### Projected Starter:

2 David Raymer (5-10, 190, L-R, Sr. - .324, 4 HR, 30 RBI)

#### Reserve:

13 Jay Mattox (6-3, 210, R-R, Fr. - HS signee)

#### Last Year's Starter:

2 David Raymer (returns)

### Right Field

#### Projected Starter:

36 Sean Barker (6-3, 225, R-R, Sr. - .338, 3 HR, 16 RBI)

#### Reserve:

13 Jay Mattox (6-3, 210, R-R, Fr. - HS signee)

#### Last Year's Starters:

Ray Wright (.260, 5 HR, 20 RBI - completed eligibility)

Johnnie Thibodeaux (.256, 5 HR, 21 RBI - completed eligibility)

36 Sean Barker (returns)

### Starting Pitchers

#### Projected Starting Pitchers:

34 Bo Pettit (RH, 6-0, 205, Jr. - 4-0, 2.42 ERA, 26 IP, 25 Ks)

46 Lane Mestepey (LH, 6-0, 187, So. - 11-3, 3.75 ERA, 139.1 IP, 79 Ks)

12 Jake Tompkins (RH, 5-11, 197, Jr. - JC transfer)

30 Brad David (LH, 6-0, 187, Jr. - 2-1, 4.40 ERA, 30.2 IP, 32 Ks, 3 SV)

23 Chad Vaught (RH, 6-4, 225, Jr. - 0-0, 0.00 ERA, 1 IP, 1 K)

#### Last Year's Starting Pitchers:

34 Bo Pettit (returns)

46 Lane Mestepey (returns)

Jason Scobie (RH, 4-3, 4.69 ERA, 96 IP, 59 Ks - signed with Mets)

Tim Nugent (LH, 7-3, 4.38 ERA, 76 IP, 55 Ks - completed eligibility)

### Relief Pitchers

#### Relievers:

44 Weylin Guidry (RH, 6-0, 205, Sr. - 1-3, 5.65 ERA, 28.2 IP, 34 Ks, 2 SV)

38 Brian Wilson (RH, 6-1, 205, So. - 3-2, 5.67 ERA, 39.2 IP, 22 Ks, 3 SV)

33 Jason Determann (LH, 5-10, 168, Fr. - HS signee)

25 Jason Vargas (LH, 5-11, 203, Fr. - HS signee)

43 Billy Brian (RH, 6-5, 230, Sr. - 0-0, 9.00 ERA, 15 IP, 17 Ks)

27 Justin Hill (RH, 6-1, 204, Sr. - 1-1, 6.16 ERA, 19 IP, 27 Ks, 2 SV)

10 Lukas Guidroz (RH, 5-11, 180, Jr. - red-shirt in 2001)

21 Clay Harris (RH, 6-4, 228, Fr. - HS signee)

18 David Miller (RH, 6-2, 170, Sr. - red-shirt in 2001)

28 David Shank (RH, 6-3, 207, Sr. - 0-0, 0.1 IP, 0 K)

#### Last Year's Relievers:

44 Weylin Guidry (returns)

38 Brian Wilson (returns)

30 Brad David (returns)

27 Justin Hill (returns)

43 Billy Brian (returns)

Shane Youman (LH, 3-2, 5.17 ERA, 54 IP, 33 Ks - signed with Pirates)

Roy Corcoran (RH, 8-4, 5.48 ERA, 69 IP, 62 Ks - signed with Expos)

# COACHES PICK LSU TO WIN SEC BASEBALL TITLE

The LSU Tigers are the favorite to win the Southeastern Conference Baseball Championship, as voted by the league's 12 baseball coaches in the 11th annual pre-season SEC poll. The Tigers seek to capture their 13th SEC Championship, having won or shared the title twice in the past six seasons (1996 & 1997). LSU is also the defending SEC Western Division Champion. Since 1988, the SEC has named a regular season champion as well as a tournament champion. Prior to

1988, the tournament champion was considered the SEC Champion.

In the overall SEC Champion vote, LSU received nine of the 12 championship votes in the poll. Ole Miss received two votes, while Alabama received one. In addition to picking a preseason SEC champion, the league's head coaches voted a predicted order of finish in the SEC Eastern and Western Divisions. In the Eastern Division, South Carolina was the favorite with 63 points. Florida came in second with 58 points with Tennessee third with 48 points. LSU was the predicted winner in the Western Division with a total of 69 points. Ole Miss was second with 54, while Mississippi State, last season's SEC Tournament Champions, finished third with 45.

Points were compiled on a 6-5-4-3-2-1 basis for each division. Coaches were allowed to vote for their own team. Each coach also

voted for one team as an overall conference champion. The 2002 season gets underway Feb. 1 with the conference schedule set to begin the weekend of March 15. The 2002 SEC Tournament will be held May 22-26 at the Hoover Metropolitan Stadium in Birmingham, Ala.

**Pre-Season Votes**

**Eastern Division**

| TEAM                | PTS. | '01 SEC REC/FINISH |
|---------------------|------|--------------------|
| 1. S. Carolina (10) | 63   | 17-13/3rd          |
| 2. Florida (2)      | 58   | 16-14/4th          |
| 3. Tennessee        | 48   | 18-12/2nd          |
| 4. Georgia          | 36   | 20-10/1st          |
| 5. Vanderbilt       | 22   | 9-21/5th           |
| 6. Kentucky         | 20   | 7-23/6th           |

**Western Division**

| TEAM            | PTS. | '01 SEC REC/FINISH |
|-----------------|------|--------------------|
| 1. LSU (9)      | 69   | 18-12/1st          |
| 2. Ole Miss (2) | 54   | 17-13/t2nd         |
| 3. Miss.State   | 45   | 17-13/t2nd         |
| 4. Alabama (1)  | 37   | 15-15/t4th         |
| 5. Auburn       | 32   | 15-15/t4th         |
| 6. Arkansas     | 15   | 11-19/6th          |

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The Tigers are seeking LSU's 13th SEC Championship.



**2002 LSU Bat Girls**

Top Row (l to r): Michelle Kompere, Betty Mathes, Jessica Langlois, Erin Walker, Shana Stumpf, Ashley Beatty, Liz Tadie, Dana Schmitt, Amy Maddox, Sally Milligan.

Middle Row (l to r): Lauren DeGrauw, Catherine Walczak, Libby Holcomb, Andrea Aucoin, Larkin Florence, Melissa Jones, Amanda Jennings, Catherine Larsen, Claire Cummings, Brittany Boeneke, Laura Rush.

Front Row (l to r): Sarah Swint, Laurie Young, Kelly O'Neal (Co-Captain), Amanda Weilbaecher (Captain), Jan Allison Hermes, Ashlee Hammett.

Not Pictured: Tiffany Simoneaux, Rachael Toomey, Ginger Rogers

# SEC Opponents

## Alabama

FRIDAY, MAY 17, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.  
 SATURDAY, MAY 18, AT BATON ROUGE - 2 P.M.  
 SUNDAY, MAY 19, AT BATON ROUGE - 1 P.M.

Location: Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
 Enrollment: 19,400  
 Nickname: Crimson Tide  
 Colors: Crimson and White  
 President: Dr. Andrew Sorensen (Illinois,1959)  
 Athletic Director: Mal Moore  
 Stadium (Capacity): Sewell-Thomas Stadium (6,200)  
 Dimensions: LF-325; LC-365; CF-400; RC-365; RF-325  
 Head Coach: Jim Wells (Northwestern St.,1981)  
 Record at Alabama: 320-137 (.700-7 years)  
 Overall Record: 512-226 (.694-12 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: Jim Gatewood (Henderson State,1988),Danny Watkins (Georgia Tech,1982),B.J. Green (Student Coach)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (205) 348-6084  
 Best Time to Call: mornings  
 2001 Record: 32-23  
 SEC Record (Finish): 15-15 (T8th)  
 Post-Season: none  
 Letterman Returning/Lost: 12/10  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 6/5  
 Top Returnees: 2B Brent Boyd (Sr.--.336,9 HR,49 RBI); C Jeremy Brown (Sr.--.363,10 HR,48 RBI); RHP Lance Cormier (Sr. - 9-5, 2.30 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: RHP Josh Baker (Fr.); INF Spencer Pennington (Fr.); INF Carlos Sosa (Jr.); LHP Taylor Tankersley (Fr.)  
 Overall Series Record: Alabama leads,130-180-3  
 2001 Series Record: LSU, 3-0  
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**Jim Wells**

## Arkansas

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.  
 SATURDAY, APRIL 27, AT BATON ROUGE - 2 P.M.  
 SUNDAY, APRIL 28, AT BATON ROUGE - 1 P.M.

Location: Fayetteville, Ark.  
 Enrollment: 15,226  
 Nickname: Razorbacks  
 Colors: Cardinal and White  
 Chancellor: Dr. John A.White (Arkansas,1961)  
 Athletic Director: Frank Broyles (Georgia Tech,1947)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Baum Stadium at George Cole Field (7,000)  
 Dimensions: L-320; LC-375; C-400; RC-375; R-320  
 Head Coach: Norm DeBriyn (Wisconsin-Oshkosh,1963)  
 Record at Arkansas: 1,126-622-6  
 Overall Record: same  
 Assistant Coaches: Doug Clark (Colorado,1971), Tim Montez (Pepperdine,1984)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (501) 575-3655  
 Best Time to Call: weekday mornings,CT  
 2001 Record: 27-29  
 SEC Record (Finish): 11-19 (6th in SEC Western Division)  
 Post-Season: none  
 Letterman Returning/Lost: 22/7  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 11/2  
 Top Returnees: IF/OF Michael Conner (Sr. -- .261,9 HR,30 RBI); IF Jeff Fletcher (Sr. -- .338,4 HR,30 RBI); RHP Gary Hogan Jr. (Jr. - 3-4,3.73 ERA); RHP Charlie Isaacson (Jr. - 4-7,5.60 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: LHP Clint Brannon (Fr.); RHP Jarrett Gardner (Jr.); RHP Josh Glynn (Jr.); IF Scott Hode (Fr.)  
 Overall Series Record: 30-14  
 2001 Series Record: Arkansas,3-0  
 Sports Information Contact: Bob Grant  
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 SID Fax: (501) 575-7481  
 Press Box Phone: (501) 444-0031



**Norm DeBriyn**

## Auburn

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, AT AUBURN - 6:30 P.M.  
 SATURDAY, APRIL 6, AT AUBURN - 3 P.M.  
 SUNDAY, APRIL 7, AT AUBURN - 1:30 P.M.

Location: Auburn, Ala.  
 Enrollment: 21,775  
 Nickname: Tigers  
 Colors: Burnt Orange and Navy Blue  
 President: Dr. William Walker  
 Athletic Director: David Housel (Auburn,1969)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Hitchcock Field at Plainsman Park (3,806)  
 Dimensions: LF-315; LC-335/385; CF-385; RC-360; RF-331  
 Head Coach: Steve Renfroe (Auburn,1982)  
 Record at Auburn: 37-21  
 Overall Record: same  
 Assistant Coaches: Mark Fuller (Auburn,1992),Chris Finwood (VMI,1988)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (334) 844-9800  
 Best Time to Call: mornings  
 2001 record: 37-21  
 SEC Record (Finish): 15-15  
 Post-Season: 0-2 in SEC Tournament; 2nd in NCAA Regional at Tallahassee  
 Letterman Returning/Lost: 11/3  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 4/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 3/1  
 Top Returnees: RHP Eric Brandon (So.-- 6-3,3.47 ERA); C Trent Pratt (Sr.--.308,7 HR,41 RBI); RHP Levale Speigner (Jr. - 8-3,3.49 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: IF Tug Hulett (Fr.); LHP Arnold Hughey (Fr.); RHP Steven Register (Fr.); IF Mike Mueller (Jr.)  
 Overall Series Record: 67-57  
 2001 Series Record: Auburn,2-1  
 Sports Information Contact: Kirk Sampson (Iowa,1992)  
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**Steve Renfroe**

## Florida

FRIDAY, MAY 10, AT GAINESVILLE - 5:30 P.M.  
 SATURDAY, MAY 11, AT GAINESVILLE - 3 P.M.  
 SUNDAY, MAY 12, AT GAINESVILLE - 12 P.M.

Location: Gainesville, Fla.  
 Enrollment: 45,937  
 Nickname: Gators  
 Colors: Orange and Blue  
 President: Dr. Charles E.Young (Cal-Riverside,1955)  
 Athletic Director: Jeremy Foley (Hobart,1974)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Alfred A.McKethan Stadium at Perry Field (5,000)  
 Dimensions: L-329; LC-365; C-400; RC-375; R-325  
 Head Coach: Pat McMahon  
 Overall Record: 353-174 (.492--9 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: John Cohen (Mississippi State,1990),Ross Jones (North Florida, 1993)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (352) 375-4683 (Ext.4457)  
 Best Time to Call: Call SID Office  
 2001 Record: 35-27  
 SEC Record (Finish): 16-14 (4th in SEC Eastern Division)  
 Post-Season: 1-2 in SEC Tournament; 1-2 in NCAA Regional at Miami  
 Letterman Returning/Lost: 22/11  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 6/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 12/6  
 Top Returnees: DH Aaron Davidson (Sr. -- .319,6 HR,39 RBI); OF Matt Goss (Sr. -- .356,11 HR,54 RBI); LHP Keith Ramsey (Sr. - 4-3,2.24 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: 2B/OF Stephen Barton (Fr.); RHP Tommy Boss (Fr.); C Mario Garza (Jr.)  
 Overall Series Record: LSU leads,41-23  
 2001 Series Record: LSU, 4-0  
 Sports Information Contact: Greg Hotchkiss  
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**Pat McMahon**

# SEC Opponents

## Georgia

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.  
 SATURDAY, APRIL 13, AT BATON ROUGE - 2 P.M.  
 SUNDAY, APRIL 14, AT BATON ROUGE - 1 P.M.

Location: Athens, Ga.  
 Enrollment: 30,912  
 Nickname: Bulldogs  
 Colors: Red and Black  
 President: Dr. Michael Adams (Lipscomb, 1970)  
 Athletic Director: Vince Dooley (Auburn, 1954)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Foley Field (3,291)  
 Dimensions: LF-350; LC-375; C-410; RC-375; RF-320  
 Head Coach: David Perno (Georgia, 1991)  
 Record at Georgia: 0-0  
 Overall Record: 0-0  
 Assistant Coaches: Rick Eckstein (Florida, 1997), Allen Osborne (Marshall, 1995), Butch Thompson (Birmingham Southern, 1992)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (706) 542-7971  
 Best Time to Call: Mornings  
 2001 Record: 47-22  
 SEC Record (Finish): 22-12 (1st in the SEC East)  
 Post-Season: SEC Tournament, NCAA Regional, NCAA Super-Regional, tied for 7th in College World Series  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 17/15  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 3/6  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 9/6  
 Top Returnees: OF David Coffey (So.--.358,5 HR,33 RBI); Kris Edge (Sr.--.304,21 RBI,9SB); RF Adam Swann (Sr.--.326,6 HR, 62 RBI); RHP Jeffrey Carswell (Sr.- 10-2,3.32 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: CF Chaz Lytle (Jr.); C Clint Sammons (Fr.); 2B Marshall Szabo (Fr.); LHP Mickey Westphal (Fr.)  
 Overall Series Record: LSU leads, 40-13-1  
 2001 Series Record: Georgia, 2-1  
 Sports Information Contact: Christopher Lakos  
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David Perno

## Kentucky

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Location: Lexington, Ky.  
 Enrollment: 32,549  
 Nickname: Wildcats  
 Colors: Blue and White  
 President: Dr. Lee T. Todd Jr. (Kentucky, 1968)  
 Athletic Director: Larry Ivy (Alabama, 1967)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Cliff Hagan Stadium (2,500)  
 Dimensions: LF-340; LC-365; C-390; RC-350; RF-310  
 Head Coach: Keith Madison (Western Kentucky, 1975)  
 Record at Kentucky: 697-566-5 (.552-23 years)  
 Overall Record: Same  
 Assistant Coaches: Jan Weisberg (Kentucky, 1993), Greg Goff (Delta State, 1994), Cory Whitby (Virginia Commonwealth, 1998)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (859) 257-6500  
 Best Time to Call: Mornings before 11 a.m.  
 2001 Record: 22-34  
 SEC Record (Finish): 7-23 (6th in SEC East)  
 Post-Season: none  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 19/5  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 6/1  
 Top Returnees: RF Gordon Tyler (Jr.--.343,4 HR,29 RBI); DH Spencer Preston (Sr.--.312, 8 HR,36 RBI); CF Seth Morris (Jr.--.255,14 HR,34 RBI); RHP Joseph Blanton (Jr.- 3-5,5.52 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: OF Caleb Stewart (So.); LHP Craig Snipp (Fr.); OF Mike Ferris (Fr.); OF/1B Chris O'Dell (Fr.)  
 Overall Series Record: LSU leads, 29-13  
 2001 Series Record: LSU, 2-1  
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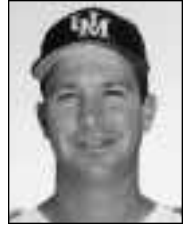


Keith Madison

## Mississippi

FRIDAY, MARCH 22, AT OXFORD - 6:30 P.M.  
 SATURDAY, MARCH 23, AT OXFORD - 1:30 P.M.  
 SUNDAY, MARCH 24, AT OXFORD - 1:30 P.M.

Location: Oxford, Miss.  
 Enrollment: 14,429  
 Nickname: Rebels  
 Colors: Cardinal Red & Navy Blue  
 Chancellor: Dr. Robert C. Khayat (Ole Miss, 1961)  
 Athletic Director: John Shafer (Auburn, 1969)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Oxford-University Stadium at Swayze Field (3,000)  
 Dimensions: LF-330; LC-375; CF-400; RC-375; RF-330  
 Head Coach: Mike Bianco (LSU, 1989)  
 Record at Ole Miss: 39-23-1 (.626-1 year)  
 Overall Record: 139-94-1 (.596-4 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: Dan McDonnell (The Citadel, 1992), Clint Carver (McNeese St., 1998), Kyle Bunn (The Citadel, 1999)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (662) 915-7522  
 Best Time to Call: Mornings  
 2001 Record: 39-23-1  
 SEC Record (Finish): 17-13 (Tied for 2nd in SEC West)  
 Post-Season: 2-2 in SEC Tournament, 1-2 NCAA New Orleans Regional  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 18/14  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 7/3  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 7/10  
 Top Returnees: 1B Josh Christian (Sr.--.351,14 HR,58 RBI); OF Burney Hutchinson (Sr.--.356,14 HR,63 RBI); RHP Pete Montrenes (Sr.- 10-4,3.45 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: RHP Alan Horne (Fr.); RHP J.R.Pickens (Jr.); INF Dustin Cliburn (Jr.)  
 Overall Series Record: LSU leads, 147-124  
 2001 Series Record: LSU, 4-1  
 Sports Information Contact: Rick Stupak  
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Mike Bianco

## Mississippi State

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.  
 SATURDAY, MARCH 30, AT BATON ROUGE - 2 P.M.  
 SUNDAY, MARCH 31, AT BATON ROUGE - 1 P.M.

Location: Starkville, Miss.  
 Enrollment: 16,878  
 Nickname: Bulldogs  
 Colors: Maroon and White  
 President: Dr. Malcolm A. Portera (Mississippi State, 1969)  
 Athletic Director: Larry Templeton (Mississippi State, 1969)  
 Stad.(Cap.): Dudy Noble Field at Polk-DeMent Stadium (15,000)  
 Dimensions: LF-325; LC-373; CF-390; RC-373; RF-325  
 Head Coach: Ron Polk (Grand Canyon College, 1965)  
 Record at MSU: 888-422 (.678-22 years)  
 Overall Record: 1124-534 (.678-28 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: Russ McNickle (South Alabama, 1988), Tommy Raffo (Miss.State, 1990), Daron Schoenrock (Tenn. Tech, 1984)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (662) 325-8040  
 Best Time to Call: weekdays, 9 a.m.- Noon, CT  
 2001 Record: 39-24  
 SEC Record (Finish): 17-13 (2nd SEC West, tied for 4th overall)  
 Post-Season: 1st place in NCAA Columbus Regional, 0-2 in NCAA Cal-State Fullerton Super Regional  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 23/9  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 5/3  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 10/4  
 Top Returnees: 1B Matthew Brinson (So.--.328,7 HR,46 RBI); C Jason Burkley (Sr.--.282,3 HR,44 RBI); RHP Chris Young (Jr.- 5-1,2.94 ERA); RHP Tanner Brock (Sr.- 7-2,4.44 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: LHP Jacob Ocies (Fr.); RHP Jacob Blakeney (Jr.); C Craig Tatum (Fr.)  
 Overall Series Record: Miss.St.leads, 148-184-1  
 2001 Series Record: tied, 2-2  
 Sports Information Contact: Joe Dier  
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Ron Polk

# SEC Opponents

## South Carolina

**FRIDAY, APRIL 19, AT COLUMBIA - 6 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 20, AT COLUMBIA - 3 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 21, AT COLUMBIA - 12:30 P.M.**  
 Location: ..... Columbia, S.C.  
 Enrollment: ..... 23,728  
 Nickname: ..... Gamecocks  
 Colors: ..... Garnet and Black  
 President: ..... Dr. John M. Palms (The Citadel,1958)  
 Athletic Director: ..... Dr. Mike McGee (Duke,1960)  
 Stadium (Capacity): ..... Sarge Frye Field (6,000)  
 Dimensions: ..... LF-330; LC-360; CF-390; RC-360; RF-320  
 Head Coach: ..... Ray Tanner (N.C. State,1980)  
 Record at USC: ..... 217-95 (.696--5 years)  
 Overall Record: ..... 612-268-3 (.695--14 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: Jerry Myers (Iowa State,1987),Jim Toman (N.C. State,1985),Stuart Lake (Cha.Southern,1994)  
 Baseball Office Phone: ..... (803) 777-1704  
 Best Time to Call: weekday mornings,ET  
 2001 Record: ..... 49-20  
 SEC Record (Finish): ..... 17-13 (3rd in SEC East)  
 Post-Season: ..... 1-2 in NCAA Super Regional  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: ..... 21/15  
 Starters Returning/Lost: ..... 3/6  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: ..... 9/5  
 Top Returnees: .. OF Garris Gonce (Sr.--338,9 HR,35 RBI); INF Drew Meyer (Jr.--303,7HR,37 RBI),LHP David Marchbanks (So.- 7-1,3.63 ERA); LHP Gary Bell (Sr.- 10-5,3.46 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers:INF Brian Buscher (Jr.); LHP Matt Campbell (Fr.); OF John Coutlangous (Jr.)  
 Overall Series Record: ..... LSU leads,15-4-1  
 2001 Series Record: ..... LSU, 2-1  
 Sports Information Contact: ..... Andrew Kitick  
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**Ray Tanner**

## Tennessee

**FRIDAY, MAY 3, AT KNOXVILLE - 6 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 4, AT KNOXVILLE - 3 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 5, AT KNOXVILLE - 1 P.M.**  
 Location: ..... Knoxville, Tenn.  
 Enrollment: ..... 25,474  
 Nickname: ..... Volunteers  
 Colors: ..... Orange and White  
 President: ..... Emerson Fly (Tennessee,1961)  
 Athletic Director: ..... Doug Dickey (Florida,1954)  
 Stadium (Capacity): ..... Lindsey Nelson Stadium (4,000)  
 Dimensions: ..... LF-335; LC-373; CF-404; RC-330; RF-330  
 Head Coach: ..... Rod Delmonico (Liberty, 1980)  
 Record at UT: ..... 492-250 (.663-12 years)  
 Overall Record: ..... 492-250 (.663-12 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: Larry Simcox (Mississippi,1982),Randy Mazey (Clemson,1988),Devon Nicholson (Tennessee,2001)  
 Baseball Office Phone: ..... (865) 974-2057  
 Best Time to Call: ..... 10 a.m.-Noon Tuesday- Friday  
 2001 Record: ..... 48-20  
 SEC Record (Finish): ..... 18-12 (2nd in SEC East)  
 Post-Season: Tied for 7th in SEC Tournament, Tied for 3rd at CWS  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: ..... 14/12  
 Starters Returning/Lost: ..... 4/5  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: ..... 5/7  
 Top Returnees: .... C Javi Herrera (So.--296,7 HR,45 RBI); OF Brandon Hopkins (Sr.--367,4 HR,24 RBI); OF Dan Wilson (Sr. -- .294,5 HR,37 RBI); LHP Dusty Johnson (So.-- 4-1,4.72 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: ..... RHP Justin Reed (Fr.); INF Walter Sevilla (Jr.); RHP Jay Sadlowe (Fr.)  
 Overall Series Record: ..... LSU leads,31-9  
 2001 Series Record: ..... did not play  
 Sports Information Contact: ..... Jeff Muir  
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**Rod Delmonico**

## Vanderbilt

**FRIDAY, MARCH 15, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 16, AT BATON ROUGE - 2 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 17, AT BATON ROUGE - 1 P.M.**  
 Location: ..... Nashville, Tenn.  
 Enrollment: ..... 6,037  
 Nickname: ..... Commodores  
 Colors: ..... Black and Gold  
 Chancellor: ..... Gordon Gee (Utah,1968)  
 Athletic Director: ..... Todd Turner (North Carolina,1973)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Charles Hawkin Field at The McGugin Center (1,581)  
 Dimensions: ..... LF-310; LC-375; CF-400; RC-375; RF-330  
 Head Coach: ..... Roy Mewbourne (Florida State,1967)  
 Record at Vanderbilt: ..... 631-581-9 (.520-23 years)  
 Overall Record: ..... 898-655-9 (.577-29 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: John Barlowe (Appalachian State,1982),Derek Johnson (Eastern Illinois,1993)  
 Baseball Office Phone: ..... (615) 322-4122  
 Best Time to Call: ..... mornings  
 2001 Record: ..... 24-31  
 SEC Record (Finish): ..... 9-21 (5th in SEC East)  
 Post-Season: ..... none  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: ..... 18/11  
 Starters Returning/Lost: ..... 4/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: ..... 7/5  
 Top Returnees: INF/C Sean Luellwitz (Sr.--328,6 HR,38 RBI); OF Karl Nonemaker (Sr.--328,1 HR,15 RBI); RHP Robert Ransom (So.- 4-2,4.92 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: LHP Robert Sowers (Fr.); RHP/1B Scott Shapiro (Fr.); INF Tony Mansolino (Fr.)  
 Overall Series Record: ..... LSU leads,40-19  
 2001 Series Record: ..... LSU, 2-1  
 Sports Information Contact: ..... Andre Foushee  
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**Roy Mewbourne**



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# Non-Conference Opponents

## Birmingham-Southern

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, AT BATON ROUGE - 2 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, AT BATON ROUGE - 1 P.M.**  
 Location: Birmingham, Ala.  
 Enrollment: 1,424  
 Nickname: Panthers  
 Conference: Big South  
 Colors: Black, Gold, and White  
 President: Dr. Neal R. Berte (Cincinnati, 1962)  
 Athletic Director: Joe Dean Jr. (Mississippi State, 1976)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Scrusby-Striplin Field (1,000)  
 Head Coach: Brian Shoop (Malone College, 1980)  
 Record at BSC: 510-211 (.707-12 years)  
 Overall Record: same  
 Assistant Coaches: Matt Bragga (Kentucky, 1994), Bob Keller (Biola, 1992)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (205) 226-4924  
 2001 Record: 55-11  
 Big South Record: 19-5 (1st; TranSouth)  
 Post-Season: TranSouth Conference Tournament Champions, Region XI Champions, Super Regional 6 Champions, NAIA National Champions  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 17/10  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 4/6  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 8/4  
 Top Returnees: INF Conner Robertson (So.--.365, 12 HR, 64 RBI); OF Adam Pease (Jr.--.355, 1 HR, 53 RBI); LHP Tyler Sullivan (Jr.- 7-0, 1.97 ERA); RHP Jon Renfro (Sr.- 4-0, 3.23 ERA)  
 Sports Information Contact: Will Chandler  
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## Centenary

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, AT SHREVEPORT (FAIRGROUNDS FIELD) - 7 P.M.**  
 Location: Shreveport, La.  
 Enrollment: 850  
 Nickname: Gentlemen (Gents)  
 Conference: Independent  
 Colors: Maroon and White  
 President: Dr. Kenneth L. Schwab (Purdue, 1969)  
 Athletic Director: Dr. David Bedard (Northwestern State, 1968)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Shehee Stadium (1,000)  
 Head Coach: Ed McCann (SE Oklahoma St., 1977)  
 Record at Centenary: 61-106-2 (.360 -- 4th year)  
 Overall Record: same  
 Assistant Coaches: Tracy Roles, Alan Jordan, Ben Adams  
 Baseball Office Phone: (318) 869-5095  
 2001 Record: 23-36-1  
 Post-Season: none  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 14/11  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 4/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 8/5  
 Top Returnees: B.J. Grenda (.374, 9 HR, 58 RBI); Seth Winterer (.330, 2 HR, 36 RBI); Bobby Gilliam (.299, 26 RBI)  
 Top Newcomers: LHP Andy Collup; INF Ryan Green; OF J.W. Pate  
 Sports Information Contact: David Pratt  
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## Houston

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, AT HOUSTON - 7 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, AT HOUSTON - 7 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, AT HOUSTON - 1 P.M.**  
 Location: Houston, Texas  
 Enrollment: 30,757  
 Nickname: Cougars  
 Conference: Conference USA  
 Colors: Scarlet and White  
 President: Dr. Arthur K. Smith  
 Athletic Director: Larry Leckonby  
 Stadium (Capacity): Cougar Field (3,500)  
 Head Coach: Rayner Noble (Houston, 1985)  
 Record at UH: 246-177 (.582)  
 Overall Record: same  
 Assistant Coaches: Todd Whiting (Houston, 1995), David Pierce (Houston, 1985)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (713) 743-9396  
 2001 Record: 29-30  
 Conference USA Record (Finish): 20-7 (2nd)  
 Post-Season: Tied for 7th at Conference USA Tournament  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 17/9  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 9/3  
 Top Returnees: C Chris Snyder (Jr.--.316, 13 HR, 53 RBI); OF Sam Mitchell (So.--.259, 4 HR, 24 RBI); RHP Brad Sullivan (So.- 6-7, 3.41 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: LHP Danny Zell (So.); INF Cameron Blair (Fr.); INF/RHP Brett Cooley (Jr.)  
 Sports Information Contact: Jeff Conrad  
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## Long Beach State

**FRIDAY, MARCH 1, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 2, AT BATON ROUGE - 2 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 3, AT BATON ROUGE - 1 P.M.**  
 Location: Long Beach, Calif.  
 Enrollment: 30,011  
 Nickname: 49ers  
 Conference: Big West  
 Colors: Black and Gold  
 President: Dr. Robert Maxson  
 Athletic Director: Bill Shumard  
 Stadium: Blair Field  
 Head Coach: Mike Weathers (Chapman, 1971)  
 Record at LBSU: 0-0 (.000--1st year)  
 Overall Record: 279-280 (.499--11 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: Troy Buckley, Don Barbara, Jeff Hipps, Brandon Hyde  
 Baseball Office Phone: (562) 985-7548  
 2001 Record: 35-23  
 Big West Record: 11-5 (3rd)  
 Post-Season: Regionals  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 17/15  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 4/2  
 Top Returnees: OF Paul Macaluso (So.--.320, 6 HR, 25 RBI); INF Jeremy Reed (Jr.--.348, 1 HR, 40 RBI); RHP Chris Demaria (Sr.--6-1, 2.98 ERA)  
 Sports Information Contact: Niall Adler  
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# Non-Conference Opponents

## Louisiana-Lafayette

**TUESDAY, MARCH 12, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.**  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 19, AT LAFAYETTE - 6:30 P.M.**

Location: Lafayette, La.  
 Enrollment: 15,489  
 Nickname: Ragin' Cajuns  
 Conference: Sun Belt  
 Colors: Vermillion and White  
 President: Dr. Ray P. Authement (USL,1950)  
 Athletic Director: Nelson Schexnayder (USL,1972)  
 Stadium (Capacity): M.L. "Tigue" Moore Field (3,500)  
 Head Coach: Tony Robichaux (McNeese State,1986)  
 Record at Louisiana-Lafayette: 247-169 (.680-7 years)  
 Overall Record: 491-319 (.640-14 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: Wade Simoneaux (Nicholls State,1984), Anthony Babineaux (USL,1995), Jason Gonzales (USL,1994)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (337) 482-6189  
 2001 Record: 28-28  
 Sun Belt Record: 12-15  
 Post-Season: none  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 13/11  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 7/7  
 Top Returnees: OF Bryan Sneed (Sr.-- .314,6 HR,32 RBI); DH Brad Saloom (So.-- .356,17 RBI); LHP Justin Gabriel (Sr.- 9-4,3.04 ERA); RHP Jordy Templet (So.- 4-1-2,2.51 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: INF Chase Lambin (Sr.); C Justin Morgan (Fr.)  
 Sports Information Contact: Daryl Cetnar  
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## Louisiana-Monroe

**FRIDAY, MARCH 8, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 9, AT BATON ROUGE - 2 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 10, AT BATON ROUGE - 1 P.M.**  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 23, AT MONROE - 6:30 P.M.**

Location: Monroe, La.  
 Enrollment: 8,760  
 Nickname: Indians  
 Conference: Southland  
 Colors: Maroon and Gold  
 Athletic Director: Bruce Hanks (ULM,1976)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Indian Field (3,000)  
 Head Coach: Brad Holland (McNeese State,1992)  
 Record at Louisiana-Monroe: 36-24 (.660-1 year)  
 Overall Record: same  
 Assistant Coaches: Steve Johnson (Fort Hayes State,1997), Jeremy Talbot (Nicholls State,1998), Britten Ourbe (Southeastern Louisiana,1995)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (318) 342-3591  
 2001 Record: 36-24  
 Southland Record: 17-10 (2nd)  
 Post-Season: none  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 20/13  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 4/5  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 6/1  
 Top Returnees: NF Jack Skaggs (Jr.-- .330,17 RBI); OF Jamie Estrada (Sr.-- .321,3 HR,41 RBI); DH Jason Lind (Sr.-- .328,4 HR,25 RBI); RHP Aaron Dobbins (Sr.- 8-2,3.43 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: INF Jared Doty (Jr.); OF Cade Eady (Jr.)  
 Sports Information Contact: Troy Mitchell  
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## Mercer

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, AT BATON ROUGE - 2 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17, AT BATON ROUGE - 1 P.M.**

Location: Macon, Ga.  
 Enrollment: 7,000  
 Nickname: Bears  
 Conference: Atlantic Sun  
 Colors: Black and Orange  
 President: Dr. R.Kirby Godsey  
 Athletic Director: Bobby Pope (Georgia College,1970)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Claude Smith Field (500)  
 Head Coach: Barry Myers (Marshall,1960)  
 Record at Mercer: 627-612-3 (.506 - 24 years)  
 Overall Record: 818-700-6 (.538 - 31 years)  
 Assistant Coaches: Craig Gibson (Mercer, 1985), Jeff Nebel (Mercer, 1999)  
 Baseball Office Phone: (478) 301-2738  
 2001 Record: 24-28  
 Atlantic Sun Record: 10-17 (8th)  
 Post-Season: none  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 12/14  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 4/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 4/4  
 Top Returnees: INF David Harwell (Sr.-- .349,11 HR,49 RBI); OF Kyle Levensgood (Sr.-- .355,11 HR,49 RBI); RHP Brett Jarrett (Sr.- 7-4-2,4.78 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: RHP James Morrison (Jr.); INF Daniel Hurst (Fr.); OF Jason Gaines (Jr.)  
 Sports Information Contact: Kevin Coulombe  
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## New Orleans

**TUESDAY, APRIL 2, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.**  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 30, AT METAIRIE (ZEPHYR FIELD) - 6:30 P.M.**

Location: New Orleans, La.  
 Enrollment: 17,014  
 Nickname: Privateers  
 Conference: Sun Belt  
 Colors: Blue, Red, and Gray  
 Chancellor: Dr. Gregory M.St.L.O'Brien (Lehigh,1966)  
 Athletic Director: Bob Brown (Park,1975)  
 Stadium (Capacity): Privateer Park (5,225)  
 Head Coach: Randy Bush (New Orleans,1994)  
 Record at UNO: 63-57 (.527-2 years)  
 Overall Record: same  
 Assistant Coaches: Kenny Bonura (New Orleans,1986), Joe Slusarski  
 Baseball Office Phone: (504) 280-7021  
 2001 Record: 25-32  
 Sun Belt Record: 13-14 (5th)  
 Post-Season: 2-2 in Sun Belt Tournament  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 12/12  
 Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 3/4  
 Top Returnees: OF Justin LoFranco (So.-- .292,6 HR,24 RBI); INF J.D. Huether (Sr.-- .294,3 HR,34 RBI); P Jeff Stander (So.-2-3,2.60 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: P Thomas Diamond (Fr.); INF Gabe Trevizo (Jr.)  
 Sports Information Contact: Bob Boyle  
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# Non-Conference Opponents

## Southeastern Louisiana

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, AT HAMMOND - 6 P.M.

Location: ..... Hammond,La.  
 Enrollment: ..... 14,522  
 Nickname: ..... Lions  
 Conference: ..... Southland  
 Colors: ..... Green and Gold  
 President: ..... Dr. Randy Moffett (Louisiana Tech,1969)  
 Athletic Director: ..... Frank Pergolizzi (Williams College,1978)  
 Stadium (Capacity): ..... Alumni Field (3,000)  
 Head Coach: ..... Greg Marten (Southeastern Louisiana,1975)  
 Record at SLU: ..... 327-282 (.536-11 years)  
 Overall Record: ..... same  
 Assistant Coaches: ..... Johnny Brechtel (Southeastern Louisiana,1987),  
 ..... David Pittman (Southeastern Louisiana,1983)  
 Baseball Office Phone: ..... (985) 549-2896  
 2001 Record: ..... 22-33  
 Southland Record: ..... 8-19 (tied for 9th)  
 Post-Season: ..... none  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: ..... 19/9  
 Starters Returning/Lost: ..... 5/4  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: ..... 10/4  
 Top Returnees: ..... INF Aaron Lowe (Sr.-- 286,7 HR,26 RBI);  
 ..... INF Anthony Krajancic (Sr.--275,9 HR,31 RBI);  
 ..... LHP Chris O'Brien (Sr.-5-5,5.78 ERA)  
 Top Newcomers: ..... C Justin Casas (Jr.); P Paul Labiche (Fr.);  
 ..... OF Brandon Atkins (Jr.)  
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## Southern

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.

Location: ..... Baton Rouge,La.  
 Nickname: ..... Jaguars  
 Conference: ..... Southwestern Athletic  
 Colors: ..... Columbia Blue and Gold  
 President: ..... Dr. Leon Tarver  
 Athletic Director: ..... Floyd Kerr  
 Stadium (Capacity): ..... Lee Hines Field (1,200)  
 Head Coach: ..... Roger Cador  
 Record at Southern: ..... 466-269-1  
 Overall Record: ..... Same  
 Assistant Coaches: ..... Arnold Brathwaite,Barret Rey  
 2001 Record: ..... 43-12  
 SWAC Record: ..... 28-4 (1st)  
 Post Season: ..... 0-2 in NCAA New Orleans Regional  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: ..... 12/11  
 Starters Returning/Lost: ..... 3/5  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: ..... 4/4  
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## Tulane

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, AT BATON ROUGE - 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, AT METAIRIE (ZEPHYRFIELD) - 7 P.M.

Location: ..... New Orleans,La.  
 Nickname: ..... Green Wave  
 Conference: ..... Conference USA  
 Colors: ..... Olive Green and Sky Blue  
 President: ..... Dr. Scott Cowen  
 Athletic Director: ..... Rick Dickson  
 Stadium (Capacity): ..... Turchin Stadium (5,000)  
 Head Coach: ..... Rick Jones  
 Record at Tulane: ..... 346-158-1  
 Overall Record: ..... 622-247-1  
 C-USA Record: ..... 21-6  
 Assistant Coaches: ..... Mark Kingston (Associate Head Coach)  
 2001 Record: ..... 56-13  
 Post Season: ..... tied for 5th in NCAA College World Series  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: ..... 20/10  
 Starters Returning/Lost: ..... 6/3  
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: ..... 7/1  
 Top Returnees: ..... LHP Joey Charron (Sr.-9-2,3.52 ERA);  
 ..... OF Michael Aubrey (So.--361,13 HR,69 RBI);  
 ..... OF Jon Kaplan (Jr.--358,5 HR,54 RBI)  
 Top Newcomers: ..... INF Brooks Shankle (Fr.); OF/DH Bryan Stelmack (So.);  
 ..... LHP Ray Liotta (Fr.)  
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An LSU flag flies above the entrance to Omaha's Rosenblatt Stadium.

# 2002 Post-Season Tournaments

## SEC Tournament

The 2002 SEC Tournament, which will be held May 22-26, returns to Birmingham's Hoover Metropolitan Stadium for the fifth consecutive year and for the seventh time in the event's history. Last year, the tournament attracted 85,771 fans for the five-day, 15-

game event. The total attendance and the championship game attendance (10,023 - Miss. State vs. LSU) were both the third-largest in tournament history.



The top two teams from each division receive automatic berths in the tournament, with wild-card berths going to the next four teams with the highest winning percentages, regardless of division.

This will mark the fifth year the tournament has been contested under the "Omaha" format, as eight teams compete in two four-team brackets, with the bracket champions meeting in a one-game championship. The tournament champion earns the SEC's automatic berth to the 64-team NCAA Tournament field.

The championship game, two semi-final contests on Saturday and two elimination games on Friday will be televised as part of the SEC's television package on Fox Sports South.

LSU posted a 3-1 mark at the 2001 SEC Tournament, as the Tigers dropped a 4-1 decision to Mississippi State in the championship game. In reaching the title contest, the Tigers kept alive a 16-year streak of winning at least one game at the SEC Tournament. Skip Bertman's LSU clubs won six tournament titles (1986, '90, '92, '93, '94 and 2000), while finishing as runners-up on five occasions (1987, '91, '95, '97 and 2001).



The 2002 SEC Tournament will be held at Birmingham's Hoover Metropolitan Stadium.

## NCAA Tournament

The 2002 NCAA Tournament will feature a 64-team field for the fourth straight year, as the tournament was expanded from 48 to 64 participants in 1999. The teams selected for the tournament will be placed in 16

four-team NCAA Regional brackets at campus sites across the country May 31-June 2.

The brackets are set up like the NCAA basketball tournament,

with the top eight teams in the country earning "National Seeds." The brackets will be used to determine Super Regional pairings, as well as the two brackets for the College World Series.

The 16 winners of the regionals advance to the Super Regionals, where teams will be matched up for best-of-three series at eight sites June 7-9. The eight winners of the Super Regionals advance to the College World Series June 14-22 at Omaha's Rosenblatt Stadium, marking the 53rd series that will take place in the venerable facility.

In 2001, the third season played under the expanded format, LSU played host to and won an NCAA Regional before dropping two of three

games to Tulane in the Super Regional at Zephyr Field in Metairie, La. The Tigers have advanced to Super Regional play in each of the three seasons of the expanded format, including 2000, when LSU claimed its fifth national championship in Omaha.



LSU played host to and won both a 2000 NCAA Regional and Super Regional.



LSU has the highest all-time NCAA Tournament winning percentage (90-31. .744).