

PREVIEW





Catcher Matt Liuzza

Smoke Laval's first three seasons as coach of the tradition-rich LSU program have produced magnificent results: College World Series appearances in 2003 and 2004 ... two NCAA Super Regional titles ... three NCAA Regional titles ... one Southeastern Conference championship ... the best winning percentage in SEC regular-season games ... two SEC Players of the Year.

The task now for Laval and his squad is to perpetuate the success of the past three years, earn a third straight trip to the CWS, and mount a serious challenge for the 2005 national championship.

The '05 team features 21 returning lettermen -- including eight pitchers and six starters in the batting order - and 15 newcomers (10 high school signees, three JUCO players and two four-year college transfers).

"We've got some goals to reach this year, and that's what our focus is on right now," said Laval, the 2003 SEC Coach of the Year. "We had 46 wins last year and a trip to Omaha, but we'd like to go beyond that."

POSITION PLAYERS

Laval said the Tigers should again be a potent offensive club, despite the loss of all-SEC outfielders Jon Zeringue and J.C. Holt, who were selected in the second and third rounds, respectively, of the major league draft. LSU led the SEC last season in seven offensive categories and posted a .333 team batting average, the second-best in school history.

"I like the mix of players that we have this year," Laval said. "We have guys who have been four-year players for us along with some new players who can help us right away. We feel good about our offense, though it's always tough to replace guys like Holt and Zeringue."

Senior shortstop Blake Gill, the 2004 NCAA Baton Rouge Regional Most Outstanding Player, is the Tigers' top returning hitter. Gill batted .343 last season with five homers and 42 RBI, and he was selected in the 37th round of the major league draft by the Cleveland Indians.

Other returning infield starters include senior third baseman Clay Harris (.297, 7 HR, 51 RBI), a 2004 second-team all-SEC selection, and junior first baseman Will Harris -- Clay's younger brother -- who hit .329 with seven homers and 39 RBI.

Junior Bryan Harris -- no relation to Clay and Will -- a product of Santa Ana (Calif.) College who received a medical redshirt last season, should play a prominent role in the LSU infield, as will senior Derek Hebert (.278, 1 HR, six RBI), red-shirt freshman Jordan Mayer, and true freshmen J.P. Padron and Michael Hollander.

LSU features a pair of talented catchers in junior Matt Liuzza and senior Dustin Weaver. Liuzza (.328, 9 HR, 45 RBI) started 60 games in 2004 and sparked the Tigers in the postseason with a .417 average in the NCAA Tournament. Weaver appeared in 27 games last season and responded with a .360 batting average (18-for-50) and 12 RBI.

Senior Ryan Patterson (.341, 14 HR, 67 RBI), a 2004 second-team all-SEC choice, returns as the Tigers' starting left fielder. Patterson was the leading hitter last summer in the prestigious Cape Cod summer league, batting .327 with six doubles, five homers, 25 RBI and five stolen bases.

Patterson will be joined in the outfield

by junior center fielder Bruce Sprowl and senior right fielder Nick Stavinoha.

Sprowl, a redshirt last season, started 61 games for LSU in 2003, when he hit .290 with one homer and 33 RBI. Stavinoha (.323, 8 HR, 42 RBI) was the Tigers' primary DH last season. Quinn Stewart, who made 44 starts in '03 and batted .297 with seven homers and 30 RBI, will also be involved in the outfield rotation.

PITCHERS

Laval said the Tigers' pitching should be improved over last season, as LSU will feature veteran hurlers and a talented group of new prospects.

"We feel like in order to take another stride forward, we need to improve our pitching staff," Laval explained. "We have several new, quality arms that should pitch this year. And, most of the guys who pitched last year are back, with the exception of (right-hander) Nate Bumstead, who graduated and was drafted (32nd round, Detroit Tigers). The pitchers who are back have improved. Barring injuries, we think we'll be better on the mound."



Outfielder Nick Stavinoha

RETURNING POSITION STARTERS

| Player | Pos. | Cl.-Exp. | B/T | Avg. | HR | RBI | Notable |
|----------------|-------|----------|-----|------|----|-----|--|
| Blake Gill | SS | Sr.-3L | L/R | .343 | 5 | 42 | 2004 NCAA Regional Most Outstanding Player |
| Ryan Patterson | LF | Sr.-2L | R/R | .341 | 14 | 67 | 2004 second-team all-SEC |
| Will Harris | 1B | Jr.-2L | R/R | .329 | 7 | 39 | 2004 NCAA Regional all-tournament team |
| Matt Liuzza | C | Jr.-2L | R/R | .328 | 9 | 45 | 2004 NCAA Regional all-tournament team |
| Nick Stavinoha | RF | Sr.-1L | R/R | .323 | 8 | 42 | 2004 NCAA Regional all-tournament team |
| Clay Harris | 3B | Sr.-3L | R/R | .297 | 7 | 51 | 2004 second-team all-SEC |
| *Bruce Sprowl | CF | Jr.-1L | L/R | .290 | 1 | 33 | Started 61 games in 2003 |
| *Quinn Stewart | OF/DH | Jr.-1L | R/R | .297 | 7 | 30 | Started 37 games in 2003 |

* - 2004 redshirt; 2003 stats listed

OTHER RETURNING POSITION PLAYERS

| Player | Pos. | Cl.-Exp. | B/T | Avg. | HR | RBI | Notable |
|---------------|------|----------|-----|------|----|-----|-------------------------------------|
| Dustin Weaver | C | Sr.-2L | R/R | .360 | 1 | 12 | Appeared in 27 games with 10 starts |
| Derek Hebert | INF | Sr.-1L | L/R | .278 | 1 | 6 | Started 21 games at shortstop |
| Rhett Buteau | OF | Sr.-3L | L/R | .000 | 0 | 1 | Scored 10 times as a pinch runner |
| Bryan Harris | INF | So.-RS | R/R | --- | | | Medical redshirt in 2004 --- |
| Jordan Mayer | 1B | Fr.-RS | R/R | --- | | | Redshirt in 2004 --- |

TOP NEWCOMERS-POSITION PLAYERS

| Player | Pos. | Cl. | B/T | Hometown (2004 School) |
|-------------------|------|-----|-----|---|
| Michael Hollander | INF | Fr. | R/R | Mandeville, La. (Jesuit HS - New Orleans) |
| J.P. Padron | INF | Fr. | R/R | League City, Texas (Clear Creek HS) |
| Kade Keowen | OF | Fr. | R/R | Baker, La. (Central HS) |

STARTING POSITION PLAYERS LOST

| Player | Pos. | Cl.-Exp. | B/T | Avg. | HR | RBI | Reason for leaving |
|----------------|------|----------|-----|------|----|-----|---|
| J.C. Holt | CF | Jr.-3L | L/R | .393 | 6 | 52 | Third-round draft choice of Atlanta Braves |
| Jon Zeringue | RF | Jr.-3L | R/R | .384 | 12 | 57 | Second-round draft choice of Arizona Diamondbacks |
| Ivan Naccarata | 2B | Sr.-2L | L/R | .281 | 5 | 35 | Completed eligibility |

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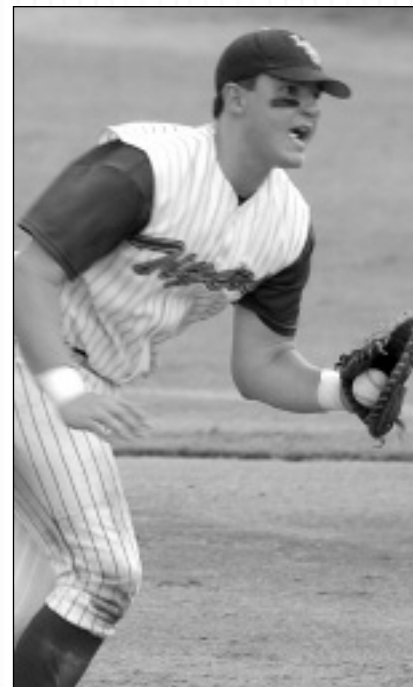
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|-----------------------------------|--|
| Lettermen Returning/Lost: | 21/8 |
| Position Starters Returning/Lost: | 6/3 |
| Pitchers Returning/Lost: | 8/1 |
| Returning Redshirts: | 5 |
| Newcomers: | 15 (10 high school, 3 junior college, 2 four-year college transfers) |

BY CLASS

Seniors: 11
 Juniors: 13
 Sophomores: 4
 Freshmen: 15

BY STATE/COUNTRY

Louisiana: 26
 Florida: 7
 Texas: 5
 Alabama: 2
 California: 1
 Mississippi: 1
 Tennessee: 1



First Baseman Will Harris

Seven pitchers who took the mound in 2004 return to the staff this season, including senior left-hander Lane Mestepey, a two-time first-team all-SEC selection. Mestepey, who missed the 2003 season after undergoing shoulder surgery, came on strong at the end of the '04 campaign, finishing with a 7-4 mark and a 3.51 ERA in 100 innings.

Junior right-hander Justin Meier (6-2, 3.84 ERA, 100.2 IP, 15 starts) -- LSU's leader last season in innings pitched -- and sophomore left-hander Clay Dirks (8-2, 3.43 ERA, 81.1 IP, 13 starts), a 2004 Freshman all-American, combine with Mestepey to give the Tigers a trio of experienced starters.

Hard-throwing junior southpaw Greg Smith (2-0, 2.35 ERA, 30.2 IP, 22 appearances), one of the Tigers' top relievers the past two seasons, is a strong candidate to move into the starting rotation in 2005.

The staff will be bolstered by the return of senior right-hander Brandon Nall, who hasn't pitched since undergoing shoulder sur-

gery in the spring of 2003. Laval said Nall, a relief pitcher prior to his injury, has been impressive in off-season workouts and has a chance to become a starter. Sophomore right-hander Michael Bonura (4-0, 4.46 ERA, 34.1 IP) will also vie for a berth in the LSU rotation.

The returning relievers are led by versatile junior left-hander Jason Determann (6-5, 4.14 ERA, 76 IP, 20 appearances), an Academic all-America candidate who also started five games last season. Senior right-hander Jordan Faircloth (3-3, 2.79 ERA, 4 saves) is a proven veteran who stabilizes the LSU bullpen.

Junior right-hander Edgar Ramirez, a transfer from Florida International University, and junior right-hander Chris Cahill, a transfer from Florida Gulf Coast University, should make significant contributions on the mound, as will junior right-hander Chase Dardar, a product of Delgado Community College in New Orleans who was the 16th-round draft selection last sum-

mer of the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Junior left-hander Daniel Forrer, also chosen by the Dodgers (17th round) in the 2004 draft, could play a major role in 2005 after transferring to LSU from Chipola (Fla.) College. True freshman right-hander Eric English, the 2004 Florida Class 6A Player of the Year from Cypress High in Weston, Fla., also has an opportunity to make an immediate impact this season.

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Pitchers Returning

| Player | R/L | Cl.-Exp. | W-L | ERA | IP | BB | SO | Notable |
|------------------|-----|----------|---|------|-------|----|----|---|
| Clay Dirks | L | So.-1L | 8-2 | 3.43 | 81.1 | 17 | 66 | 2004 Freshman all-American |
| Lane Mestepey | L | Sr.-3L | 7-4 | 3.51 | 100.0 | 28 | 42 | 2.10 ERA in four 2004 postseason starts |
| Justin Meier | R | Jr.-2L | 6-2 | 3.84 | 100.2 | 28 | 75 | 2004 NCAA Regional all-tournament team |
| Jason Determann | L | Jr.-2L | 6-5 | 4.14 | 76.0 | 16 | 50 | 2004 SEC Academic Honor Roll (3.7 gpa) |
| Greg Smith | L | Jr.-2L | 2-0 | 2.35 | 30.2 | 13 | 35 | .222 opponent batting average in 2004 |
| Jordan Faircloth | R | Sr.-2L | 3-3 | 2.79 | 58.0 | 13 | 41 | Led LSU staff with four saves in 2004 |
| Michael Bonura | R | So.-1L | 4-0 | 4.46 | 34.1 | 22 | 31 | .248 opponent batting average in 2004 |
| Brandon Nall | R | Sr.-RS | --- Medical redshirt in 2003; DNP in 2004 --- | | | | | |

Pitchers Lost

| Player | R/L | Cl. | W-L | ERA | SV | IP | BB | SO | Reason for leaving |
|---------------|-----|--------|------|------|----|------|----|----|----------------------------|
| Nate Bumstead | R | Sr.-2L | 10-3 | 4.00 | 0 | 92.1 | 21 | 54 | Signed with Detroit Tigers |

Top Newcomers-Pitchers

| Player | R/L | Cl. | Hometown (2004 School) |
|---------------|-----|-----|--|
| Chris Cahill | R | Jr. | Orlando, Fla. (Florida Gulf Coast University - Fort Myers) |
| Chase Dardar | R | Jr. | Marrero, La. (Delgado Community College - New Orleans) |
| Eric English | R | Fr. | Weston, Fla. (Cypress Bay HS) |
| Daniel Forrer | L | Jr. | Montgomery, Ala. (Chipola College - Marianna, Fla.) |
| Edgar Ramirez | R | Jr. | Miami, Fla. (Florida International University - Miami) |



Pitcher Jason Determann



Pitcher Clay Dirks



Pitcher Greg Smith

DEPTH CHART

First Base

| | | | | | |
|----|--------------|-----|-----|-----|--------|
| 25 | Will Harris | R-R | 6-3 | 230 | Jr. |
| 11 | Jordan Mayer | R-R | 6-3 | 235 | Fr.-RS |

Second Base

| | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 4 | Bryan Harris | R-R | 6-2 | 195 | So. |
| 7 | Michael Hollander | R-R | 5-8 | 180 | Fr. |

Shortstop

| | | | | | |
|---|--------------|-----|------|-----|-----|
| 3 | Blake Gill | L-R | 5-10 | 190 | Sr. |
| 2 | Derek Hebert | L-R | 5-11 | 185 | Sr. |

Third Base

| | | | | | |
|----|-------------|-----|------|-----|-----|
| 21 | Clay Harris | R-R | 6-4 | 220 | Sr. |
| 16 | J.P. Padron | R-R | 5-11 | 210 | Fr. |

Catcher

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|----|---------------|-----|------|-----|--------|
| 14 | Matt Liuzza | R-R | 6-0 | 200 | Jr. |
| 9 | Dustin Weaver | R-R | 5-10 | 185 | Sr. |
| 11 | Jordan Mayer | R-R | 6-3 | 235 | Fr.-RS |

Left Field

| | | | | | |
|----|----------------|-----|------|-----|-----|
| 12 | Ryan Patterson | R-R | 5-11 | 200 | Sr. |
| 40 | Quinn Stewart | R-R | 6-1 | 195 | Jr. |

Center Field

| | | | | | |
|----|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 24 | Bruce Sprowl | L-R | 5-8 | 170 | Jr. |
| 32 | Rhett Buteau | L-R | 5-9 | 160 | Sr. |

Right Field

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|----|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 43 | Nick Stavinoha | R-R | 6-1 | 220 | Sr. |
| 40 | Quinn Stewart | R-R | 6-1 | 195 | Jr. |

Designated Hitter

| | | | | | |
|----|---------------|-----|------|-----|--------|
| 40 | Quinn Stewart | R-R | 6-1 | 195 | Jr. |
| 11 | Jordan Mayer | R-R | 6-3 | 235 | Fr.-RS |
| 16 | J.P. Padron | R-R | 5-11 | 210 | Fr. |

Weekend Pitching Rotation

| | | | | | |
|----|---------------|----|-----|-----|-----|
| 13 | Clay Dirks | LH | 6-4 | 235 | So. |
| 46 | Lane Mestepey | LH | 6-0 | 195 | Sr. |
| 27 | Greg Smith | LH | 6-0 | 190 | Jr. |

Mid-Week Starters/Relievers

| | | | | | |
|----|------------------|----|------|-----|-----|
| 35 | Justin Meier | RH | 6-0 | 200 | Jr. |
| 33 | Jason Determann | LH | 5-10 | 170 | Jr. |
| 29 | Jordan Faircloth | RH | 6-3 | 205 | Sr. |
| 28 | Michael Bonura | RH | 6-1 | 175 | So. |
| 8 | Brandon Nall | RH | 6-3 | 180 | Sr. |
| 41 | Chris Cahill | RH | 6-2 | 200 | Jr. |
| 23 | Chase Dardar | RH | 5-11 | 200 | Jr. |
| 34 | Eric English | RH | 6-0 | 195 | Fr. |
| 37 | Daniel Forrer | LH | 6-2 | 200 | Jr. |
| 36 | Edgar Ramirez | RH | 6-4 | 230 | Jr. |

2005 PRE-SEASON POLLS

Collegiate Baseball

1. Texas (58-15)
2. Miami, Fla. (50-13)
3. Cal. St. Fullerton (47-22)
4. Tulane * (42-21)
5. **LSU (46-19)**
6. Stanford (46-14)
7. North Carolina (43-21)
8. South Carolina * (53-17)
9. Georgia * (45-23)
10. Texas A&M (42-22)
11. Arizona State * (41-18)
12. Arizona (36-27-1)
13. Georgia Tech (44-21)
14. Long Beach State (40-21)
15. Rice * (46-14)
16. Mississippi * (39-21)
17. Washington (39-20-1)
18. Florida State (45-23)
19. Mississippi State * (35-24)
20. Notre Dame (51-12)
21. Clemson (39-26)
22. Florida (43-22)
23. Oklahoma State (38-24)
24. Central Florida (48-17)
25. Baylor (29-31)

Baseball America

1. Tulane * (41-21)
2. **LSU (46-19)**
3. Cal State Fullerton 47-22
4. Texas (58-15)
5. Miami, Fla. (50-13)
6. Stanford (46-14)
7. South Carolina * (53-17)
8. Washington (39-20)
9. Arizona State * (41-18)
10. Georgia * (45-23)
11. Baylor (29-31)
12. Arizona (36-27)
13. Texas A&M (42-22)
14. North Carolina (43-21)
15. Florida (43-22)
16. Mississippi * (39-21)
17. Vanderbilt * (45-19)
18. Rice * (46-14)
19. Georgia Tech (44-21)
20. Notre Dame (51-12)
21. Texas Christian (39-26)
22. Long Beach State (40-21)
23. Oklahoma State (38-24)
24. Oral Roberts (50-11)
25. Winthrop (37-23)

* - 2005 LSU opponent
(2004 records in parentheses)

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Jim Wells
HEAD COACH

ALABAMA

Friday, April 1 at Tuscaloosa - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 2 at Tuscaloosa - 4 p.m.
Sunday, April 3 at Tuscaloosa - 2 p.m.

Location: Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Enrollment: 20,969
Nickname: Crimson Tide
Colors: Crimson and White
Conference: Southeastern (Western Division)
President: Dr. Robert E. Witt (Bates College, 1962)
Athletic Director: Mal Moore (Alabama, 1961)
Home Park (Capacity): Sewell-Thomas Stadium (6,118)

Dimensions: LF-325; LC-365; CF-400; RC-365; RF-325
Press Box Phone: (205) 348-4927
Head Coach: Jim Wells (Northwestern State, 1980)
Record at Alabama: 438-202 (.684/10 years)
Career Record: 630-291 (.684/15 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (205) 348-3841
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
Assistant Coaches: Todd Butler (McNeese State, 1991) and Jim Gatewood (Henderson State, 1988)
2004 Record: 29-26
SEC Record (Finish): 10-20 (6th in West, 11th overall)
Post Season: None
Final Rankings: Not Ranked
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 16/9
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 5/6
Top Returning Position Players: Jr. 3B Evan Bush (.324, 8 HR, 31 RBI); Sr. 2B Allen Rice (.333, 1 HR, 29 RBI); Sr. 1B Zac Welch (.305, 7 HR, 46 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. LH Brandon Belcher (3-5, 4.50); Sr. LH Brent Carter (6-3, 4.57); Soph. LH Wade LeBlanc (8-4, 2.08)
Top Newcomers: Fr. RHP/1B Josh Copeland; Fr. SS Cale Iorg; Jr. C Cody Valverde
Series Record vs. LSU: Alabama leads, 183-137-1
2004 Series: LSU, 2-1 (2-8, 2-1, 9-2 at Baton Rouge)
Smoke Laval vs. Alabama: 9-7
Jim Wells vs. LSU: 20-28

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Dave Van Horn
HEAD COACH

ARKANSAS

Friday, April 22 at Fayetteville - 7:05 p.m.
Saturday, April 23 at Fayetteville - 3:05 p.m.
Sunday, April 24 at Fayetteville - 1:05 p.m.

Location: Fayetteville, Ark.
Enrollment: 17,269
Nickname: Razorbacks
Colors: Cardinal and White
Conference: Southeastern (Western Division)
Chancellor: Dr. John A. White (Arkansas, 1961)
Athletic Director: Frank Broyles (Georgia Tech, 1947)
Home Park (Capacity): Baum Stadium (6,133)
Dimensions: LF-320; LC-375; CF-400; RC-375; RF-320

Press Box Phone: (479) 575-7481
Head Coach: Dave Van Horn (Arkansas, 1988)
Record at Arkansas: 80-46 (.612/2 years)
Career Record: 665-295 (.693/16 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (479) 575-3655
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
Assistant Coaches: Dave Jorm (Southeast Missouri, 1981) and Matt Deggs (Northwood, 1994)
2004 Record: 45-24
SEC Record (Finish): 19-11 (1st in West, tied for 1st overall)
Post Season: 2-2 in SEC Tournament (tied for 3rd); 4-1 in NCAA Fayetteville Regional (champions); 2-0 vs. Florida State in NCAA Fayetteville Super Regional; 0-2 in NCAA College World Series (tied for 7th)
Final Rankings: 6th Baseball America, 7th Collegiate Baseball, 7th ESPN/USA Today
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 12/10
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 5/5
Top Returning Position Players: Soph. OF Jake Dugger (.293, 8 HR, 44 RBI); Sr. 3B Clay Goodwin (.319, 4 HR, 32 RBI); Sr. SS Scott Hode (.293, 7 HR, 53 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Charley Boyce (10-3, 3.20); Sr. LH Trey Holloway (2-2, 3.77, 1 SV); Soph. RH Daryl Maday (4-0, 4.75)
Top Newcomers: Fr. INF Brock Bond; Fr. LHP T.J. Sinovich; Fr. C Brian Walker
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 30-16
2004 Series: Arkansas, 3-0 (8-11, 10-11 in 10 innings, 5-7 at Baton Rouge)
Smoke Laval vs. Arkansas: 6-5
Dave Van Horn vs. LSU: 6-6

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Tom Slater
HEAD COACH

AUBURN

Friday, March 25 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 26 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, March 27 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location: Auburn, Ala.
Enrollment: 22,928
Nickname: Tigers
Colors: Burnt Orange and Navy Blue
Conference: Southeastern (Western Division)
President: Dr. Ed Richardson
Athletic Director: Jay Jacobs (Auburn, 1985)
Home Park (Capacity): Hitchcock Field at Plainsman Park (4,096)

Dimensions: LF-315; LC-335/385; CF-385; RC-360; RF-331
Press Box Phone: (334) 844-4138
Head Coach: Tom Slater (VMI, 1990)
Record at Auburn: First Season
Career Record: 50-100 (.333/3 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (334) 844-4975
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings CT, through Kirk Sampson
Assistant Coaches: Chris Finwood (VMI, 1988), Matt Myers (Tennessee, 1998) and Karl Nonemaker (Vanderbilt, 2002)
2004 Record: 32-24
SEC Record (Finish): 12-18 (5th in West, 10th overall)
Post Season: None
Final Rankings: Not Ranked
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 13/6
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 9/5
Top Returning Position Players: Jr. C Josh Bell (.274, 10 HR, 46 RBI); Sr. IF Ben Maitland (.270, 0 HR, 48 RBI); Jr. OF Clete Thomas (.329, 4 HR, 45 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. LH Mike Felix (4-5, 4.52); Sr. LH Arnold Hughey (6-4, 4.58); Sr. RH John Madden (1-2, 5.53)
Top Newcomers: Soph. LHP Josh Blake; Jr. OF Jeff Boutwell; Soph. SS Philip Stringer
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 72-57
2004 Series: LSU, 2-1 (6-7 in 10 innings, 5-3, 3-2 at Auburn)
Smoke Laval vs. Auburn: 7-3
Tom Slater vs. LSU: 0-0

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Pat McMahon
HEAD COACH

FLORIDA

No Regular Season Meetings in 2005;
possible opponent in SEC Tournament

Location: Gainesville, Fla.
Enrollment: 48,500
Nickname: Gators
Colors: Orange and Blue
Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President: Dr. J. Bernard Machen (St. Louis, 1968)
Athletic Director: Jeremy Foley (Hobart, 1974)
Home Park (Capacity): Alfred A. McKethan Stadium at Perry Field (5,000)

Dimensions: LF-329; LC-365; CF-400; RC-375; RF-325
Press Box Phone: (352) 375-4683
Head Coach: Pat McMahon (Stetson, 1976)
Record at Florida: 126-62-1 (.669/3 years)
Career Record: 479-236-1 (.670/12 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (352) 375-4683 ext. 4457
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, ET through John Hines
Assistant Coaches: Ross Jones (North Florida, 1993); Tim Parenton (Mississippi State, 1989) and Brian Fleetwood (North Florida, 1996)
2004 Record: 43-22
SEC Record (Finish): 17-13 (tied for 2nd in East, tied for 5th overall)
Post Season: 2-2 in SEC Tournament (tied for 3rd); 3-0 in NCAA Oklahoma City Regional (champions); 0-2 vs. Miami in NCAA Coral Gables Super Regional
Final Rankings: 16th Baseball America, 18th Collegiate Baseball, 16th ESPN/USA Today
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 18/13
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 9/4
Top Returning Position Players: Sr. OF Jeff Corsaletti (.323, 5 HR, 43 RBI); Soph. C Matt LaPorta (.285, 14 HR, 37 RBI); Soph. OF Brian Leclerc (.312, 6 HR, 37 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Bryan Ball (5-1, 5.04, 1 SV); Sr. RH Connor Falkenbach (10-7, 3.34); Jr. RH Darren O'Day (8-1, 2.56, 5 SV)
Top Newcomers: Fr. RHP Bryan Augenstein; Fr. RHP Josh Edmondson; Fr. LHP Matt Hightower
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 45-25-1
2004 Series: Florida, 1-0 (4-5 in 10 innings in SEC Tournament)
Smoke Laval vs. Florida: 4-2-1
Pat McMahon vs. LSU: 10-12-1

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David Perno
HEAD COACH

GEORGIA

Friday, March 18 at Athens - 7 p.m. ET
Saturday, March 19 at Athens - 4 p.m. ET
Sunday, March 20 at Athens - 1 p.m. ET

Location: Athens, Ga.
Enrollment: 33,405
Nickname: Bulldogs
Colors: Red and Black
Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President: Dr. Michael Adams (David Lipscomb, 1970)
Athletic Director: Damon Evans (Georgia, 1992)
Home Park (Capacity): Foley Field (3,291)

Dimensions: LF-345; LC-370; CF-404; RC-365; RF-314
Press Box Phone: (706) 542-6161/6162
Head Coach: David Perno (Georgia, 1991)
Record at Georgia: 106-78 (.576/3 years)
Career Record: 106-78 (.576/3 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (706) 542-7971
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Assistant Coaches: Butch Thompson (Birmingham Southern, 1992); Don Norris (Georgia, 1992) and Jason Eller (Georgia State, 1998)
2004 Record: 45-23
SEC Record (Finish): 19-11 (1st in East, tied for 1st overall)
Post Season: 1-2 in SEC Tournament (tied for 5th); 3-1 in NCAA Athens Regional (champions); 2-0 vs. Georgia Tech in NCAA Atlanta Super Regional; 2-2 in NCAA College World Series (tied for 3rd)
Final Rankings: 5th Baseball America, 4th Collegiate Baseball, 5th ESPN/USA Today Lettermen Returning/Lost: 23/7
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 11/3
Top Returning Position Players: Jr. OF Bobby Felmy (.300, 9 HR, 47 RBI); Soph. 1B Josh Morris (.319, 16 HR, 71 RBI); Sr. SS/3B Josh Smith (.314, 3 HR, 40 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Michael Hyle (8-2, 2.99); Sr. RH Sean Ruthven (7-2, 3.41); Jr. LH Will Startup (7-2, 2.22, 12 SV)
Top Newcomers: Fr. RHP/OF Josh Fields; Fr. LHP Blake Carver; Jr. INF/OF Matthew Dunn
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 48-14-1
2003 Series: Tied, 2-2 (6-5 in 10 innings, 10-2, 4-11 at Baton Rouge; 0-1 in SEC Tournament)
Smoke Laval vs. Georgia: 8-2
David Perno vs. LSU: 2-8

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John Cohen
HEAD COACH

KENTUCKY

Friday, May 6 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 7 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, May 8 at Baton Rouge - Noon

Location: Lexington, Ky.
Enrollment: 25,397
Nickname: Wildcats
Colors: Blue and White
Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President: Dr. Lee T. Todd (Kentucky, 1968)
Athletic Director: Mitch Barnhart (Ottawa, 1981)
Home Park (Capacity): Cliff Hagan Stadium (3,000)

Dimensions: LF-340; LC-365; CF-390; RC-350; RF-310
Press Box Phone: (859) 257-9013
Head Coach: John Cohen (Mississippi State, 1990)
Record at Kentucky: 24-30 (.444/1 year)
Career Record: 170-114 (.599/5 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (859) 257-8052
Best Time to Contact: Weekdays ET, through Scott Dean
Assistant Coaches: Gary Henderson (San Diego State, 1983) and Jan Weisberg (Kentucky, 1993)
2004 Record: 24-30
SEC Record (Finish): 7-23 (6th in East, 12th overall)
Post Season: None
Final Rankings: Not Ranked
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 17/12
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 4/5
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 8/3
Top Returning Position Players: Sr. 2B Jesse Barber (.333, 2 HR, 24 RBI); Jr. 1B Michael Bertram (.303, 1 HR, 30 RBI); Soph. OF Billy Grace (.331, 5 HR, 34 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Kalen Gibson (5-3, 5.06); Sr. RH Andy Myette (1-2, 5.05); Jr. LH Aaron Tennyson (3.91, 0-0, 1 SV)
Top Newcomers: Fr. OF Antone Dejesus; Fr. RHP Scott Green; Fr. OF Willie Mays
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 31-14
2004 Series: LSU, 2-1 (3-10, 11-8, 15-4 at Lexington)
Smoke Laval vs. Kentucky: 2-1
John Cohen vs. LSU: 1-2

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Mike Bianco
HEAD COACH

OLE MISS

Friday, April 15 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 16 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, April 17 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location: Oxford, Miss.
Enrollment: 16,080
Nickname: Rebels
Colors: Cardinal Red and Navy Blue
Conference: Southeastern (Western Division)
Chancellor: Dr. Robert C. Khayat (Ole Miss, 1961)
Athletic Director: Pete Boone (Ole Miss, 1972)
Home Park (Capacity): Oxford-University Stadium/Swayze Field (3,500)

Dimensions: LF-330; LC-360; CF-390; RC-360; RF-330
Press Box Phone: (662) 915-7858
Head Coach: Mike Bianco (LSU, 1990)
Record at Ole Miss: 150-90-1 (.624/4 years)
Career Record: 250-161-1 (.608/7 years)
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Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT through Rick Stupak
Assistant Coaches: Dan McDonnell (The Citadel, 1992); Stuart Lake (Charleston Southern, 1994) and Kyle Bunn (The Citadel, 1999)
2004 Record: 39-21
SEC Record (Finish): 18-12 (tied for 2nd in West, tied for 3rd overall)
Post Season: 0-2 in SEC Tournament (tied for 7th); 0-2 in NCAA Oxford Regional (4th)
Final Rankings: 23rd Baseball America, 24th Collegiate Baseball, 25th ESPN/USA Today Lettermen Returning/Lost: 18/12
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 5/3
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 11/4
Top Returning Position Players: Sr. C Barry Gunther (.323, 2 HR, 28 RBI); Jr. 1B Stephen Head (.346, 13 HR, 53 RBI); Sr. 2B Cooper Osteen (.293, 2 HR, 27 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Anthony Cupps (3-4, 3.41, 1 SV); Jr. LH Stephen Head (6-3, 2.82, 5 SV); Jr. RH Mark Holliman (9-3, 3.05)
Top Newcomers: Jr. LHP Tommy Baumgardner; Fr. INF Zack Cozart; Soph. INF C.J. Ketchum
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 152-128
2004 Series: LSU, 2-1 (6-7, 11-4, 14-6 at Oxford)
Smoke Laval vs. Ole Miss: 5-6
Mike Bianco vs. LSU: 7-12

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Ron Polk
HEAD COACH

MISSISSIPPI STATE

Friday, May 20 at Starkville - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 21 at Starkville - 2 p.m.
Sunday, May 22 at Starkville - 1:30 p.m.

Location: Starkville, Miss.
Enrollment: 15,934
Nickname: Bulldogs
Colors: Maroon and White
Conference: Southeastern (Western Division)
President: Dr. J. Charles Lee (North Carolina State, 1964)
Athletic Director: Larry Templeton (Mississippi State, 1969)
Home Park (Capacity): Dudy Noble Field, Polk DeMent Stadium (15,000)

Dimensions: LF-330; LC-376; CF-390; RC-374; RF-326
Press Box Phone: (662) 325-3776
Head Coach: Ron Polk (Grand Canyon, 1965)
Record at Mississippi State: 999-490-2 (.671/25 years)
Career Record: 1,233-602-2 (.672/31 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (662) 325-3597
Best Time to Contact: 8-9:30 a.m. CT and 10:30-Noon CT
Assistant Coaches: Russ McNickle (South Alabama, 1988); Tommy Raffo (Mississippi State, 1990) and Daron Schoenrock (Tennessee Tech, 1984)
2004 Record: 35-24
SEC Record (Finish): 13-17 (4th in West, 9th overall)
Post Season: 1-2 in NCAA Atlanta Regional (3rd)
Final Rankings: Not Ranked
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 21/9
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/2
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 13/1
Top Returning Position Players: Jr. OF Brad Corley (.380, 19 HR, 55 RBI); Jr. OF Joseph Hunter (.311, 3 HR, 39 RBI); Soph. 2B Jeffrey Rea (.324, 2 HR, 32 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Alan Johnson (3-4, 5.65); Soph. RH Josh Johnson (5-1, 4.06); Sr. RH Saunders Ramsey (7-2, 3.50, 4 SV)
Top Newcomers: Fr. C Ed Easley; Fr. RHP/3B Chad Crosswhite; Jr. OF Matt Richardson
Series Record vs. LSU: Mississippi State leads, 189-153-1
2004 Series: LSU, 2-1 (3-7, 11-6, 14-3 at Baton Rouge)
Smoke Laval vs. Mississippi State: 7-13
Ron Polk vs. LSU: 65-51

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Ray Tanner
HEAD COACH

SOUTH CAROLINA

Friday, April 8 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 9 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, April 10 at Baton Rouge - Noon

Location: Columbia, S.C.
Enrollment: 23,700
Nickname: Gamecocks
Colors: Garnet and Black
Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President: Dr. Andrew Sorensen (Yale, 1962)
Athletic Director: Dr. Mike McGee (Duke, 1960)
Home Park (Capacity): Sarge Frye Field (6,000)
Dimensions: LF-320; LC-360; CF-390; RC-360; RF-320
Press Box Phone: (803) 777-6648
Head Coach: Ray Tanner (N.C. State, 1980)
Record at South Carolina: 372-152 (.710/8 years)
Career Record: 767-321-3 (.705/16 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (803) 777-1704
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, ET
Assistant Coaches: Jim Toman (N.C. State, 1985); Mark Calvi (Nova Southeastern, 1992) and Monte Lee (College of Charleston, 1999)
2004 Record: 53-17
SEC Record (Finish): 17-13 (2nd in East, tied for 5th overall)
Post Season: 4-0 in SEC Tournament (champions); 3-0 in NCAA Columbia Regional (champions); 2-0 vs. East Carolina in NCAA Columbia Super Regional; 3-2 in NCAA College World Series (3rd)
Final Rankings: 3rd Baseball America, 3rd Collegiate Baseball, 3rd ESPN/USA Today
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 19/10
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 66/3
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 9/4
Top Returning Position Players: Jr. OF Michael Campbell (.312, 14 HR, 52 RBI); Sr. 3B Steve Pearce (.346, 21 HR, 70 RBI); Sr. OF Brendan Winn (.305, 19 HR, 69 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Aaron Rawl (13-4, 4.28); Sr. RH Zac McCamie (7-0, 3.10); Sr. RH Jason Fletcher (6-1, 3.40, 1 SV)
Top Newcomers: . . . Jr. INF Chris Brown; Jr. 1B/3B Neil Giesler; Fr. LHP Brandon White
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 22-12-1
2003 Series: Tied, 2-2 (6-3 in 11 innings, 5-12, 12-7 at Baton Rouge; 4-15 in NCAA College World Series)
Smoke Laval vs. South Carolina: 6-8
Ray Tanner vs. LSU: 11-13

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Rod Delmonico
HEAD COACH

TENNESSEE

Friday, May 13 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 14 at Baton Rouge - 3 p.m.
Sunday, May 15 at Baton Rouge - Noon

Location: Knoxville, Tenn.
Enrollment: 25,058
Nickname: Volunteers
Colors: Orange and White
Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President: Dr. John Peterson (CSU-Los Angeles, 1970)
Athletic Director: Mike Hamilton (Clemson, 1985)
Home Park (Capacity): Lindsey Nelson Stadium (4,000)
Dimensions: LF-335; LC-373; CF-404; RC-358; RF-330
Press Box Phone: (865) 974-3376
Head Coach: Rod Delmonico (Liberty, 1980)
Record at Tennessee: 588-326 (.643/15 years)
Career Record: 588-326 (.643/15 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (865) 974-2057
Best Time to Contact: Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-Noon ET
Assistant Coaches: Larry Simcox (Ole Miss, 1982); Mike Bell (Florida State, 1996) and Clay Greene (Tennessee, 2001)
2004 Record: 38-24
SEC Record (Finish): 14-16 (5th in East, 8th overall)
Post Season: . . . 1-2 in SEC Tournament (tied for 5th); 1-2 in NCAA Kinston Regional (3rd)
Final Rankings: Not Ranked
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 16/12
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 8/7
Top Returning Position Players: Jr. OF Eli Iorg (.324, 4 HR, 36 RBI); Jr. 3B Kyle Norrid (.313, 2 HR, 32 RBI); Sr. DH Alex Suarez (.330, 3 HR, 32 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Luke Hochevar (6-5, 4.64, 3 SV); Jr. LH Mike Kerfeld (4-0, 3.16); Soph. RH Sean Watson (4-5, 4.54)
Top Newcomers: . . . Fr. LHP James Adkins; Fr. C J.P. Arencibia; Fr. OF Julio Borbon
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 38-11
2004 Series: LSU, 2-1 (6-8, 11-5, 11-1 at Knoxville)
Smoke Laval vs. Tennessee: 7-2
Rod Delmonico vs. LSU: 9-28

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Tim Corbin
HEAD COACH

VANDERBILT

Friday, April 29 at Nashville - 6 p.m.
Saturday, April 30 at Nashville - 2 p.m.
Sunday, May 1 at Nashville - 1 p.m.

Location: Nashville, Tenn.
Enrollment: 6,319
Nickname: Commodores
Colors: Black and Gold
Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)
Chancellor: Dr. E. Gordon Gee (Utah, 1968)
Home Park (Capacity): Charles Hawkins Field (1,575)
Dimensions: LF-310; LC-375; CF-400; RC-375; RF-330
Press Box Phone: (615) 320-0436
Head Coach: Tim Corbin (Ohio Wesleyan, 1984)
Record at Vanderbilt: 72-47 (.605/2 years)
Career Record: 72-47 (.605/2 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (615) 322-4727
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
Assistant Coaches: Derek Johnson (Eastern Illinois, 1993) and Erik Bakich (East Carolina, 2000)
2004 Record: 45-19
SEC Record (Finish): 16-14 (4th in East, 7th overall)
Post Season: 3-1 in SEC Tournament (2nd); 3-0 in NCAA Charlottesville Regional (champions); 0-2 vs. Texas in NCAA Austin Super Regional
Final Rankings: 17th Baseball America, 17th Collegiate Baseball, 18th ESPN/USA Today
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 20/8
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 10/2
Top Returning Position Players: Jr. 1B/DH Mike Baxter (.322, 2 HR, 38 RBI); Soph. LF Aaron Garza (.295, 2 HR, 31 RBI); Jr. 2B Warner Jones (.414, 11 HR, 74 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Matt Buschmann (8-1, 2.84, 2 SV); Jr. RH Jensen Lewis (6-4, 3.49, 2 SV); Jr. LH Ryan Mullins (9-2, 2.58)
Top Newcomers: Fr. OF Ryan Davis; Fr. SS/3B Dominic De La Osa; Jr. C Brian Hernandez
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 22-11-1
2004 Series: LSU, 2-1 (3-2 in 10 innings, 7-6 in 11 innings, 0-8 at Baton Rouge)
Smoke Laval vs. Vanderbilt: 4-5
Tim Corbin vs. LSU: 3-3

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ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM

Friday, March 4 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 5 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, March 6 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location:Birmingham, Ala.
 Enrollment:12,381
 Nickname:Blazers
 Colors:Forest Green and Old Gold
 Conference:Conference USA
 President:Dr. Carol Garrison (North Carolina, 1974)
 Athletic Director:Watson Brown (Vanderbilt, 1973)
 Home Park (Capacity):Jerry D. Young Memorial Field (1,000)
 Dimensions:LF-330; LC-370; CF-400; RC-360; RF-330
 Press Box Phone:(205) 934-0200
 Head Coach:Larry Giangrosso (UAB, 1975)
 Record at UAB:126-57 (.689/5 years)
 Career Record:700-445-1 (.611/26 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(205) 934-5181
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Frank Walton (UAB, 1990) and Nick Dumas (Birmingham-Southern, 2000)
 2004 Record:30-29
 C-USA Record (Finish):13-16 (7th)
 Post Season:2-2 in C-USA Tournament (tied for 3rd)
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:20/14
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:4/5
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:11/6
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. OF Cole Helms (.316, 5 HR, 45 RBI); Sr. DH Nathan McCorkle (.325, 11 HR, 50 RBI); Sr. INF Seth Rollin (.288, 8 HR, 37 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Jeff Brown (4-3, 3.28); Sr. RH Adam Price (6-6, 5.33); Sr. RH Eric Roberts (5-3, 4.50, 4 SV)
 Top Newcomers:Fr. INF Brett Hall; Jr. RHP Randy Mills; Jr. OF Steven Turner
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 3-1
 Last Series:LSU, 3-0 in 1994 (11-5, 6-5, 17-6 at Baton Rouge)

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ARIZONA STATE

Friday, March 11 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 13 at Baton Rouge - 4 p.m.

Location:Tempe, Ariz.
 Enrollment:45,693
 Nickname:Sun Devils
 Colors:Maroon and White
 Conference:Mid-Continent
 President:Dr. Kenneth L. Schwab (Purdue, 1969)
 Athletic Director:Taylor F. Moore (Centenary, 1969)
 Home Park (Capacity):Shehee Stadium (1,000)
 Dimensions:LF-343; LC-365; CF-380; RC-365; RF-343
 Press Box Phone:(318) 869-5250
 Head Coach:Ed McCann (Southeast Oklahoma State, 1977)
 Record at Centenary:122-211-2 (.366/6 years)
 Career Record:122-211-2 (.366/6 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(318) 869-5095
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches:Mike Diaz, Cory Burton and Jeff Poulin
 2004 Record:23-31
 Conference Record (Finish):10-11 (3rd)
 Post Season:None
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:9/15
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:4/5
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:4/8
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. INF Travis Buck (.373, 9 HR, 58 RBI); Sr. C Tuffy Gosewisch (.342, 2 HR, 49 HR); Sr. 1B/3B Jeff Larish (.308, 7 HR, 49 RBI);
 Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. RH Quentin Andes (5-1, 4.55, 2 SV); Sr. RH Jason Urquidez (12-3, 3.41); Soph. RH Zechry Zinicola (4-2, 3.36, 8 SV)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. INF Vinny Biancamano; Jr. RH Kevin Dryanski; Fr. SS Andrew Romine
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 4-1-1
 Last Series:LSU, 2-0-1 in 2001 (12-11, 15-7, 5-5 in 8 innings at Tempe)
 Smoke Laval vs. Arizona State:0-0
 Pat Murphy vs. LSU:1-2-1

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ARKANSAS-LITTLE ROCK

Friday, February 18 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, February 19 at Baton Rouge - 4 p.m.
Sunday, February 20 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location:Little Rock, Ark.
 Enrollment:11,848
 Nickname:Trojans
 Colors:Black, Maroon and Silver
 Conference:Sun Belt
 Chancellor:Dr. Joel E. Anderson (Harding, 1964)
 Athletic Director:Chris Peterson (Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 1975)
 Home Park (Capacity):Gary Hogan Field (1,000)
 Dimensions:LF-320; CF-390; RF-305
 Press Box Phone:(501) 663-8095
 Head Coach:Brian Rhees (Chico State, 1984)
 Record at UALR:167-258 (.393/8 years)
 Career Record:259-354-1 (.423/12 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(501) 663-8095
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Clint Culbertson (Missouri, 1993) and Bobby Pierce (New Mexico State, 2001)
 2004 Record:16-32
 Sun Belt Record (Finish):6-18 (9th)
 Post Season:None
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:11/17
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:4/5
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:6/8
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. C/1B Chad McKellar (.235, 5 HR, 27 RBI); Sr. OF Jimmy Scott (.267, 3 HR, 23 RBI); Jr. 3B/DH Josh Ward (.240, 0 HR, 8 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Bennett Cromer (4-6, 6.27); Soph. RH Cody Fry (3-4, 2.54); Soph. RH Scott Yant (1-1, 5.54)
 Top Newcomers: Sr. C Tommy Bryant; Jr. SS Derek Eilers; Jr. OF Jacob Stover
 Series Record vs. LSU:First Meeting
 Last Series:First Meeting

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CENTENARY

Wednesday, March 2 at Shreveport (Fair Grounds Field) - 7 p.m.

Location:Shreveport, La.
 Enrollment:880
 Nickname:Gentlemen (Gents)
 Colors:Maroon and White
 Conference:Mid-Continent
 President:Dr. Kenneth L. Schwab (Purdue, 1969)
 Athletic Director:Taylor F. Moore (Centenary, 1969)
 Home Park (Capacity):Shehee Stadium (1,000)
 Dimensions:LF-343; LC-365; CF-380; RC-365; RF-343
 Press Box Phone:(318) 869-5250
 Head Coach:Ed McCann (Southeast Oklahoma State, 1977)
 Record at Centenary:122-211-2 (.366/6 years)
 Career Record:122-211-2 (.366/6 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(318) 869-5095
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches:Mike Diaz, Cory Burton and Jeff Poulin
 2004 Record:23-31
 Conference Record (Finish):10-11 (3rd)
 Post Season:None
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:9/15
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:4/5
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:4/8
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. INF A.J. Howes (.303, 2 HR, 20 RBI); Sr. INF David Kiefer (.292, 6 HR, 29 RBI); Soph. OF Jared Vincent (.293, 4 HR, 45 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH J.C. Biagi (4-2, 5.34); Soph. LH Brandon Fulencheck (0-4, 6.75); Soph. RH Will Kaage (3-1, 6.75)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. LHP Matt Clark; Jr. LHP Chad Harper; Fr. C Alex Moldonado
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 26-7-1
 2004 Meeting:LSU, 9-3 at Shreveport
 Smoke Laval vs. Centenary:18-2
 Ed McCann vs. LSU:0-5

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HOUSTON

Friday, February 25 at Houston - 7 p.m.
Saturday, February 26 at Houston - 3 p.m.
Sunday, February 27 at Houston - 1 p.m.

Location:Houston, Texas
 Enrollment:35,400
 Nickname:Cougars
 Colors:Scarlet and White with Navy Trim
 Conference:Conference USA
 President:Dr. G. Jay Gogue (Auburn, 1969)
 Athletic Director:Dave Maggard (California, 1962)
 Home Park (Capacity):Cougar Field (3,500)
 Dimensions:LF-330; LC-375; CF-390; RC-375; RF-330
 Press Box Phone:(713) 743-0840
 Head Coach:Rayner Noble (Houston, 1983)
 Record at Houston:361-253 (.588/10 years)
 Career Record:361-253 (.588/10 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(713) 743-9396
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches:Kirk Blount (Houston, 1995) and Sean Allen (Houston, 2001)
 2004 Record:30-29
 C-USA Record (Finish):19-11 (tied for 4th)
 Post Season:2-2 in C-USA Tournament (tied for 3rd)
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:13/17
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:11/7
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:7/6
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. C Brett Logan (.302, 1 HR, 11 RBI); Jr. INF/OF Kevin Roberts (.374, 6 HR, 31 RBI); Jr. OF Travis Tully (.308, 0 HR, 23 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Gene Flores (3-2, 6.70, 1 SV); Jr. RH Kevin Roberts (5-4, 4.26); Jr. RH Austin Summerlin (3-1, 1.73)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. RH Aaron Brown; Fr. OF Mark McGonigle; Fr. RHP/1B Sean McLemore
 Series Record vs. LSU:Houston leads, 20-13
 2004 Series:LSU, 2-1 (9-3, 5-10, 8-2 at Baton Rouge)
 Smoke Laval vs. Houston:4-4
 Rayner Noble vs. LSU:8-9

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LOUISIANA-MONROE

Tuesday, February 15 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.

Location:Monroe, La.
 Enrollment:8,836
 Nickname:Indians
 Colors:Maroon and Gold
 Conference:Southland
 President:Dr. James E. Cofer, Sr. (Mississippi State, 1971)
 Athletic Director:Bobby Staub (Auburn, 1982)
 Home Park (Capacity):Indian Field (3,000)
 Dimensions:LF-330; LC-375; CF-400; RC-375; RF-330
 Press Box Phone:(318) 342-5476
 Head Coach:Brad Holland (McNeese State, 1994)
 Record at ULM:127-110 (.536/4 years)
 Career Record:127-110 (.536/4 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(318) 342-3591
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT before Noon
 Assistant Coaches: Jeff Schexnaider (UL-Monroe, 1986); Britten Oubre (Southeastern Louisiana, 1985) and Chuck Finley (UL-Monroe, 1985)
 2004 Record:30-28
 Southland Record (Finish):15-16 (6th)
 Post Season:3-2 in SLC Tournament (2nd)
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:14/4
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:5/4
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:n/a
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. OF Glenn Jackson (.299, 1 HR, 14 RBI); Jr. OF Justin LaBorde (.350, 4 HR, 46 RBI); Soph. 2B Ty Rollinson (.319, 4 HR, 14 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. RH Matt Green (3-4, 5.57, 2 SV); Soph. RH James Stephens (3-0, 4.25)
 Top Newcomers:LHP Danny Borne; RHP Ladd Hall; RHP Matt Lane
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 35-8
 2004 Series:LSU, 2-0 (7-1 at Baton Rouge, 6-1 at Monroe)
 Smoke Laval vs. ULM:7-0
 Brad Holland vs. LSU:1-8

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NEW ORLEANS

Tuesday, March 15 at New Orleans (Maestri Field) - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 29 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.

Location:New Orleans, La.
 Enrollment:17,360
 Nickname:Privateers
 Colors:Silver and Blue
 Conference:Sun Belt
 President:Dr. Timothy Ryan (UNO, 1971)
 Athletic Director:James W. "Jim" Miller (Kentucky, 1970)
 Home Park (Capacity):Maestri Field at Privateer Park (4,200)
 Dimensions:LF-330; LC-370; CF-405; RC-370; RF-330
 Press Box Phone:(504) 280-3874
 Head Coach:Tom Walter (Georgetown, 1991)
 Record at UNO:First Season
 Career Record:275-184 (.599/8 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(504) 280-7021
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Chuck Bartlett (Mississippi State, 1984) and Dennis Healy (George Washington, 1996)
 2004 Record:27-28
 Sun Belt Record (Finish):13-10 (3rd)
 Post Season:0-2 in Sun Belt Conference Tournament
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:9/9
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:2/7
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:7/2
 Top Returning Position Players: Soph. C Miles Cabeceiras (.294, 1 HR, 9 RBI); Soph. OF Tony Gonzalez (.273, 9 HR, 37 RBI); Soph. OF Ryan Meyer (.252, 0 HR, 6 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Grant Birely (6-7, 4.42, 6 SV); Soph. RH Justin Garcia (0-3, 5.61); Sr. RH Michael Jones (1-1, 2.57)
 Top Newcomers: Jr. INF Mike Costantino; Jr. 3B/RHP Matt Rogers; Jr. RHP Martin Vergara
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 43-30
 2004 Series:LSU, 2-0 (14-0 at Baton Rouge, 12-5 at New Orleans)
 Smoke Laval vs. UNO:8-7
 Tom Walter vs. LSU:0-0

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NICHOLLS STATE

Friday, February 11 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, February 12 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, February 13 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.
Tuesday, April 5 at Thibodaux - 6:30 p.m.

Location:Thibodaux, La.
 Enrollment:7,262
 Nickname:Colonels
 Colors:Red and Gray
 Conference:Southland
 President:Dr. Stephen T. Hulbert (Worcester State)
 Athletic Director:Rob Bernardi (Cal-State Northridge, 1983)
 Home Park (Capacity):Raymond E. Didier Field (1,000)
 Dimensions:LF-331; LC-365; CF-401; RC-365; RF-331
 Press Box Phone:(985) 448-4834
 Head Coach:B.D. Parker (Tabor College, 1982)
 Record at Nicholls State:123-146 (.457/5 years)
 Career Record:609-411 (.597/19 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(985) 448-4808
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches:Gerald Cassard and Jacob Carlson
 2004 Record:20-29
 Southland Record (Finish):9-16 (10th)
 Post Season:None
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:11/8
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:5/4
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:6/8
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. OF Bubba Bell (.330, 3 HR, 35 RBI); Sr. SS Anthony Hatch (.379, 8 HR, 33 RBI); Sr. OF Josh Thomas (.293, 1 HR, 11 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Fr. LH Justin Breaux (1-2, 4.81); Sr. RH Mark Fernandez (6-2, 5.22); Jr. RH Shawn LeBlanc (1-5, 7.58)
 Top Newcomers:Jr. OF Steve Elson; Jr. RHP Aaron George; Jr. C Michael Muscuto
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 38-21
 2004 Meeting:LSU, 9-3 at Baton Rouge
 Smoke Laval vs. Nicholls State:23-6
 B.D. Parker vs. LSU:0-3

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NORTHWESTERN STATE

Tuesday, April 12 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.

Location:Natchitoches, La.
 Enrollment:10,400
 Nickname:Demons
 Colors:Purple and White with Orange Trim
 Conference:Southland
 President:Dr. Randall J. Webb
 Athletic Director:Greg Burke
 Home Park (Capacity):Brown-Stroud Field (1,200)
 Dimensions:LF-320; LC-360; CF-400; RC-360; RF-320
 Press Box Phone:(318) 357-5078
 Head Coach:Mitch Gaspard (Houston, 1988)
 Record at NSU:111-62 (.642/3 years)
 Career Record:111-62 (.642/3 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(318) 357-4139
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, between 9 a.m. and Noon CT
 Assistant Coaches: J.P. Davis (Memphis, 1994); Jeff McCannon (Nicholls State) and Justin Hill (LSU, 2002)
 2004 Record:33-23
 Southland Record (Finish):16-9 (2nd)
 Post Season:2-2 in SLC Tournament (3rd)
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:19/8
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:6/2
 Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost:3/1
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. 1B/C Bobby Barbier (.293, 9 HR, 48 RBI); Sr. OF Rusty Jones (.317, 3 HR, 27 RBI); Jr. 2B Brandon Morgan (.381, 2 HR, 41 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Russell Dorton (5-3, 3.41); Soph. LH Cory Keener (5-2, 3.88); Sr. RH Daniel Lonsberry (5-7, 3.69)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. LHP Tyler Cestia; Fr. INF Ben Harrington; Fr. RHP Kevin Thomas
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 42-10
 Last Series:LSU, 4-0 in 2003 (2-1, 10-5, 5-3 at Baton Rouge; 6-4 at Natchitoches)
 Smoke Laval vs. NSU:18-16
 Mitch Gaspard vs. LSU:0-4
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RICE

Wednesday, April 6 at Metairie (Zephyr Field) - 7 p.m.

Location:Houston, Texas
 Enrollment:4,785
 Nickname:Owls
 Colors:Blue and Gray
 Conference:Western Athletic Conference
 President:David W. Leebron
 Athletic Director:Bobby May
 Home Park (Capacity):Reckling Park (4,500)
 Dimensions:LF-330; LC-375; CF-400; RC-375; RF-330
 Press Box Phone:(713) 348-4931
 Head Coach:Wayne Graham (Texas, 1970)
 Record at Rice:582-238 (.710/13 years)
 Career Record:1,157-351 (.767/24 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(713) 348-8864
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Mike Taylor (Prairie View, 1997); David Pierce (Houston, 1988) and Zane Curry (Rice, 2002)
 2004 Record:46-14
 WAC Record (Finish):24-6 (1st)
 Post Season:3-2 in NCAA Houston Regional (2nd)
 Final Rankings: 11th Baseball America, 10th Collegiate Baseball, 11th ESPN/USA Today
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:16/8
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:11/4
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:7/4
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. OF Lance Pendleton (.347, 8 HR, 28 RBI); Sr. C Adam Rodgers (.351, 4 HR, 36 RBI); Soph. INF/OF Josh Rodriguez (.311, 1 HR, 17 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Eddie Degerman (0-1, 2.25, 1 SV); Soph. LH Adam Hale (0-2, 4.70, 1 SV); Sr. Garrett Pennington (0-0, 2.84)
 Top Newcomers: Jr. RHP Craig Crow; Jr. RHP Josh Geer; Fr. INF Derek Myers
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads 10-8
 Last Series:Rice, 2-0 in 2002 NCAA Houston Super Regional (0-6, 0-3)
 Smoke Laval vs. Rice:0-2
 Wayne Graham vs. LSU:4-1
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SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA

Wednesday, March 23 at Metairie (Zephyr Field) - 6:30 p.m.

Location:Hammond, La.
 Enrollment:15,562
 Nickname:Lions
 Colors:Green and Gold
 Conference:Southland
 President:Dr. M. Randy Moffett (Louisiana Tech, 1969)
 Athletic Director:Frank S. Pergolizzi (Williams, 1978)
 Home Park (Capacity):Alumni Field (2,500)
 Dimensions:LF-320; LC-365; CF-400; RC-365; RF-320
 Press Box Phone:(985) 549-2431
 Head Coach:Dan Canevari (Miami, Fla., 1980)
 Record at SLU:35-74 (.321/2 years)
 Career Record:35-74 (.321/2 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(985) 549-2896
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches:Graham Martin and John Stephenson
 2004 Record:17-39
 Southland Record (Finish):11-16 (8th)
 Post Season:None
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:17/14
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:5/4
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:9/6
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. 1B Trent Hebert (.337, 3 HR, 18 RBI); Sr. C Randy Roth (.317, 2 HR, 22 RBI); Soph. DH Colby Tyler (.275, 5 HR, 28 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. LH Chad Pendarvis (5-7, 4.43, 1 SV); Sr. RH Risley St. Germain (3-4, 4.17, 5 SV); Sr. LH Rodney Story (3-6, 4.14, 1 SV)
 Top Newcomers: Soph. RF Jon Greenwich; Jr. 2B Kyle Ginn; Fr. LH Anthony Masson
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 52-16
 2004 Series:LSU, 4-0 (7-1, 5-1, 16-2 at Baton Rouge; 9-3 at Metairie)
 Smoke Laval vs. SLU:16-5
 Dan Canevari vs. LSU:0-5
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SOUTHERN

Tuesday, May 3 at Baton Rouge - Alex Box Stadium - 6:30 p.m.

Location:Baton Rouge, La.
 Enrollment:9,803
 Nickname:Jaguars
 Colors:Blue and Gold
 Conference:Southwestern Athletic
 President:Dr. Edward Jackson
 Athletic Director:Floyd Kerr
 Home Park (Capacity):Lee-Hines Field (600)
 Dimensions:LF-330; LC-375; CF-400; RC-375; RF-330
 Press Box Phone:TBA
 Head Coach:Roger Cador (Southern, 1975)
 Record at Southern:616-309-1 (.666/20 years)
 Career Record:616-309-1 (.666/20 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(225) 771-2513
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches:Barret Rey (Southern, 1997) and Fernando Puebla
 2004 Record:27-14
 Conference Record (Finish):19-7 (3rd)
 Post Season:1-2 in SWAC Tournament (3rd)
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 39-1
 2004 Meeting:LSU, 21-10 at Lee Hines Field
 Smoke Laval vs. Southern:3-1
 Roger Cador vs. LSU:1-37
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TULANE

Tuesday, March 8 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 19 at Metairie (Zephyr Field) - 7 p.m.

Location:New Orleans, La.
 Enrollment:11,900
 Nickname:Green Wave
 Colors:Olive Green and Sky Blue
 Conference:Conference USA
 President:Dr. Scott Cowen (Connecticut, 1968)
 Athletic Director:Rick Dickson (Tulsa, 1976)
 Home Park (Capacity):Turchin Stadium (3,600)
 Dimensions:LF-325; LC-370; CF-400; RC-370; RF-325
 Press Box Phone:(504) 862-8224
 Head Coach:Rick Jones (UNC-Wilmington, 1975)
 Record at Tulane:467-225-1 (.675/11 years)
 Career Record:743-314-2 (.703/18 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(504) 862-8239
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT through Richie Weaver
 Assistant Coaches: Mark Kingston (North Carolina, 1995); Chad Sutter (Tulane, 1999) and Matthew Boggs (Georgia Tech, 2001)
 2004 Record:41-21
 C-USA Record (Finish):21-9 (tied for 2nd)
 Post Season: 0-2 in C-USA Tournament (tied for 7th); 3-0 in NCAA Oxford Regional (champions); 0-2 vs. Cal-State Fullerton in NCAA Super Regional Final Rankings: 19th Baseball America, 15th Collegiate Baseball, 17th ESPN/USA Today
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:14/9
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:7/2
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:6/4
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. LF Matt Barket (.370, 8 HR, 52 RBI); Jr. RF Brian Bogusevic (.339, 10 HR, 68 RBI); Sr. C Greg Dini (.354, 11 HR, 51 RBI); Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. LH Brian Bogusevic (9-6, 4.19); Jr. LH J.R. Crowel (8-3, 3.39); Jr. RH Billy Mohl (6-4, 3.70)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. OF Warren McFadden; Jr. P/INF Micah Owings; Fr. RHP Stephen Porlier
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 155-116-3
 2004 Series: LSU, 2-1 (6-0 at Metairie, 0-1 at Baton Rouge, 9-5 at New Orleans)
 Smoke Laval vs. Tulane:7-6
 Rick Jones vs. LSU:13-16
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WESTERN ILLINOIS

Saturday, March 12 at Baton Rouge - 4 p.m.

Location:Macomb, Ill.
 Enrollment:13,550
 Nickname:Leathernecks
 Colors:Purple and Gold
 Conference:Mid-Continent
 President:Dr. Alvin Goldfarb
 Athletic Director:Dr. Tim M. Van Alstine
 Home Park (Capacity):Vince Grady Field (1,200)
 Dimensions:LF-372; CF-400; RF-372
 Press Box Phone:(309) 255-9649
 Head Coach:Stan Hyman (Franklin and Marshall, 1981)
 Record at Western Illinois:66-113 (.369/3 years)
 Career Record:244-219-1 (.527/11 years)
 Baseball Office Phone:(309) 298-1521
 Best Time to Contact:Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Greg Schaub, Justin Gordon, Brigham John and Ryan Cougill
 2004 Record:29-36
 Mid-Continent Record (Finish):13-11 (2nd)
 Post Season:1-2 in Mid-Continent Tournament
 Final Rankings:Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:15/10
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:6/4
 Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost:3/2
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. OF Clint Buchen (.265, 2 HR, 14 RBI); Sr. OF Kyle Malan (.297, 11 HR, 43 RBI); Jr. INF Nick Simmons (.313, 3 HR, 32 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Jon Adams (1-1, 4.87); Jr. RH Corey Ferger (3-1, 3.88, 2 SV); Sr. RH Patrick Kohorst (9-5, 3.03, 1 SV)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. LHP Brett Hanson; Jr. LHP Bryan Hansen; Jr. OF Steve Knapp
 Series Record vs. LSU:First Meeting
 Last Series:First Meeting
 Smoke Laval vs. Western Illinois:First Meeting
 Stan Hyman vs. LSU:First Meeting
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SEC TOURNAMENT

May 25-29

Hoover Metropolitan Stadium
 Birmingham, Ala.



The 2005 SEC Tournament, which will be held May 26-30, returns to Birmingham's Hoover Metropolitan Stadium for the eighth consecutive year and for the 10th time in the event's history.

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

This will mark the eighth 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. The first and second-round games on Wednesday and Thursday, and two games on Saturday (if necessary) will be televised by ComCast Sports Southeast.

LSU has played in the SEC Tournament title game in three of the past five seasons. The Tigers have won six tournament titles (1986, '90, '92, '93, '94 and 2000) and finished as runners-up on six occasions (1987, '91, '95, '97, 2001 and 2003).

NCAA TOURNAMENT

Regional Tournaments: June 3-5 (sites TBA)

Super Regional Series: June 10-12/11-13 (sites TBA)

College World Series: June 17-26/27

(Rosenblatt Stadium - Omaha, Neb.)



The 2005 NCAA Tournament will feature a 64-team field for the seventh 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 June 3-5.

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 10-12 and June 11-13. The eight winners of the Super Regionals advance to the College World Series June 17-27 at Omaha's Rosenblatt Stadium, marking the 56th series that will take place in the venerable facility.

The eight CWS teams compete in two four-team brackets. From 1988-2002, the bracket champions met in a single game to determine the national champion; however, the bracket champions now meet in a best two-of-three playoff to determine the national champion.

In 2004, LSU played host to and won both an NCAA Regional and Super Regional to advance to the College World Series for the 13th time in school history. LSU is one of only 10 schools to have earned at least 13 CWS berths.



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