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**Quick Facts**

**University**

Location:.....Baton Rouge, La.  
 Founded: .....1860  
 Enrollment: .....31,582  
 Nickname: .....Fighting Tigers, Lady Tigers  
 Colors: .....Purple (PMS 268), Gold (PMS 123)  
 Mascot: .....Mike V (live Bengal tiger)  
 Chancellor: .....Sean O'Keefe  
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### College of Charleston Cougar Classic

Sept. 12-13, 2005, Harahan, S.C. || Yeaman's Hall Golf Club

**NOTES:** LSU will be defending its championship won last year to open the 2004-05 season ... This tournament has become the showcase event for the Charleston women's program ... The event will be played on the 1925 Seth Raynor design which in 2003 broke into the Golf World top 100 courses ... Teams will be treated to a dinner cruise and a cannon will signal the beginning of first round play in the tournament ... Charleston will make a return trip to Baton Rouge for the Cleveland Classic in March ... Besides College of Charleston and LSU, teams are Campbell, Charleston Southern, East Carolina, Florida State, Furman, Kentucky, Maryland, Miami, Mississippi, North Carolina, N.C. State, Richmond, South Florida, Tennessee, Virginia and Wake Forest.

### Lady Tar Heel Invitational

Oct. 7-9, 2005, Chapel Hill, N.C. || Finley Golf Course

**NOTES:** This long-running tournament was the third ever golf tournament LSU participated in as a women's program in the fall of 1979 ... Tigers last made an appearance in the 1996-97 season when the Lady Tigers finished fourth over the Finley Golf Course layout with a 54-hole total of 913 ... Joining LSU and North Carolina in the tournament are Auburn, Duke, Florida State, Kentucky, N.C. State, Ohio State, Oklahoma State, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Texas A&M, Tulsa, Vanderbilt, Virginia and Wake Forest.

### ACC/SEC Challenge

Oct. 28-30, 2005, Sandestin, Fla. || Raven Course at Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort

**NOTES:** This will mark the 11th time an LSU women's golf team has played on the shores of the Gulf of Mexico at Sandestin ... Last year's appearance was the first since 1994 by the Lady Tigers in Destin ... The Raven Course is one of the courses on the well-known beach resort, playing to a par of 71 and 5,937 yards for the event ... Florida State hosts the event and will join LSU and the following teams from the Southeastern Conference and Atlantic Coast Conference - Ole Miss, Alabama, South Carolina, Florida, Mississippi State and Miami ... Duke has won the event each of the last two years.

### Auburn Derby Invitational

Nov. 4-6, 2005, Auburn, Ala || Auburn University Club

**NOTES:** Originally the Auburn Tiger Invitational, the tournament was renamed the Auburn Derby Invitational to honor Curtis Cup Champion and former Auburn player and coach, Virginia Derby-Grimes ... Derby-Grimes is recognized as one of the top amateur players of recent times, as part of two Curtis Cup teams and a winner of the USGA Mid-Amateur title in 1998 ... Unique in that first three years (1994-95-96) the tournament's second round was rained out each time ... LSU was a winner of the event in 1995 and 1996 and second in 1997 ... With Auburn and LSU in the field are Georgia, Duke, Alabama, Virginia, Florida State, Tennessee, Florida, Kansas, Ole Miss, North Carolina State, South Carolina, Texas, West Florida and UNC-Wilmington.

### Central District Classic

February 20-21, 2006, Parrish, Fla. || River Wilderness Golf Course

**NOTES:** LSU won the tournament in 2004 going wire-to-wire to win over Michigan State, the host of the tournament ... The tournament, though hosted by the Spartans, is held over the River Wilderness Course in Parrish, Fla. ... This is a two-day tournament with 36 holes the first day and 18 the next day for the 54-hole event ... When LSU won the tournament in 2004, the Tigers had rounds of 295-298-310 to win by three shots with a 39-over 903 ... Last year, LSU finished fourth with a three-round score of 897 ... With LSU and Michigan State in the field are Baylor, Illinois State, Kansas, Kansas State, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Northwestern, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Southern Methodist and Texas Tech.

### LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic

March 3-5, 2006, Baton Rouge, La. || The University Club

**NOTES:** Seventh time the event will be held at LSU's home course, the University Club, and it continues for the third straight year in the traditional March dates that gave it so much success in its earlier days at Fairwood Country Club ... Last year, LSU won the Classic for the third time since its move to the University Club and Chris Brady shot five-under par for Vanderbilt to win the individual title ... This will mark the 25th year that the LSU women's golf program has hosted a spring event, one that started at Fairwood Country Club, with members hosting teams and coaches at their homes and providing entertainment and making the event a club happening ... Overall, LSU has won its tournament title seven times ... The field with LSU includes: Virginia, Mississippi State, Kentucky, Birmingham Southern, Alabama, James Madison, College of Charleston, Louisville, North Carolina, N.C. State, UNC-Wilmington, Augusta State, Florida State, Furman, Vanderbilt, Auburn and Ole Miss.

### Dr. Donnis Thompson Invitational

March 21-22, Honolulu, Hawaii || Kaneohe Klipper Golf Course

**NOTES:** Third time LSU will make the trip to Honolulu after visits in 1998 and 2001 ... LSU finished third as a team in both events, shooting 907 in 1998 and 900 in 2001 ... In the 1998 event, senior Ashley Winn equaled the then school record for a single round of 68 and would go on to win the event with a then school record mark of four-under 212 ... The Klipper course is consistently voted as one of the world's best military golf courses ... This course features the Ko'olau Mountains framing the front nine with the Pacific coastline spanning the back nine. Washington State won last year's event ... The field is still to be determined for this event.

### Bryan National Collegiate

March 31-April 2, 2006, Browns Summit, N. C. || The Champions Course at Bryan Park

**NOTES:** Tournament started in 1997 by Wake Forest and UNC Greensboro ... Ninth annual event marks LSU's return to the event since a 15th-place finish in only other appearance in 2003 ... Opened in 1990, the Champions Course at Bryan Park is a Rees Jones design with seven holes bordering the scenic Lake Townsend ... The par 72 hole course plays at just under 6,100 yards ... Joining the two hosts and LSU in the tournament are: UNC Wilmington, North Carolina, Vanderbilt, South Carolina, Duke, Tennessee, N.C. State, Cal-Berkley, Furman, Oklahoma State, Tulane, Virginia, Purdue, Georgia and Florida ... Also the site of the 2006 NCAA East Regional Tournament.

### SEC Women's Championships

April 14-16, 2006, Nashville, Tenn. || Legends Club (Ironhorse Course)

**NOTES:** The annual league championship makes its second trip to the Nashville area, the first since 1995 when LSU finished third behind Florida ... LSU finished fourth a year ago to winner Auburn, two shots out of the first-place playoff between Auburn and Georgia ... LSU finished second behind Vanderbilt in the 2004 tournament held at the Baton Rouge University Club ... LSU won its only SEC Women's Championship in 1992, the first time the event was held in Baton Rouge at the Santa Maria Golf Course ... Since 1995, in the last 11 tournaments, the Tigers finished fourth or better nine times, including runner up six times ... All the league teams participate in the event with Georgia having won 10 times in the first 25 years of the tournament, with Florida claiming seven titles, Auburn five and LSU, Vanderbilt and South Carolina one each.

### Buckeye Invitational

April 22-23, 2006, Columbus, Ohio || The Scarlet Course

**NOTES:** The historic Scarlet Course on The Ohio State University is in the process of being remodeled and updated in preparation for the 2006 NCAA Division I Women's Championships ... This site of numerous men's and women's championships, the Scarlet Course will play host to the Buckeye Invitational, the first regular season tournament the LSU women have ever played after the SEC Championships. The event gives a top field a chance to see the course hopefully prior to their return for the championships ... Joining LSU and Ohio State in the field are Auburn, Duke, Florida, Georgia, Georgia State, Illinois, Indiana, Kent State, Michigan State, Minnesota, Northwestern, Oklahoma State, Penn State, Pepperdine, Purdue and Wisconsin.

### NCAA Regional Tournaments

May 11-13, 2006 || Site for LSU: TBA

**NOTES:** There are three regional tournaments with 22 teams in each regional and the top eight will advance to the NCAA Division I Women's Championships in Columbus, Ohio, later in the month ... The East Regional will be held at Bryan Park in Browns Summit, N.C., hosted by Wake Forest; The Central Regional will be held at The Traditions course at Texas A&M; and, the West Regional at the Washington National Golf Course in Auburn, Wash., hosted by the University of Washington ... LSU will be hoping to advance to NCAA regional play for the 12th time since 1993.

### NCAA Division I Women's Championships



# DRIVING TO THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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VICKY MEYER



MELISSA EATON



KIMBERLY MECK



REBECCA KUHN

## A stroke here. A stroke there.

There were moments when those two sentences could sum up the frustration of the LSU women's golf team. On one hand was the continued improvement back into the national ranks by the program, cracking back into the top 10, ranking as high as nine in the coaches poll. There were two important wins in the College of Charleston Cougar Classic and the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic and great individual performances by sophomore Melissa Eaton, freshman Rebecca Kuhn and senior Brooke Shelton.

But in the final analysis, a shot here and a shot there, kept LSU from winning the Southeastern Conference title and a shot here and a shot there kept LSU from going as a team to the NCAA Division I Women's Championships.

The stats would show LSU finished fourth in the SECs and 10th in the NCAA Central Regional, but the Tigers were two shots out of the playoff for the SEC title and two shots out of the top eight and advancement to the championships.

### The 2005-06 team may be the most experienced team LSU has fielded since The Three Amigas left in 1998.

Those four shots are in the team's mind as a veteran group of players join Coach Karen Bahnsen for her 22nd season as the head coach at LSU with one goal in mind -- to drive for the championships and advance to the final group for the first time since 2001.

The 2005-06 team may be the most experienced team LSU has fielded since The Three Amigas left in 1998.

Junior Melissa Eaton earned first-team All-SEC honors a year ago after averaging 75.00 strokes per round with four top 10 finishes (tie 10th Mercedes-Benz Championship, tie 5th SEC/ACC Challenge, tie 9th Lady Gamecock Classic, tie 5th SEC Women's Championships). She became a rock-solid force for LSU during the year and will be counted on for another big year to help LSU back to the championship.

Her twin sister Nicola played in three events this past year and is certainly a great aid to the team's depth and she has come up with some big rounds to help the team score.

The Tiger team has one senior, Vicky Meyer, who has proven to be a talent since she arrived from Brazil. Her knowl-

edge of the game and her demeanor on the course has proven to be a big addition to the LSU squad. Over three seasons her very consistent stroke averages are 76.50, 76.59 and 76.29, and she has five career top 10s and presently, her career stroke average of 76.44, is seventh best all-time at LSU.

Rebecca Kuhn earned second-team All-SEC honors in her freshman year at LSU and had a great season, averaging 75.70 as she appeared in all 10 tournaments. She finished as the runner-up in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic at the University Club, shooting rounds of 72-70-72 for a two-under 214. Another top 10 finish was a tie for fifth at the Lady Gamecock Classic. Kuhn had 28-of-30 rounds in the 70s.

Kimberly Meck also was a big factor in her freshman year, participating in nine tournaments with a 76.78 stroke average and one top 10 finish and it could not have come at a better time, a tie for seventh place in the SEC Women's Golf Championship. That gives LSU four strong returning players who started for the Tigers in the majority of the 2004-05 matches.

Alexis Rather redshirted last season after playing in 29 rounds as a freshman with a 77.93 average. This past summer she showed her ability by advancing to the semifinals of the Women's Southern Amateur Championships in Savannah, Ga.

Local product Rebecca Struthers played in one event and Heather Hoffman redshirted her freshman season, but both have worked hard on their games and are ready to contribute to the drive for the championships.

The newest member of the Tigers squad is Caroline Martens-Larsen from Oslo, Norway. Larsen has had a distinguished junior career, including a win in the Norwegian junior champion on her resume.

The Lady Tigers will have another difficult schedule highlighted by the 25th spring tournament that LSU has hosted, the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic on March 3-5. LSU will also return to Hawaii for the third time for the Dr. Donnis Thompson Classic in March and will also be involved in the SEC/ACC Challenge at Destin. The team will actually play nine regular season events for the first time since the 2001 season, including a preview tournament on the site of the NCAA Championships, the Scarlet Course on The Ohio State University campus, the week after the SEC Championships.

All of this in hope of finding a shot here and a shot there and driving back all the way to the NCAA Division I Women's Championships.

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Location: Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
 Colors: Crimson and White  
 Enrollment: 20,333  
 President: Dr. Robert E. Witt  
 Athletics Director: Mal Moore  
 Nickname: Crimson Tide  
 Head Coach: Mic Potter  
 (Cortland State, '77), 1st year  
 Golf SID: Corey Hoodjier  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 10th  
 SID Office Phone: 205-348-6084  
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## Arkansas



Location: Fayetteville, Ark.  
 Colors: Cardinal and White  
 Enrollment: 16,449  
 Chancellor: Dr. John White  
 Athletics Director: Bev Lewis  
 Nickname: Lady Backs  
 Head Coach: Kelly Hester  
 (Georgia, '95), 4th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 3rd  
 Golf SID: Jeri Thorpe  
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 SID Office Phone: 479-575-5037  
 SID Office Fax: 479-575-7410

## Auburn



Location: Auburn, Ala.  
 Colors: Burnt Orange and Navy Blue  
 Enrollment: 23,152  
 President: Dr. Ed Richardson  
 Athletics Director: Jay Jacobs  
 Nickname: Tigers  
 Head Coach: Kim Evans  
 (Auburn, '81), 12th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 1st  
 Golf SID: Mendy Nestor  
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 SID Office Phone: 334-844-9701  
 SID Office Fax: 334-844-9708

## Florida



Location: Gainesville, Fla.  
 Colors: Orange and Blue  
 Enrollment: 48,373  
 President: Dr. J. Bernard Machen  
 Athletics Director: Jeremy Foley  
 Nickname: Gators  
 Head Coach: Jill Briles-Hinton,  
 8th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 6th  
 Golf SID: Sarah Riesberg  
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## Georgia



Location: Athens, Ga.  
 Colors: Red and Black  
 Enrollment: 33,878  
 President: Dr. Michael F. Adams  
 Athletics Director: Damon Evans  
 Nickname: Bulldogs  
 Head Coach: Todd McCorkle  
 (UNC Charlotte, '86), 6th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 2nd (lost in playoff)  
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## Kentucky



Location: Lexington, Ky.  
 Colors: Blue and White  
 Enrollment: 25,397  
 President: Dr. Lee T. Todd, Jr.  
 Athletics Director: Mitch Barnhart  
 Nickname: Wildcats  
 Head Coach: Stephanie Baker  
 (Oklahoma State, '94), 5th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 8th  
 Golf SID: Sean Cartell  
 SID Office Phone: 859-257-3838  
 SID Office Fax: 859-323-4310

## Ole Miss



Location: Oxford, Miss.  
 Colors: Cardinal Red and Navy Blue  
 Enrollment: 16,080  
 Chancellor: Dr. Robert C. Khayat  
 Athletics Director: Pete Boone  
 Nickname: Rebels  
 Head Coach: Meghan Bolger  
 (Tulane, 2000), 5th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 12th  
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## Mississippi State



Location: Starkville, Miss.  
 Colors: Maroon and White  
 Enrollment: 16,236  
 President: Dr. J. Charles Lee  
 Athletics Director: Larry Templeton  
 Nickname: Lady Bulldogs  
 Head Coach: Christi Sanders  
 (Miss. State, '87), 19th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 11th  
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## South Carolina



Location: Columbia, S. C.  
 Colors: Garnet and Black  
 Enrollment: 26,000  
 President: Dr. Andrew Sorensen  
 Athletics Director: Dr. Mike McGee  
 Nickname: Gamecocks  
 Head Coach: Kristi Coggins  
 (Texas State, '84), 12th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 7th  
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## Tennessee



Location: Knoxville, Tenn.  
 Colors: Orange and White  
 Enrollment: 25,058  
 President: Dr. John Petersen  
 Athletics Director: Joan Cronan  
 Nickname: Lady Vols  
 Head Coach: Judi Pavon  
 (Alabama, '89), 6th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: t4th  
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## Vanderbilt



Location: Nashville, Tenn.  
 Colors: Black and Gold  
 Enrollment: 6,319  
 Chancellor: Gordon Gee  
 Vice Chancellor: David Williams II  
 Nickname: Commodores  
 Head Coach: Martha Freitag  
 (Stanford, '93), 6th year  
 2004-05 SEC Finish: 9th  
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# KAREN BAHNSEN

HEAD COACH - 22 SEASONS



## THE BAHNSEN FILE

**Name:** Karen Mayson Bahnsen  
**Date of Birth:** Oct. 11, 1960  
**Husband:** David "Bo" Bahnsen, LSU Associate AD  
**Children:** Darren 16, Devin 14  
**High School:** McGill Toolen, Mobile, Ala.  
**College:** BA, LSU, 1984

## BAHNSEN'S GOLF ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1979** High School All-American  
National High School Champion
- 1980-83** Four-year letter winner at LSU, first golf signee  
AIWA Tournament participant, 1980-81  
NCAA Tournament participant, 1982
- 1986** SEC Coach of the Year  
NGCA South Region Coach of the Year  
Team finished ninth at the NCAA Division I Championships
- 1992** Team won Southeastern Conference Championships
- 1994** Member, La. Team, SE Women's Amateur Championships
- 1995** Member, La. Team, SE Women's Amateur Championships  
SEC Coach of the Year  
Winning Co-Coach, East-West All-Star NCAA Match
- 1996** Team finished eighth at the NCAA Division I Championships
- 1997** NGCA South Region Coach of the Year
- 1998** Team finished fifth at the NCAA Division I Championships
- 1999** Team finished 10th at the NCAA Division I Championships
- 2000** Team finished 10th at the NCAA Division I Championships
- 2001** Team finished 12th at the NCAA Division I Championships

Just think about it for a minute. How many programs are there in any sport in NCAA Division I intercollegiate athletics where the program's first recruit goes on to become the head coach of the program and stays long enough to not only be the dean of league coaches in the sport, but also one of the longest tenured coaches in school history?

Seems like an impossibility. But when it comes to LSU women's golf, there is one person, one special lady, who can recite the history of the program from day one. Her name in 1979 when she was the first recruit and one of LSU's early stars was Karen Mayson. As the 2005-06 season begins, as she enters her 22nd year as head coach, she's known as Karen Bahnsen. Suffice it to say, in college golf circles, she is one of the most respected individuals in the game today.

Only two female coaches, gymnastics coach D-D Breaux (entering her 28th year) and former basketball coach the late Sue Gunter (22 years) have served as long in a head coaching position at LSU.

From first recruit, to four-year player, to student assistant to head coach it was a rapid transition from signing in 1979 to taking over as head coach prior to the 1984-85 season.

Since her arrival at LSU in 1979, the sport of women's golf has risen in talent and stature to the point that SEC championships and national championships are decided by mere strokes instead of one or two teams dominating a field. The list of stars from the SEC who have gone on to success in the sport continues to grow each and every year.

Karen Bahnsen has contributed her share of names to that list over her years as head coach. There was the nation's

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No. 1 player, Jenny Lidback, in the mid-1980s, who led LSU to the NCAA championship tournament and then went onto become a major tournament winner on the LPGA tour. Also from the 1980s, came Jackie Gallagher, a steady player who has had a long career on the women's tour.

The "Three Amigas" signaled a new era in LSU's women's golf in the mid-1990s when the highly recruited trio of Ashley Winn, Michelle Louviere and Laura Moore, led LSU to a succession of NCAA appearances (including a program best fifth place finish in 1998), a No. 1 ranking and nine tournament titles. Katy Wilkinson Harris ended the 1990s with bookend All-America performances in her freshman and senior years and the 2000s opened with Shreveport's Meredith Duncan bringing LSU more national recognition by winning the United States Women's Amateur title and helping her country keep the Curtis Cup in matches with Britain and Ireland.

This past year, senior Brooke Shelton became the fourth LSU golfer to finish in the top 10 in the NCAA Championships, finishing a strong eighth in the individual competition at Sunriver, Ore.

The past two seasons, under the combined talents of Bahnsen and assistant coach Shane Warren, an LSU Lady Tiger team that was struggling to hang in the top 50 teams, was suddenly back winning tournaments, advancing to NCAA Regional play, and spending much of the 2004-05 season going on the edge or into the top 10. LSU has won three times as a team in the last two seasons, including two wins last year. The Tigers were second in the SEC Championships in 2004 and missed

winning the 2005 SEC Championship by two shots. LSU missed a chance to advance as a team to the NCAA Championships by two shots in the NCAA regionals. Both tournaments showed the team how far it had come in two years, but how much more they need to get back to the Championships.

So Bahnsen takes the LSU program into its 27th season with the same dogged determination she has shown throughout her days as a player and through her years as head coach. The numbers show her success: 15 All-Americans, 32 All-SECs, 28 tournament titles, 28 individual tournament titles, 10 top three finishes in the SEC championships, 11 appearances in the

NCAA Regionals, six appearances in the NCAA Division I Championships and five top-10 finishes in those six events.

She has coached two of the last six winners of the prestigious LPGA Diana Shore Award (Lisette Lee in 2000 and Meredith Duncan in 2002) and the 1986 College Player of the

Year (Jenny Lidback). But let's talk off the course as well. There have been 48 Academic All-SEC honorees, 13 Academic All-Americans and last year again, the women's golf team had one of the highest GPAs for an athletic team at the school.

Throughout her years as coach, and probably something that developed in her years as a player, Bahnsen has looked at the big picture of her involvement in women's collegiate golf and life as well.

She knows nothing on the LPGA or Futures tour is guaranteed for any golfer. She knows what it is like to have a husband, a family and the need to divide time between the coaching job and the family job. Her values on balancing both are what

**Twice (1986 and 1997) Bahnsen was named the National Golf Coaches Association South Region Coach of the Year, while also being named the Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year in 1986 and 1995.**



**BAHNSEN'S YEAR-BY-YEAR COACHING RECORD**

Year	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Team Titles
1984-85	60	80	1	.441	1
1985-86	131	15	0	.897	5 (9th in NCAA Championships)
1986-87	67	45	0	.598	1
1987-88	94	49	1	.653	1
1988-89	55	60	3	.479	0
1989-90	86	39	4	.682	1
1990-91	98	28	1	.772	2
1991-92	73	50	0	.593	2 (SEC Champions)
1992-93	55	80	0	.407	0 (NCAA Regional Participant)
1993-94	61	65	1	.480	1
1994-95	89	59	2	.593	2 (NCAA Regional Participant)
1995-96	138	33	1	.805	3 (8th in NCAA Championships)
1996-97	120	31	0	.795	3 (NCAA Regional Participant)
1997-98	137	34	3	.796	1 (5th in NCAA Championships)
1998-99	110	62	0	.639	0 (10th in NCAA Championships)
1999-2000	129	38	0	.772	1 (10th in NCAA Championships)
2000-01	110	50	4	.683	1 (12th in NCAA Championships)
2001-02	89	67	1	.587	0 (NCAA Regional Participant)
2002-03	24	95	3	.209	0
2003-04	98	37	2	.715	1 (NCAA Regional Participant)
2004-05	118	32	2	.776	2 (NCAA Regional Participant)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1942</b>	<b>1067</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>.644</b>	<b>28 (1 SEC Title; 6 NCAA Top 12s)</b>

make her a special person and a coach players want to play for.

Every year has brought new challenges and each time Bahnsen has answered the call. Every year the desire to succeed is that much greater and that is what seems to continue to light the fire of the lady who knows LSU golf inside and outside, backwards and forwards.

Bahnsen has the intelligence and the knowledge of the game and her players to mold together a team that constantly competes at the highest levels of collegiate golf. She's proving she has the skills and the players to compete at that level year-after-year. It's a mission for Bahnsen and she has every intention of accomplishing the mission each year.

Bahnsen's teams learn a lot about golf during their LSU days, but they also learn a lot about the ups and downs of sports. She doesn't just go through the motions of being a coach. Bahnsen knows what the girls are going through with each shot they take and she feels their excitement and disappointments. She is there to congratulate, offer a tip when necessary and provide the consoling hand of sympathy when things don't go the right way.

It's that style which has earned her the respect of her peers throughout the league and the country. Twice (1986 and 1997) Bahnsen was named the National Golf Coaches Association South Region Coach of the Year, while also being named the Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year in 1986 and 1995.

Bahnsen came to LSU with credentials that were excellent, lettering in golf at McGill Toolen High School in Mobile, Ala. She led McGill Toolen to two state titles and in 1979 won the state individual championship and the National High School Tournament.

It seems obvious this lady was meant to be a top golfer and later a great golf coach. Bahnsen's mother was a LPGA teaching professional, a four-time Alabama state women's champ, and a Mobile Sports Hall of Fame inductee.

Bahnsen graduated from LSU in 1984 and was named the head women's golf coach at LSU prior to the 1984-85 season.

In her first two seasons, she directed the Lady Tigers to seven team titles and seven individual wins, all of those belonging to 1986 Collegiate Player of the Year, Jenny Lidback. In 1986, LSU was ranked as high as No. 3 in the nation and made its second appearance in the NCAA Championships, finishing ninth.

One of the most important victories in the program's history came in 1992 when the Lady Tigers stormed through the field to capture the school's first SEC championship. Since recruiting the Three Amigas in 1994, the Lady Tigers have been invited to all of the major tournaments in college golf many times and from

1994 to 2002, the LSU golf team was never out of the top 15 in the national rankings.

These days, Bahnsen is doing what needs to be done to keep her program in the forefront of women's college golf. She has firmly established in Baton Rouge one of the few women's golf tournaments sponsored by a major golf manufacturer in the country and while the program has a very recognized and successful past, she is working hard to add new memories to the history of the program.

Bahnsen is married to LSU Associate Athletic Director David "Bo" Bahnsen. They have two children: son, Darren, 16 (a golfer for the University High team in Baton Rouge), and daughter, Devin, 14.

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**SHANE WARREN**

**ASSISTANT COACH  
3RD SEASON**

The blending of a head coach and the assistant in any sport has to be just right. Whether just one assistant, as in women's golf, or a group of assistants in football and basketball, the coaches must all work together for the betterment of the overall program.

When LSU women's golf coach Karen Bahnsen went searching for a new assistant coach she didn't have to look very far for someone whose love of the game of golf and belief in the desire to excel both in the classroom and on the golf course was a perfect compliment to the program. Throw in a recruiter's nose for top talent and you have LSU women's golf assistant coach Shane Warren.

Since his arrival, the LSU women's golf program has gone nowhere but up and his efforts were rewarded this past year as he was named the National Women's Assistant Golf Coach of the Year by the National Golf Coaches Association.


When Warren was selected for the job as LSU assistant in 2003, he was just a long driver-nine iron from the LSU Golf House at the team's home course, the University Club, working as a teaching instructor with the well-renowned Chuck Winstead Golf Academy. Now the teacher has brought his knowledge of the game back to college golf, helping a resurgence in the program that is digging roots for years to come. Those roots can be found all over his desk and dry erase board plastered with names of the nation's top players whom he hopes to make Lady Tigers.

Ironically, now Warren and Winstead are reunited as Winstead has been named the new men's head coach at LSU and Warren will split his time as the assistant coach for both programs during the 2005-06 season.

Warren spent one year as an instructor with the Winstead Academy at the University Club after serving the three years prior to that as the assistant coach with the University of Alabama's women's golf program.

The 35-year-old Warren graduated from Alabama in 1994 with a degree in sports and fitness management. Besides his time at Alabama and the U-Club, he also served two years as the assistant golf professional at Hidden Meadows Golf Course in Northport, Ala., a year as head golf instructor at the Golden Bear Golf Center in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., associate golf professional at Lago Mar Country Club and as an instructor at the Mark Wood Golf Learning Center.

**THE WARREN FILE**



**Name:** Shane Warren  
**Date of Birth:** Aug. 28, 1970  
**High School:** Central HS, Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
**College:** Sports and Fitness Management, Alabama, 1994  
**Honors:** 2005 National Women's Assistant Golf Coach of the Year, NGCA



Warren spent one year as an instructor with the Winstead Academy at the University Club after serving the three years prior to that as the assistant coach with the University of Alabama's women's golf program.

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Junior • 5'4"  
 Kwazulu Natal, South Africa  
 Port Shepstone High School

MELISSA **EATON**



**2004-05 (Sophomore Season)**

- Second on the team in stroke average at 75.00 for 27 rounds, after averaging 73.75 for the 12 rounds in the fall.
- Seventh player in LSU's women's golf history to average 75 or better for a season.
- Fifth best career scoring average, 76.13, in school history.
- Dropped scoring average over two strokes from 77.26 in her freshman year to 75.00.
- Four top 10s -- tie 10th at Mercedes-Benz Championships (74-73-75 -- 222); tie 5th at SEC/ACC Challenge (73-69-73 -- 215); tie 9th at Lady Gamecock Classic (79-76-81 -- 236); and tie fifth at SEC Women's Championships (77-73-75 -- 225).
- 69 in second round at SEC/ACC Challenge marks 16th time an LSU player has shot three under or better in a round.
- Five career top 10s.
- Team best 24.5 of 27 rounds counted for team score (90.7%) and 25 of 27 rounds in the 70s.



**2003-04 (Freshman Season)**

- Played in nine tournaments, 27 rounds, averaging 77.26.
- Had one top ten, finishing in a tie for sixth in the Central District Tournament (75-75-75 - 225), helping LSU to a team victory.
- Had two other top 20 finishes, finishing 17th in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic and 20th in the Lady Gamecock Classic.
- Had low round of 71 in the middle round of the Furman Lady Paladin.

**Prior to LSU**

- Participated in hockey, swimming and tennis, besides golf at the Port Shepstone High School.
- Began playing golf at the age of 12.
- In December 2000, both Melissa and her sister were invited to join the Ernie Els Foundation, a non-profit organization started by the South African PGA star to help develop junior golfers through 2003.
- In 2001, Melissa was selected to represent the South African Golf Foundation in the Junior Dutch International event, placing sixth.
- Ranked 10th in the South African Ladies Order of Merit. Second in Kwazulu Natal order of merit in 2001, 2002.
- Represented the Kwazulu Natal Ladies team in 2000-03. In 2002, won 72-hole team champs and South African Interprovincial.
- Tied with twin sister, Nicola, in the 2002 KZN junior championships at Royal Durban with scores of 147.
- Sportswoman of the Year in 2001 for Port Shepstone Country Club.
- Golf coach Derek James and mom, Colleen.

**Personal**

- Full name is Melissa Jane Eaton
- Born on January 15, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are Terence and Colleen Eaton
- Major at LSU: Business Administration

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**Collegiate Finishes**

<b>2004-05</b>			
Cougar Classic	74-74-75	- 223	t6
Mason Rudolph Championships	72-81-72	- 225	t33
Mercedes-Benz Championships	73-74-75	- 222	t10
SEC/ACC Challenge	73-69-73	- 215	t5
Lady Gamecock Challenge	79-76-81	- 236	t9
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	78-73-72	- 223	t13
Liz Murphey Collegiate	78-76-77	- 231	t35
SEC Women's Championships	77-73-75	- 225	t5
NCAA Central Regional	73-78-74	- 225	t13
Total	27 rounds -- 75.00 avg.		

**2003-04**

Price's Give Em 5 Intercollegiate	82-73-72	- 227	t22
Mercedes-Benz Championships	75-78-84	- 237	t65
Furman Lady Paladin	82-71-79	- 232	t33
Nokia Sugar Bowl Classic	78-76-91	- 245	t28
Central District Tournament	75-75-75	- 225	t6
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	72-80-77	- 229	t17
Lady Gamecock Classic	79-75-80	- 234	20
SEC Women's Championships	76-75-78	- 229	t39
NCAA East Women's Regional	80-75-73	- 228	t24
Totals	27 rounds - 77.26 avg.		

**Career Records**

Rounds: 54  
 Strokes: 4,111  
 Average: 76.13  
 Rounds of Par or Under: 8  
 Low Round: 69, 2004 SEC/ACC Challenge, 2nd round  
 Low Tournament (54 holes): 215, 2004 SEC/ACC Challenge  
 Top 10 Finishes: 5  
 Best Finish: tie 5th, 2004 SEC/ACC Challenge  
 tie 5th, 2005 SEC Women's Championships



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Junior • 5'4"  
 Kwazulu Natal, South Africa  
 Port Shepstone High School

# NICOLA EATON



### Collegiate Finishes

#### 2004-05

Mercedes-Benz Championships	77-77-75 - 229	t39
Central District Invitational	83-84-76 - 243	t67
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	74-77-74 - 225	t19
Totals	9 rounds - 77.44 avg.	

#### 2003-04

Central District Tournament	73-77-78 - 228	t13
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	79-77-76 - 232	t23
Lady Gamecock Classic	79-86-82 - 247	t48
SEC Women's Championships	73-80-70 - 223	t18
NCAA East Women's Regional	80-75-81 - 236	t48
Totals	15 rounds - 77.73	

### Career Records

Rounds: 24  
 Strokes: 1,863  
 Average: 77.62  
 Rounds of Par or Under: 1  
 Low Round: 70, 2004 SEC Women's Championships, 3rd rd.  
 Low Tournament (54 holes): 223, 2004 SEC Women's Championships  
 Top 10 Finishes: 0  
 Best Finish: t13, 2004 Central District Tournament

### 2004-05 (Sophomore Season)

- Saw action in three tournaments, averaging 77.44.
- Best finish was a tie for 19th finish in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic at the University Club (74-77-74 -- 225).
- Also participated in the Mercedes-Benz Championship in the fall and on the team for the spring-opening Central District Invitational.
- Four of six rounds counted for team score and had seven of nine rounds in the 70s.

### 2003-04 (Freshman Season)

- Made her debut, joining her twin sister in the spring portion of the season, helping the Tigers to a victory in the Central District Tournament.
- Played in five of the six spring events, 15 rounds, averaging 77.73, fourth on the team.
- Best finish was the opening Central District event, finishing in a tie for 13th (73-77-78 - 228).
- Finished in a tie for 18th in SEC Women's Championships in Baton Rouge, closing with a season best round of two-under 70.
- 10.7 of 15 rounds counted for team score (63.67%)

### Prior to LSU

- Participated in hockey, swimming and tennis, besides golf at the Port Shepstone High School.
- Began playing golf at the age of 12.
- In December 2000, both Nicola and her sister were invited to join the Ernie Els Foundation, a non-profit organization started by the South African PGA star to help develop junior golfers through 2003.
- Third in the Kwazulu Ladies Amateur, 18th in the South African Ladies Order of Merit.
- Tied with sister, Melissa, in 2002 KZN junior championships at Royal Durban with score of 147.
- Golf coach Derek James and mom, Colleen.

### Personal

- Full name is Nicola Amy Eaton
- Born on January 15, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are Terence and Colleen Eaton
- Major at LSU: Business Administration

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Sophomore • 5'2"  
 Miami, Fla.  
 Miami Palmetto High School

# REBECCA KUHN



### Collegiate Finishes

2004-05			
Cougar Classic	73-74-73	- 220	13
Mason Rudolph Championships	75-75-76	- 226	t38
Mercedes-Benz Championships	78-78-75	- 231	t43
SEC/ACC Challenge	74-76-74	- 224	t28
Central District Tournament	76-75-74	- 225	t19
Lady Gamecock Classic	76-80-77	- 233	t5
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	72-70-72	- 214	2
Liz Murphey Collegiate	74-72-82	- 228	t20
SEC Women's Championships	78-71-80	- 229	t19
NCAA Central Regional	77-86-78	- 241	t91
<b>Totals</b>	<b>30 rounds - 75.70 avg.</b>		

### Career Records

Rounds: 30  
 Strokes: 2,271  
 Average: 75.70  
 Rounds of Par or Under: 5  
 Low Round: 70, 2005 LSU/Cleveland Golf Challenge, 2nd round  
 Low Tournament (54 holes): 214, 2005 LSU/ Cleveland Golf Classic  
 Top 10 Finishes: 2  
 Best Finish: 2nd, 2005 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic

### 2004-05 (Freshman Season)

- Third best average of the season at 75.70, appearing in all 10 tournaments (30 rounds)
- Finished as the runner up in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic at the University Club, shooting rounds of 72-70-72 for a two-under 214.
- Other top 10 finish came in the Lady Gamecock Classic, in poor weather conditions, shooting 76-80-77 -- 233, to tie for fifth.
- Four other top 20 finishes.
- 26 of 30 rounds in the 70s ... 81 percent of rounds (24.5) counted for team score.

### Prior to LSU

- Lettered for four years for coach Dan Pabalate at Miami Palmetto.
- Team won three District championships, three regionals.
- MVP of the team, 2000-04. Ranked 33rd nationally in GolfWeek in 2003.
- All-Dade Girl Player of the Year, 2002-04. 2002 All-American.
- Advanced to match play in the 2003 USGA Girls Juniors.
- Third in the 2002 FCWT National Championship, shooting 68 on the Doral Red Course.

### Personal

- Full name is Rebecca Sara Kuhn
- Born on Dec. 31, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are James and Rhonda Kuhn, one sister, Jamie
- Chose LSU because it "has everything I have ever looked for in a college."
- Favorite golfer is Annika Sorenstam.
- Major at LSU: Undecided



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Sophomore • 5'3"  
 Austin, Texas  
 Westwood High School

# KIMBERLY MECK



### Collegiate Finishes

#### 2004-05

Cougar Classic	73-79-80 - 232	t48
Mason Rudolph Championships	76-83-80 - 239	t83
SEC/ACC Challenge	74-75-74 - 223	t23
Central District Invitational	76-73-76 - 228	t19
Lady Gamecock Classic	76-80-87 - 243	t27
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	73-74-76 - 223	t13
Liz Murphey Collegiate	76-77-77 - 230	t31
SEC Women's Championships	73-75-78 - 226	t7
NCAA Central Regional	79-77-76 - 232	t49
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27 rounds - 76.78 avg.</b>	

### Career Records

**Rounds:** 27  
**Strokes:** 2,073  
**Average:** 76,78  
**Rounds of Par or Under:** 0  
**Low Round:** 73, 2004 Cougar Classic, 1st rd;  
 2005 Central District Invitational, 2nd rd;  
 2005 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic, 1st rd;  
 2005 SEC Women's Championships, 1st rd.  
**Low Tournament (54 holes):** 223, 2005 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic.  
**Top 10 Finishes:** 1  
**Best Finish:** t7, 2005 SEC Women's Championships

### 2004-05 (Freshman Season)

- Participated in nine tournaments in her first year at LSU, including all six events in the spring portion of the year.
- Averaged 76.78 for the 27 rounds.
- Had best tournament in first appearance in the SEC Championships, finishing in a tie for seventh at 10-over 226 (73-75-78) ... Next best finish was a tie for 13th at the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic at the University Club (73-74-76).
- Had four best rounds of 73 and 22 of 27 rounds in the 70s.
- 18.2 of 27 rounds counted for team score of 67.41 percent.
- Averaged a team best 75.11 in the first round of tournaments.

### Prior to LSU

- Lettered for four years for Coach Brent Pool at Westwood High School.
- Four-year honor roll student at Westwood, 4.0 GPA for four years straight.
- Member of the school all-district team, the Texas Junior Golf Tour all-star team, the Regional and All-State high school golf teams and a Callaway Junior All-Star team member.
- Won every regular season tournament as a senior, never posting a round over par. Won District with 71-67; lost in

- playoff for top class Texas state high school championship.
- Started college career at No. 29 in the GolfWeek Performance Rankings.
- Won a Collegiate Players Tour event in Austin with rounds of 72-74-70.
- Also played soccer, volleyball, basketball.

### Personal

- Born on July 10, 1986
- Right-handed
- Parents are Larry and Sheila Meck
- Chose LSU because of "the coach and the location of the school."
- Favorite professional golfer: Annika Sorenstam.
- Major at LSU: Undecided

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Senior • 5'10"  
Cotia, Brazil  
Colegio Vislonde de Porto Seguro

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**2004-05 (Junior Season)**

- Participated in 10 tournaments, 30 rounds, averaging 76.29, fourth on the team ... Was second on the team in the spring, averaging 73.75 for four tournaments (12 rounds).
- Had her fifth career top 10 finish -- a third place finish in the opening tournament of the year, the Cougar Classic, hosted by the College of Charleston (71-71-72 -214).
- Had two rounds of one-under 71 and three rounds of even par 72 on the year.

- Four other top 20 finishes for the year -- tie for 13th at Mason Rudolph Championship (219), 15th at the Central District Invitational (223), a tie for 19th at the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic (225) and a tie for 14th at the Liz Murphey Classic at Georgia (226).
- 23 of 30 rounds counted for team score (76.67%).
- Posted 23 of 30 rounds in the 70s.
- 71-round career average of 76.44, seventh all-time in LSU women's golf history

**2003-04 (Sophomore Season)**

- In her first full season with the program, participated in all 10 tournaments, 29 rounds, averaging 76.59, second on the team.
- Had low round of 72 three times and had three top-10 finishes.
- Finished tied for eighth at the UA-Ann Rhoads (79-75 - 154); tied for sixth at the Price's Give Em 5 Intercollegiate (73-78-72 - 223); fifth at the Nokia Sugar Bowl Classic (74-74-81 - 229).
- 25 of 29 rounds in the 70s, 22.25 of 26 rounds counted for team score (85.58 percent).

**2002-03 (Freshman Season)**

- Joined LSU team in mid-season, playing in five tournaments (12 rounds), averaging a team-best 76.50.
- Had low rounds of 74, three times in the Lady Puerto Rico Classic where she finished in a tie for 10th (222, 6-over).
- Ten of 12 rounds in the 70s, 11 of 12 rounds counting in the team score.
- Finished in a tie for 18th at the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic (75-77-76-228, 12-over).

**Prior to LSU**

- Captured the Brazilian Junior Amateur Championship and the Brazilia Amateur Championship in 2001.
- Was part of the South American Championship team in 2002, as well as the 2000 Brazilian Team Championship.
- Coached by Jaime Gonzalez.

**Personal**

- Full name is Victoria Katharina Meyer
- Born on Dec. 6, 1984 in Sao Paulo, Brazil
- Right-handed
- Parents are Reinhard and Gisela Neuwirth Meyer. One brother: Hendrick.
- Major at LSU: International Trade and Finance
- Favorite professional golfer is Tiger Woods.

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**Collegiate Finishes**

**2004-05**

Cougar Classic	71-71-72 - 214	t3
Mason Rudolph Championship	73-72-74 - 219	t13
Mercedes-Benz Championship	75-75-76 - 226	t28
SEC/ACC Challenge	78-73-75 - 226	t35
Central District Invitational	76-75-72 - 223	t5
Lady Gamecock Classic	78-80-87 - 245	t33
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	78-74-73 - 225	t19
Liz Murphey Collegiate	75-77-74 - 226	t14
SEC Women's Championships	82-81-80 - 243	t54
NCAA Central Regional	76-84-81 - 241	t91
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>30 rounds - 76.29 avg.</b>	

**2003-04**

UA-Ann Rhoads Intercollegiate	79-75 - 154	t8
Price's Give Em 5 Intercollegiate	73-78-72 - 223	t6
Mercedes-Benz Championships	76-75-87 - 238	t68
Furman Lady Paladin	75-81-77 - 233	t36
Nokia Sugar Bowl Classic	74-74-81 - 229	5
Central District Tournament	76-76-76 - 228	t13
LSU/Cleveland Golf Tournament	78-73-76 - 227	t12
Lady Gamecock Classic	78-79-72 - 229	t11
SEC Women's Championship	75-72-74 - 221	t11
NCAA East Women's Regional	80-83-76 - 239	t61
<b>Totals</b>	<b>29 rounds - 76.59 avg.</b>	

**2002-03**

Central District Tournament	73-77-78 - 228	t13
Lady Puerto Rico Classic	74-74-74 - 222	t10
Lady Gamecock Classic	80	t48
Bryan National Collegiate	78-76 - 154	t43
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	75-77-76 - 228	t18
SEC Women's Championship	76-83-75 - 234	t22
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15 rounds - 76.40 avg.</b>	

**Career Records**

Rounds: 74  
 Strokes: 5,655  
 Average: 76.42  
 Rounds of Par or Under: 8  
 Low Round: 71, 2004 Cougar Classic, 1st, 2nd rounds  
 Low Tournament (54 holes): 214, 2004 Cougar Classic  
 Top 10 Finishes: 6  
 Best Finish: 3rd, 2004 Cougar Classic

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Sophomore • 5'2"  
Tupelo, Miss.  
Tupelo High School

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**2004-05**

Cougar Classic	73-74-73 - 220	13
Mason Rudolph Championships	75-75-76 - 226	t38
Mercedes-Benz Championships	78-78-75 - 231	t43
SEC/ACC Challenge	74-76-74 - 224	t28
Central District Tournament	76-75-74 - 225	t19
Lady Gamecock Classic	76-80-77 - 233	t5
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	72-70-72 - 214	2
Liz Murphey Collegiate	74-72-82 - 228	t20
SEC Women's Championships	78-71-80 - 229	t19
NCAA Central Regional	77-86-78 - 241	t91
Totals	30 rounds - 75.70 avg.	

**Career Records**

Rounds: 30  
Strokes: 2,271  
Average: 75.70  
Rounds of Par or Under: 5  
Low Round: 70, 2005 LSU/Cleveland Golf Challenge, 2nd round  
Low Tournament (54 holes): 214, 2005 LSU/ Cleveland Golf Classic  
Top 10 Finishes: 2  
Best Finish: 2nd, 2005 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic

**2004-05 (Redshirt Sophomore Season)**

- Did not play any events during the season, but was redshirted leaving her with three years of eligibility.
- Did play in several of the summer tournaments, most notably making the semifinals of the Southern Amateur.

**2003-04 (Freshman Season)**

- Played in all 10 events in her LSU debut season, 29 rounds, finishing with a stroke average of 77.93.
- Averaged 76.54 in the four fall tournaments, second best on the team behind Brooke Shelton.
- Had two eighth-place finishes during the year - a tie for eighth at the opening UA-Ann Rhoads Intercollegiate (77-77 - 154); and, a solo eighth at the Nokia Sugar Bowl Classic (76-78-79 -- 233).
- First round of 73 at Central District Tournament was her low of the season.
- 24.5 of 29 rounds counted for the LSU team score (84.48%).

**Prior to LSU**

- Four-year letter winner in golf for coach Bruce Pugh.
- All-District in 2001, All-Region 2002, 2003.
- Five Southeastern Junior Tour victories. Qualified for the 2003 U. S. Team for the Aaron Baddeley Junior World Championships in Fiji.
- Sixth in the Mississippi State Women's Amateur.
- Twice runner-up in the Mississippi State Tournament (boys and girls combined).
- Winner of the Southeastern Junior Golf Tour Sportsmanship Award.
- National Honor Society member, Rotary Leader, Rotary Scholarship winner.

**Personal**

- Full name is Alexis Jane Rather
- Born on March 2, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are David and Jane Rather. One sister: Kate
- Home course, Pontotoc Country Club and Golf Club of Big Oaks
- Major at LSU: Communications

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Junior • 5'6"  
 Baton Rouge, La.  
 University High School

REBECCA STRUTHERS



**Collegiate Finishes**

**2004-05**

LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic      82-82-81 - 245      t77

**2002-03**

Furman Lady Paladin Invitational      76-86-75 - 237      65

Auburn "The Derby"      84-88-82 - 254      t73

LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic      78-86-85 - 249      t67

**Total:**      9 rounds -- 82.22 avg.

**Career Records**

**Rounds:** 12

**Strokes:** 985

**Average:** 82.08

**Low Round:** 75, 2002 Furman Lady Paladin Invitational, 3rd rd.

**Low Tournament (54 holes):** 237, 2002 Furman Lady Paladin Invitational

**Best Finish:** 65th, 2002 Furman Lady Paladin Invitational

**2004-05 (Sophomore Season)**

- Played in one tournament, the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic, finishing in a tie for 77th (82-82-81).

**2003-04 (Redshirt Sophomore Season)**

- Did not see any tournament action and used her redshirt season.

**2002-03 (Freshman Season)**

- Played in three events, nine rounds, averaging 82.22.
- Low round of 75 in the Furman Lady Paladin Invitational. Finished 65th in the event (76-86-75-237).
- Also participated in the Auburn "The Derby" and the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic.

**Prior to LSU**

- Won two letters as a forward in soccer, won three letters as a volleyball setter, won three letters at University High for coach Paul Henslee.
- U-High won team championships in 2001 and 2002.
- Earned Baton Rouge Metro first team honors her last three years.
- Two-time LHSAA Girls Golf All-State and individual champion (2001, 2002).

- LHSAA Academic All-State for volleyball and golf (2002).
- All-Metro First Team and All-District.
- Won 2001 state high school crown with rounds of 77 and 75. Won 2001 Sulphur Invitational.
- On school honor roll, member of the National Honor Society. Was named a Louisiana Board of Regents Honor Scholar as a senior and an honor graduate. Won the Citizenship Award.

**Personal**

- Full name is Rebecca Lynn Struthers
- Born in Baton Rouge on December 2, 1983
- Right-handed
- Parents are Craig and Lorrie Struthers. One brother: Brent.
- Major at LSU: Mass Communications
- Favorite professional golfer is Phil Mickelson

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Norgos Toppidrelts Gymnas School



**2004-05 (Redshirt Freshman Season)**

- Did not participate in any tournaments ... Will have all four years of eligibility remaining.

**Prior to LSU**

- Two-year MVP, 2001 District Champ, 2004 District Champion (71-71, career low), four-year All-Region.
- National Honor Society
- Home golf course is Kingwood Country Club
- 4.00 GPA

**Personal**

- Born on October 15, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are Lande and Jeanne Hoffman ... one sister, Elizabeth, who played golf at Ole Miss and two brothers Jonathan and Justin.
- Interested in possibly entering medical school at the conclusion of her golf career.

**Prior to LSU**

- Golfer of the Year in Norway, 2003
- Won Norway's Junior Championship at the age of 12
- At school, also was involved in ballet, snowboarding and swimming

**Personal**

- Born on Dec. 27, 1986
- Right-handed
- Parents are Vidar and Ingrid Martens Larsen
- One younger brother: Casper
- Chose LSU, "because of the great facilities, teams and coaches."
- Favorite professional golfers are Ernie Els and Tiger Woods.