

Catcher Matt Liuzza



Infielder Will Harris

Smoke Laval's first four seasons as coach of the LSU Tigers have featured several significant accomplishments, as he has directed the Tigers to two College World Series appearances, one SEC championship, two SEC Western Division titles and two Top 10 finishes. Laval, the 2003 SEC Coach of the Year, has also guided LSU to the best SEC regular-season record in the past four seasons, posting a 75-43-1 (.634) mark.

Laval hopes to produce similar results in 2006, though some of the Tigers' methods may change. Laval's previous clubs have, for the most part, been veteran teams with powerful sluggers. The '06 LSU squad is a young group (23 freshmen and sophomores) that will take a different offensive approach.

"We won't have the type of lineup we've had in recent years with big power numbers and high slugging percentages," Laval said. "This club will be young and fun to watch. We'll do more running, steal more bases, and we'll have more speed defensively."

LSU, which finished the 2005 season ranked No. 18 in the nation, welcomes 15 returning lettermen – including seven pitchers and six starters in the batting order -- and a 14-man signing class.

Position Players

The Tigers must replace three hitters selected in the first nine rounds of the 2005 draft – all-America outfielder Ryan Patterson (4th round), all-SEC outfielder Nick Stavinoha (7th round) and all-SEC infielder Clay Harris (9th round). The trio combined last season to produce 278 hits, 47 homers and 181 RBI.

Laval, however, feels the combination of the Tigers' returning players and a talented class of freshmen can produce a potent batting order this season.

"If our returning veterans can give us solid years, I feel we can be a team to be reckoned with," Laval said. "We have some young players with a lot of talent who can blend with the older guys to give us a solid lineup."

LSU will be bolstered by the return of senior catcher Matt Liuzza, the 30th-round draft selection of the Chicago Cubs last summer. Liuzza, a superb defender behind the plate, batted .251 (43-for-171) in 2005 with 10 doubles, three homers, 24 RBI and 30 runs. Liuzza is a career .301 hitter with 16 homers and 95 RBI in three seasons (159 starts).

The LSU infield will rely upon the leadership of senior Will Harris, who has made 105 starts during his career. Harris endured a difficult 2005 season, batting just .213; however,

he hit .329 in 2004 with nine doubles, seven homers and 39 RBI. Harris, a first baseman in his first three collegiate seasons, may be moved to third base in 2006.

Two more seniors with considerable experience – Bruce Sprowl (96 career starts) and Quinn Stewart (70 career starts) – return to the LSU outfield. Sprowl hit .264 (38-for-144) last season with one double, two triples, two homers, 13 RBI, 28 runs and five steals. Stewart hit .250 (29-for-116) in 2005 with seven doubles, two triples, three homers, 13 RBI and 19 runs.

The Tigers also feature two players that earned Freshman all-SEC honors last season – third baseman Chris Jackson and designated hitter Jordan Mayer.

Jackson, also a kicking specialist for the LSU football team, became a full-time starter in the Tigers' infield last April. He hit .305 (39-for-128) in 36 games with three doubles, one triple, one homer, 17 RBI and 29 runs.

Mayer, who may play first base in '06, became a regular in the LSU batting order in late April, and he batted .313 (36-for-115) in 42 games with 13 doubles, one triple, four homers, 26 RBI and 16 runs.

Sophomore Michael Hollander (.246, 1 HR, 14 RBI) returns as the Tigers' projected starting shortstop. He saw substantial playing time as a freshman, appearing in 44 games (38 starts).

Four true freshmen – outfielder Jarred Bogany, infielder J.T. Wise, catcher Robert Lara and infielder Jason Ogata – will be counted upon to make immediate contributions. Bogany (15th round, Pittsburgh), Lara (17th round, Minnesota) and Ogata (50th round, San Diego) were 2005 draft selections, and Wise was impressive at the plate during LSU's fall drills.

Steven Waguespack, a transfer from Delgado Community College in New Orleans, could break into the lineup as an outfielder or DH. Redshirt freshman Kade Keowen swung the bat well during fall drills and could compete for a position in the LSU outfield.

Returning Position Starters

PLAYER	POS.	CL.-EXP.	B/T	AVG.	HR	RBI	OTHER NOTABLE
Bruce Sprowl	OF	Sr.-2L	L/R	.264	2	13	Batted .316 in SEC games
Matt Liuzza	C	Sr.-3L	R/R	.251	3	24	Hit .333 in LSU's six postseason games
Will Harris	3B	Sr.-3L	R/R	.213	4	20	Third on LSU club with 24 walks
Chris Jackson	INF	So.-1L	R-R	.305	1	17	2005 Freshman all-SEC
Jordan Mayer	1B	So.-1L	R-R	.313	4	26	2005 Freshman all-SEC
Michael Hollander	SS	So.-1L	R-R	.246	1	14	38 starts at SS in 2005

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Top Newcomers—Position Players

PLAYER	POS.	CL.	B/T	HOMETOWN (2005 SCHOOL)
Jason Ogata	INF	Fr.	R/R	Portland, Ore. (Westview HS)
Robert Lara	C	Fr.	R/R	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Nova HS)
Jarred Bogany	OF	Fr.	R/R	Houston, Texas (George Bush HS)
J.T. Wise	INF/C	Fr.	R/R	Apopka, Fla. (Apopka HS)
Steven Waguespack	OF	Jr.	L/L	Thibodaux, La. (Delgado CC)

Starting Position Players Lost

PLAYER	POS.	CL.-EXP.	B/T	AVG.	HR	RBI	REASON FOR LEAVING
Ryan Patterson	LF	Sr.-3L	R/R	.369	20	56	Fourth-round draft choice of Toronto Blue Jays
Nick Stavinoha	RF	Sr.-2L	R/R	.370	18	65	Seventh-round draft choice of St. Louis Cardinals
Clay Harris	2B	Sr.-4L	R/R	.362	9	60	Ninth-round draft choice of Philadelphia Phillies
Blake Gill	UTIL	Sr.-4L	L/R	.320	7	48	Completed eligibility



Pitcher Edgar Ramirez



Pitcher Clay Dirks

Pitchers

Laval said he likes the structure of the LSU pitching staff, which was No. 2 in the SEC last season with a 3.67 ERA in conference games. The Tigers must compensate, however, for the loss of three of the top four hurlers from last season - all-America left-hander Greg Smith, a sixth-round draft choice of the Arizona Diamondbacks; left-hander Jason Determann, who was 19-5 with nine saves in his career; and left-hander Lane Mestepey, LSU's all-time leader in starts (68) and innings pitched (480).

"We're getting some pitchers back who were injured last season, plus we have guys that have won a lot of games for us," Laval said. "We've added a few new arms, and we feel like we can put together a very effective staff."

The staff will receive a boost with the return of sophomore right-hander Michael Bonura (4-0, 4.46 ERA, 34.1 IP in 2004) who sat out the 2005 season after undergoing elbow surgery. Also returning is junior left-hander Daniel Forrer, a 17th-round draft choice in 2004 that missed last season due to shoulder surgery.

Seven pitchers with collegiate experience return to the staff this season, including junior left-hander Clay Dirks, an all-conference selection last year. Dirks posted a 10-4 mark with a 3.24 ERA, and he fired three complete games, including a shutout at Arkansas. Dirks worked 94.1 innings, recording 27 walks, 67 strikeouts and a .233 opponent batting average.

Senior right-hander Justin Meier is a capable veteran with 2371 innings pitched in 48 career appearances (34 starts). Meier appeared in 14 games last season, posting a 2-3 mark and a 4.79 ERA with 15 walks and 30 strikeouts in 41.1 innings.

Senior right-hander Edgar Ramirez (0-1, 4.50 ERA, 36 IP, 13 BB, 33 SO in 2005) came on strong at the end of last season, firing 5.2 scoreless relief innings in the NCAA Baton Rouge Regional.

Senior right-handers Chris Cahill and Chase Dardar pitched on a limited basis last season and each will be counted upon to record more innings in 2006.

Three newcomers to the staff should compete for appearances, including junior right-hander Derik Olvey, a transfer from Notre Dame; freshman right-hander Louis

Coleman, the 28th-round selection of the Atlanta Braves last summer; and freshman right-hander Darryl Shaffer, a talented prospect from the Baton Rouge area.

Redshirt freshmen Nolan Cain (RH) and Ryan Byrd (LH) may also receive an opportunity to make an impression on the mound.



Pitcher Justin Meier

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Pitchers Returning/Redshirts

PLAYER	R/L	CL.-EXP.	W-L	ERA	IP	BB	SO	OTHER NOTABLE
Clay Dirks	L	Jr.-2L	10-4	3.24	94.1	27	67	2005 second-team all-SEC
Edgar Ramirez	R	Sr.-1L	0-1	4.50	36.0	13	33	5.2 scoreless IP in NCAA Regional
Justin Meier	R	Sr.-3L	2-3	4.79	41.1	15	30	Freshman all-American in 2003
*Michael Bonura	R	So.-1L	4-0	4.46	34.1	22	31	Medical redshirt in 2005
Chris Cahill	R	Sr.-1L	0-0	5.52	14.2	10	14	
Chase Dardar	R	Sr.-1L	1-0	13.50	11.1	10	13	
Daniel Forrer	L	Jr.-RS						Medical redshirt in 2005 after transferring from Chipola (Fla.) College
Nolan Cain	R	Fr.-RS						Redshirt in 2005
Ryan Byrd	L	Fr.-RS						Redshirt in 2005

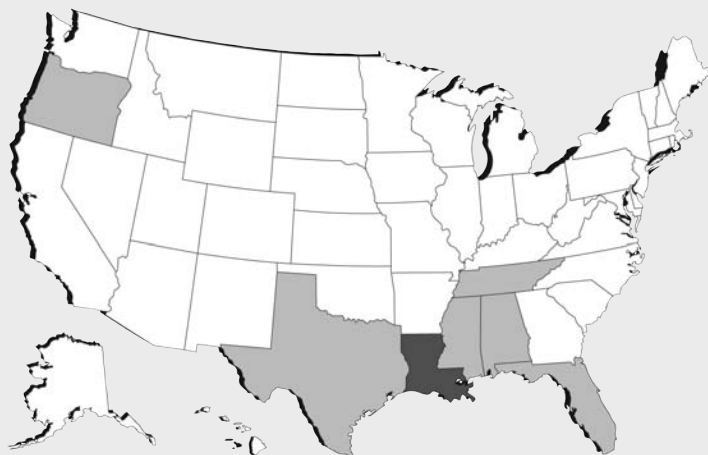
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Pitchers Lost

PLAYER	R/L	CL.	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	BB	SO	REASON FOR LEAVING
Jason Determann	L	Jr.-3L	5-0	2.30	7	62.2	12	74	Enrolled in LSU Medical School
Greg Smith	L	Jr.-3L	10-3	2.60	0	104.0	25	82	Drafted in 6th round by Arizona Diamondbacks
Lane Mestepey	L	Sr.-4L	7-8	4.94	0	98.1	24	52	Completed eligibility
Jordan Faircloth	R	Sr.-3L	1-1	2.75	4	39.1	14	27	Completed eligibility
Brandon Nall	R	Sr.-1L	3-2	5.18	0	24.1	10	10	Signed free-agent deal with New York Mets

Top Newcomers-Pitchers

PLAYER	R/L	CL.	HOMETOWN (2005 SCHOOL)
Derik Olvey	R	Jr.	Pelham, Ala. (Univ. of Notre Dame)
Louis Coleman	R	Fr.	Schlater, Miss. (Pillow Academy)
Darryl Shaffer	R	Fr.	Greenwell Springs, La. (Central Private HS)



THE 2006 TIGERS

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 15/15
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/4
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 7/5
Redshirt Freshmen: 5
Medical Redshirts/Squad Members: 3
Newcomers: 14 (11 high school, 2 junior college, 1 four-year college transfer)

BY CLASS

Seniors: 9
Juniors: 6
Sophomores: 7
Freshmen: 16

BY STATE

Louisiana: 21
Florida: 8
Texas: 3
Alabama: 2
Mississippi: 2
Tennessee: 1
Oregon: 1



Pitcher Michael Bonura



Pitcher Chase Dardar

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Depth Chart

First Base

11	Jordan Mayer	R-R	6-3	245	So.
25	Will Harris	R-R	6-3	240	Sr.

Second Base

3	Jason Ogata	R-R	6-0	180	Fr.
2	Buzzy Haydel	R-R	5-10	185	Fr.

Shortstop

7	Michael Hollander	R-R	5-10	185	So.
2	Buzzy Haydel	R-R	5-10	185	Fr.

Third Base

25	Will Harris	R-R	6-3	240	Sr.
21	J.T. Wise	R-R	6-0	215	Fr.

Catcher

14	Matt Liuzza	R-R	6-0	215	Sr.
9	Robert Lara	R-R	6-1	220	Fr.

Left Field

24	Bruce Sprowl	L-R	5-8	170	Sr.
38	Steven Waguespack	L-L	6-1	185	Jr.

Center Field

12	Jarred Bogany	R-R	6-2	195	Fr.
24	Bruce Sprowl	L-R	5-8	170	Sr.

Right Field

40	Quinn Stewart	R-R	6-1	200	Sr.
38	Steven Waguespack	L-L	6-1	185	Jr.

Designated Hitter

21	J.T. Wise	R-R	6-0	215	Fr.
38	Steven Waguespack	L-L	6-1	185	Jr.

Weekend Pitching Rotation (projected)

13	Clay Dirks	LH	6-4	235	Jr.
28	Michael Bonura	RH	6-1	175	So.
37	Daniel Forrer	LH	6-2	200	Jr.

Mid-Week Starters/Relievers

36	Edgar Ramirez	RH	6-4	230	Sr.
35	Justin Meier	RH	6-0	215	Sr.
41	Chris Cahill	RH	6-2	190	Sr.
23	Chase Dardar	RH	5-11	200	Sr.
20	Derik Olvey	RH	6-2	220	Jr.
29	Louis Coleman	RH	6-3	195	Fr.
30	Darryl Shaffer	RH	5-10	175	Fr.
39	Nolan Cain	RH	6-3	255	Fr.-RS
10	Ryan Byrd	LH	6-1	165	Fr.-RS

2006 Pre-Season Polls

Collegiate Baseball 2005 Record

1.	Texas	56-16
2.	Florida *	48-23
3.	Oregon State	46-12
4.	Nebraska	57-15
5.	Rice *	45-19
6.	Clemson	43-23
7.	North Carolina	41-19-1
8.	Florida State	53-20
9.	Cal State Fullerton	46-18
10.	Georgia Tech	45-19
11.	Miami (Fla.)	41-19-1
12.	Arizona State	42-25
13.	Pepperdine	41-23
14.	Missouri	40-23
15.	LSU	40-22
16.	Long Beach State	37-22
17.	South Carolina *	41-23
18.	Florida Atlantic	37-24
19.	Tennessee *	46-21
20.	Mississippi *	48-20
21.	Southern California	41-22
22.	Notre Dame	38-24-1
23.	Baylor	46-24
24.	Tulane *	56-12
25.	Stanford	34-25

* - 2006 LSU opponent

Baseball America 2005 Record

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2.	Clemson	43-23
3.	Florida *	48-23
4.	Georgia Tech	45-19
5.	Cal State Fullerton	46-18
6.	North Carolina	41-19-1
7.	Rice *	45-19
8.	Oregon State	46-12
9.	Tennessee *	46-21
10.	Missouri	40-23
11.	Pepperdine	41-23
12.	Tulane *	56-12
13.	Mississippi State *	42-22
14.	South Carolina *	41-23
15.	Florida State	53-20
16.	Arizona State	42-25
17.	Southern California	41-22
18.	Arkansas *	39-22
19.	Texas Christian	41-20
20.	LSU	40-22
21.	Fresno State	30-29
22.	Long Beach State	37-22
23.	Mississippi *	48-20
24.	North Carolina State	41-19
25.	California	34-23

* - 2006 LSU opponent



Jim Wells
Head Coach

Alabama

Friday, April 14 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 15 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, April 16 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location: Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Enrollment: 21,750
Nickname: Crimson Tide
Colors: Crimson and White
Conference: Southeastern (Western Division)
President: Dr. Robert E. Witt (Bates College, 1962)
Athletic Director: Mal Moore (Alabama, 1963)
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, 1981)
Record at Alabama: 481-222 (.684/11 years)
Career Record: 673-311 (.684/16 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (205) 348-4029
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
Assistant Coaches: Jim Gatewood and Joe Raccua
2005 Record: 43-20
SEC Record (Finish): 17-13 (3rd in West, 5th overall)
Post Season: 2-2 in SEC Tournament (5th); 2-2 in NCAA New Orleans Regional (2nd)
Final Rankings: 20th Baseball America and Collegiate Baseball, 24th ESPN/Sports Weekly
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 13/9
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 4/5
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 9/2
Top Returning Position Players: Sr. INF Evan Bush (251, 17 HR, 55 RBI); Jr. CF Emeel Salem (277, 0 HR, 14 RBI); Sr. C Kody Valverde (240, 7 HR, 23 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Jordan Davis (5-2, 3.10, 3 SV); Jr. LH Wade LeBlanc (5-5, 4.09); Soph. RH David Robertson (7-5, 2.92, 8 SV)
Top Newcomers: Fr. C Brian Clark; Fr. 3B/RHP Alex Avila; Fr. RHP Austin Graham
Series Record vs. LSU: Alabama leads, 183-137
2005 Series: Alabama, 2-1 (0-4, 11-2, 4-5 in 13 inn. at Tuscaloosa)
Smoke Laval vs. Alabama: 10-9
Jim Wells vs. LSU: 22-29

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Dave Van Horn
Head Coach

Arkansas

Friday, April 28 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m. (COX Sports)
Saturday, April 29 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, April 30 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m. (COX Sports)

Location: Fayetteville, Ark.
Enrollment: 17,821
Nickname: Razorbacks
Colors: Cardinal and White
Conference: Southeastern (Western Division)
President: Dr. John A. White (Arkansas, 1961)
Athletic Director: Frank Broyles (Georgia Tech, 1947)
Home Park (Capacity): Baum Stadium at George Cole Field (9,133)

Dimensions: LF-320; LC-375; CF-400; RC-375; RF-320
Press Box Phone: (479) 575-4141
Head Coach: Dave Van Horn (Arkansas, 1988)
Record at Arkansas: 119-68 (.636/3 years)
Career Record: 704-295 (.704/17 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (479) 575-6955
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
Assistant Coaches: Dave Jom (Southeast Missouri, 1981) and Todd Butler (McNeese State, 1991)
2005 Record: 39-22
SEC Record (Finish): 13-17 (tied for 5th West, 8th overall)
Post Season: 0-2 in SEC Tournament (tied for 7th); 2-2 in NCAA Austin Regional (2nd)
Final Rankings: NR Baseball America and Collegiate Baseball, 28th ESPN/Sports Weekly
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 21/4
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/2
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 10/10
Top Returning Position Players: Jr. OF Jake Dugger (237, 8 HR, 45 RBI); Jr. INF Danny Hamblin (341, 10 HR, 49 RBI); Soph. C Brian Walker (.251, 7 HR, 25 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Charley Boyce (11-10, 3.53, 3 SV); Soph. LH Nick Schmidt (8-2, 2.80); Soph. RH Sean Seibert (5-3, 3.60, 1 SV)
Top Newcomers: Fr. RHP Brian Bollman; Fr. INF James Ewing; Fr. INF Logan Forsythe
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 39-18-0
2005 Series: LSU, 3-0 (10-7, 7-0, 6-0 at Fayetteville)
Smoke Laval vs. Arkansas: 9-5
Dave Van Horn vs. LSU: 6-9

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Tom Slater
Head Coach

Auburn

Friday, May 5 at Auburn - 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 6 at Auburn - 7 p.m. (Jumbo Sports)
Sunday, May 7 at Auburn - 1 p.m. (Jumbo Sports)

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): Samford Stadium - 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: 34-26 (.567/1 year)
Career Record: 84-126 (400/5 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (334) 844-4975
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings CT, through Dan Froehlich
Assistant Coaches: Butch Thompson (Birmingham Southern, 1992); Matt Myers (Tennessee, 1998) and Karl Nonemaker (Vanderbilt, 2002)
2005 Record: 34-26
SEC Record (Finish): 13-17 (tied for 5th in West, tied for 9th overall)
Post Season: 2-2 in NCAA Tallahassee Regional (2nd)
Final Rankings: Not Ranked
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 20/19
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 6/5
Top Returning Position Players: Sr. OF Jeff Boutwell (300, 4 HR, 20 RBI); Soph. IF/C Josh Donaldson (294, 7 HR, 26 RBI); Sr. INF Tyler Johnstone (328, 0 HR, 29 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Jared Shore (1-2, 4.07, 1 SV); Soph. RH Cliff Mullins (2-2, 3.55)
Top Newcomers: Jr. 1B/OF Andy Bennett; Jr. RHP/OF Andy Masten; Jr. 1B/OF Ryan Stanley
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 75-62
2005 Series: Auburn, 2-1 (4-6, 6-3, 5-7 at Baton Rouge)
Smoke Laval vs. Auburn: 8-5
Tom Slater vs. LSU: 2-1

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Pat McMahon
Head Coach

Florida

Thursday, May 18 at Gainesville - 5:30 p.m.
Friday, May 19 at Gainesville - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 20 at Gainesville - Noon (Fox Sports Net)

Location: Gainesville, Fla.
Enrollment: 48,673
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 ext. 4355
Head Coach: Pat McMahon (Stetson, 1976)
Record at Florida: 174-85-1 (.671/4 years)
Career Record: 527-259-1 (.670/13 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); Brian Fleetwood (North Florida, 1996)
2005 Record: 48-23
SEC Record (Finish): 20-10 (1st in East, overall SEC Champions)
Post Season: 2-2 in SEC Tournament (tied for 3rd); 3-0 in NCAA Gainesville Regional (champions); 2-0 vs. Florida State in NCAA Gainesville Super Regional (champions); 3-2 in NCAA College World Series (2nd, national runner up)
Final Rankings: 2nd Baseball America, 2nd Collegiate Baseball, 2nd ESPN/Sports Weekly
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 24/7
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 10/4
Top Returning Position Players: Jr. INF Adam Davis (306, 12 HR, 63 RBI); Jr. INF/C Matt LaPorta (328, 26 HR, 79 RBI); Jr. OF Brian Leclerc (277, 15 HR, 64 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Bryan Ball (7-6, 3.45); Soph. LH Stephen Locke (5-2, 4.04); Sr. RH Darren O'Day (8-3, 2.87, 7 SV)
Top Newcomers: Fr. INF/OF Avery Barnes; Jr. RHP Kris Gawriluk; Fr. RHP Patrick Keating
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 45-25-1
Last Meeting: 2004; Florida, 1-0 (4-5 in 10 inn. 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

No Regular Season Meetings in 2006; possible opponent in SEC Tournament

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, 1993)
 Home Park (Capacity): Foley Field (3,791)
 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: 136-103 (.569/4 years)
 Career Record: Same
 Baseball Office Phone: (706) 542-7971
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, ET
 Assistant Coaches: Roger Williams (ECU, 1992); Doug Sisson (Montevallo, 1986); Jason Eller (Georgia State, 1998)
 2005 Record: 30-25
 SEC Record (Finish): 12-17 (5th in East, 11th overall)
 Post Season: None
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 18/13
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 5/6
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. 1B Josh Morris (.273, 12 HR, 45 RBI); Sr. RF Bobby Felmy (.307, 6 HR, 31 RBI); Jr. CF Joey Side (.289, 8 HR, 38 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitcher: Jr. RHP Brooks Brown (4-2, 5.01)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. SS Gordon Beckham; Fr. LHP Nathan Moreau; Soph. 3B/1B Ryan Peisel
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 51-15-1
 2005 Series: LSU, 3-0 (8-2, 5-3, 6-4 at Athens)
 Smoke Laval vs. Georgia: 11-2
 David Perno vs. LSU: 2-8

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John Cohen
Head Coach

Kentucky

Friday, March 17 at Lexington - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 18 at Lexington - 1 p.m. (Jumbo Sports)
Sunday, March 19 at Lexington - Noon (Jumbo Sports)

Location: Lexington, Ky.
 Enrollment: 26,900
 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
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Head Coach: John Cohen (Mississippi State, 1990)
 Record at Kentucky: 53-57 (482/2 years)
 Career Record: 199-141 (585/6 years)
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 Best Time to Contact: Weekdays ET, through Scott Dean
 Assistant Coaches: Brad Bohannon (Berry College, 1998) and Gary Henderson (San Diego State, 1984)
 2005 Record: 29-27
 SEC Record (Finish): 7-22 (6th in East, 12th overall)
 Post Season: None
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 19/9
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 10/3
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. INF John Shelby (.344, 10 HR, 52 RBI); Sr. OF Shaun Lehmann (.352, 5 HR, 26 RBI); Soph. OF Antone Delesus (.344, 3 HR, 31 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. LH Aaron Tenyson (6-1, 4.59); Soph. LH Andrew Albers (4-6, 5.24); Soph. RH Brock Baber (2-3, 4.30, 6 SV)
 Top Newcomers: Jr. INF Mike Brown; Jr. RHP Matt Byzet; Jr. C Sean Coughlin
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 33-15
 2005 Series: LSU, 2-1 (6-5, 1-7, 8-3 at Baton Rouge)
 Smoke Laval vs. Kentucky: 4-2
 John Cohen vs. LSU: 2-4

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Mike Bianco
Head Coach

Ole Miss

Friday, April 21 at Oxford - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 22 at Oxford - 4 p.m. (Jumbo Sports)
Sunday, April 23 at Oxford - 1:30 p.m. (Jumbo Sports)

Location: Oxford, Miss.
 Enrollment: 16,498
 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: 198-110-1 (.643/5 years)
 Career Record: 298-181-1 (.613/8 years)
 Baseball Office Phone: (662) 915-6643
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT through Bill Bunting
 Assistant Coaches: Dan McDonnell (The Citadel, 1992); Stuart Lake (Charleston Southern, 1994); Kyle Bunn (The Citadel, 1999)
 2005 Record: 48-20
 SEC Record (Finish): 18-12 (tied for 1st in West, tied for 3rd overall)
 Post Season: 4-2 in SEC Tournament (2nd); 3-0 in NCAA Oxford Regional (champions); 1-2 vs. Texas in NCAA Oxford Super Regional
 Final Rankings: 10th Baseball America, 11th Collegiate Baseball, 12th ESPN/Sports Weekly
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 15/15
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 5/5
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 4/5
 Top Returning Position Players: Soph. DH Justin Henry (.374, 2 HR, 26 RBI); Jr. 3B Chris Coghlan (.364, 6 HR, 57 RBI); Jr. OF Mark Wright (.311, 13 HR, 51 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. LH Tommy Baumgardner (2-1, 2.38); Sr. RH Stoney Stone (3-0, 3.92, 1 SV); Soph. RH Jon-Jon Hancock (0-0, 2.16)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. LHP Lance Lynn; Jr. DH/OF Kyle Mills; Jr. LHP Craig Rodriguez
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 154-129
 2005 Series: LSU, 2-1 (8-14, 7-6, 5-1 at Baton Rouge)
 Smoke Laval vs. Ole Miss: 7-7
 Mike Bianco vs. LSU: 9-13

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Ron Polk
Head Coach

Mississippi State

Friday, March 24 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 25 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, March 26 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location: Starkville, Miss.
 Enrollment: 16,101
 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: 1,275-624-2 (.671/32 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) and Tommy Raffo (Mississippi State, 1990)
 2005 Record: 42-22
 SEC Record (Finish): 13-16 (4th in West, 7th overall)
 Post Season: 4-0 in SEC Tournament (champions); 2-2 in NCAA Coral Gables Regional (2nd)
 Final Rankings: No. 22 Baseball America, NR Collegiate Baseball, No. 19 ESPN/Sports Weekly
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 18/7
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/1
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 11/7
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. 2B Jeffrey Rea (.305, 2 HR, 34 RBI); Sr. SS/C Thomas Berkery (.302, 7 HR, 55 RBI); Sr. 1B Brad Jones (.301, 5 HR, 37 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. RH Mike Valentine (6-0, 2.88, 3 SV); Jr. RH Jon Crosby (5-3, 3.54); Sr. LH Brooks Dunn (6-3, 4.50)
 Top Newcomers: Soph. OF Nick Hardy; Fr. RHP/1B Matt Lea; Fr. C/1B Ryan Duffy
 Series Record vs. LSU: Mississippi State leads, 190-156-1
 2005 Series: Tied, 2-2 (7-5, 3-5, 3-2 at Starkville; 2-9 at SEC Tournament)
 Smoke Laval vs. Mississippi State: 9-15
 Ron Polk vs. LSU: 67-53

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Ray Tanner
Head Coach

South Carolina

Friday, March 31 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 1 at Baton Rouge - 4 p.m.
Sunday, April 2 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location: Columbia, S.C.
Enrollment: 23,772
Nickname: Gamecocks
Colors: Garnet and Black
Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President: Dr. Andrew Sorensen (Yale, 1962)
Athletic Director: Eric Hyman
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: 413-175 (702/9 years)
Career Record: 808-348-3 (698/18 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (803) 777-7830
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, ET
Assistant Coaches: Jim Toman (N.C. State, 1985); Mark Calvi (Nova Southeastern, 1992);
..... Monte Lee (College of Charleston, 1999)
2005 Record: 41-23
SEC Record (Finish): 16-14 (3rd in East, 6th overall)
Post Season: 1-2 in SEC Tournament (tied for 5th); 3-2 in NCAA Atlanta Regional (2nd)
Final Rankings: 25th Baseball America, 26th Collegiate Baseball, 23rd ESPN/Sports Weekly
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 16/16
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 8/8
Top Returning Position Players: Sr. OF Michael Campbell (315, 8 HR, 42 RBI); Sr. 2B Chris Brown (274, 4 HR, 34 RBI);
Sr. 3B Neil Giesler (254, 6 HR, 24 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. RH Andrew Cruise (3-1, 3.54, 1 SV); Sr. RH Andy Lambert (4-0, 4.94);
Jr. LH Arik Hempy (2-1, 2.63)
Top Newcomers: Fr. LHP Will Atwood; Jr. INF Robbie Grinestaff; Jr. RHP Brandon Todd
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 21-15-1
2005 Series: South Carolina, 3-0 (1-3, 1-5, 5-7 at Baton Rouge)
Smoke Laval vs. South Carolina: 6-11
Ray Tanner vs. LSU: 14-13

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Rod Delmonico
Head Coach

Tennessee

Friday, April 7 at Knoxville - 6 p.m.
Saturday, April 8 at Knoxville - 3 p.m. (FOX Sports Net)
Sunday, April 9 at Knoxville - 11:30 a.m. (Jumbo Sports Network)

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-320; LC-360; CF-404; RC-358; RF-330
Press Box Phone: (865) 974-3376
Head Coach: Rod Delmonico (Liberty, 1980)
Record at Tennessee: 634-347 (646/16 years)
Career Record: 634-347 (646/16 years)
Baseball Office Phone: (865) 974-2057
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, ET
Assistant Coaches: Larry Simcox (Ole Miss, 1982); Mike Bell (Florida State, 1996);
..... Torry Zerilla (Lincoln Memorial, 2005)
2005 Record: 46-21
SEC Record (Finish): 18-11 (2nd in East, 2nd overall)
Post Season: 2-2 in SEC Tournament (tied for 3rd); 3-0 in NCAA Knoxville Regional (champions); 2-0 vs. Georgia Tech
in NCAA Atlanta Super Regional; 0-2 in NCAA College World Series (tied for 7th)
Final Rankings: No. 8 Baseball America; No. 8 Collegiate Baseball; No. 9 ESPN/Sports Weekly
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 10/9
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 4/5
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 4/9
Top Returning Position Players: Soph. C J.P. Arencibia (322, 14 HR, 71 RBI); Soph. OF Julio Borbon (350, 3 HR, 42 RBI);
Sr. C Kelly Edmundson (328, 8 HR, 39 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. LH James Adkins (10-5, 3.32); Jr. RH Craig Cobb (7-4, 4.53);
Jr. RH Sean Watson (7-3, 2.85, 7 SV)
Top Newcomers: Jr. INF Ryan Castellanos; Jr. RHP Deunte Heath; Jr. SS Chris Siewert
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 40-13
2005 Series: Tied, 2-2 (2-9, 9-3, 14-4 in Baton Rouge; 1-5 in SEC Tournament)
Smoke Laval at Tennessee: 9-4
Rod Delmonico vs. LSU: 11-30

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Tim Corbin
Head Coach

Vanderbilt

Friday, May 12 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 13 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, May 14 at Baton Rouge - 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: 106-68 (609/3 years)
Career Record: Same
Baseball Office Phone: (615) 322-4727
Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
Assistant Coaches: Derek Johnson (Eastern Illinois, 1993); Erik Bakich (East Carolina, 2000);
..... Blake Allen (Blackburn College, 2001)
2005 Record: 34-21
SEC Record (Finish): 13-17 (4th in East, tied for 7th overall)
Post Season: None
Final Rankings: Not Ranked
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 18/12
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 4/5
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 6/5
Top Returning Position Players: Sr. C Brian Hernandez (342, 5 HR, 42 RBI);
Soph. INF Dom de la Osa (271, 7 HR, 30 RBI); Soph. INF Alex Feinberg (335, 0 HR, 14 RBI)
Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. LH David Price (2-4, 2.86); Sr. RH Matt Buschmann (4-3, 3.47);
Jr. LH Stephen Shao (3-2, 3.69)
Top Newcomers: Jr. INF/OF Mike Meinganser; Jr. RHP Casey Weathers; Fr. LHP Bobby Kennedy
Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 46-25
2005 Series: LSU, 2-1 (4-9, 9-3, 3-0 at Nashville)
Smoke Laval vs. Vanderbilt: 6-6
Tim Corbin vs. LSU: 4-5

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Centenary

Tuesday, February 14 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.

Location: Shreveport, La.
 Enrollment: 905
 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-395; CF-400; RC-380; RF-343
 Press Box Phone: (318) 869-5250
 Head Coach: Ed McCann (Southeast Oklahoma State, 1977)
 Record at Centenary: 149-241-2 (.380/7 years)
 Career Record: Same
 Baseball Office Phone: (318) 869-5095
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Mike Diaz (Albertson, 1998) and Jeff Poulin (Centenary, 2002)
 2005 Record: 27-30
 Conference Record (Finish): 12-12 (4th)
 Post Season: 2-2 in Mid-Continent Tournament (2nd)
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 13/10
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 5/3
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 9/3
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. C Dustin Darr (.306, 0 HR, 30 RBI); Sr. OF Tim Ryan (.315, 3 HR, 41 RBI); Sr. UTL Alex Valdivia (.274, 0 HR, 18 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Jr. LH Brandon Fulencheh (1-0, 3.61); Jr. RH Will Kaage (7-4, 5.78); Jr. RH David McElroy (8-3, 4.11)
 Top Newcomers: Jr. INF Jimmy Baker; Fr. INF Matt McGlathery; Jr. OF Matt Webb
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 26-8-1
 2005 Meeting: Centenary, 6-1 at Shreveport
 Smoke Laval vs. Centenary: 18-3
 Ed McCann vs. LSU: 1-5

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Houston

Friday, March 3 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 4 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.

Sunday, March 5 at Baton Rouge - 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: 390-283 (.579/11 years)
 Career Record: Same
 Baseball Office Phone: (713) 743-9396
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Kirk Blount (Houston, 1995) and Sean Allen (Houston, 2001)
 2005 Record: 29-30
 C-USA Record (Finish): 16-13 (5th)
 Post Season: 2-2 in C-USA Tournament (tied for 3rd)
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 20/5
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 9/4
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. SS Dustin Kingsbury (.341, 6 HR, 58 RBI); Jr. INF Brad Lincoln (.337, 7 HR, 52 RBI); Sr. C Brett Logan (.261, 2 HR, 16 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. LH Matt Farrington (8-5, 3.24); Jr. RH Brad Lincoln (4-7, 4.76); Soph. RH Ricky Hargrave (2-4, 3.48)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. C/RHP Luis Flores; Sr. INF Isa Garcia; Sr. OF/INF Matt Weston
 Series Record vs. LSU: Houston leads, 22-16
 2005 Series: LSU, 2-1 (1-2, 11-5, 8-1 at Houston)
 Smoke Laval vs. Houston: 6-5
 Rayner Noble vs. LSU: 9-11

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Louisiana-Monroe

Wednesday, March 1 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m. (COX Sports)

Location: Monroe, La.
 Enrollment: 9,275
 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: 150-138 (.521/5 years)
 Career Record: Same
 Baseball Office Phone: (318) 342-3591
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Jeff Schexnaider (UL-Monroe, 1986) and Britten Oubre (Southeastern Louisiana, 1985); Chuck Finley (UL-Monroe, 1985)
 2005 Record: 26-29
 Southland Record (Finish): 9-18 (9th)
 Post Season: None
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 17/9
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 5/3
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 6/4
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. OF James Bennett (.333, 13 HR, 45 RBI); Sr. OF Justin LaBorde (.257, 6 HR, 37 RBI); Jr. INF Ty Rollinson (.264, 3 HR, 33 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. LH Jared Jennings (2-1, 3.35, 2 SV); Sr. RH Steve Lawler (2-2, 3.80, 1 SV); Jr. RH James Stephens (3-3, 4.56, 6 SV)
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 36-8
 2005 Meeting: LSU, 9-6 at Baton Rouge
 Smoke Laval vs. ULM: 8-0
 Brad Holland vs. LSU: 1-9

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New Orleans

Tuesday, March 28 at New Orleans (Maestri Field) - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m. (COX Sports)

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: 20-39 (.339/1 year)
 Career Record: 295-223 (.569/9 years)
 Baseball Office Phone: (504) 280-7021
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Chuck Bartlett (Mississippi State, 1984) and TBA
 2005 Record: 20-32
 Sun Belt Record (Finish): 10-14 (7th)
 Post Season: 2-2 in Sun Belt Conference Tournament (tied for 4th)
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 10/15
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 3/7
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. OF Brandon Bowser (.362, 6 HR, 47 RBI); Sr. C Alex Webster (.330, 8 HR, 47 RBI); Sr. INF Mike Constantino (.306, 3 HR, 25 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitcher: Soph. RH Bryan Cryer (5-4, 4.95)
 Top Newcomers: Jr. INF Matt Lesyk; Jr. INF Jarrod Ware; Soph. RHP Anthony Masson
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 45-30
 2005 Series: LSU, 2-0 (18-10 at Baton Rouge, 7-5 in 13 inn. at New Orleans)
 Smoke Laval vs. UNO: 10-7
 Tom Walter vs. LSU: 0-2

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North Florida

Friday, February 10 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, February 11 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.
Sunday, February 12 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location: Jacksonville, Fla.
 Enrollment: 14,120
 Nickname: Ospreys
 Colors: Navy Blue and Gray
 Conference: Atlantic Sun
 President: John Delaney (Florida, 1977)
 Athletic Director: Dr. Richard Gropper (South Florida, 1972)
 Home Park (Capacity): Harmon Stadium (1,000)
 Dimensions: LF-325; LC-365; CF-400; RC-365; RF-325
 Press Box Phone: (904) 620-1902
 Head Coach: Dusty Rhodes (Florida Southern, 1969)
 Record at UNF: 768-311 (712/18 years)
 Career Record: 1,072-428 (715/26 years)
 Baseball Office Phone: (904) 620-1556
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, ET
 Assistant Coaches: Bob Sherman (Texas Pan Am, 1989); Greg Labbe (UNF, 2001); Mike Fryrear (UNF, 2003)
 2005 Record: 48-16
 Peach Belt Record (Finish): 23-7 (champions)
 Post Season: Division II National Runner Up, NCAA Southeastern Regional Champions
 Final Rankings: 2nd Collegiate Baseball, 2nd NCBWA
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 20/11
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 3/6
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 6/4
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. DH Brenton Grogan (.299, 4 HR, 33 RBI); Sr. C Jonathan Hodach (.269, 3 HR, 15 RBI); Sr. SS Matt Oxendine (.305, 4 HR, 32 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Ryan Amason (7-3, 3.45); Sr. RH Jacob Dixon (8-3, 3.61); Jr. RH Josh Papellon (7-3, 1.49)
 Top Newcomers: Jr. OF Jon Dandridge; Jr. LHP Brad Johnson; Fr. OF Brian Wilson
 Series Record vs. LSU: First meeting
 Smoke Laval vs. UNF: First meeting
 Dusty Rhodes vs. LSU: First meeting

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Northwestern State

Tuesday, April 11 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m. (COX Sports)

Location: Natchitoches, La.
 Enrollment: 9,847
 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) 357-4606
 Head Coach: Mitch Gaspard (Houston, 1988)
 Record at NSU: 151-80 (.654/4 years)
 Career Record: Same
 Baseball Office Phone: (318) 357-4139
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: J.P. Davis (Memphis, 1994) and Jeff McCannon (Nicholls State)
 2005 Record: 41-20
 Southland Record (Finish): 22-5 (1st)
 Post Season: 0-2 in SLC Tournament (tied for 7th); 1-2 in NCAA Baton Rouge Regional (3rd)
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 19/11
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
 Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost: 3/2
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. IB Bobby Barbier (.296, 4 HR, 33 RBI); Sr. OF Marty Dewees (.339, 1 HR, 25 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. RH Dereck Cloeren (7-3, 3.63); Soph. RH Kyle Broughton (9-1, 4.72)
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 44-10
 2005 Series: LSU, 2-0 (19-2 at Baton Rouge; 12-4 in NCAA Baton Rouge Regional)
 Smoke Laval vs. NSU: 20-16
 Mitch Gaspard vs. LSU: 0-6

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Rice

Tuesday, May 16 at Metairie (Zephyr Field) - 7 p.m.

Location: Houston, Texas
 Enrollment: 4,785
 Nickname: Owls
 Colors: Blue and Gray
 Conference: Conference USA
 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: 627-257 (709/14 years)
 Career Record: 1,202-370 (765/25 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); Patrick Hallmark (Rice, 1995)
 2005 Record: 45-19
 WAC Record (Finish): 21-9 (champions)
 Post Season: 3-0 in NCAA Baton Rouge Regional (champions), 1-2 vs. Tulane in NCAA New Orleans Super Regional
 Final Rankings: 13th Baseball America, 16th Collegiate Baseball, 11th ESPN/Sports Weekly
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 20/8
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 11/4
 Top Returning Position Players: Soph. OF Tyler Henley (.301, 6 HR, 36 RBI); Jr. SS Josh Rodriguez (.345, 11 HR, 54 RBI); Soph. IB Joe Savery (.382, 5 HR, 43 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. RH Bobby Bell (4-0, 2.77, 1 SV); Sr. RH Eddie Degerman (8-1, 3.28); Soph. LH Joe Savery (8-5, 2.43, 1 SV)
 Top Newcomers: Jr. RHP Scott Lonergan; Soph. OF Chad Lembeck; Fr. IF Jimmy Comerota
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads 11-10
 2005 Series: Rice, 2-1 (8-2 in Metairie; 7-9, 4-5 in NCAA Baton Rouge Regional)
 Smoke Laval vs. Rice: 1-4
 Wayne Graham vs. LSU: 6-2

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Southeastern Louisiana

Tuesday, February 21 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 22 at Metairie (Zephyr Field) - 7 p.m.

Location: Hammond, La.
 Enrollment: 16,068
 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-360; CF-400; RC-365; RF-320
 Press Box Phone: (985) 549-2431
 Head Coach: Jay Artigues
 Record at SELU: First year
 Career Record: Same
 Baseball Office Phone: (985) 549-3566
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Chad Callett; Chad Tibbels; Jered Salazar
 2005 Record: 29-31
 Southland Record (Finish): 1st
 Post Season: 1st Southland Tournament
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 19/16
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/4
 Pitchers Returning/Lost: 11/8
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. IF Ryan Spence (.310, 1 HR, 67 RBI); Sr. 2B Kyle Ginn (.286, 4 HR, 25 RBI); Sr. 3B Jason Wagspack (.297, 4 HR, 20 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Jimmy Head (.345, 4 HR, 45 RBI); Sr. RH Jimmy Head (.345, 4 HR, 45 RBI)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. LHP Wade Miller (.515, 5 HR, 15 RBI); Sr. C Willie Clark
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 54-16
 2005 Series: LSU, 4-2 at Metairie
 Smoke Laval vs. SELU: 17-5
 Jay Artigues vs. LSU: First meeting

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Southern

Tuesday, April 4 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: Greg LaFleur
 Home Park (Capacity): Lee-Hines Field (600)
 Dimensions: LF-330; LC-375; CF-400; RC-375; RF-330
 Press Box Phone: n/a
 Head Coach: Roger Cador (Southern, 1975)
 Record at Southern: 645-327-1 (664/21 years)
 Career Record: Same
 Baseball Office Phone: (225) 771-2513
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, CT
 Assistant Coaches: Barret Rey (Southern, 1997) and Fernando Puebla
 2005 Record: 29-18
 Conference Record (Finish): 17-7 (1st in West, 2nd overall)
 Post Season: 4-1 in SWAC Tournament (champions); 0-2 in NCAA New Orleans Regional (4th)
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Series Record vs. LSU: LSU leads, 39-2
 2004 Meeting: Southern, 9-5 at Alex Box Stadium
 Smoke Laval vs. Southern: 3-2
 Roger Cador vs. LSU: 2-37

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Stetson

Friday, March 10 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 11 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.

Sunday, March 12 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location: DeLand, Fla.
 Enrollment: 2,457
 Nickname: Hatters
 Colors: Hunter Green and White
 Conference: Atlantic Sun
 President: Dr. H. Douglas Lee (Richmond, 1964)
 Athletic Director: Jeff Altier (Stetson, 1982)
 Home Park (Capacity): Melching Field at Conrad Park (2,500)
 Dimensions: LF-335; CF-403; RF-335
 Press Box Phone: (386) 736-7360
 Head Coach: Pete Dunn (Stetson, 1972)
 Record at Stetson: 964-580-3 (623/26 years)
 Career Record: Same
 Baseball Office Phone: (386) 822-8106
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, ET
 Assistant Coaches: Gary Larkham (Stetson, 1995); Bryan Peters (USF, 1997)
 2005 Record: 35-28
 Atlantic Sun Record (Finish): 16-14 (4th)
 Post Season: Atlantic Sun Tournament (champions); 0-2 in NCAA Gainesville Regional (4th)
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 7/12
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
 Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost: 2/2
 Top Returning Position Players: Sr. OF Matt Johnson (257, 5 HR, 31 RBI); Jr. 3B Braedyn Pruitt (328, 7 HR, 51 RBI); Jr. SS Brian Bockock (355, 6 HR, 31 RBI); Sr. OF Matt Johnson (257, 5 HR, 31 RBI); Jr. LH Chris Ingoglia (8-4, 4.88, 1 SV);
 Top Returning Pitchers: Soph. RH Matt Johnson (257, 5 HR, 31 RBI); Jr. LH Nathan Nery (4-5, 4.50)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. IF/OF Brian Pruitt; Fr. RHP Blake Marsocci; Fr. IF/OF Jeremy Cruz
 Series Record vs. LSU: First meeting
 Smoke Laval vs. Stetson: First meeting
 Pete Dunn vs. LSU: First meeting

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Temple

Friday, February 24 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 25 at Baton Rouge - Noon

Sunday, February 26 at Baton Rouge - Noon

Location: Philadelphia, Pa.
 Enrollment: 34,000
 Nickname: Owls
 Colors: Cherry and White
 Conference: Atlantic 10
 President: Dr. David Adamany
 Athletic Director: Bill Bradshaw
 Home Park (Capacity): Ambler Field (1,000)
 Dimensions: LF-330; LC-370; CF-400; RC-370; RF-330
 Press Box Phone: (484) 880-3382
 Head Coach: Rob Valli
 Record at Temple: First year
 Career Record: 225-55-1 (.801/5 years)
 Baseball Office Phone: (215) 204-3146
 Best Time to Contact: Weekday mornings, ET
 Assistant Coaches: Casey Faly and Greg Chew
 2005 Record: 17-33
 Atlantic 10 Record (Finish): 10-14 (tied for 4th in East)
 Post Season: None
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 14/13
 Position Starters Returning/Lost: 4/5
 Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost: 6/6
 Top Returning Position Players: Jr. 3B Dan Brady (257, 5 HR, 31 RBI); Soph. OF Frank Nunan (.397, 0 HR, 16 RBI); Sr. C Marc Wagner (250, 1 HR, 6 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. RH Tim Foulkrod (6-7, 3.46); Sr. LH Justin Mendek (1-3, 5.11)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. INF Mike Sweet; Fr. OF Jamie Abercrombie; Fr. INF Tim Schalh
 Series Record vs. LSU: First meeting
 Smoke Laval vs. Temple: First meeting
 Rob Valli vs. LSU: First meeting

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Tennessee Tech

Friday, February 17 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 18 at Baton Rouge - 2 p.m.

Sunday, February 19 at Baton Rouge - 1 p.m.

Location: Cookeville, Tenn.
 Enrollment: 9,312
 Nickname: Golden Eagles
 Colors: Purple and Gold
 Conference: Ohio Valley
 President: Dr. Robert Bell (Florida, 1969)
 Athletic Director: Mark Wilson (Maine, 1991)
 Home Park (Capacity): Bush Stadium at Averitt Express Complex (1,000)
 Press Box Phone: (931) 372-6032
 Head Coach: Matt Bragga (Kentucky, 1992)
 Record at TTU: 28-73 (277, 2 years)
 Career Record: Same
 Baseball Office Phone: (931) 372-3925
 Best Time to Contact: Weekdays, 10 a.m. - noon
 Assistant Coaches: Craig Moore (Nebraska, 1999) and Corey Hamrick (Birmingham-Southern, 2002)
 2005 Record: 13-42
 Ohio Valley Record (Finish): 6-20 (9th)
 Post Season: None
 Final Rankings: Not Ranked
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 16/12
 Starters Returning/Lost: 6/6
 Top Returning Position Players: Soph. INF Clint Alexander (297, 2 HR, 23 RBI); Soph. 2B Matt Mihoci (247, 0 HR, 12 RBI); Jr. LF Scott Dunham (241, 0 HR, 20 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. LH Brandon Borstein (2-2, 6.97); Jr. RH Justin Fields (1-9, 7.13); Soph. RH Shaun Sheehan (1-4, 8.39)
 Top Newcomers: Jr. 2B/OF Brian Sprowl; Jr. C Steve Soper; Jr. OF Josh Goodwin
 Series Record vs. LSU: First meeting
 Smoke Laval vs. Tennessee Tech: First meeting
 Matt Bragga vs. LSU: First meeting

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Tulane

Tuesday, March 7 at Baton Rouge - 6:30 p.m. (COX Sports)

Tuesday, April 18 at Metairie (Zephyr Field) - 7 p.m.

Location:New Orleans, La.
 Enrollment:13,214
 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:523-237-1 (687/12 years)
 Career Record:799-326-2 (709/19 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);
Luke Weatherford (Arkansas, 2003)
 2005 Record:56-12
 C-USA Record (Finish):24-6 (champions)
 Post Season:3-0 in C-USA Tournament (champions); 3-0 in NCAA New Orleans Regional (champions);
2-1 vs. Rice in NCAA New Orleans Regional; 1-2 in NCAA College World Series (5th)
 Final Rankings:3rd Baseball America and ESPN/Sports Weekly, 5th Collegiate Baseball
 Lettermen Returning/Lost:15/8
 Position Starters Returning/Lost:5/8
 Pitchers Returning/Lost:6/3
 Top Returning Position Players: Soph. 3B Brad Emaus (.321, 13 HR, 56 RBI);
 Soph. CF Nathan Southard (.341, 12 HR, 53 RBI); Soph. OF Will Rice (.257, 0 HR, 6 RBI)
 Top Returning Pitchers: Sr. LH J.R. Crowel (10-1, 4.86); Jr. RH Daniel Latham (2-0, 3.22, 13 SV);
 Soph. RH Sean Morgan (6-1, 2.72, 5 SV)
 Top Newcomers: Fr. OF Aja Barto; Fr. INF Seth Henry; Jr. C Ty Wallace
 Series Record vs. LSU:LSU leads, 157-120-3
 2005 Series:Tulane, 2-0 (2-6 at Baton Rouge, 8-11 at Metairie)
 Smoke Laval vs. Tulane:7-8
 Rick Jones vs. LSU:15-16

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SEC Tournament

May 24-28

**Hoover Metropolitan Stadium
 Birmingham, Ala.**



The 2006 SEC Tournament, which will be held May 24-28, returns to Birmingham's Hoover Metropolitan Stadium for the ninth consecutive year and for the 11th 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 ninth 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 six 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 2-5 (sites TBA)

Super Regional Series: June 9-11/10-12 (sites TBA)

College World Series: June 16-25/26

(Rosenblatt Stadium - Omaha, Neb.)

The 2006 NCAA Tournament will feature a 64-team field for the eighth 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 2-5.



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 9-11 and June 10-12. The eight winners of the Super Regionals advance to the College World Series June 16-26 at Omaha's Rosenblatt Stadium, marking the 57th 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.

LSU has made 13 CWS appearances, winning the national championship five times. LSU is one of only 10 schools to have earned at least 13 CWS berths.

LSU has a 106-41(.721) all-time NCAA Tournament record.

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