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2008 Baseball

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2008 Schedule			
FEBRUARY			
22	vs. Oregon State!	W	8-1
23	at Arizona State!	L	6-18
24	vs. Miami (OH)!	W	4-3
27	EVANSVILLE	W	4-3
29	KANSAS@	W	7-1
MARCH			
1	IOWA@	L	3-6
2	XAVIER@	W	17-3
4	LOUISVILLE	W	17-6
6	ILLINOIS-CHICAGO	L	1-2
7	ILLINOIS-CHICAGO	W	5-4
9	ILLINOIS-CHICAGO	W	9-3
11	WESTERN CAROLINA	W	5-3
12	WESTERN CAROLINA	W	11-4
14	SOUTH CAROLINA★	W 4-3 (13)	
15	SOUTH CAROLINA★	L	7-16
16	SOUTH CAROLINA★	W	10-4
19	LIPSCOMB	W	12-4
21	at Alabama★	W	2-1
22	at Alabama★	L	7-9
23	at Alabama★ (CSS TV)	L	3-10
25	BELMONT	W	7-3
26	MIDDLE TENNESSEE	W12-10 (12)	
29	ARKANSAS★ (FSN TV)	W 6-5 (12)	
30	ARKANSAS★	W	6-2
APRIL			
1	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	L	8-12
2	at Middle Tennessee	W	6-5
5	at Ole Miss★ (Gm 1)	L	7-6
5	at Ole Miss★ (Gm 2)	L	0-8
6	at Ole Miss★	L	6-11
8	WESTERN KENTUCKY	W	5-1
9	AUSTIN PEAY	W	8-1
11	at Mississippi State★	W	15-8
12	at Mississippi State★	W	16-0
13	at Mississippi State★	W	4-3
15	at Lipscomb	W	8-1
16	at Western Kentucky	W	5-1
18	AUBURN★		6 p.m.
19	AUBURN★ (CSS TV)		Noon
20	AUBURN★		1 p.m.
22	at Austin Peay		6 p.m.
23	at Belmont		6 p.m.
25	KENTUCKY★		6 p.m.
26	KENTUCKY★		2 p.m.
27	KENTUCKY★		1 p.m.
MAY			
2	at Tennessee★		6 p.m.
3	at Tennessee★ (FSN TV)		3 p.m.
4	at Tennessee★ (SportSouth TV)		1 p.m.
6	vs. Memphis		7:05 p.m.
7	TENNESSEE TECH		6 p.m.
9	GEORGIA★ (CSS TV)		6 p.m.
10	GEORGIA★		2 p.m.
11	GEORGIA★		1 p.m.
15	at Florida★		5:30 p.m.
16	at Florida★		5:30 p.m.
17	at Florida★ (SUN TV)		Noon
21-25	SEC Tournament		TBA
30-Jun-02	NCAA Regionals		TBA
JUNE			
9-Jun	NCAA Super Regionals		TBA
14-25	at College World Series		TBA

Bold Caps – Home Games **★** – SEC Game
 !- DeMarini Invitational (Tempe, Ariz.)
 @- Music City Classic
 All games central time and are subject to change.

**No. 11 Vanderbilt (26-10, 8-6 SEC)
 vs. Auburn (22-16, 6-9 SEC)**

**Friday, April 18 ★ 6 p.m. CT
 Saturday, April 19 ★ Noon CT
 Sunday, April 20 ★ 1 p.m. CT
 Hawkins Field (3,000)**

Setting The Scene

Series History
 Auburn leads 87-43-1 in a series that dates back to 1912. The Commodores have the last three series against the Tigers, including a series sweep two years ago in Nashville. VU won two of three against Auburn last season in Auburn.

Last Year

May 11, 2007	Vanderbilt 10, Auburn 5	Auburn, Ala.
May 12, 2007	Vanderbilt 6, Auburn 5	Auburn, Ala.
May 13, 2007	Auburn 5, Vanderbilt 4	Auburn, Ala.

Polls
 Vanderbilt is ranked in all the national polls, with a high ranking of No. 11 by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association. ESPN/Sports Weekly puts the Commodores at No. 14. *Baseball America* has VU at No. 17 and Rivals.com has the team at No. 18. *Collegiate Baseball* ranks the Commodores No. 22 this week. Auburn is not ranked this week. All of the National Polls can be found on page 6 of the release.

The Coaches
 VU's **Tim Corbin** is 224-118 in his sixth season as head coach. He is 7-3 against the Tigers all-time. Auburn's **Tom Slater** is 109-101 in his fourth season with the Tigers. He is 159-201 in seven years overall. He is 1-5 against Vanderbilt all-time.

Radio/TV/Internet
 All three games will be broadcast on WNSR 560 AM in Nashville. In addition you can catch the internet version of the broadcast via www.vucommodores.com. "Voice of the Commodores" **Joe Fisher** will call the action on Friday and Sunday with **Eric Jones** filling in on Saturday. The Saturday and Sunday contests will also be carried on Sirius Satellite Radio on Channel 122. Saturday's contest will be televised regionally on CSS. **Joe Fisher** and **Willy Daunic** will call the action. The Friday and Sunday games will also be available via a free webcast through www.vucommodores.com.

Probable Starter Notes

Position Players						Notes	
No.	Pos.	Player	GP-GS	Avg.	HR		RBI
17	C	Shea Robin	29-27	.262	1	8	Has thrown out 11 of 25 base stealers.
28	1B	Brad French	30-14	.233	0	9	Error free in 115 chances.
5	1B	Andrew Grobb	32-27	.324	1	22	Team leader in doubles with 11.
6	2B	Brian Harris	32-26	.284	1	22	Hit first career HR against Lipscomb (4/15).
22	SS	Ryan Flaherty	36-36	.326	8	35	Leads team in homers and RBI.
25	3B	Pedro Alvarez	13-13	.288	3	9	12-for-26 (.462), 3 HR, 5 RBI in SEC play.
7	LF	Parker Hanks	28-20	.268	3	7	5-for-17 (.294), 1 HR, 3 RBI last six gms.
1	CF	David Macias	36-36	.394	6	19	18-for-33 (.545), 1 HR, 4 RBI last 7 gms.
3	RF	Dominic de la Osa	36-36	.289	5	26	9-for-27 (.333), 3 2B, 1 3B, 8 RBI last 7 gms.
8	DH	Alex Feinberg	32-31	.354	1	23	Playing with broken jaw suffered on 4/5.

Starting Pitchers												
No.	R/L	Player	W-L	ERA	Last Appearance	W-L	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
12	L	Mike Minor	4-2	3.95	vs. Mississippi St. (4/11)W	6	0	9	7	7	3	6
27	R	Caleb Cothran	5-2	3.22	vs. Mississippi St. (4/12)W	7	0	5	0	0	4	7
11	R	Nick Christien	4-2	3.57	vs. Mississippi St. (4/13)W	7	0	3	2	2	4	10



SEC Baseball Standings as of games thru 4/17

	SEC East			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Georgia	12	3	0	25	12	0
Florida	9	6	0	24	13	0
South Carolina	9	6	0	27	10	0
Tennessee	9	6	0	22	14	0
<i>Vanderbilt</i>	8	6	0	26	10	0
Kentucky	7	8	0	28	8	0

	SEC West			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Ole Miss	9	6	0	24	13	0
Alabama	6	9	0	20	18	0
Auburn	6	9	0	22	16	0
LSU	6	9	0	23	14	0
Arkansas	5	9	0	20	16	0
Mississippi State	3	12	0	15	21	0

Weekend Schedule

Friday, April 18

*Ole Miss at South Carolina	5 p.m. ET
*Florida at Kentucky [BBSN]	5:30 p.m.
*Auburn at Vanderbilt	6 p.m.
*Mississippi State at Alabama	6:30 p.m.
*Tennessee at Arkansas	6:30 p.m.
*Georgia at LSU	7 p.m. CT

Saturday, April 19

*Auburn at Vanderbilt [CSS]	Noon
*Tennessee at Arkansas	2 p.m.
*Georgia at LSU	3 p.m.
*Ole Miss at South Carolina [FSN]	3 p.m.
*Mississippi State at Alabama	4 p.m.
*Florida at Kentucky [BBSN]	6 p.m.

Sunday, April 20

*Ole Miss at South Carolina [CSS]	11 a.m.
*Florida at Kentucky	Noon
*Georgia at LSU [JSN] [CSS Delay]	Noon
*Tennessee at Arkansas	1 p.m.
*Auburn at Vanderbilt	1 p.m.
*Mississippi State at Alabama [CSS]	2 p.m.

FSN - FOX Sports Net South, Sun Sports,

CSS - Comcast/Charter Sports SE

SUN - Sun Sports

CST- Cox Sports

What's On Tap

Vanderbilt returns home this weekend for a three-game Southeastern Conference series against Auburn at Hawkins Field. The Commodores played the last two weekends on the road and just completed a stretch of 9 of 11 games on the road. The series begins on Friday at 6 p.m. with a noon game on Saturday and a 1 p.m. first pitch on Sunday. Saturday's game will be televised regionally on CSS, check your local listings for availability.

Scouting Auburn

Auburn is 22-16 on the season and 6-9 in SEC play after getting swept by South Carolina at home over the weekend. The Tigers enter the weekend on a four-game losing streak after falling to South Alabama by a 7-1 score at Plainsman Park on Wednesday.

Freshman first baseman Hunter Morris leads the team with a .362 batting average with eight homers and 37 RBI. He has excelled in conference action as well, batting .467 with four homers and 17 RBI in 15 games. As a team, Auburn is hitting at a .310 clip with 30 homers and 264 runs scored (6.9 per game).

Redshirt freshman left-hander Grant Dayton (4-1, 3.72 ERA) will start for the Tigers on Friday with true freshman left-hander Cory Luckie (4-3, 3.54 ERA) scheduled to go on Saturday. Freshman right-hander Bradley Hendrix (1-0, 4.74 ERA) will complete the string of first-year players to start on Sunday. Junior right-hander Bryan Woodall (0-1, 2.70 ERA) is the Auburn relief specialist with 24 strikeouts and three walks in 23.1 innings with eight saves. As a team, the Tigers sport a 4.26 ERA with 263 strikeouts and 113 walks in 338.0 innings.

Probable Starting Rotation

No.	R/L	Player	W-L	ERA	Last Appearance	W-L	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
13	L	Grant Dayton	4-1	3.72	vs. S. Carolina (4/11)ND	7.1	9	6	5	0	4	
25	L	Cory Luckie	4-3	3.54	vs. S. Alabama (4/16)ND	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	
31	R	Bradley Hendrix	1-0	4.74	vs. S. Alabama (4/16)ND	2.0	0	0	0	0	1	

Commodore Tidbits

A week after going 1-4, Vanderbilt has reeled off seven straight wins, including a three-game sweep at Mississippi State over the weekend ... The sweep was VU's first in conference play on the road since defeating Georgia April 15-16, 1993. It was also the school's first sweep in Starkville since 1914 and first series win there since 1986 ... The 35 runs scored on the weekend was the most in a three-game SEC road series in school history ... During the seven-game win streak VU is batting .322 with seven homers, four triples, 14 doubles and 61 runs scored (8.7 per game). The pitching staff has a 2.14 ERA with 71 strikeouts and 30 walks in 63.0 innings and had the first shutout of the season against MSU on Saturday (16-0). The defense has only made four errors in 260 chances and made several critical plays throughout the week ... Pedro Alvarez continues to shine in SEC play. In just his second week back, he went 8-for-15 (.533), with a double, homer and eight runs scored against Mississippi State on the weekend. He is batting .462 in six conference games with three homers, two doubles and 11 runs scored. He is slugging at a .885 clip in league play. Alvarez hit a solo homer on Sunday against MSU and then hit a hot shot to second base in the ninth that scored the Doers fourth run in a 4-3 win ... Ryan Flaherty also had a hot week at the plate going 9-for-23 (.391) with three homers, nine RBI and seven runs scored. He now leads the team with eight homers and 35 RBI, with five of his homers coming in SEC play ... Redshirt freshman Caleb Cotham threw seven shutout innings against Mississippi State on Saturday. He struck out seven and walked four and combined with Taylor Hill and Brett Jacobson on the team's first shutout of the year. Cotham now leads the team with a 5-2 record and 3.22 ERA with 50 strikeouts and 18 walks in 44.2 innings ... Junior Nick Christiani had a big week with a pair of wins, going 2-0 with a 1.98 ERA. He gave up one run on five hits with six strikeouts and three walks in 6.2 innings in winning start against Western Kentucky last Tuesday. Then the New Jersey native picked up the Sunday win over MSU to sweep the series. He allowed just three hits while striking out 10 with four walks, while giving up two runs. Christiani is now 4-1 on the season with a 3.57 ERA ... Vanderbilt completed its stretch of nine of 11 games on the road by going 8-3 in that span.



Commodores in 2008

In Day Games	14-10
In Night Games	12-0
On Artificial Turf	0-0
On Natural Grass	26-10
In Extra Innings	3-0
vs. Lefthanders	8-2
vs. Righthanders	18-8
When Scoring First	16-4
When Opponents Scores First	10-6
When Ahead After 5 Innings	18-2
When Trailing After 5 Innings	5-8
When Tied After 5 Innings	3-0
When Ahead After 8 Innings	20-1
When Trailing After 8 Innings	2-9
When Tied After 8 Innings	3-0
vs. Top 5 Teams	2-2
vs. Top 10 Teams	1-1
vs. Top 25 Teams	2-4
In One-Run Games	8-2
In Two-Run Games	2-1
In Three+Run Games	16-7
When Scoring 0-5 Runs	9-4
When Scoring 6-10 Runs	11-6
When Scoring 11-20 Runs	6-0
When Scoring 20+ Runs	0-0
On Weekdays	18-2
On Weekends	8-8
On Mondays	0-0
On Tuesdays	5-1
On Wednesdays	7-0
On Thursdays	0-1
On Fridays	6-0
On Saturdays	2-6
On Sundays	6-2
In Five-Game Series	0-0
In Four-Game Series	0-0
In Three-Game Series	8-7
In Two-Game Series	12-0
In Single-Game Series	6-3
In February	3-1
In March	15-5
In April	8-4
In May	0-0
In June	0-0
In the State of Tennessee	19-4
vs. Out-of-State Opponents	20-10
vs. Atlantic Sun	3-0
vs. Atlantic 10	1-0
vs. Big 10	0-1
vs. Big 12	1-0
vs. Big East	1-0
vs. Conference USA	0-0
vs. Horizon League	2-1
vs. Mid American	1-0
vs. Missouri Valley	1-0
vs. Ohio Valley	1-1
vs. Pac 10	1-1
vs. Southern	2-0
vs. Sun Belt	4-0

David Macias Receives SEC Weekly Honor

The league office named senior outfielder David Macias the Southeastern Conference Hitter of the Week on Monday.

Macias was the catalyst for Vanderbilt's 5-0 week and first sweep over Mississippi State in Starkville since 1914. The Commodore leadoff hitter went 13-for-23 (.565) with a double, triple, homer and four RBI with nine runs scored in five games overall. He was 8-for-15 (.533) against State with a .933 slugging percentage and .588 on base percentage.

The Woodlands, Texas, native tripled in the ninth on Sunday against Mississippi State relief ace Aaron Weatherford and scored what would be the deciding run in a 4-3 win. He currently leads the team in hitting at .394 (fifth in the SEC) and has a career high six homers this season from the leadoff spot.

It is the first weekly honor for Vanderbilt this season and the first for Macias in his career.

Alex Feinberg Returns Less Than A Week After Surgery

Senior second baseman Alex Feinberg suffered a broken jaw in the first game of a doubleheader against Ole Miss on April 5. A fastball clocking in around 92 mph from Ole Miss ace Lance Lynn hit him below the mouth breaking his jaw. Feinberg went back to Nashville that night and had successful surgery the next morning. His down time was expected to be a week but he returned to action less than a week after surgery as he pinch hit against Mississippi State on Friday, April 11. Feinberg then served as the team's designated hitter on Saturday and Sunday. He wears a batting helmet fixed with a facemask when batting. He did not anticipate playing last weekend and did not bring his regular jersey (No. 8) and instead wore No. 10 all weekend.

The Orinda, Calif., native was leading the team with a .400 batting average, good for third in the SEC at the time of the injury. He has been cleared to play the field and could see time at second base.

Aaron Westlake Out For The Year

Freshman infielder Aaron Westlake had season ending surgery on April 8 due to blood clots in his right shoulder. The California native had played in 15 games, with four starts at designated hitter. He batted .241 with four RBI and had his best game two weeks ago in the series-clinching win over Arkansas on March 30. Westlake went 2-for-3 with three RBI in the contest that gave the Commodores its first ever series win over the Razorbacks. The team will attempt to get a medical redshirt season for him. The Shasta High School graduate from Redding was considered the No. 55 prospect out of California last year by *Baseball America*.

Bleachers Are Open

Last season bleacher seating was added for the Nashville Regional with a 1,000 seats bleacher seats erected in rightfield. The move was such a success that it has been added again in time for SEC play this weekend. A limited amount of tickets still remain and can be purchased by visiting the Vanderbilt ticket office or by calling (615) 322-GOLD. With the additional seating, Hawkins Field capacity is now over the 3,000 mark at 3,027. A more permanent seating structure in the outfield is in the works and is anticipated to be in place for the 2009 season.

Coach Corbin Call-In Show/Radio Notes

Head coach Tim Corbin will start a four-week run of one-hour call-in shows on Monday, April 21 at 7 p.m. on 104.5 FM The Zone. "Voice of the Commodores" Joe Fisher will host the show at the Commodore Sports Bar and Grill located in the Holiday Inn Select on West End. The shows will air on April 21, April 28, May 5 and May 12.

In addition Coach Corbin does a weekly interview at 4:06 p.m. on Mondays with 560 AM WNSR.

Commodore fans can also check out the team's Saturday and Sunday games for the rest of the year on Sirius Satellite Radio. The team's games against SEC foes can be found on Channel 122.



Drafted Commodores

	Rd	Yr.	Team
Pedro Alvarez	14th	2005	Boston
Sean Bierman	42nd	2007	Cincinnati
Dominic de la Osa	49th	2004	Detroit
	10th	2007	Detroit
Brett Jacobson	11th	2005	Arizona
Joey Manning	47th	2007	Philadelphia
Mike Minor	13th	2006	Tampa Bay
Chase Reid	42nd	2007	Milwaukee
Kellen St. Luce	37th	2007	Florida
Jonathan White	24th	2007	Milwaukee

Commodores In The Pros*

Majors		Years at VU
Matt Kata	Texas/Philadelphia	1997-99
Josh Paul	Tampa Bay	1994-96
Jensen Lewis	Cleveland	2003-05
Jeremy Sowers	Cleveland	2002-04

AAA

David Wallace	Buffalo (CLE)	1999-01
Mike Baxter	Portland (SD)	2004-05
Ryan Mullins	Rochestern (MIN)	2003-05

AA

Ryan Klosterman	New Hampshire (TOR)	2003-04
Cesar Nicolas	Mobile (ARZ)	2001-04

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Matt Buschmann	Lake Elsinore (SD)	2003-06
Brian Hernandez	Fort Wayne (SD)	2005-06
Tony Mansolino	Lynchburg (PIT)	2002-05
Robert Ransom	Palm Beach (STL)	2001-03
Ryan Rote	Kannapolis (CHI-A)	2004-05
Antoan Richardson	San Jose (SF)	2004-05
Casey Weathers	Modesto (COL)	2006-07

Rookie/Short Season

Cody Crowell	Auburn (TOR)	2004-07
Ty Davis	Missoula (ARZ)	2004-07
Tyler Rhoden	Billings (CIN)	2004-07
Stephen Shao	Casper (COL)	2004-07

* - As of the end of the 2007 season.

National Award Watch Lists

Player (Pos.)	Award
Pedro Alvarez (3B)	Brooks Wallace Award Golden Spikes Award
Ryan Flaherty (SS)	Golden Spikes Award
Mike Minor (LHP)	Brooks Wallace Award Roger Clemens Award
Shea Robin (C)	Johnny Bench Award

Commodore Weekly Winners

Player (Pos.)	Honor	Date
David Macias	SEC Hitter of the Week	4/14

CB- Collegiate Baseball

NCBWA- National Collegiate Baseball Writers Assoc.

The 200-Hit Club

Coming into the season Dominic de la Osa was the lone active Commodore in the 200 hit club. Alex Feinberg, Ryan Flaherty and David Macias have now joined him on the exclusive list with Pedro Alvarez one hit behind. De la Osa now has 267 hits in his four-year career, good for third on the all-time list. Feinberg has 237 in his four years and is currently ninth, while Flaherty has 228 in just his third year, good for 11th best in school history. Macias has 220 hits in his career (tied for 13th), while the just returning Alvarez is one short with 199.

Vanderbilt 200 Hit Club

1. Karl Nonemaker (1999-2002) 283
2. Boomer Whipple (1992-95) 282
3. Dominic de la Osa (2005-) 267
8. Greg Smith (1985-88) 239
9. Alex Feinberg (2005-) 237
11. Ryan Flaherty (2006-) 228
12. Greg Thomas (1991-93) 226
- T13. David Macias (2005-) 220

Alvarez and de la Osa Approaching School Homer Record

With 18 homers in 2007, Pedro Alvarez moved into sixth place on the school's career list with 40 total jacks. Also in the Top 10 after a stellar junior campaign is Dominic de la Osa with 36. Alvarez missed 23 games but has hit three homers since his return two weeks ago to up his career total to 43. That ties him with Glenn Davis for third on the school's all-time list. De la Osa has five homers on the year that ties him with Josh Adeeb for sixth most in school history. Alvarez needs six more round-trippers and de la Osa needs eight to tie Scotti Madison's mark of 49 set from 1977-80.

De la Osa broke Boomer Whipple's mark of 809 career at-bats against Ole Miss and now has 834 going into the Auburn series. De la Osa also has 58 career doubles, just three off the school mark of 61 set by Sean Luellwitz from 1999-2002.

Vanderbilt Career Homers

1. Scotti Madison (1977-80) 49
2. Clinton Johnston (1996-98) 47
- T3. Pedro Alvarez (2006-) 43
- T3. Glenn Davis (1995-97) 43
5. Cam Hazen (1985-88) 42
- T6. Dominic de la Osa (2005-) 41
- T6. Josh Adeeb (1996-98) 41

Vanderbilt Career Doubles

1. Sean Luellwitz (1999-2002) 61
2. Dominic de la Osa (2005-) 58
3. Boomer Whipple (1992-95) 54
- Clinton Johnston (1996-98) 54

Commodores Picked To Finish First in SEC (East) By Coaches

Vanderbilt is predicted to repeat as the 2008 Southeastern Conference baseball champions, as voted by the league's 12 baseball coaches in the 17th annual preseason SEC poll.

The Commodores, ranked as high as No. 3 nationally in the preseason polls, seek to capture their fifth SEC Championship, having also won titles in 1973, 1974, 1980 and 2007. Vanderbilt returns eight position starters and four pitchers from their 2007 squad which also won the SEC Tournament and earned the National No. 1 Seed in the NCAA Tournament.

Since 1996, the SEC has named a regular season champion as well as a tournament champion. Prior to 1996, the tournament champion was considered the SEC Champion.



HEAD COACH TIM CORBIN



In five seasons at Vanderbilt, Tim Corbin has turned Vanderbilt into one of the national powers of college baseball. In 2007, Corbin guided the Commodores to their best season ever, finishing with a school record 54 wins. The team also achieved a No. 1 national ranking for the first time in school history and held that honor for 13 of 15 weeks during the regular season.

The Vanderbilt baseball team also swept through the Southeastern Conference, winning both the regular season and tournament crown for the first time ever, and it marked the first time an SEC team had done it since 1996. The team lost only one conference series the entire season against SEC West Division winner Arkansas in Fayetteville and avenged the

series loss by defeating the Razorbacks in the SEC tournament title game.

The conference recognized Corbin for the work he had done, naming him SEC Coach of the Year. Corbin also picked up Co-National Coach of the Year by College Baseball Insider and regional coach of the year honors by the American Baseball Coaches Association.

The Commodores hosted their first ever NCAA regional as the No. 1 National Seed and arrived as a power in college baseball.

Corbin's success and methods of running the Vanderbilt program has earned him respect among the college and international baseball communities.

In the summer of 2006 he managed the USA Baseball National Team to a 28-2-1 record that culminated with a gold medal finish at the FISU (International University Sports Federation) World University Championship in Havana, Cuba. The .919 winning percentage was the highest ever for a national team and it garnered special recognition by the United States Olympic Committee.

His overall record of 198-108 (.647) is third best in terms of wins, and first in terms of win percentage for coaches with 100 games or more.

In 2006 he guided a youthful Commodore squad to a 38-27 record and sixth place finish in the rugged Southeastern Conference. The team was the youngest team in the league, with seven everyday starters either freshmen or sophomores. For the second time in three seasons, Corbin guided the team to the SEC Tournament Championship game and the young squad also gained valuable NCAA experience after advancing to the championship round of the Atlanta Regional.

The 2006 team posted impressive series wins over College World Series participant Georgia, Super Regional participants South Carolina and Ole Miss, and took series on the road against Florida and LSU. The team handed LSU its worst conference loss at home in school history in the process.

In addition to on the field successes, the baseball program itself has had significant upgrades to the facilities with a brand new fieldhouse, complete with new locker rooms for players, coaches and Commodore alumni playing professional baseball. Also included are coach's offices, a classroom that overlooks Hawkins Field and a new weight room. These recent upgrades reinforce the excitement and commitment made to the baseball program due to the successes Tim Corbin has achieved as well as those he will strive to accomplish in the future.

He has already pushed the program to its most successful season, rewritten a significant portion of its record book, and ascended to the ranks of Southeastern Conference and national powers. For him, such excellence has been a constant in a career that covers two decades in both the collegiate and international baseball ranks.

Corbin, along with his coaching staff, are a tireless group that saw their recruiting efforts pay off last fall as the 2005 recruiting class was labeled the nation's best by Baseball America.

Professional baseball has also taken notice of the program as 20 VU players have been drafted over the last three years including eight in 2007.

In 2005, Corbin directed the squad to its second consecutive 30-win season, an achievement that had not been done in over 15 years. The campaign was highlighted with series wins over Alabama, Mississippi, South Carolina and College World Series participant Tennessee.

In 2004, Corbin not only directed the Commodores to their first NCAA Tournament appearance in 24 years, he guided them to their first-ever Super Regional as they swept through the Charlottesville Regional with victories over George Mason, Princeton and host Virginia. In the Super Regional they fell to the eventual national runner-up, Texas, but still carved out a piece of history as the first team in NCAA baseball history to make it that far one year after having finished with a sub-.500 record.

Along the way Vanderbilt racked up 45 wins, was the only team to rank among the SEC's top five in earned run average (first), batting average (fourth) and fielding percentage (first), and finished with a .703 winning percentage, which was third-best in the highly competitive conference, which sent nine schools to the NCAA Tournament. The Commodores' school-record .978 fielding percentage was second in the nation, and their 30 error-free games were 11 more than the previous season.

Before Corbin was hired as the 21st coach in program history, Vanderbilt had not earned a spot in the conference tournament in a decade. Not only has he led his team there twice, the Commodores made it to the 2004 championship game.

During the 2004 regular season, Vanderbilt swept a series against Mississippi State for the first time. It was one of three conference whitewashes and one of five series' wins in all.

His efforts earned him the 2004 Vanderbilt Coach of the Year award and a nomination for the Nashville Sports Council's Sports Person of the Year. Plus, a school-record five players were named to the SEC All-Tournament team, five players were drafted on the first day and seven VU players in all were chosen in the Major League Baseball Draft, topped by No. 6 overall pick pitcher Jeremy Sowers.

His first Vanderbilt team finished 27-28 overall and 14-16 in the SEC, good enough for second in the Eastern Division. It earned a conference tournament berth with a season-ending sweep of Tennessee capped by a dramatic ninth-inning rally in the finale. The overall and conference victory totals were the most by a first-year Vanderbilt coach and were made more impressive by the fact that the Commodores were 12-5 in one-run games.

That squad set then school records for fielding percentage (.972), fewest errors in a season (60), most saves in a season (15) and fewest walks allowed in a season (168) – all of which were bettered in 2004. The team notched series victories over nationally-ranked conference foes LSU, Auburn and Florida, each of which was ranked among the top 15 at the time.

The Tim Corbin File

Personal:

Full Name: Timothy Carter Corbin
 Born: August 5, 1961 in Wolfeboro, N.H.
 Hometown: Wolfeboro, N.H.
 Family: Wife: Maggie
 (two-time tennis all-american at College of Charleston)
 Daughters, Molly (23) who is in her first year working in operations at Arizona State and Hannah (20), a sophomore tennis player at Vanderbilt

Education:

College: Ohio Wesleyan
 Degrees: Master of Arts in Athletic Administration, 1986
 Bachelor of Arts in Physical Education, 1984
 High School: Kimball Union Academy, 1980
 Kingswood Regional High School, 1979

Playing Experience:

1981-84 Ohio Wesleyan
 Four-year letterman as an infielder/catcher

Coaching Experience:

2003-Present Vanderbilt Head Coach
 2001-02 Clemson Associate Head Coach
 1998-2001 Clemson Assistant Head Coach
 1994-98 Clemson Assistant Coach
 1988-93 Presbyterian College Head Coach
 1987 Wofford Assistant Coach



NATIONAL POLLS

Baseball America (4/14)		Collegiate Baseball (4/14)		USA Today/ESPN (4/14)		NCBWA (4/14)		Rivals.com (4/14)	
1. Miami	30-3	1. Florida State	31-3	1. Miami	30-3	1 Miami (Fla.)	30-3	1. Miami	
2. Arizona State	30-4	2. Miami	30-3	2. Florida State	31-3	2 Florida State	31-3	2. Florida State	
3. Florida State	31-3	3. Arizona State	30-4	3. Arizona State	30-4	3 Arizona State	30-4	3. North Carolina	
4. North Carolina	29-7	4. North Carolina	29-7	4. North Carolina	29-7	4 North Carolina	29-7	4. Arizona State	
5. UC Irvine	23-6	5. Wichita State	27-5	5. UC-Irvine	23-6	5 UC Irvine	23-6	5. UC Irvine	
6. Missouri	25-9	6. UC Irvine	23-6	6. Wichita State	27-5	6 Wichita State	27-5	6. Pepperdine	
7. Wichita State	27-5	7. Georgia	23-12	7. Rice	27-10	7 Rice	27-10	7. Rice	
8. California	23-9	8. Texas A&M	30-6	8. Texas A&M	30-6	8 Texas A&M	30-6	8. Wichita State	
9. Nebraska	25-6	9. Rice	27-10	9. Nebraska	25-6-1	9 South Carolina	25-10	9. Stanford	
10. Stanford	17-11	10. Nebraska	25-6-1	10. South Carolina	25-10	10 Missouri	25-9	10. California	
11. Rice	27-10	11. Missouri	25-9	11. Missouri	25-9	11 <i>Vanderbilt</i>	24-10	11. Nebraska	
12. San Diego	27-11	12. South Carolina	25-10	12. California	23-9-2	12 San Diego	27-11	12. South Carolina	
13. Georgia	23-12	13. San Diego	27-11	13. Georgia	23-12	13 Nebraska	25-6-1	13. Oklahoma State	
14. South Carolina	25-10	14. Stanford	17-11-1	14. <i>Vanderbilt</i>	24-10	14 Oklahoma State	23-10	14. Missouri	
15. Cal State Fullerton	20-12	15. California	23-9-2	15. Texas	23-12	15 Texas	23-12	15. Texas A&M	
16. Mississippi	24-12	16. Texas	23-12	16. Stanford	17-11-1	16 Virginia	29-9	16. Cal State Fullerton	
17. <i>Vanderbilt</i>	24-10	17. Virginia	29-9	17. Mississippi	24-12	17 Kentucky	26-8	17. Georgia	
18. Oklahoma State	23-10	18. Ca. St. Fullerton	20-12	18. Oklahoma State	23-10	18 Cal State Fullerton	20-12	18. <i>Vanderbilt</i>	
19. Texas A&M	30-6	19. Houston	22-12	19. Virginia	29-9	19 Coastal Carolina	28-7	19. San Diego	
20. Texas	23-12	20. Mississippi	24-12	20. Coastal Carolina	28-7	20 California	23-9-2	20. Ole Miss	
21. Michigan	22-8	21. Georgia Tech	26-10	21. San Diego	27-11	21 Georgia	23-12	21. Texas	
22. Coastal Carolina	28-7	22. <i>Vanderbilt</i>	24-10	22. Cal State Fullerton	20-12	22 Arizona	20-11	22. Arizona	
23. Pepperdine	23-11	23. Kentucky	26-8	23. Kentucky	26-8	23 Mississippi	24-12	23. East Carolina	
24. East Carolina	26-9	24. East Carolina	26-9	24. Florida	24-12	24 Long Beach State	19-14	24. Coastal Carolina	
25. Kentucky	26-8	25. Oklahoma State	23-10	25. Long Beach State	19-14	25 Stanford	17-11-1	25. N.C. State	
		26. Michigan	22-8			26 East Carolina	26-9		
		27. Coastal Carolina	28-7			27 Michigan	22-8		
		28. North Carolina St.	23-11			28 Georgia Tech	26-10		
		29. Notre Dame	21-9-1			29 Florida	24-12		
		30. Tennessee	22-13			30 UNC Wilmington	26-7-1		

Commodores Week-By-Week in the Polls

	Collegiate Baseball	ESPN/USA Today	Baseball America	NCBWA	Rivals.com
Preseason	11	6	3	8	7
2/26	9	6*	7	7	5
3/3	10	11	7	10	5
3/10	12	12	6	9	4
3/17	9	8	5	6	4
3/24	14	13	9	11	9
3/31	13	8	8	6	9
4/7	23	17	19	13	17
4/14	22	14	17	11	18

*Preseason Poll



ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	HT	WT	CL/EXP.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
1	David Macias	OF	S/R	5-9	175	Sr./3L	The Woodlands, Texas (The Woodlands)
2	Jason Cunningham	LHP	L/L	6-2	200	So./1L	Decatur, Ga. (Greater Atlanta Christian)
3	Dominic de la Osa	OF	R/R	6-0	205	Sr./3L	Miami, Fla. (Archbishop Carroll)
5	Andrew Giobbi	C/INF	R/R	6-2	205	So./1L	Portland, Maine (Deering)
6	Brian Harris	INF	R/R	5-9	180	So./1L	Nashville, Tenn. (Montgomery Bell Academy)
7	Parker Hanks	OF	R/R	6-2	210	Sr./2L	Alamo, Calif. (De La Salle/UCLA)
8	Alex Feinberg	INF	R/R	5-11	185	Sr./3L	Orinda, Calif. (Miramonte)
9	Curt Casali	C	R/R	6-2	215	Fr./HS	New Canaan, Conn. (New Canaan)
11	Nick Christiani	RHP	R/R	6-0	195	Jr./2L	Linden, N.J. (Seton Hall Prep)
12	Mike Minor	LHP	L/L	6-4	210	So./1L	Lewisburg, Tenn. (Forrest)
15	Richie Goodenow	LHP	L/L	6-2	200	Fr./RS	Nashville, Tenn. (Overton)
17	Shea Robin	C	R/R	5-11	185	Sr./3L	The Woodlands, Texas (The Woodlands)
18	Sean Bierman	LHP	L/L	6-0	200	Fr./HS	Kinnelon, N.J. (Kinnelon)
19	Ben Blanton	LHP	L/L	6-1	208	Fr./HS	Alpharetta, Ga. (Chattahoochee)
20	Kellen St. Luce	LHP	L/L	6-4	225	Fr./HS	St. Thomas, Virgin Islands (All Saints Cathedral School)
21	Brett Jacobson	RHP	R/R	6-6	205	Jr./2L	Carefree, Ariz. (Cactus Shadows)
22	Ryan Flaherty	INF	L/R	6-3	210	Jr./2L	Portland, Maine (Deering)
24	Pedro Alvarez	INF	L/R	6-2	225	Jr./2L	New York, N.Y. (Horace Mann)
25	Steven Liddle	OF	L/L	6-1	200	Fr./RS	Brentwood, Tenn. (Franklin)
26	Jordan Wormsley	OF	L/L	6-1	195	Fr./RS	Knoxville, Tenn. (Webb School)
27	Caleb Cotham	RHP	R/R	6-3	210	Fr./RS	Mt. Juliet, Tenn. (Mt. Juliet)
28	Brad French	INF	R/R	6-2	205	Sr./3L	Brentwood, Tenn. (Montgomery Bell Academy)
31	Russell Brewer	RHP	R/R	6-0	190	Fr./RS	Norwood, N.C. (South Stanly)
32	Gabe Ortiz	SS	R/R	6-3	186	Fr./HS	Panama, Panama (Notre Dame Academy-Virginia)
33	Drew Hayes	RHP	R/R	6-1	195	So./TR	McKenzie, Tenn. (McKenzie/Bethel College)
34	Taylor Hill	RHP	R/R	6-3	200	Fr./HS	Mt. Juliet, Tenn. (Mt. Juliet)
36	Aaron Westlake	INF	L/R	6-4	220	Fr./HS	Redding, Calif. (Shasta)
39	Jared Cohen	RHP	R/R	5-11	188	Fr./HS	Phoenixville, Pa. (The Haverford School)
40	Jonathan White	OF	L/L	6-2	205	Jr./2L	Shelbyville, Tenn. (Shelbyville)
42	Chase Reid	RHP	L/R	6-3	210	Fr./HS	Nashville, Tenn. (Southlake Carroll- Texas)
43	Steven Schwartz	RHP	L/R	6-2	200	Jr./RS	Great Neck, N.Y. (Great Neck North/Penn.)
44	Mark Lamm	RHP	R/R	6-4	215	Fr./RS	Loretto, Tenn. (Loretto)
45	Drew Fann	C	R/R	6-4	190	Fr./HS	Murfreesboro, Tenn. (Oakland)
46	Adam Cronk	1B	R/R	6-4	275	Sr./3L	Athens, Ga. (Athens Academy)
51	Alex Hilliard	OF	R/R	6-1	190	Fr./RS	Lafayette, La. (Lafayette)
55	Joey Manning	OF	R/R	6-5	235	Fr./HS	Bartow, Fla. (Bartow)

Head Coach: 4 Tim Corbin (Ohio Wesleyan, 1984) - Sixth Season at Vanderbilt and overall
 Assistant Coaches: 16 Derek Johnson (Eastern Illinois, 1993); 23 Erik Bakich (East Carolina, 2000)
 Volunteer Coach: 30 Blake Allen (Blackburn College, 2001)
 Trainer: Chris Ham (Illinois, 2005)
 Baseball Operations: Mike Calitri (Clemson, 2004), Jens Herman (Assistant Director)

Alphabetical Roster

24	Pedro Alvarez	28	Brad French
18	Sean Bierman	5	Andrew Giobbi
19	Ben Blanton	15	Richie Goodenow
31	Russell Brewer	7	Parker Hanks
9	Curt Casali	6	Brian Harris
11	Nick Christiani	33	Drew Hayes
39	Jared Cohen	34	Taylor Hill
27	Caleb Cotham	51	Alex Hilliard
46	Adam Cronk	21	Brett Jacobson
2	Jason Cunningham	44	Mark Lamm
3	Dominic de la Osa	25	Steven Liddle
45	Drew Fann	1	David Macias
8	Alex Feinberg	55	Joey Manning
22	Ryan Flaherty	12	Mike Minor

Pronunciation Chart

Erik Bakich	BACK	ich
Sean Bierman	BEER	min
Curt Casali	Ca SALLY	
Adam Cronk	CRAHNK	
Dominic de la Osa	DOM	a nick day la OHSa
Alex Feinberg	FINE	burg
Ryan Flaherty	FLAIR	ety
Andrew Giobbi	GEO	bi
Richie Goodenow	good a NOW	
Steven Liddle	Rhymes with Little	
David Macias	Ma SEE	us
Shea Robin	SHAY	
Kellen St. Luce	St. LOOSE	



THE LAST TIME ...

A Vanderbilt Team...

Won 10 or more consecutive games	2/9/07-3/16/07 (20)
Lost five or more consecutive games	3/22/03-4/1/03 (six games)
Scored 20 or more runs in a game	22 vs. Yale, 3/14/00
Scored 10+ Runs in an Inning	11, vs. Butler (4th Inning), 3/14/06
Did Not Strikeout	vs. Tennessee-Martin, 2/23/05
Hit consecutive home runs	Pedro Alvarez, Ryan Flaherty vs. Ole Miss, 4/6/08
Shut out consecutive opponents	vs. Ole Miss (5-0), 3/18/06
	vs. Belmont (7-0), 3/22/06
	vs. Auburn (2-0), 3/24/06
Shut out the opponent	vs. Mississippi State (16-0), 4/12/08
Was shut out by the opponent	vs. Ole Miss (Gm 2) (0-8), 4/5/08
Was shut out in two consecutive games	vs. Kentucky (0-14), (0-4), 4/23/76
Swept a conference doubleheader	vs. Georgia, 5/15/94
Was swept in a conference doubleheader	at Ole Miss, 4/5/08
Swept a conference series at home	vs. Arkansas (two games), 3/29/08-3/30/08
Was swept in a conference series at home	vs. Florida, 5/20/05-5/22/05
Swept a conference series on the road	at Mississippi State, 4/11/08-4/13/08
Was swept in a conference series on the road	at Ole Miss, 4/5/08-4/6/08

A Vanderbilt Player...

Hit two home runs in a game	Pedro Alvarez vs. Ohio (Game 1), 2/18/07
Hit three home runs in a game	Jeff Martin vs. Valparaiso, 3/13/91
Hit a grand slam home run	Dominic de la Osa vs. Georgia, 4/16/06
Walk-Off Home Run	Curt Casali vs. Middle Tennessee, 3/26/08
Hit for the cycle	Clinton Johnston vs. Kentucky, 4/28/96
Had seven or more RBI in a game	Dominic de la Osa (7) vs. Georgia, 4/16/06
	Karl Nonemaker (7) vs. Kentucky, 5/12/02
Had five or more hits in a game	Alex Feinberg vs. Arkansas, 3/29/08
Two hits in an Inning	Pedro Alvarez at Lipscomb, 4/12/06
Had 10 or more total bases in a game	John Prothro (10) vs. Lipscomb, 2/20/02
	Aaron Fausett (10) vs. Ole Miss, 4/4/99
Stole three or more bases in a game	Antoan Richardson (3) vs. Jacksonville State, 3/29/05
	Warner Jones (3) vs. Oakland, 3/7/05
	Antoan Richardson (3) vs. Arkansas State, 2/28/04
	Antoan Richardson (3) vs. Lipscomb, 2/24/04
	Ryan Klosterman (3); 2x vs. Kent State, 3/1/03 and at MSU, 3/16/03
Had 10 or more strikeouts in a game	Nick Christiani (10) vs. Mississippi State, 4/13/08
Had 15 or more strikeouts in a game	David Price (17) vs. Austin Peay, 6/1/07
Pitched a complete game	Mike Minor vs. Alabama, 3/21/08
Pitched a nine-inning, complete game shutout	David Price vs. Alabama, 4/6/07
Pitched a combined shutout	Caleb Cotham (7.0), Taylor Hill (1.0), Brett Jacobson (1.0) vs. Mississippi State, 4/10/07
Pitched a no-hitter	Jensen Lewis, Nick Pilkington, John Scott, Matt Buschmann at Western Ky., 5/6/03
Pitched a perfect game	Jensen Lewis, Nick Pilkington, John Scott, Matt Buschmann at Western Ky., 5/6/03