



2014-15 BASKETBALL GAME NOTES

Samford Bulldogs vs. Purdue Boilermakers - - Nov. 14 - - 6:00 PM (CST)

2014-15 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date Opponent Time/Result

NOVEMBER

8	CLARK ATLANTA (Exhibition) . . . W, 92-69
14	at Purdue< (Big Ten Network Plus) . 6 p.m.
16	at Pittsburgh< (Fox Sports South) Noon
19	AUSTIN PEAY 7 p.m.
22	Cal State-Northridge< 1 p.m.
23	Missouri-Kansas City/Ark.-Little Rock< . TBA
26	at Kennesaw State (ESPN3) 1 p.m.
28	at Louisiana Tech 7 p.m.

DECEMBER

1	JACKSONVILLE 7 p.m.
4	VMI* 7 p.m.
6	at Furman* 3 p.m.
14	at Wake Forest (ESPN3) 5 p.m.
16	at Presbyterian College 6 p.m.
21	LOUISIANA-MONROE 2 p.m.
28	CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY 2 p.m.
30	AUBURN-MONTGOMERY 7 p.m.

JANUARY

3	WOFFORD* 2 p.m.
5	ETSU* 7 p.m.
8	at The Citadel* 6 p.m.
10	at Wofford* 2 p.m.
15	CHATTANOOGA* 7 p.m.
17	at Mercer* 3 p.m.
22	UNCG* 7 p.m.
24	WESTERN CAROLINA* 6 p.m.
31	FURMAN* 6 p.m.

FEBRUARY

5	at Western Carolina* 7 p.m.
7	at ETSU* 6 p.m.
12	THE CITADEL* 7 p.m.
14	at Chattanooga* 6 p.m.
21	MERCER* 6 p.m.
26	at UNCG* 6 p.m.
28	at VMI* Noon

MARCH

6	at SoCon Tournament^ TBA
7	at SoCon Tournament^ TBA
8	at SoCon Tournament^ TBA
9	at SoCon Tournament^ TBA

Home games are in ALL CAPS
 - All times Central; dates and times are subject to change.
 < Game is a part of the Maui on the Mainland Tournament.
 * - Southern Conference game

'DOGS READY TO BEGIN "PADGETT ERA" AT PURDUE

The Samford University basketball team will begin play in the highly-anticipated "Padgett Era" Friday at 6 p.m. (CST) as the Bulldogs officially compete in their first game under Head Coach Scott Padgett against the Purdue Boilermakers in a season-opening showdown to be held at Mackey Arena.

Samford heads into the contest with a bit of momentum after earning a decisive 92-69 exhibition victory against Clark Atlanta on Saturday at the Pete Hanna Center. The Bulldogs finished the home triumph with three players scoring in double figures. Junior **Darius Jones-Gibson** led all scorers with 20 points on 7-of-9 shooting from the field, while sophomore **Brandon Roberts** followed with 19 and true freshman **Christen Cunningham** added 13 points, a game-high six assists and five rebounds.

WHAT'S TRENDING . . .

- Samford's roster sports eight new players in Marcus Johnson, Jamal Shabazz, Christen Cunningham, Evan Taylor, Ryan Dickey, Darius Jones-Gibson, Gerald Smith, Alex Peters.
- This year will also boast a new-look Southern Conference. Since last season, Appalachian State, Davidson, Elon and Georgia Southern have all left the SoCon. Joining the league this season are ETSU, Mercer and VMI.

2014-15 SOCON STANDINGS

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE				OVERALL				
	Record	Pct.	Home	Away	Record	Pct.	Home	Away	Strk.
Chattanooga	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---
ETSU	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---
Furman	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---
Mercer	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---
Samford	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---
The Citadel	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---
UNCG	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---
Western Carolina	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---
Wofford	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---
VMI	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	---

SAMFORD vs. PURDUE: THE FACTS

The Bulldogs will face Purdue on the hardwood for just the second time in school history Friday. The first meeting between the teams occurred Nov. 23, 2003, as Samford opened its 2003-04 campaign with a 66-50 loss held in West Lafayette, Ind. The games between Samford and Purdue will be held exactly 3,662 days apart.

SAMFORD

Overall Record: 0-0
 Conference Record: 0-0
 Home Record: 0-0
 Away Record: 0-0
 Head Coach: Scott Padgett
 Record at Samford: 0-0 (1)
 Overall Record: Same
 Record vs. Purdue 0-0

PURDUE

Overall Record: 0-0
 Conference Record: 0-0
 Home Record: 0-0
 Away Record: 0-0
 Head Coach: Matt Painter
 Record at Purdue: . . . 191-112 (10)
 Overall Record: 216-117 (11)
 Record vs. Samford: 0-0

QUICK FACTS

Location Birmingham, Ala.
 Founded 1841, as Howard College
 Enrollment 4,833
 Nickname Bulldogs
 School Colors Red and Blue
 Arena Pete Hanna Center (5,000)
 Affiliation NCAA Division I
 Conference Southern
 President Dr. Andrew Westmoreland
 Alma Mater Ouachita Baptist, '79
 Director of Athletics Martin Newton
 Alma Mater Samford/1983

HISTORY

First Season 1901-02
 All-Time Record 1041-1269 (.451)
 All-Time D-I Record 516-659 (.439)
 NCAA Tournament Appearances Two
 Previous Appearance 2000
 Last NCAA Opponent Syracuse L (79-65)
 at the Midwest Regional in Cleveland, Ohio
 NCAA Tournament Record 0-2

TEAM INFORMATION

2013-14 Overall Record 13-20
 SoCon Record/Finish 6-10/T-7th
 Starters Returning/Lost 2/3
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 7/9

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach Scott Padgett
 Alma Mater Kentucky, '99
 Record at Samford 0-0 (First year)
 Career Record Same
 Assistant Coach Jake Headrick
 Alma Mater Montevallo, '05
 Assistant Coach Sidney Ball
 Alma Mater UAB, '05
 Assistant Coach Charles Newton
 Alma Mater Tennessee Tech, '11

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The Last Time Out

Clark Atlanta	69
SAMFORD	92



SAMFORD SPRINTS TO 92-69 WIN OVER CLARK ATLANTA

The Samford University basketball team showcased its new, fast-paced attacking style of play Saturday in a dominant 92-69 exhibition victory against the Clark Atlanta Panthers held at the Pete Hanna Center. Samford jumped out to an early 12-3 lead in the contest and never looked back. The Bulldogs took their first double-digit advantage at 14:26 in the first half, 20-8, and never led by less than nine points for the remainder of the game.

Samford finished the win with three players scoring in double figures. Junior guard **Darius Jones-Gibson** led the way with 20 points on 7-of-9 shooting from the field, while **Brandon Roberts** added 19 points in just 21 minutes of playing time. Roberts also drained two of the team's seven 3-point baskets in the game. Freshman point guard **Christen Cunningham** started the game and looked like a seasoned pro on the hardwood. The Bulldogs' native of Georgetown, Ky., scored 13 points on 5-of-11 shooting from the field and handed out a game-high six assists.

A QUICK PREVIEW OF SAMFORD'S 2014-15 SEASON

The Padgett Era will officially begin Friday as **Head Coach Scott Padgett** starts his opening season at the helm of the Samford basketball program. Padgett, the former collegiate standout at the University of Kentucky, NCAA national champion and first-round NBA draft pick, was named the 28th head basketball coach at Samford University on June 6, 2014.

Padgett, a Louisville, Ky., native was a first-round draft pick selected 28th overall by the Utah Jazz in 1999 and spent eight years in the NBA. The 6-foot-9 forward recorded 1,142 points in four years with the Jazz before spending the next two seasons with the Houston Rockets. He played the 2005-06 campaign with the New Jersey Nets. Padgett began the 2006-07 season with the Rockets before being traded to the Memphis Grizzlies, where he finished out his career.

During his time at Kentucky from 1995-99, Padgett played for legendary head coaches Rick Pitino and Tubby Smith. Padgett helped lead the Wildcats to the 1998 NCAA National Championship, where he was named to the NCAA All-Final Four team, as well as the NCAA All-East Regional team and All-Southeastern Conference during the regular season.

Heading into the season, Padgett's Bulldogs boast three seniors (**Michael Bradley**, **Brandon Hayman** and **Tyler Hood**), as well as a trio of juniors, all of which transferred to Samford from a junior college in the summer (**Marcus Johnson**, **Darius Jones-Gibson** and **Jamal Shabazz**).

Knowing that Samford had an abundance of new faces on its roster this season, Padgett accepted an offer to play in the prestigious 2014 Summer of Thunder competition in the Bahamas from Aug. 18-20 in Nassau. Samford completed the event with a 3-0 record as the Bulldogs averaged 97 points per game and won each game by an average margin of 29.

SAMFORD ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS



The Samford Athletic Communications Department is headed up by 12th-year Assistant Athletic Director **Joey Mullins**, as well as 11-year Director **Zac Schrieber**. Assistant Athletic Communications Director **Herb Brooks** is in the midst of his second year at Samford and handles the media relations aspects of volleyball, softball, track and field and cross country.



Schrieber serves as the primary contact for **men's basketball**, women's soccer, men's and women's golf and men's and women's tennis, while Mullins handles media relations for the football, women's basketball and baseball teams.

All members of the media working Samford men's basketball games must request credentials from Schrieber prior to the event. Early requests are helpful, enabling the media to receive parking passes prior to the day of the game. Please call Schrieber at (205) 532-3476 for directions or further instruction.

SAMFORD'S PROBABLE STARTERS

NO.	POS.	NAME	HT.	WT.	CL./EXP.	HOMETOWN	STATS (2013-14)
10	PG	Christen Cunningham	6-2	185	Fr./HS	Georgetown, Ky.	-----
15	G	Darius Jones-Gibson	6-1	175	Jr./TR	Lexington, Ky.	-----
2	G	Brandon Hayman	6-3	190	Sr./3VL	Braselton, Ga.	2.7 ppg, 1.2 rpg
35	F	Tyler Hood	6-6	210	Sr./3VL	Lenoir City, Tenn.	7.9 ppg, 3.1 rpg
25	C	Michael Bradley	6-10	250	Sr./1VL	Chattanooga, Tenn.	3.5 ppg, 3.6 rpg

SAMFORD OFF THE BENCH

NO.	POS.	NAME	HT.	WT.	CL./EXP.	HOMETOWN	STATS (2013-14)
1	G	Brandon Roberts	6-1	165	So./1VL	Decatur, Ala.	4.0 ppg, 0.9 rpg
0	G/F	Nnamdi Enechionya	6-7	175	So./1VL	Springfield, Va.	1.4 ppg, 0.8 rpg
13	F	Eric Adams	6-7	185	So./1VL	Hoover, Ala.	1.0 ppg, 0.5 rpg
33	F/C	Emeka Ikezu	6-9	230	So./1VL	Greensboro, N.C.	0.7 ppg, 1.0 rpg
4	G	Marcus Johnson	5-11	185	Jr./TR	Washington, D.C.	-----
5	G/F	Jamal Shabazz	6-6	205	Jr./TR	Pflugerville, Texas	-----
11	G	Evan Taylor	6-4	205	Fr./HS	Cincinnati, Ohio	-----
12	G	Ryan Dickey	6-2	180	So./HS	Trussville, Ala.	-----
24	G	Gerald Smith	6-4	185	Fr./HS	Carbon Hill, Ala.	-----
55	F/C	Alex Peters	6-8	210	Fr./HS	Mountain Brook, Ala.	-----

BULLDOG BITES

HELLO - MY NAME IS ...

Eight of the Bulldogs' 15 players are in the midst of their first season at Samford University, and only two (**Brandon Hayman** and **Tyler Hood**) have been on the roster longer than two years. Two of the Bulldogs' probably starters, **Christen Cunningham** and **Darius Jones-Gibson** are in their inaugural seasons at Samford. Cunningham is a highly-touted true freshman point guard from Georgetown, Ky., while Jones-Gibson, a native of Lexington, Ky., transferred in the summer from Barton County Community College.

THE SAMFORD YOUTH MOVEMENT

Nine of the Bulldogs' 15 members of the 2014-15 roster are underclassmen. Samford boasts four true freshmen this season in **Christen Cunningham**, **Alex Peters**, **Gerald Smith** and **Evan Taylor**, while **Eric Adams**, **Ryan Dickey**, **Nnamdi Enechionya**, **Emeka Ikezu** and **Brandon Roberts** comprise the Bulldogs' talented sophomore class.

SWEET HOME ALABAMA

In a differing point of view than what has typically happened at Samford over the years, **Head Coach Scott Padgett** has taken a committed, uber-active approach to recruiting the state of Alabama. Padgett, who boasts a majority of his coaching ties and recruiting roots in the South, already has five players on his roster from Alabama ... by far the most since John Brady roamed the sideline in Seibert Hall during the mid-90s.

HOW TO GET MORE FACEBOOK FRIENDS - BY TYLER HOOD

Through all of the turmoil and changes of the last few years, the Bulldogs' senior **Tyler Hood** has been the constant. He's been a reliable leader and consistent figure on the Samford basketball team. In a recent meeting, he stated that he's had **three** different head coaches, **eight** assistant coaches and **38** teammates. But if you know Hood, he wasn't complaining. He gushed about how blessed he was to have been able to meet and bond with so many different guys.

"Not too many people get the opportunity to develop a brotherhood with that many people," Hood said. That's just Hood and what makes him so great. I'd rue the day that I had to find a single person on campus who could say one bad thing about him. - **Zac Schrieber, SU Athletic Communications.**

SHARING THE WEALTH

Against Clark Atlanta on Saturday in the Bulldogs' lone exhibition contest of the season, all 14 of Samford's available student-athletes received playing time and 12 scored points in the matchup. Seven Bulldogs tallied at least six points in the game, while three scored in double figures.

Samford's Record When ...

Controlling the Tip	0-0
Scoring First	0-0
Leading at Half	0-0
Trailing at Half	0-0
Tied at Half	0-0
Leading with 5:00 Left	0-0
Trailing with 5:00 Left	0-0
Tied with 5:00 Left	0-0
Playing Overtime	0-0

Out-rebounding the Opponent	0-0
Getting Out-rebounded	0-0
Rebounds are Even	0-0
Committing More Turnovers	0-0
Forcing More Turnovers	0-0
Turnovers are the Same	0-0
Attempting More Free Throws	0-0
Allowing More Free-Throw Attempts	0-0
Free-Throw Attempts are the Same	0-0

Shooting 50% or Above from the Field	0-0
Shooting Below 50% from the Field	0-0
Opponent Shoots At Least 50% from the Field	0-0
Opponent Shoots Below 50% from the Field	0-0
Shooting Better than their Opponent	0-0
Opponent Shoots Better from the Field	0-0

Shooting at Least 40% from 3-point Range	0-0
Shooting Less than 40% from 3-point Range	0-0
Shooting Better than Opponent from 3-point	0-0
Shooting 70% or Better from the Line	0-0
Shooting Less than 70% from the Line	0-0

Bench Outscores the Opponents' Bench	0-0
Opponents' Bench Outscores Samford's	0-0
Bench Scoring is the Same	0-0
Following a Samford win	0-0
Following a Samford loss	0-0

3-or-more Players Score in Double Figures	0-0
4-or-more Players Score in Double Figures	0-0
5-or-more Players Score in Double Figures	0-0

Wearing White Uniforms	0-0
Wearing Blue Uniforms	0-0
Wearing Red Uniforms	0-0

In November	0-0
In December	0-0
In January	0-0
In February	0-0
In March	0-0

On Monday	0-0
On Tuesday	0-0
On Wednesday	0-0
On Thursday	0-0
On Friday	0-0
On Saturday	0-0
On Sunday	0-0

#FOE = FAMILY OVER EVERYTHING -----

Since taking over as head coach in June, Samford's Scott Padgett has coined the phrase "FOE", as his biggest mantra of the Bulldogs' basketball program. FOE stands for Family Over Everything and has really resonated with Samford's players ... old and new.

"I don't really invent a lot of things, but I've worked under a lot of great coaches and have been around a lot of great people," said Padgett. "My former teammate and boss, Steve Masiello, came up with the saying Team Over Everything, and I kind of liked it, but at Kentucky it was all about Family. So, I kind of combined those two concepts and now we have Family Over Everything (#FOE). I really believe that this team is a family and that goes with everybody's extended families, as well as the staff and everybody involved with Samford basketball."

"TALLADEGA" - THE SPEED OF SAMFORD BASKETBALL -----

In the preseason, Samford head coach Scott Padgett wanted something local to associate with that would represent both the state of Alabama, as well as his new exciting brand of fast-paced, full-court basketball. That's when the Bulldogs' marketing department set him up with a photo shoot at Talladega.

"My dad's a big NASCAR fan and so in growing up around him I really got into it as well," said Padgett. "I wanted to do something that definitely related to us as a team, but also something that was very much the state of Alabama. I don't know how much Samford basketball has recruited Alabama in years past, but I do know that we are going to hit this state hard in recruiting. I also like being associated with Talladega. Obviously, speed is what racing is all about and that's the way we're going to play. We're going to play fast and I thought the two fit hand in hand. I thought it was a perfect match."

SCOUTING THE COMPETITION -----

Purdue enters Friday's contest riding a positive wave of momentum following a pair of blowout victories in exhibition play against California (Pa.), 89-52, and Carroll College (Mont.), 90-49.

The Boilermakers averaged 89.5 points per game in the preseason and tallied an impressive margin of victory of exactly 39 points. Purdue shot a brilliant 53.7 percent from the field in exhibition play this season and boasted the following four players averaging double figures in scoring: P.J. Thompson (11.5), Raphael Davis (11.0), Bryson Scott (10.5) and A.J. Hammons (10.5).



STATISTICAL COMPARISON



Samford (2013-14)	Category	Purdue (2013-14)
13-20	Record	15-17
70.5	Points Per Game	72.2
76.4	Points Allowed Per Game	71.7
47.4	Field Goal Percentage	42.7
46.3	Opponents' Field Goal Percentage	41.9
33.0	3-Pt. Field Goal Percentage	32.7
37.0	Opponents' 3-Pt. Field Goal Percentage	32.6
67.6	Free-Throw Percentage	67.1
32.1	Rebound Average	39.2
-3.0	Rebound Margin	+3.5
4.9	3-Pts. Per Game	5.5
6.8	Opponents' 3-Pts. Per Game	6.3
3.0	Blocks Per Game	5.3
5.6	Steals Per Game	5.6
13.6	Assists Per Game	13.1
12.8	Turnovers Per Game	12.3
11.7	Turnovers Forced Per Game	11.6

When it's close . . .

Samford's record in ...	2014-15	Under Padgett
Overtime	0-0	0-0
One-point games	0-0	0-0
Two-point games	0-0	0-0
Three-point games	0-0	0-0
Four-point games	0-0	0-0
Five-point games	0-0	0-0
6-9 point games	0-0	0-0

When it's not . . .

Samford's record in ...	2014-15	Under Padgett
10-19 point games	0-0	0-0
20-29 point games	0-0	0-0
30-39 point games	0-0	0-0
40-49 point games	0-0	0-0
50-59 point games	0-0	0-0

LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY

All-Time

70, Samford 118, Covenant 48 Dec. 8, 1964

At Home

70, Samford 118, Covenant 48 Dec. 8, 1964

Under Padgett

N/A

LARGEST MARGIN OF DEFEAT

All-Time

61, Alabama 105, Samford 44 Jan. 27, 1958

At Home

37, Western Kentucky 94, Samford 57 . Dec. 13, 1986

Under Padgett

N/A

MOST POINTS SCORED

All-Time

131, Samford 131, Miss. College 95 . . Feb. 2, 1971

At Home

131, Samford 131, Miss. College 95 . . Feb. 2, 1971

Under Padgett

N/A

MOST POINTS ALLOWED

All-Time

116, Lamar 116, Samford 60 Nov. 23, 1990

At Home

109, Davidson 109, Samford 88 Feb. 6, 2014

Under Padgett

N/A

2014-15 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE Preseason Coaches Poll

PREDICTED STANDINGS

School (First-place votes)	Pts.
1. Wofford (8)	80
2. Chattanooga (2)	70
3. ETSU	65
4. Mercer	54
5. UNCG	51
6. VMI	39
7. Western Carolina	38
8. Furman	24
9. The Citadel	16
10. Samford	13

-- The head coaches were not allowed to vote for their own teams. A total of 10 points was awarded per first-place vote, nine for second, etc.

SOCON PRESEASON TEAM

Ashton Moore	The Citadel
Rashawn Rembert	ETSU
Stephen Croone	Furman
Tevon Saddler	UNCG
Casey Jones	Chattanooga
QJ Peterson	VMI
James Sinclair	Western Carolina
Karl Cochran	Wofford
Spencer Collins	Wofford
Lee Skinner	Wofford

Preseason Player of the Year

Karl Cochran, Wofford

SOCON WEEKLY TELECONFERENCE

The Southern Conference hosts a regular teleconference in which each school's head coach is available for questions on a weekly basis.

If needed, the telephone number for the press conference can be given to members of the working media by Director of Athletics Communication, **Zac Schrieber (205) 532-3476**.

SOCON GAMES WEBSTREAMED LIVE

All of Samford's Southern Conference games will be webstreamed live on the SoCon Website: **www.socondigitalnetwork.com**.

Check out the site for more information and click on Samford's channel for more details.

690-STRAIGHT AND STILL COUNTING

The Bulldogs have made at least one 3-point field goal in 690-consecutive games. The last time that Samford did not make a 3-point basket was on **Jan. 19, 1991**, against UTSA. The Bulldogs' streak of having made at least two 3-pointers in a game was snapped on Dec. 13, 2008, against Saint Louis when Samford turned in a dismal 1-for-14 performance from beyond the arc. The Bulldogs' streak of 476-straight games with two 3-pointers began Feb. 8, 1992.

UNLV is the national leader in consecutive games with a 3-point field goal as the Running Rebels have made a 3-point basket in 890-straight games dating back to the 1986-87 season. Vanderbilt (883) and Kentucky (881) are the only other two schools that have made at least one 3-point basket since the rule was adopted prior to the 1986 campaign.

THE POWER OF 10

The Samford basketball team was picked 10th in the preseason Southern Conference standings on Oct. 15, and the Bulldogs have been using that last-place prediction as fuel and motivation for the 2014-15 campaign.

"We're definitely going to use it as motivation," said Samford senior forward **Tyler Hood**. "We have big 10s plastered all over the locker room, so it's a constant reminder for us and we take that extra motivation into every practice. Every day, we strive to be competitive and to push each other to get better in each and every practice. Ultimately, we go out every day with plans of being the best that we can possibly be."

WHAT'S COMING BACK?

Samford is returning **21.2** points per game from last season's squad that averaged **70.5** points per outing. Additionally, the Bulldogs are returning an average of **10.9** rebounds per game out of a total of **32.1** from the 2013-14 campaign.

In percentages, Samford is returning **30.1** percent of its scoring production from last season; mainly from its top three offensive returners in **Tyler Hood (7.9)**, **Brandon Roberts (4.0)** and **Michael Bradley (3.5)**.

On the boards, the Bulldogs are returning **32.1** percent of its rebounding from the 2013-14 campaign. Bradley is Samford's top returning rebounder with an average of **3.6** per game last season, while Hood added **3.1** and **Brandon Hayman** followed with **1.2** rebounds per outing.

SENIOR LEADERSHIP IS KEY FOR SAMFORD

With such a young team this season, the Bulldogs' senior class comprised of **Michael Bradley**, **Brandon Hayman** and **Tyler Hood** will all need to take key leadership roles, both on and off the court. Against Clark Atlanta on Saturday in Samford's lone exhibition contest of the 2014-15 season, all three of the Bulldogs' seniors were listed in the starting lineup. Hayman started at the No. 3 guard position, while Hood was the team's lone forward and Bradley started at center.

2013-14 FINAL NCAA RANKINGS

Category	Samford Rank	Samford	National Leader	Actual
Scoring Offense	192	70.5	VMI	88.3
Scoring Defense	309	76.4	Virginia	55.7
Scoring Margin	297	-5.9	Louisville	+19.9
Field-Goal Percentage	32	47.4%	North Dakota State	50.5%
FG Percentage Defense	293	46.3%	Eastern Michigan	36.9%
3-Point FG Per Game	306	4.9	Iona	10.2
3-Point FG Percentage	206	33.0%	Creighton	41.4%
3-Point FG Defense	295	37.0%	Clemson	28.5%
Free-Throw Percentage	249	67.6%	Cal St. Northridge	79.1%
Rebound Margin	290	-3.0	Quinnipiac	+11.8
Total Assists	100	450	Iowa State	663
Assists Per Game	92	13.9	Iowa State	18.6
Blocked Shots Per Game	231	3.0	St. John's	7.5
Steals Per Game	236	5.6	VCU	11.2
Turnovers Per Game	222	12.8	Wisconsin	8.1
Personal Fouls Per Game	298	21.0	Michigan	14.2

-- The corresponding NCAA rankings were released April 7, 2014.

FAST-BREAK POINTS

at Purdue
at Pittsburgh
AUSTIN PEAY
Cal State-Northridge
Missouri-K.C./Ark.-Little Rock
at Kennesaw State
at Louisiana Tech
JACKSONVILLE
VMI*
at Furman*
at Wake Forest
at Presbyterian College
LOUISIANA-MONROE
CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY
AUBURN-MONTGOMERY
WOFFORD*
ETSU*
at The Citadel*
at Wofford*
CHATTANOOGA*
at Mercer*
UNCG*
WESTERN CAROLINA*
FURMAN*
at Western Carolina*
at ETSU*
THE CITADEL*
at Chattanooga*
MERCER*
at UNCG*
at VMI*

POINTS OFF TURNOVERS

at Purdue
at Pittsburgh
AUSTIN PEAY
Cal State-Northridge
Missouri-K.C./Ark.-Little Rock
at Kennesaw State
at Louisiana Tech
JACKSONVILLE
VMI*
at Furman*
at Wake Forest
at Presbyterian College
LOUISIANA-MONROE
CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY
AUBURN-MONTGOMERY
WOFFORD*
ETSU*
at The Citadel*
at Wofford*
CHATTANOOGA*
at Mercer*
UNCG*
WESTERN CAROLINA*
FURMAN*
at Western Carolina*
at ETSU*
THE CITADEL*
at Chattanooga*
MERCER*
at UNCG*
at VMI*

Padgett Expects To Shoot The 3-Ball Better This Season

In 2013-14, Samford turned in a 33-percent shooting mark from beyond the arc. The total wasn't bad for the Bulldogs last season, but first-year Head Coach Scott Padgett expects his squad to turn in a better total from long range this year. Padgett's full-court pressing defense and fast-paced offensive attack should allow for many wide open shots in transition throughout the 2014-15 campaign.

SAMFORD'S 2013-14 SHOOTING PERCENTAGES

	<u>FGM</u>	<u>FGA</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
2-point shots	688	1,304	52.8
3-point shots	161	488	33.0
Free Throws	468	692	67.6

Transitioning Offense - 'Dogs Take It To Hyperdrive

Samford fans can expect a much faster paced offense this season. With plenty of depth and a roster chalk-full of talented guards, the Bulldogs will look to get up and down the court in 2014-15 and create easy buckets in transition. For the last two seasons, under previous coach Bennie Seltzer, Samford would tend to use the shot clock and walk the ball up the floor on its offensive possessions.

The "Pete" - Samford Calls The Pete Hanna Center Home

Nov. 15, 2007, marked the dawning of a new era for Samford as the Bulldogs began play in their brand-new 32-million-dollar Pete Hanna Center. The state-of-the-art 5,000-seat arena was completed in October of 2007 and features new locker rooms, a training room, a weight room and coaches offices. The Pete Hanna Center, which replaced Samford's historic 45-year-old Seibert Hall, also houses the University's recreation center and workout facility. In their Pete Hanna Center debut, the Bulldogs dropped an 82-73 decision against perennial NCAA Tournament participant Belmont.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF D-I SAMFORD BASKETBALL

- Samford won its first Division I game on Nov. 24, 1972, against Abilene Christian, 81-73. The Bulldogs finished with a 5-20 record in their inaugural D-I season.
- The Bulldogs played all of their home games at the newly-built BJCC in downtown Birmingham during the 1976-77 season.
- Samford's first winning season in D-I came in 1983-84 when the Bulldogs posted a stellar 22-8 overall record under Mike Hanks.
- From 1983-86, Samford rallied for three-consecutive winning seasons and combined for a 56-33 record.
- Samford's all-time scorer, Craig Beard, tallied 703 points during the 1984-85 season. He finished his career with 1,925 points in just three seasons. In 1985, he was a fourth-round draft pick of the Chicago Bulls.
- Third-year head coach John Brady posted a consecutive 16-11 season and the Bulldogs finished as co-champions in the TAAC's Western Division.
- Brady and the Bulldogs shocked LSU, 53-50, at the Pete Maravich Assembly Center in Baton Rouge, La., on Dec. 3, 1996. Samford won the TAAC's Western Division for a consecutive season with a 19-9 record.
- The Bulldogs posted a school-record 13-straight victories and won the TAAC regular-season title with a brilliant 24-6 overall record.
- Samford defeats UCF, 89-61, in the TAAC Championship game to earn its first NCAA Tournament bid. The Bulldogs fell to St. John's, 69-43, in the NCAA South Regional held in Orlando, Fla.
- The Bulldogs avenge their NCAA Tournament loss to St. John's with a 68-60 victory over the Red Storm on Nov. 19, 1999.
- Samford handily defeated in-state rival Alabama on the road in Tuscaloosa, Ala., 79-67, to open the 1999-2000 season with a 5-2 record.
- The Bulldogs defeated UCF, 78-69, in the 2000 Atlantic Sun Tournament championship game to advance to their second-straight NCAA Tournament. Samford lost to Syracuse, 79-65, in the opening round.
- Samford concluded its final season in Seibert Hall on Feb. 24, 2007, and posted a 71-45 victory against Eastern Illinois. With the win, Samford closed the 45-year-old facility with a 354-171 all-time record.
- On June 6, 2014, Scott Padgett was named Samford's 28th head men's basketball coach.

HOOD NEARS HISTORIC 1,000-POINT PLATEAU

Samford's Tyler Hood enters the 2014-15 campaign needing just 185 points to reach the prestigious 1,000-point plateau in his career. With the achievement, Hood would become just the 24th player in the Bulldogs' illustrious history to reach the milestone.

At his current scoring pace this season, Hood would reach the historic milestone on Jan. 31 at home against the Furman Paladins in a key SoCon contest to be held at the Pete Hanna Center.

#PLAYFAST - - SAMFORD LOOKS TO PUSH THE SPEED LIMIT

One of Head Coach Scott Padgett's top themes this season is #PlayFast. Samford's first-year skipper looks to have his team press full-court for 40 minutes and then push the ball up the court on the offensive attack.

"The thing that's going to get us playing fast offensively is going to be our defense," said Padgett. "We're going to be a defensive team. There are going to be a lot of times when we score a lot of points, but those points are going to be directly related to playing great defense and getting the rebound. Once we get a defensive rebound, we will be pushing to get a layup every time down the court, or at least a wide-open shot. We're going to be in attack-mode all game long. We teach our guys that we want to dictate what the offense does when we're on defense, and we also want to dictate what their defense does when we are on the offensive side of the ball. There will be times when teams try to slow us down, but we're going to keep the game going 90 miles per hour all the time."

'DOGS ADD PREP STAR QUINN IN EARLY SIGNING PERIOD

The Samford University basketball team continued to take its recruiting prowess under first-year Head Coach Scott Padgett to the next level Wednesday as the Bulldogs signed highly-touted recruit **Dakota Quinn** out of Davidson Academy in Henderson, Tennessee.

Quinn, who committed to Samford in the fall, officially signed with the Bulldogs on Wednesday to kick off the early signing period. Quinn chose Samford over a number of Division I offers, including Middle Tennessee, FGCU and UNC Wilmington. An uber-athletic 6-foot-9, 215-pound forward/center, Quinn is expected to play either the No. 4 or No. 5 position at the college level.

Quinn comes from an outstanding family, which includes his father, Jonathan, mother, Casi, brothers, Colton and A.J., as well as his sister, Ellie. His father played quarterback in the NFL for Jacksonville, Kansas City and Chicago, and was selected out of Middle Tennessee in the third round of the 1998 draft.

Last season, as a junior at Davidson Academy, Quinn quickly averaged 18 points and 14 rebounds in just six games for the Bears, while shooting a sizzling 63 percent from the field. Quinn, who is also a quarterback on the football team, transferred to Davidson Academy in late-January upon the hiring of his father as the school's football coach.

New to Tennessee, Quinn quickly turned heads in the recruiting circles with his athleticism, size and demonstrative two-handed dunks. He immediately began to receive attention from college recruiters.

TRACKING THE OPPOSITION

The following is a listing of Samford's 2014-15 opponents and their up-to-date records. The chart will also be updated to include the team's league record and most recent RPI.

OPPONENT	RECORD	OPPONENT	RECORD
Purdue	0-0	Louisiana-Monroe	0-0
Pittsburgh	0-0	Campbell University	0-0
Austin Peay	0-0	Auburn-Montgomery	0-0
Cal State-Northridge	0-0	Wofford*	0-0
Missouri-K.C./Ark.-Little Rock	0-0	ETSU*	0-0
Kennesaw State	0-0	The Citadel*	0-0
Louisiana Tech	0-0	Wofford*	0-0
Jacksonville	0-0	Chattanooga*	0-0
VMI*	0-0	Mercer*	0-0
Furman*	0-0	UNCG*	0-0
Wake Forest	0-0	Western Carolina*	0-0
Presbyterian College	0-0		

RECORDS WATCH

All-Time Scoring Leaders

1. Craig Beard, 1983-86 1,925
2. Steve Barker, 1978-82 1,902
3. Jonathan Pixley, 1992-97 1,826
4. Joey Davenport, 1992-96 1,651
5. Bill Lankford, 1954-57 1,621
6. Marc Salyers, 1997-2001 1,604
7. J. Robert Merritt, 2001-06 1,584
8. Reed Rawlings, 1996-2000 ... 1,493
9. Al Walter, 1972-75 1,487
10. Jim Moebes, 1959-63 1,472
11. Will Daniel, 1996-2000 1,421
12. Robbin Bumbry, 1978-81 ... 1,290
13. Randall Gulina, 2002-07 1,245
14. Arnold Hamilton, 1986-90 .. 1,207
15. Jim Sullivan, 1978-81 1,189
16. Darryl Hagler, 1982-86 1,119
17. Rembert Martin, 1985-88 ... 1,104
18. Travis Peterson, 2003 - 1,103
19. Josh Davis, 2007- 1,068
20. Raijon Kelly, 2011-14 1,064
21. Trey Montgomery, 2006-10 .. 1,030
22. Mario Lopez, 1996-2000 1,026
23. Tim Donlon, 1988-92 1,018

Active Leaders

Points

1. Tyler Hood, 2011- 815
2. Brandon Hayman, 2011- 192
3. Brandon Roberts, 2013- 115

Rebounds

1. Tyler Hood, 2011- 282
2. Brandon Hayman, 2011- 102
3. Michael Bradley, 2013- 101

Assists

1. Tyler Hood, 2011- 87
2. Brandon Hayman, 2011- 19
3. Brandon Roberts, 2013- 18

Steals

1. Tyler Hood, 2011- 53
2. Brandon Hayman, 2011- 22
3. Brandon Roberts, 2013- 4

3-point Field Goals

1. Tyler Hood, 2011- 100
2. Brandon Roberts, 2013- 8
3. Nnamdi Enechionya, 2013- 3

Home games are in ALL CAPS
 < Game is a part of the Maui on the Mainland Tournament.

- All times Central; dates and times are subject to change.
 * - Southern Conference game

MARGINS OF WINS/LOSSES

[illegible]

STATISTICAL LEADERS

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2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL



Head Coach Scott Padgett



Scott Padgett, the former collegiate standout at the University of Kentucky, NCAA national champion and first-round NBA draft pick, was officially named the 28th head basketball coach at Samford University on June 6, 2014.

"I'm very excited to have the opportunity to be the headcoach at Samford University and to coach these outstanding young men," said Padgett. "This program is going to be all about our players; former, current and future. It's going to be all about promoting the mission of this great university and helping these young men in their academic, athletic and spiritual growth."

Padgett, a Louisville, Ky., native was a first-round draft pick selected 28th overall by the Utah Jazz in 1999 and spent eight years in the NBA. The 6-foot-9 forward recorded 1,142 points in four years with the Jazz before spending the next two seasons with the Houston Rockets. He played the 2005-06 campaign with the New Jersey Nets. Padgett began the 2006-07 season with the Rockets before being traded to the Memphis Grizzlies, where he finished out his career.

During his time at Kentucky from 1995-99, Padgett played for legendary head coaches Rick Pitino and Tubby Smith.

Padgett helped lead the Wildcats to the 1998 NCAA National Championship, where he was named to the NCAA All-Final Four team, as well as the NCAA All-East Regional team and All-Southeastern Conference during the regular season.

"We're going to play an exciting brand of basketball here at Samford, similar to the style I played under Rick Pitino at the University of Kentucky," Padgett said. "We are going to press, get up and down the court for 40 minutes and wear down the opposition. It's going to be a playing style that recruits, current players and fans will love."

In 1997, Padgett helped Kentucky to the NCAA championship game and was also named to the All-Final Four team. A true student-athlete, Padgett received All-SEC honors twice for his work on the hardwood, and he was also honored with Academic All-SEC honors in 1998 and 1999 for his success in the classroom. Padgett scored 1,252 points over his career, which ranks 32nd on Kentucky's all-time list.

"This is an opportunity for me to extend my family," said Padgett. "I'm a huge believer in family and these guys will be an extension of my family. These players will be a part of my

life forever."

Padgett recently completed his second season as an assistant coach at Samford. He joined the Bulldogs' staff in April of 2012 after spending the previous two seasons at Manhattan College. During his valuable stint at Manhattan, Padgett assisted in the development of the Jaspers' post and front court players.

During the 2011-12 campaign, he played a key role in



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Manhattan's 15-game win improvement as the Jaspers' finished 21-13 and played in the CollegeInsider.com Tournament, the program's first postseason appearance since 2006. The 15-game win improvement (all against D1 opponents) tied Manhattan with Toledo, Indiana and Nevada for the most in the country.

Prior to joining the Manhattan basketball program, Padgett spent the 2009-10 season at his alma mater on Head Coach



Padgett played collegiately at the University of Kentucky under Rick Pitino and Tubby Smith.

John Calipari's staff. Kentucky advanced to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament, finished with a 35-3 overall record and was ranked in the top-five of both the Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today polls, including a No. 1 ranking on Jan. 25.

Padgett and his wife, Cynthia, who reside in Homewood, have two sons, Logan (13) and Lucas (11), as well as a daughter, Layla (7).

"This community has been a blessing to me for the last two years," Padgett said. "My family and I love it here and are entrenched in the Homewood community. We've made a lot of friends and look forward to continuing to build those relationships as the head coach at Samford University."

Padgett's Year-by-Year

YEAR	OVERALL	CONFERENCE
2014-15	0-0	0-0
TOTALS	0-0	0-0

THE PADGETT FILE

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2014-present	Head Coach Samford University
2012-14	Assistant Coach Samford University
2010-12	Assistant Coach Manhattan College
2009-10	Assistant Coach University of Kentucky

PLAYING CAREER

NBA

1999-2003	Utah Jazz (28th pick in 1999)
2003-05	Houston Rockets
2005-06	New Jersey Nets
2006-07	Houston Rockets
2007	Memphis Grizzlies

NCAA

1995-99	University of Kentucky (National Champions in 1998)
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EDUCATION

1999	B.A., social work University of Kentucky (Two-time Academic All-SEC)
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PERSONAL

Born	Aug. 19, 1976
Hometown	Louisville, Ky.
Wife	Cynthia
Kids	Logan (13) Lucas (11) Layla (7)

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Nnamdi Enechionya

Guard/Forward, 6-7, 175 - Sophomore

Springfield, Va. - St. James School

0



Can shoot from anywhere on the court . . . an ever-improving prospect, his first love was soccer and he only started dedicating himself to basketball in 2010.

BIO UPDATES

- Scored eight points and pulled down a team-high six rebounds against Clark Atlanta on Saturday in only 11 minutes of playing time in the exhibition matchup.



BULLDOG BITES

Born Nov. 18, 1993 . . . parents are Maura McCarthy and Buchi Enechionya . . . majoring in mathematics.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Nnamdi Enechionya registered the top single-game scoring mark in the Tri-State area in 2012-13 with 41 points.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 5, at Wofford, Feb. 1, 2014
Rebounds 3, vs. UT Martin, Dec. 4, 2013
Assists 1, vs. Davidson, March 8, 2014
Field Goals 2, at Wofford, Feb. 1, 2014
Free Throws 3, at FGCU, Dec. 14, 2013
3-point Field Goals . . 1, at Wofford, Feb. 1, 2014
Steals 1, vs. Davidson, March 8, 2014
Blocks 2, vs. Davidson, March 8, 2014
Minutes 18, vs. Appalachian State, Feb. 28, 2014

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Brandon Roberts

Guard, 6-1, 165 - Sophomore

Decatur, Ala. - West Morgan HS

1



Great ball-handler with exceptional court vision . . . can score in bunches . . . really good athlete who possesses the ability to finish at the rim with either hand.

BIO UPDATES

- Exploded for 19 points in only 21 minutes of action against Clark Atlanta on Saturday as he came off the bench and quickly shot 6-of-11 from the field, 2-for-5 from 3-point range and a perfect 5-of-5 from the free-throw line.



BULLDOG BITES

Born Oct. 2, 1994 . . . parents are Paula and Ricky Roberts . . . his cousin, Jazmine Powers, starred on the Samford WBB team.

SEASON HIGHS

Points	0
Rebounds	0
Assists	0
Field Goals	0
Free Throws	0
3-point Field Goals	0
Steals	0
Blocks	0
Minutes	0

DID YOU KNOW?

Brandon Roberts averaged 32.5 points per game in 2012-13 and was chosen to play in the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Game.

CAREER HIGHS

Points	20, at Stephen F. Austin, Nov. 26, 2013
Rebounds	3, at Furman, Feb. 3, 2014
Assists	2, vs. Western Carolina, March 1, 2014
Field Goals	7, at Stephen F. Austin, Nov. 26, 2013
Free Throws	4, vs. Davidson, Feb. 6, 2014
3-point Field Goals	3, at Stephen F. Austin, Nov. 26, 2013
Steals	1, vs. Western Carolina, March 1, 2014
Blocks	0
Minutes	27, vs. Campbellsville, Nov. 29, 2013

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Brandon Hayman

Guard, 6-3, 190 - Senior

Braselton, Ga. - Mill Creek HS

2



Long and rangy guard whose versatility and athleticism also allows him to play the small forward position . . . can use either hand equally well around the basket.

BIO UPDATES

- Started against Clark Atlanta on Saturday and finished the exhibition contest with two points, two rebounds and an assist in only nine minutes of action.



BULLDOG BITES

Born Dec. 17, 1992 . . . parents are Monica and Terrance Hayman . . . majoring in accounting.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Brandon Hayman set the Samford basketball all-time record in the standing broad jump with a mark of 10-foot and one inch.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 14, vs. Appalachian State, Jan. 19, 2013
Rebounds 10, vs. Spring Hill, Dec. 17, 2011
Assists 4, vs. Spring Hill, Dec. 17, 2011
Field Goals 7, vs. Appalachian State, Jan. 19, 2013
Free Throws 2, vs. UNCG, Feb. 9, 2012
3-point Field Goals . . 1, vs. Davidson, Jan. 28, 2012
Steals 3, vs. Wofford, Feb. 14, 2013
Blocks 2, at Furman, Feb. 16, 2013
Minutes 24, at Austin Peay, Nov. 9, 2012

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Marcus Johnson

Guard, 5-11, 185 - Junior

Washington, D.C. - Wallace State JC

4



Combo guard who can play either the one or the two . . . led his juco team to the national championship tournament in Hutchinson, Kan., last season.

BIO UPDATES

- Logged 10 minutes of playing time against Clark Atlanta on Saturday and tallied six points, four assists, two rebounds and a steal in the exhibition game.



BULLDOG BITES

Born Dec. 12, 1993 . . . parents are Marcus and Latoya Johnson . . . majoring in sociology.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Marcus Johnson led Wallace State Junior College to a brilliant 28-7 overall record as a true freshman in 2012-13.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Jamal Shabazz

Guard/Forward, 6-6, 205 - Junior

Pflugerville, Texas - Lamar State College

5



Played in one of the top junior college leagues in the nation . . . led his team to well over 20 victories where he was a starter in every single game.

BIO UPDATES

- Came off the bench against Clark Atlanta on Saturday and finished the exhibition game with two rebounds, two assists and a steal in 19 minutes of action.



BULLDOG BITES

Born Sept. 11, 1994 . . . parents are Cheryl Hill and Abdul Shabazz . . . majoring in sports administration.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Jamal Shabazz has always excelled in the classroom and was at one point projected to graduate high school at 16 years old.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Christen Cunningham

Guard, 6-2, 185 - Freshman

Georgetown, Ky. - Cordia School

10



Dynamic floor general who looks to get everyone involved . . . really good at breaking down defenses off the bounce and creating for himself and others.

BIO UPDATES

- Started against Clark Atlanta on Saturday and logged a team-high 30 minutes in the exhibition contest. He finished the game with 13 points, six assists and five rebounds without committing a single turnover.
- He went 5-of-11 from the field and 3-for-3 from the charity stripe.



BULLDOG BITES

Born Sept. 24, 1995 . . . parents are Marilyn Wilson and Shirley Cunningham . . . brother, Christopher, played football at FAMU.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Christen Cunningham chose to attend Samford over interest from nearly 20 Division I schools, including Houston & WKU.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Evan Taylor

**Guard, 6-4, 205 - Freshman
Cincinnati, Ohio - Paul VI HS**

11



Pass-first point guard with excellent size and length . . .
boasts good command of the ball, excellent
passing ability and court vision.

BIO UPDATES

- Logged 23 minutes of playing time against Clark Atlanta on Saturday and finished the exhibition game with seven points, three rebounds and three steals, while turning in a perfect 3-for-3 outing from the field.



BULLDOG BITES

Born April 11, 1996 . . . parents are Kyle Taylor and Linda Jones . . . father played basketball at Xavier University.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

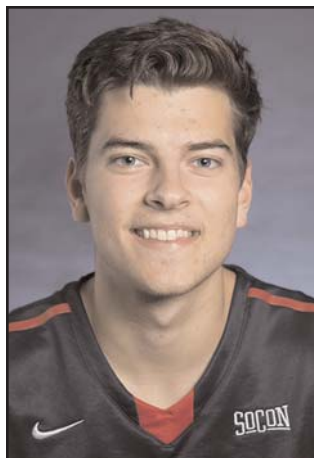
DID YOU KNOW?

Evan Taylor finished high school as the top-rated point guard in Virginia and as the No. 7 player in the state according to ESPN.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Ryan Dickey

Guard, 6-2, 180 - Sophomore

Trussville, Ala. - Hewitt-Trussville HS

12



Proved to be one of the best 3-point shooters in his high school region . . . very consistent player . . . not easily forced into making mistakes.

BIO UPDATES

- Earned playing time against Clark Atlanta on Saturday in the Bulldogs' lone exhibition contest of the 2014-15 campaign.



BULLDOG BITES

Spent his prep career competing for Hewitt-Trussville High School . . . his older brother, Matt, starred at UNC Asheville.

SEASON HIGHS

Points	0
Rebounds	0
Assists	0
Field Goals	0
Free Throws	0
3-point Field Goals . .	0
Steals	0
Blocks	0
Minutes	0

DID YOU KNOW?

Ryan Dickey finished the 2011-12 season with a pair of 33-point performances against both Mountain Brook and Pell City.

CAREER HIGHS

Points	0
Rebounds	0
Assists	0
Field Goals	0
Free Throws	0
3-point Field Goals . .	0
Steals	0
Blocks	0
Minutes	0

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Eric Adams

Forward, 6-7, 185 - Sophomore

Hoover, Ala. - Hoover High School

13



Very athletic player who has a tremendous upside . . .
works hard in practice every day and
continues to grow as a player.

BIO UPDATES

- Didn't dress against Clark Atlanta on Saturday, but should be ready for action Friday for the Bulldogs' season opener at Purdue.



BULLDOG BITES

Born May 14, 1995 . . . parents are Eric and Cassandra Adams .
. . . father played basketball at Fisk University in Nashville, Tenn.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Eric Adams has been nicknamed "Scottie" by the coaching staff, because he reminds them of former Chicago Bull Scottie Pippen.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 2, at #23 Indiana, Nov. 15, 2013
Rebounds 1, at #23 Indiana, Nov. 15, 2013
Assists 0
Field Goals 1, at #23 Indiana, Nov. 15, 2013
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 1, at #23 Indiana, Nov. 15, 2013
Minutes 3, at #23 Indiana, Nov. 15, 2013

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Darius Jones-Gibson

Guard, 6-1, 175 - Junior

Lexington, Ky. - Barton County CC

15



Tough competitor with an uncanny feel for the game . . . knows what it takes to win . . . shot over 300 free throws last season.

BIO UPDATES

- Led the Bulldogs in scoring with 20 points on 7-of-9 shooting from the field Saturday against Clark Atlanta. He also tallied three rebounds, three assists and two steals in just 20 minutes of playing time.



BULLDOG BITES

Born April 9, 1994 . . . parents are Jacquetta Gibson and Darrell Jones . . . majoring in sports administration.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Darius Jones-Gibson's team won 20-plus games at Barton County Community College last season.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Gerald Smith

Guard, 6-4, 185 - Freshman

Carbon Hill, Ala. - Carbon Hill High School

24



Played all four years of high school at the varsity level . . . expected to make a sudden impact with his athleticism and his ability to shoot the basketball . . . always plays hard.

BIO UPDATES

- Came off the bench against Clark Atlanta on Saturday and earned eight minutes of playing time. He finished with three points, two rebounds and an assist in the exhibition contest.



BULLDOG BITES

Born Sept. 16, 1995 . . . parents are Kimberly and Bobby Smith . . . undeclared major.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Gerald Smith closed out his prep career with 2,033 points, 1,253 rebounds and 387 blocks, as well as 113 wins in four years.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Michael Bradley

Center, 6-10, 250 - Senior

Chattanooga, Tenn. - Tyner High School

25



Has tremendously added size to the Bulldogs' front line during his time at Samford . . . when healthy, he has the potential to be one of the best big men in the conference.

BIO UPDATES

- Started against Clark Atlanta on Saturday, but got into some early foul trouble. He only played a total of eight minutes in the exhibition contest and registered three points and a trio of rebounds.



BULLDOG BITES

Born June 28, 1992 . . . parents are Jacqueline Phinazee and Bob Smith . . . majoring in pre-business.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Michael Bradley was originally signed by UConn out of high school and spent two seasons with the Huskies.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 15, vs. Western Carolina, March 1, 2014
Rebounds 11, vs. Appalachian State, Feb. 27, 2014
Assists 1, vs. Davidson, March 8, 2014
Field Goals 6, vs. Davidson, March 8, 2014
Free Throws 5, vs. Western Carolina, March 1, 2014
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 1, at Wofford, Feb. 1, 2014
Blocks 2, vs. Campbellsville, Nov. 29, 2013
Minutes 25, vs. Appalachian State, March 7, 2014

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Emeka Ikezu

Forward/Center, 6-9, 230 - Sophomore

Greensboro, N.C. - Hargrave Military Academy

33



An impressive athlete, he is extremely active on both ends of the court . . . plays big and utilizes his wingspan to alter shots.

BIO UPDATES

- Earned four minutes of playing time against Clark Atlanta on Saturday in the Bulldogs' lone exhibition game of the 2014-15 campaign.



BULLDOG BITES

Born June 3, 1994 . . . middle name is Wisdom . . . parents are Onyebuchi and Kachi Ikezu . . . majoring in computer science.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Emeka Ikezu is originally from Nigeria and has only been in the United States for the last four years.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 8, at Western Carolina, Jan. 18, 2014
Rebounds 6, at Wofford, Feb. 1, 2014
Assists 1, at Wofford, Feb. 1, 2014
Field Goals 3, at Western Carolina, Jan. 18, 2014
Free Throws 2, at Western Carolina, Jan. 18, 2014
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 1, at Western Carolina, Jan. 18, 2014
Blocks 3, at Appalachian State, Feb. 13, 2014
Minutes 12, at Marquette, Dec. 28, 2013

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Tyler Hood

Forward, 6-6, 210 - Senior

Lenoir City, Tenn. - Lenoir City High School

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• 2012 SOCON ALL-FRESHMAN TEAM

• 2012 SOCON MEDIA ALL-FRESHMAN TEAM

Talented forward who is expected to be a key contributor again this year . . . one of the most complete offensive players on the team . . . can be a deadly shooter from 3-point range.

BIO UPDATES

- Started against Clark Atlanta on Saturday and tallied eight points, two steals, a rebound, an assist and a blocked shot in 26 minutes of playing time. He finished a perfect 2-for-2 from beyond the arc in the exhibition contest.



BULLDOG BITES

Born April 1, 1992 . . . son of Tina and Greg Hood . . . majoring in exercise science.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Tyler Hood was nominated for McDonald's All-America honors after being named the 2009 district player of the year.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 25, at Elon, Jan. 19, 2012
Rebounds 10, vs. Mercer, Dec. 7, 2011
Assists 5, vs. Lindsey Wilson, Dec. 10, 2011
Field Goals 8, vs. Wofford, Jan. 2, 2014
Free Throws 6, vs. Furman, Jan. 11, 2014
3-point Field Goals . . 5, vs. Elon, Feb. 11, 2012
Steals 4, at Austin Peay, Nov. 9, 2012
Blocks 2, vs. Chattanooga, Feb. 8, 2014
Minutes 45, at Appalachian State, Feb. 28, 2013

2014-15 SAMFORD BASKETBALL PLAYER BIOS



Alex Peters

Forward/Center, 6-8, 210 - Freshman

Mountain Brook, Ala. - Mountain Brook HS

55



Plays extremely hard . . . makes winning plays . . .
takes charges, blocks shots and dives
on loose balls . . . whatever is
needed to win, he does.

BIO UPDATES

- Came off the bench and logged 10 minutes of playing time in the Bulldogs' exhibition game against Clark Atlanta on Saturday. He closed out the contest with two points, two rebounds and a blocked shot in the matchup.



BULLDOG BITES

Born June 1, 1996 . . . turned in an outstanding prep career at Mountain Brook High School . . . undeclared major.

SEASON HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0

DID YOU KNOW?

Alex Peters helped MBHS defeat first-place Wenonah High School with 23 points, nine rebounds and nine blocked shots.

CAREER HIGHS

Points 0
Rebounds 0
Assists 0
Field Goals 0
Free Throws 0
3-point Field Goals . . 0
Steals 0
Blocks 0
Minutes 0



Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics
Clark Atlanta vs Samford
 11/08/14 7:30 PM at Birmingham, Ala. (Pete Hanna Center)



Clark Atlanta 69

##	Player		Total	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
04	Damion Enoch	f	1-4	0-0	4-4	0	1	1	3	6	0	1	0	0	13
15	Earl Lawrence	f	3-4	0-0	11-14	0	4	4	4	17	5	1	0	2	34
22	Kenneth Green	f	2-8	1-3	3-4	3	3	6	1	8	2	3	1	4	21
24	Cornell Barnett	f	3-11	0-2	7-13	4	2	6	4	13	0	3	1	2	26
25	Najee Whitehead	g	1-7	0-5	1-3	1	2	3	5	3	0	3	0	1	12
00	Derek Harper		0-2	0-2	0-2	1	1	2	4	0	0	3	0	0	17
10	Johnell Young		3-6	3-5	1-2	1	2	3	3	10	1	6	0	0	18
11	Joseph Hughes		0-1	0-0	2-4	2	1	3	2	2	0	2	0	0	16
12	Chuka Eneh		1-2	0-0	0-0	1	4	5	1	2	1	0	0	2	17
14	James Arnold		0-4	0-4	0-0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	6
32	Allan Dempster		4-7	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	3	8	0	0	1	0	20
Team						4	3	7							
Totals			18-56	4-21	29-46	19	23	42	31	69	9	22	4	11	200

FG % 1st Half: 8-24 33.3% 2nd half: 10-32 31.3% Game: 18-56 32.1%
 3FG % 1st Half: 1-7 14.3% 2nd half: 3-14 21.4% Game: 4-21 19.0%
 FT % 1st Half: 16-29 55.2% 2nd half: 13-17 76.5% Game: 29-46 63.0%

Deadball
Rebounds
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Samford 92

##	Player		Total	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
35	Tyler Hood	f	3-4	2-2	0-0	0	1	1	3	8	1	3	1	2	26
25	Michael Bradley	c	1-2	0-0	1-2	2	1	3	5	3	0	1	0	0	8
02	Brandon Hayman	g	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	9
10	Christen Cunningham	g	5-11	0-1	3-3	2	3	5	0	13	6	0	0	0	30
15	Darius Jones-Gibson	g	7-9	1-1	5-8	1	2	3	3	20	3	3	0	2	20
00	Nnamdi Enechionya		3-5	1-3	1-2	0	6	6	4	8	0	0	1	1	11
01	Brandon Roberts		6-11	2-5	5-5	0	2	2	1	19	1	1	0	1	21
04	Marcus Johnson		2-3	1-1	1-2	0	2	2	1	6	4	3	0	1	10
05	Jamal Shabazz		0-3	0-2	1-2	0	2	2	1	1	2	1	0	1	19
11	Evan Taylor		3-3	0-0	1-4	0	3	3	3	7	0	3	0	3	23
12	Ryan Dickey		0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
24	Gerald Smith		1-3	0-2	1-2	2	0	2	2	3	1	0	0	0	8
33	Emeka Ikezu		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	4
55	Alex Peters		1-2	0-0	0-2	1	1	2	4	2	0	1	1	0	10
Team						0	2	2							
Totals			33-58	7-18	19-32	8	27	35	33	92	19	18	3	11	200

FG % 1st Half: 15-27 55.6% 2nd half: 18-31 58.1% Game: 33-58 56.9%
 3FG % 1st Half: 4-9 44.4% 2nd half: 3-9 33.3% Game: 7-18 38.9%
 FT % 1st Half: 11-18 61.1% 2nd half: 8-14 57.1% Game: 19-32 59.4%

Deadball
Rebounds
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Officials: R: Byron Evans, O1: Mickey Cunningham, O2: Timothy Andrews
 Technical fouls: Clark Atlanta-None. Samford-None.
 Attendance: 453

Score by periods	1st	2nd	Total
Clark Atlanta	33	36	69
Samford	45	47	92

	In Paint	Off T/O	2nd Chance	Fast Break	Bench
Points CLAT	16	16	16	8	22
SAM	46	30	13	12	46

Last FG - CLAT 2nd-00:25, SAM 2nd-02:01.
 Largest lead - CLAT by 1 1st-19:35, SAM by 29 2nd-02:01.
 CLAT led for 01:22. SAM led for 37:50. Game was tied for 00:35.

Score tied - 1 time.
 Lead changed - 1 time.



2013-14 Samford Basketball
Samford Combined Team Statistics (as of Jul 16, 2014)
All games



Overall record: 13-20 Conf: 6-10 Home: 10-4 Away: 2-15 Neutral: 1-1

#	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fa	ft%	off	def	tot	avg								
32	WILLIAMS, Tim	32-32	1057	33.0	217-360	.603	1-2	.500	129-172	.750	64	171	235	7.3	75	0	24	59	45	43	564	17.6
04	WILLIAMS, Isaiah	30-25	887	29.6	119-275	.433	46-118	.390	73-95	.768	6	48	54	1.8	70	1	103	65	3	25	357	11.9
11	KELLY, Rajion	33-12	769	23.3	126-269	.468	30-92	.326	50-61	.820	9	75	84	2.5	75	1	84	55	3	27	332	10.1
35	HOOD, Tyler	32-26	679	21.2	85-188	.452	28-79	.354	56-72	.778	26	73	99	3.1	72	1	26	21	10	16	254	7.9
10	MILLER, Connor	33-33	1037	31.4	71-187	.380	44-116	.379	26-42	.619	26	104	130	3.9	89	5	68	44	7	24	212	6.4
23	CAPPS, Jordan	33-10	516	15.6	64-124	.516	0-4	.000	43-89	.483	51	65	116	3.5	70	1	26	30	12	9	171	5.2
01	ROBERTS, Brandon	29-4	345	11.9	44-114	.386	8-41	.195	19-28	.679	3	24	27	0.9	26	0	18	29	0	4	115	4.0
21	LONGORIA, Chris	13-4	164	12.6	21-51	.412	1-15	.067	7-15	.467	2	18	20	1.5	12	0	13	8	1	7	50	3.8
25	BRADLEY, Michael	28-9	335	12.0	39-80	.488	0-1	.000	20-27	.741	30	71	101	3.6	64	4	5	22	7	1	98	3.5
05	WILSON, Russell	33-6	525	15.9	36-85	.424	0-7	.000	27-56	.482	10	35	45	1.4	75	3	76	70	2	21	99	3.0
02	HAYMAN, Brandon	12-0	79	6.6	15-23	.652	0-1	.000	2-7	.286	10	4	14	1.2	19	0	2	2	3	3	32	2.7
00	ENECHIONYA, Nnam	17-4	118	6.9	6-23	.261	3-11	.273	9-15	.600	7	6	13	0.8	16	0	4	6	2	3	24	1.4
24	ADAMS, Eric	2-0	4	2.0	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.5	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	1.0
33	IKEZU, Emeka	19-0	86	4.5	5-9	.556	0-0	.000	3-8	.375	7	12	19	1.0	30	0	1	5	3	2	13	0.7
15	BAILEY, Hamilton	6-0	20	3.3	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	4-5	.800	0	2	2	0.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0.7
12	THOMPSON, Tony	7-0	5	0.7	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	0	2	0.3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
Team											45	51	96				4					
Total.....		33	6626		849-1792	.474	161-488	.330	468-692	.676	299	759	1058	32.1	694	16	450	421	99	185	2327	70.5
Opponents.....		33	6625		855-1847	.463	225-608	.370	586-858	.683	384	772	1156	35.0	615	10	466	385	133	203	2521	76.4

TEAM STATISTICS	SAM	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
SCORING	2327	2521	11/08/13	MARTIN METHODIST	w 79-62	1059
Points per game	70.5	76.4	11/12/13	at UT Arlington	L 75-88	1239
Scoring margin	-5.9	-	11/15/13	at #23 Indiana	L 59-105	17472
FIELD GOALS-ATT	849-1792	855-1847	11/18/13	at ULM	L 52-86	1503
Field goal pct	.474	.463	11/21/13	at ETSU	L 75-89	2640
3 POINT FG-ATT	161-488	225-608	11/23/13	at WKU	L 64-67	4224
3-point FG pct	.330	.370	11/26/13	at Stephen F. Austin	L 78-98	857
3-pt FG made per game	4.9	6.8	11/29/13	CAMPBELLSVILLE	w 79-68	525
FREE THROWS-ATT	468-692	586-858	12/01/13	KENTUCKY STATE	w 76-73	582
Free throw pct	.676	.683	12/04/13	UT MARTIN	L 73-89	1097
F-Throws made per game	14.2	17.8	12/07/13	AUSTIN PEAY	w 85-63	1096
REBOUNDS	1058	1156	12/14/13	at FGCU	L 51-83	2785
Rebounds per game	32.1	35.0	12/20/13	at Jacksonville	w 75-58	353
Rebounding margin	-3.0	-	12/28/13	at Marquette	L 48-71	14668
ASSISTS	450	466	12/30/13	PRESBYTERIAN	w 71-59	718
Assists per game	13.6	14.1	* 01/02/14	WOFFORD	L 61-71	995
TURNOVERS	421	385	* 01/04/14	at Georgia Southern	L 78-80	1018
Turnovers per game	12.8	11.7	* 01/09/14	at Chattanooga	L 81-90	3097
Turnover margin	-1.1	-	* 01/11/14	FURMAN	w 57-55	1236
Assist/turnover ratio	1.1	1.2	* 01/18/14	at Western Carolina	L 64-67	2146
STEALS	185	203	* 01/23/14	UNCG	w 88-78	1525
Steals per game	5.6	6.2	* 01/25/14	ELON	w 62-59	1418
BLOCKS	99	133	* 02/01/14	at Wofford	L 58-77	1329
Blocks per game	3.0	4.0	* 02/03/14	at Furman	w 76-68	1004
ATTENDANCE	20076	66736	* 02/06/14	DAVIDSON	L 88-109	1056
Home games-Avg/Game	14-1434	17-3395	* 02/08/14	CHATTANOOGA	wot 92-85	2952
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	2-4510	* 02/13/14	at Appalachian State	L 68-74	474
			* 02/15/14	at Elon	L 69-86	1607
			* 02/24/14	at The Citadel	L 71-81	1299
			* 02/27/14	APPALACHIAN STATE	L 57-63	2711
			* 03/01/14	WESTERN CAROLINA	w 93-86	3106
			03/07/14	vs Appalachian State	w 70-56	3123
			03/08/14	vs Davidson	L 54-77	5898

* - Conference game

2014-15 SAMFORD

Men's Basketball Roster

<u>NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>POS.</u>	<u>HT.</u>	<u>WT.</u>	<u>CL.</u>	<u>HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL</u>
0	Nnamdi Enechionya	G/F	6-7	175	So.	Springfield, Va./St. James School
1	Brandon Roberts	G	6-1	165	So.	Decatur, Ala./West Morgan HS
2	Brandon Hayman	G	6-3	190	Sr.	Braselton, Ga./Mill Creek HS
4	Marcus Johnson	G	5-11	185	Jr.	Washington, D.C./Wallace State JC
5	Jamal Shabazz	G/F	6-6	205	Jr.	Pflugerville, Texas/Lamar State College
10	Christen Cunningham	G	6-2	185	Fr.	Georgetown, Ky./Cordia School
11	Evan Taylor	G	6-4	205	Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Paul VI HS
12	Ryan Dickey	G	6-2	180	So.	Trussville, Ala./Hewitt-Trussville HS
13	Eric Adams	F	6-7	185	So.	Hoover, Ala./Hoover HS
15	Darius Jones-Gibson	G	6-1	175	Jr.	Lexington, Ky./Barton County CC
24	Gerald Smith	G	6-4	185	Fr.	Carbon Hill, Ala./Carbon Hill HS
25	Michael Bradley	C	6-10	250	Sr.	Chattanooga, Tenn./UConn/Vincennes University
33	Emeka Ikezu	F/C	6-9	230	So.	Greensboro, N.C./Hargrave Military Academy
35	Tyler Hood	F	6-6	210	Sr.	Lenoir City, Tenn./Lenoir City HS
55	Alex Peters	F/C	6-8	210	Fr.	Mountain Brook, Ala./Mountain Brook HS

Head Coach: Scott Padgett (Kentucky, 1999)

Assistant Coaches: Jake Headrick (Montevallo, 2005), Sidney Ball (UAB, 2005), Charles Newton (Tennessee Tech, 2011)

Director of Basketball Operations: Brandon Gilbert (Florida, 2012)

Video Coordinator: Matthew Powell (Samford, 2014)

Undergraduate Student-Assistant Coach: Marc Salyers

Assistant Director of Basketball Operations: Aaron Greenwood (Faulkner, 2009)

Assistant Video Coordinator: Andrew Langley (Alabama, 2014)

Athletic Trainer: Matthew Griffin (Georgia, 2008)

Undergraduate Student Manager: Matt Barnett

Director of Communications: Zac Schrieber (LSU, 2002)

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Christen Cunningham like **Christian**

Nnamdi Enechionya **NOM**-dee en-**EACH**-ee-**OWN**-yee-uh

Emeka Ikezu em-**ECK**-uh ih-**KEE**-zoo

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

BY STATE

Alabama (5): Eric Adams (Hoover), Ryan Dickey (Trussville), Alex Peters (Mountain Brook), Brandon Roberts (Decatur), Gerald Smith (Carbon Hill). **Georgia (1):** Brandon Hayman (Braselton). **Kentucky (2):** Christen Cunningham (Georgetown), Darius Gibson (Lexington). **North Carolina (1):** Emeka Ikezu (Greensboro). **Ohio (1):** Evan Taylor (Cincinnati). **Tennessee (2):** Michael Bradley (Chattanooga), Tyler Hood (Lenoir City). **Texas (1):** Jamal Shabazz (Pflugerville). **Virginia (1):** Nnamdi Enechionya (Springfield). **Washington D.C. (1):** Marcus Johnson.