

# Florida State University





# This Is Florida State

**W**ith the combined strength of history and innovation on its side, Florida State University has grown from its modest, yet portentous creation as the Seminary West of the Suwannee in 1857 into one of the nation's premier research institutions.

In 1994, Florida State was classified a Research University I by the Carnegie Foundation, a distinction shared by less than 3 percent of the nation's universities.

Located on the oldest continuous site of higher education in Florida and building rapidly on the framework of a highly regarded liberal arts college for women,

as well as that of its coed predecessor Florida State College, the university has emerged during the past 51 years to become an institution of national and international esteem.

Now, FSU, a residential campus with 30,519 students, stands ready to lead the technological revolution remaking colleges and universities nationwide. Building on a unique public-private partnership with online information giant LEXIS®-NEXIS®, FirstSearch and other providers, FSU has made availability of online computer information services a top priority. In the wake of a major modernization effort to renovate and upgrade the university's residence halls, FSU is wiring all rooms for

direct Internet access.

Moreover, this access is free to all FSU students and includes other online services such as UNIVerse, which FSU co-developed with LEXIS-NEXIS. UNIVerse users have access to thousands of sources and more than 1 billion documents — more than all the sites of the World Wide Web combined.

A senior member of the 10-member State University System, FSU's operating budget is \$474.3 million. Faculty and administrators generate more than \$100 million annually in external funding to supplement state-sponsored research.

Additionally, the FSU Foundation, Seminole Boosters and FSU Alumni Asso-



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ciation bolster the university's financial well-being, and academic and athletic standing.

FSU's main campus comprises 452 acres in Tallahassee, which is the sixth largest city in the state. Since the early 1990s, the university has actively acquired land in Leon, Bay, Franklin, Gadsden and Sarasota counties to increase its academic offerings to all Floridians and now owns roughly 1,281 acres in those counties.

In 16 colleges and schools, students may earn baccalaureate degrees in 91 programs and master's degrees in 97 programs. There are 28 advanced master and specialist degree programs, 72 doctoral degrees and one professional degree program.

The academic divisions are the colleges of Arts and Sciences; Business; Communication; Education; Human Sciences; Law; Social Sciences; and the FAMU/FSU College of Engineering; and the schools of Criminology and Criminal Justice; Information Studies; Motion Picture, Television and Recording Arts; Music; Nursing; Social Work; Theatre; and Visual Arts and Dance.

As a leader in basic and applied research, FSU is home to the \$100 million, National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, which is a consortium of FSU, the University of Florida and the Los Alamos National Laboratory.

With 1,655 members, the FSU faculty has included nine National Academy of Sciences members and 10 American Academy of Arts and Sciences members and has included five Nobel laureates. Backing up the faculty are 2,122 administrative/professional and support staff.

Of FSU's 30,519 students, 55.2 percent are female, 44.8 percent are male, 20.1 percent are minorities and 2.5 percent of the total enrollment are foreign students.

FSU students represent all 67 counties in Florida, each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and 139 foreign countries.

The freshmen class of 1997 had a 3.5 average high school GPA and averaged 1145 on their SATs. In that class are 264 National Merit Finalists and 40 National Achievement Finalists. Approximately 68 percent of all FSU students receive financial aid, which totaled \$162,448,744 for 1996-97.

These gifted students are a continuing testament to Florida's first Phi Beta Kappa Chapter, which was installed at Florida State College for Women in 1935.

From firmly grounded roots in pre-Civil War Florida through nearly 150 years of upheaval and progress, Florida State continues to be a standard bearer for higher education throughout Florida and the United States.



*As a recognized leader in scientific research, Florida State University places a high priority on its esteemed faculty and the advanced training of graduate students. Chemistry Professor Greg Choppin and graduate doctoral student Pam Wong calibrate a device to measure the thermodynamics of heavy elements such as uranium and plutonium.*

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# This Is Tallahassee

**N**ear, but far from the glaring strips of neon amusement, and the castles and crowds of Disney, lies another magical place in the Sunshine State — one of pow-wows, plantations, politics and great pride. Often described as “The Other Florida” with its deep-rooted history, rolling hills, canopy roads of moss-draped oaks, cool climate and Southern-style hospitality; it is a Florida few have seen. It is Tallahassee — Florida with a Southern accent.

Best known as Florida’s capital, Tallahassee is an intimate neo-metropolitan city where the power of state government, the academic and the artistic are complemented by subtle, old-fashioned charm. It is the perfect two- or three-day diversion for the more than 41 million annual visitors to Florida and 13 million residents.

Tallahassee touts a menagerie of sights including one of the world’s deepest freshwater springs, site of America’s first Christmas, a wildlife habitat, Capitol buildings, fascinating museums of history, sprawling plantations, highly acclaimed fishing and hunting adventures and nearby

beaches. Spirited area festivals range from celebrations of Tallahassee’s spectacular spring and swamp stomps to genuine rattlesnake roundups and seafood festivals.

With the Gulf of Mexico just 20 miles south and the Georgia border only 14 miles north, Tallahassee rests between the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains and the juncture of Florida’s panhandle and peninsula. Nearer in miles to Atlanta than to Miami, Tallahassee more closely resembles its Southern neighbors than Florida in topography, climate and lifestyle.

Accentuating Tallahassee’s Southern persona are lush rolling hills, likened to the seven hills of Rome, and five “official” canopy roads of patriarch oaks. The fertile, rich soil and four distinct, yet pleasant, seasons breed floral brilliance and natural vitality year-round.

Like the city itself, the story of how Tallahassee was chosen as the state capital is rich in history. In 1823, two explorers set out — one on horseback from St. Augustine and the other by boat from Pensacola — to find a permanent, central location for the Legislature to convene.

The two met at a beautiful site that the Creek and Seminole Indians called “tallahassee” — derived from the words “talwa” meaning town and “ahasee” meaning old. The rendezvous point remains Florida’s capital.

The “old town” has undergone many changes, but one thing remains the same — it is still a government town fiercely proud and dedicated to preserving its heritage. The Capitol buildings, both old and new, epitomize Tallahassee’s perseverance.

The 22nd floor of the New Capitol provides a panoramic scope of a sophisticated Southern city awash in a sea of flowering azaleas, snowy dogwoods, towering pines, fragrant magnolias, and hundreds of shimmering lakes, springs, swamps, rivers and sink holes. Special legislative viewing galleries are open during the legislative session.

Below, in the shade of giant live oaks, proudly stands the Old Capitol, originally constructed in 1845 and restored to its 1902 splendor complete with red-and-white candy-striped awnings, a dome adorned with stained glass, antique furnishings and political memorabilia.



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Across from the Old Capitol are the 40-foot twin granite towers of the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial, and the blue stone Union Bank, Florida's oldest surviving financial institution. The nostalgic Old Town Trolley, a replica turn-of-the-century street car, carries passengers through restored Adams Street Commons to numerous other historical downtown shops for *free* — unheard of even 100 years ago.

Minutes from downtown lies the Governor's Mansion, which resembles the home of Florida's military hero Andrew Jackson; and the 52-acre natural animal habitat and 1880s farm of the Tallahassee Museum of History and Natural Science, which provide the rare chance to walk and talk with native Florida animals.

Tallahassee remains firmly linked with the past as evidenced by the unearched 1539 winter encampment of Spanish Hernando de Soto, the site of the first Christmas celebration in America. Visitors travel back through time as they stand in the shadow of a giant 12,000-year-old American Mastodon at the Museum of Florida History or explore other historical spots including The Knott House that Rhymes, The Columns, San Luis Mission, Lake Jackson State Archaeological Site, Natural Bridge Battlefield, First Presbyterian Church, Brokaw-McDougall House, Goodwood Plantation and Adams Street Commons.

Nearby, alligators lazing in the sunshine and anhinga "snake birds" perched on twisted cypress branches are seen at Wakulla Springs, one of the world's deepest freshwater springs and site of many underwater scenes in the "Tarzan" movies with Johnny Weissmuller and Maureen O'Sullivan. Safaris aboard glass-bottomed and jungle cruise boats whisk visitors

within arm's length of "The Other Florida."

Outdoor enthusiasts enjoy adventures including boating and fishing on area lakes, rivers, ponds and the Gulf — just 30 minutes away. Lakes Seminole, Jackson and Talquin are renowned in the bass fishing world for yielding the "big ones," and dense forests offer an abundance of prize-winning game. Local wildlife areas such as the Florida National Scenic Trail, St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge and Apalachicola National Forest are among many spots for camping, picnicking, swimming, biking and exploring.

Appealing to the strokes of different folks, Tallahassee also features 99 holes of golf on six courses and a proliferation of tennis centers. Sideline athletes cheer

the nationally-ranked Florida State Seminoles, Florida A&M Rattlers and the Tallahassee Tiger Sharks, of the East Coast Hockey League. And always a sure bet are the nearby greyhound races.

A sport of sorts, shopping at two regional malls and many specialty centers offer many "playing options" — from popular chains to curiosity and antique shops.

Cultural interests are sparked by widely-acclaimed museums and galleries and elaborate entertainment at the 14,000-seat Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center.

Tallahassee is a collaboration of power-play politics and classical character splashed with a twist of Southern beauty and charm. Tallahassee is Florida with a Southern accent.



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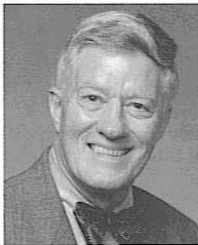


# Athletic Administration

## TALBOT "SANDY" D'ALEMBERTE

*President*

Talbot ("Sandy") D'Alemberte was appointed president of The Florida State University on November 29, 1993, by the Florida Board of Regents, and took office on January 3, 1994. His grandfather attended the Seminary West of the Suwannee and his mother attended the



Florida State College for Women; the two institutions were predecessors to The Florida State University.

D'Alemberte served as the fourth dean of the FSU College of Law from 1984 to 1989 and continues to teach as a member of the University faculty.

In a special "Profiles in Power" section, the April 15, 1985, edition of the National Law Journal listed D'Alemberte as one of the 100 most powerful lawyers in the United States. He was the only law school dean listed and one of only ten members of law school faculties.

He is an active member of many legal and higher educational committees and boards, including numerous American Bar Association committees, state and regional bar associations, the American College of Trial Lawyers, the Lawyers' Committee on Civil Rights Under Law, the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, the Florida Council of 100, the Business-Higher Education Forum, the Campus Compact, the Advisory Board of the First Amendment Center at Vanderbilt University, the Mildred and Claude Pepper Foundation Board of Directors, the Academic Task Force on Hurricane Catastrophe Insurance which identifies ways to provide affordable hurricane insurance coverage to all Floridians, and several FSU committees and boards including the FSU Foundation, the FSU Alumni Association, the Collins Center for Public Policy, the Caribbean Law Institute and the Seminole Boosters Inc.

D'Alemberte was the 1991-1992 president of the American Bar Association and the 1982-1984 president of the American Judicature Society. He represented Dade County in the Florida House of Representatives from 1966 to 1972 and chaired several legislative committees. After leaving the Florida Legislature he chaired the Florida Constitution Revision Commission in 1977-1978 and the Florida Commission on Ethics in 1974-1975.

D'Alemberte practiced law with the Steel Hector & Davis law firm in Miami and Tallahassee where he first began his legal career in

1962 and was named partner in 1965.

D'Alemberte's book, *The Florida Constitution*, was published by Greenwood Press in 1991. He co-edited the 1990 four-volume work, *The Florida Civil Trial Guide*, and has authored over twenty published articles.

Born June 1, 1933, in Tallahassee, D'Alemberte was educated in public schools in Tallahassee and Chattahoochee, Florida. In 1955 he earned his bachelor of arts degree with honors in political science from the University of the South in Seawane, Tennessee and also attended summer school at FSU and the University of Virginia. After military service as a lieutenant in the Naval Reserve, D'Alemberte studied on a Rotary Foundation fellowship at the London School of Economics and Political Science. In 1962 he received his juris doctor with honors from the University of Florida where he was named to the Order of the Coif, served as president of the Student Bar Association, was captain of the moot court team and received the J. Hillis Miller Award as the outstanding law graduate.

He is the father of two grown children, Gabrielle, a graduate of the University of Denver Law School, and Joshua Talbot, a graduate of his father's alma mater, the University of the South, and a public school teacher in Homestead, Florida.

D'Alemberte is married to Patsy Palmer, former children's policy coordinator in Florida Governor Lawton Chiles' office. She has been a journalist, legislative aide and White House staff member; she holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri in journalism and a master's degree from the Harvard Divinity School. D'Alemberte's personal interests include racquetball, tennis, sailing, squash, and flying.

## University Administration

President .....	Talbot "Sandy" D'Alemberte
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Vice President for University Relations .....	Beverly B. Spencer

## Athletics Administration

Athletics Director .....	Dave Hart, Jr.
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Associate Athletics Director for Finance .....	Charles Hurst
Associate Athletics Director/Senior Woman Administrator .....	Kim Record
Associate Athletics Director for Compliance/Legal Affairs .....	Bob Minnix
Assistant Athletics Director for Football Operations .....	Andy Urbanic
Assistant Athletics Director for Basketball Operations .....	Guy Morgan
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Director of Marketing & Promotions .....	Scott Kull
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Director of Student Development .....	Pam Overton
Sports Information Director .....	Rob Wilson

## DAVE HART, JR.

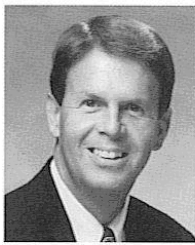
*Director of Athletics*

Dave Hart, Jr., became Florida State's 10th athletics director after a national search selected the former East Carolina athletics director in February, 1995. Hart, 47, has gained national recognition for his skills in the areas of athletics management, public relations, marketing and fund-raising. He brought to Florida State an outstanding reputation as one of the country's most respected athletics directors.

East Carolina University athletics en-

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joyed an enhanced image and reputation under Hart's leadership and he structured several programs of significance within the department. The most notable is ECU's comprehensive Student Development Program for all student-athletes.



While at East Carolina, the athletics department made great strides in revenue growth and facility enhancement. The athletics budget doubled during Hart's tenure and he initiated programs that

tripled the budget for women's athletics. He planned and managed growth in the Pirates' athletic facilities totaling nearly \$30 million.

Hart has served on several prestigious committees during his career as an athletics administrator. In January, 1993, he was appointed to the NCAA Council. He also served on the NCAA's Special Events/Post Season Bowls Committee and chaired committees on marketing and gender equity. He currently serves as Chairman for the Missions and Values Committee of the I-A Athletic Directors' Association in conjunction with the NCAA Foundation and was recently selected to represent athletic directors nationwide on the board of "Power of One," which is a collaborative effort to unite the leadership organizations within intercollegiate athletics in order to better promote college sports. Hart is a member of the Executive Committee of the National Association of Collegiate Athletics Directors' while serving as an officer for both NACDA and the I-A Athletics Directors Associations.

A popular speaker at the national level and the author of a number of articles for national publications, Hart has made numerous speaking presentations to conventions and seminars on program management, student-athlete welfare, marketing, fund-raising and personnel transition. For the past nine years, he has been an instructor at the National Association of College Directors of Athletics' Management Institute.

Just the 10th athletics director in FSU history, Hart officially began his duties at Florida State on March 20, 1995. Since his arrival at FSU, Hart has restructured the administrative staff, negotiated major contracts totaling more than 19 million dollars, prioritized the planning of a women's soccer/softball complex, initiated a comprehensive athletics facilities master plan, developed an extensive Life Skills program for all student-athletes and set a stated departmental goal for comprehensive excellence through pursuit of long term improvement towards the Sears Direc-

tors' Cup, which is emblematic of total program success in intercollegiate athletics.

A 1971 graduate of Alabama, Hart played basketball for the Crimson Tide and earned a master's degree in 1972 while serving as a graduate assistant basketball coach. He coached and taught at the high school level before joining the East Carolina athletics program in 1983.

Hart met his wife, the former Pam Humble, while at Alabama and they have three children — Rick (26), Jamie (24) and Kelly (21).

**CHARLES W. EHRHARDT**  
*Faculty Athletic  
Committee Chairman*

As the Chairman of the FSU Athletic Board, Professor of Law Charles Ehrhardt is an important link for Florida State with the National Collegiate Athletic Association and Atlantic Coast Conference.

Last year, he served as President of the ACC and as a member of the NCAA's Eligibility Committee. Earlier during his tenure as the athletic board chair, he was elected president of the NCAA's Faculty



Athletic Representative Association, was a member of the NCAA President's Commission Liaison Committee and the Special Committee to Study the NCAA Enforcement and Infractions Process. He twice served as president of the Metro Conference. As a Commissioner to the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, Ehrhardt is involved in drafting legislation for a uniform state law regulating the activities of sports agents.

A highly-respected expert in the field of evidence, Ehrhardt is the Ladd Professor of Evidence in the Florida State University College of Law, where he has taught for thirty years. He wrote the Florida Evidence Code, passed by the Florida Legislature, which regulates the admissibility of evidence during court trials. Ehrhardt has written books on evidence and trial objections, which are frequently cited and relied upon by courts.

Ehrhardt is in demand as a lecturer and speaker. He works with lawyers and judges nationwide as a consultant on evidence matters. He currently teaches in the areas of torts, evidence, trial advocacy and sports law. He has been honored four times as the outstanding professor in FSU's College of Law. He was the recipient of a

University Teaching Award in 1989 and the Professorial Excellence Award in 1997.

A native of Elkader, Iowa, Ehrhardt received a bachelor's degree from Iowa State University. He went on to the University of Iowa, where he earned his law degree in 1964. Before coming to Tallahassee, he was an Assistant United States Attorney.

Ehrhardt and his wife, the former Judy Sutton, have three children.

**CHARLIE CARR**  
*Senior Associate  
Athletics Director*

Charlie Carr enters his third year as senior associate athletics director at Florida State in 1997. FSU athletics director Dave Hart named his longtime associate to the number two spot on his staff when he accepted the job in 1995.

Prior to coming to FSU, Carr served under Hart as an associate athletics director at East Carolina University for four years and was executive director of ECU's educational foundation from 1988

until his elevation to associate AD.

Carr's responsibilities at Florida State include assisting in managing all phases of the department's daily operation.

He serves as the department's spokesman in the AD's absence and acts as the athletics department's contact and liaison for campus and community organizations.

Carr also is charged with overseeing departmental personnel in addition to the administration of the Seminole baseball, cross country, golf, track and volley-ball programs.

A well-known member of the college athletics scene in North Carolina as a player, coach and administrator, Carr was athletics director at Mississippi State from 1985-87.

Carr played football and baseball at North Carolina where he earned his master's degree in 1970. He played two years of professional baseball in the N.Y. Mets organization before becoming an assistant football coach at his alma mater from 1971-75 under Bill Dooley. He then coached at Rice University from 1975-78.

He returned to UNC in 1978 to begin administrative work as senior associate athletics director until his appointment at Mississippi State.

Carr and his wife, Dee, have one daughter Caitlin (14).

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# Atlantic Coast Conference

## THE TRADITION

**C**onsistency. It's the mark of true excellence in any endeavor. However, in today's intercollegiate athletics, competition has become so balanced and so competitive that it is virtually impossible to maintain a high level of consistency.

Yet the Atlantic Coast Conference has defied the odds. Now in its 45th year of competition, the ACC has long enjoyed the reputation as one of the strongest and most competitive intercollegiate conferences in the nation. And that is not mere conjecture, the numbers support it.

Since the league's inception in 1953, ACC schools have captured 59 NCAA and AIAW championships, including 28 in men's competition and 32 in women's. In addition, 100 men and 24 women have earned the coveted title of NCAA champion.

## ACC BASEBALL

The ACC has placed at least four teams into the NCAA Baseball Tournament six years in a row and seven of the past eight seasons. Over the past four years the ACC is 52-34 (.553) in NCAA Tourney play with six College World Series participants.

In 1997, the ACC posted a 212-82 (.721) mark against non-conference foes, marking the sixth straight season league teams have won more than 70 percent of their games against outside competition. Since 1990, the ACC is 1726-646-11 (.727) in non-league play.

Over the past couple of years, the ACC has increasingly gained national recognition for the talent level of its players. Over the past four seasons, an NCAA record 15 players from the ACC have been selected in the first round of the Major League Baseball draft. Included were two number one overall picks — Florida State's Paul Wilson in 1994 and Clemson's Kris Benson in 1996. FSU's J.D. Drew was the second overall pick of the 1997 draft.

The ACC also stands at the forefront of intercollegiate athletics in terms of academic accomplishments of its student-athletes. Since 1983, 201 women's basketball players have received ACC Academic Honor Roll recognition. The 1996-97 academic year included 43 selections. In addition ACC basketball players have earned first-team Academic All-America honors six times.

## 1997 IN REVIEW

The 1996-97 academic year concluded with the league pocketing three more national team titles and four individual NCAA crowns. In all, the ACC has won 26 national team crowns in the last seven years.

The ACC's 1996-97 national champions were North Carolina in women's soccer and field hockey and Maryland in women's lacrosse. In addition the ACC had two other teams participate in national title games — Florida State in football and Maryland in men's lacrosse. Overall, the ACC posted a 54-48 (.529) mark in NCAA Tournament play.

The ACC placed at least one team in the Top 10 nationally in 16 of the 24 sports sponsored by the league. Other records of note during the 1996-97 season include 84 teams competing at NCAA Championships, four bowl teams and 33 Top 10 showings.

Seven ACC teams, in six different sports representing five of the nine member institutions, earned a No. 1 ranking during the course of the past academic year.

## The Schools

### CLEMSON

Charter member of the SIAA in 1894, charter member of the SC in 1921, charter member of the ACC in 1953.

### DUKE

Joined the SC in December, 1928; charter member of the ACC in 1953.

### FLORIDA STATE

Charter member of the Dixie Conference in 1948, joined the Metro Conference in July, 1976; joined the ACC September 15, 1990.

### GEORGIA TECH

Charter member of the SIAA in 1894, charter member of SC in 1921, charter member of the SEC in 1932, joined the ACC in July, 1979.

### MARYLAND

Charter member of the SC in 1921, charter member of the ACC in 1953.

### NORTH CAROLINA

Charter member of the SIAA in 1894, charter member of the SC in 1921, charter member of the ACC in 1953.

### N.C. STATE

Charter member of the SC in 1921, charter member of the ACC in 1953.

### VIRGINIA

Charter member of the SIAA in 1894, charter member of the SC in 1921, resigned from SC in December 1936, joined the ACC in December, 1953.

### WAKE FOREST

Joined the SC in February, 1936, charter member of the ACC in 1953.



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The ACC Academic Honor Roll record was broken for the 11th-straight year in 1995-96 as 1,410 student-athletes were recognized for their work in the classroom.

## THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

With the addition of women's lacrosse, the ACC conducted championship competition in 24 sports during the 1996-97 academic year — 12 for men and 12 for women.

The first ACC championship was held in swimming on February 25, 1954. The conference did not conduct championships in cross country, wrestling or tennis during the first year.

The 12 sports for men include football, cross country, soccer, basketball, swimming, indoor and outdoor track, wrestling, baseball, tennis, golf and lacrosse. Fencing, which was started in 1971, was discontinued in 1981.

Women's sports were initiated in 1977 with the first championship meet being held in tennis at Wake Forest University, October 6-8. Conference championships for women are currently conducted in cross country, volleyball, field hockey, soccer, basketball, swimming, indoor and outdoor track, tennis, golf, lacrosse and softball.

## A HISTORY

The Atlantic Coast Conference was founded on May 8, 1953, at the Sedgefield Inn near Greensboro, N.C., with seven charter members — Clemson, Duke, Maryland, North Carolina, North Carolina State, South Carolina and Wake Forest — drawing up the conference by-laws.

The withdrawal of seven schools from the Southern Conference came early on the morning of May 8, 1953, during the Southern Conference's annual spring meeting. On June 14, 1953, the seven members met in Raleigh, N.C., where a set of bylaws was adopted and the name become officially the Atlantic Coast Conference.

On December 4, 1953, conference officials met again at Sedgefield and officially admitted the University of Virginia. The only withdrawal of a school from the ACC came on June 30, 1971 when the University of South Carolina tendered its resignation.

The conference operated with seven members until April 3, 1978, when Georgia Tech was admitted. The Atlanta school had withdrawn from the Southeastern Conference in January of 1964.

The ACC expanded to nine members on July 1, 1991, with the addition of Florida State.

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## FLORIDA STATE ALL-ACC SELECTIONS

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| 1992 1st Team ..... Chris Roberts, P           | Doug Mientkiewicz, 1B; Phil Olson, P;   |
| 2nd Team ..... Roger Bailey, P; Ty Mueller, CF | David Yocum, P                          |
| 1993 2nd Team ..... Paul Wilson, P;            | 1996 1st Team ..... Brooks Badeaux, SS; |
| Mike Schmitz, DH                               | J.D. Drew, CF; Jeremy Morris, LF;       |
| <i>Rookie of the Year</i>                      | Scott Zech, 2B                          |
| Jonathan Johnson, P                            | 2nd Team ..... Chuck Howell, RP         |
| 1994 1st Team ..... Paul Wilson, P;            | <i>Coach of the Year</i>                |
| Mickey Lopez, 2B                               | Mike Martin                             |
| 2nd Team ..... Link Jarrett, SS;               | 1997 1st Team ..... J.D. Drew, OF;      |
| Jonathan Johnson, P; Mike Martin, Jr., C;      | Jeremy Morris, OF; Randy Choate, P      |
| Doug Mientkiewicz, 1B                          | 2nd Team ..... Scott Zech, 2B;          |
| 1995 1st Team ..... Jonathan Johnson, P        | Geoff Sprague, 3B; Zach Diaz, RP        |
| 2nd Team ..... Mickey Lopez, 2B;               | <i>Player of the Year</i>               |
|  | J.D. Drew                               |

## ACC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

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|---|---|
| 1992 .... Chris Roberts, P (2); Roger Bailey, P;  | P; Jonathan Johnson, P;                     |
| Nandy Serrano, 3B                                 | Doug Mientkiewicz, 1B;                      |
| 1993 ... Paul Wilson, P (3); Mike Martin, Jr., P; | David Yocum, P (2)                          |
| John Wasdin, P                                    | 1996 ..... Zach Diaz, P; J.D. Drew, CF (3); |
| 1994 ..... Jonathan Johnson, P;                   | Scooby Morgan, P/DH;                        |
| Paul Wilson, P (3)                                | Jeremy Morris, LF (2)                       |
| 1995 ..... Mike Bell, P;                          | 1997 ..... Randy Choate, P (2);             |
| Charlie Cruz, P; Chuck Howell,                    | J.D. Drew, OF (3); Jeremy Morris, OF (2);   |
|   | Randy Niles, P                              |

## ACC ALL-TOURNAMENT

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| 1992 ..... Chris Roberts, P                  | <i>1995 ACC Tournament MVP</i>             |
| 1993 ..... Doug Mientkiewicz, 1B             | Jonathan Johnson, P                        |
| 1994 ..... Randy Hodges, RF; Paul Wilson, P; | 1996 ..... Scooby Morgan, P/DH             |
| Scott Zech, LF                               | 1997 ..... Chris Chavez, P; J.D. Drew, OF; |
| 1995 ..... Adam Fauror, DH;                  | Jeremy Morris, OF; Jeremy Salazar,         |
| Jonathan Johnson, P; Mickey Lopez, 2B;       | C; Scott Zech, 2B                          |
| Doug Mientkiewicz, 1B;                       | <i>1997 ACC Tournament MVP</i>             |
| Jeremy Morris, LF                            | Jeremy Morris, OF                          |

# 1998 SEMINOLE BASEBALL

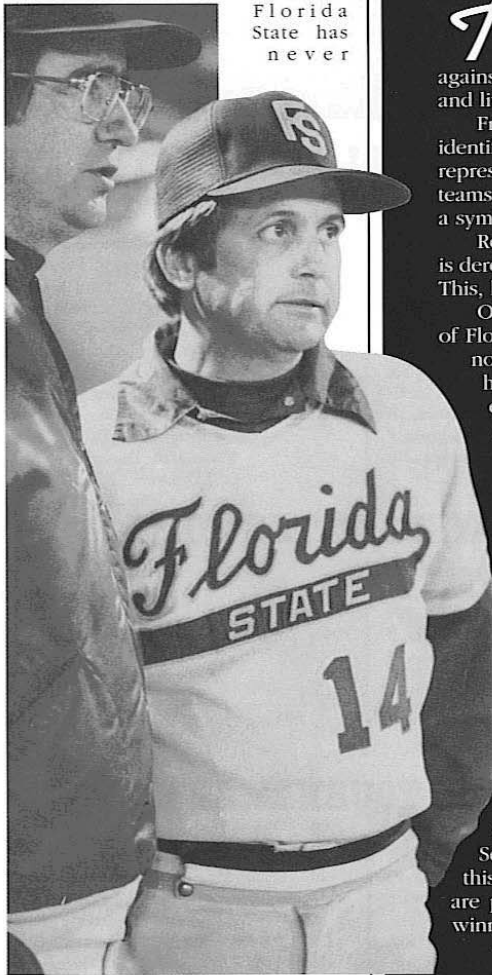


# Baseball Tradition

Baseball is definitely Tallahassee's favorite pastime, and nobody does it better than Florida State. With fans who pile into Dick Howser Stadium by the thousands each week during baseball season, you could say the proof is in the pudding. The reason they come is tradition, a winning tradition that is the essence of the Florida State baseball program.

But tradition doesn't last too long without people. People have made Seminole baseball a winning tradition.

In 50 seasons of intercollegiate play, through six decades and eight head coaches, Florida State has never



Mike Martin and Dick Howser

had a losing season. The Tribe has made 20 consecutive trips to NCAA Regional competition, the second longest current streak in Division I baseball. Since 1948, 35 of FSU's 50 teams have advanced to NCAA Regional or District competition. Fifteen times, Florida State squads have won those tournaments to advance to the College World Series.

Along with the many achievements of Florida State's teams, Seminole players have picked up many individual awards. A trio of Seminole standouts—Mike Fuentes in 1981, Mike Loynd in 1986 and J.D. Drew in 1997—won the Golden Spikes Award, presented annually to the top amateur baseball player in the country. Three players — Terry Kennedy in

## Seminole — Heroic Symbol At Florida State

By Dr. Dale W. Lick, Former President, Florida State University

The history of the Seminole Indians in Florida is the story of a noble, brave, courageous, strong and determined people who, against great odds, struggled successfully to preserve their heritage and live their lives according to their traditions and preferences.

From its earliest days as a university, Florida State has proudly identified its athletic teams with these heroic people because they represent the traits we want our athletes to have. Other athletic teams are called Patriots or Volunteers in the same way — they use a symbol that represents qualities they admire.

Recent critics have complained that the use of Indian symbolism is derogatory. Any symbol can be misused and become derogatory. This, however, has never been the intention at Florida State.

Over the years, we have worked closely with the Seminole Tribe of Florida to ensure the dignity and propriety of the various Seminole symbols we use. Chief Osceola, astride his appaloosa when he plants a flaming spear on the 50-yard line, ignites a furious enthusiasm and loyalty in thousands of football fans, but also salutes a people who have proven that perseverance with integrity prevails.

Some traditions we cannot control. For instance, in the early 1980s, when our band, the Marching Chiefs, began the now-famous arm motion while singing the "war chant," who knew that a few years later the gesture would be picked up by other team's fans and named the "tomahawk chop?" It's a term we did not choose and officially do not use.

Our university's goal is to be a model community that treats all cultures with dignity while celebrating diversity.

I have appointed a task force to review our use of Seminole Indian symbols and traditions. This study group will identify what might be offensive and determine what needs to be done.

Our good relationship with the Seminole Tribe of Florida is one we have cultivated carefully and one we hope to maintain, to the benefit of both the Seminoles of our state and university.

Seminole Tribe of Florida Chairman James E. Billic expressed this point in these words: "We are proud to be Seminoles, and we are proud of the Florida State University Seminoles. We are all winners."

— This column ran in USA Today on Tuesday, May 18, 1993.

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1977, Jeff Ledbetter in 1982 and J.D. Drew in 1997—were named Player of the Year.

Over 158 Seminoles have signed professional contracts after leaving Florida State. In the 1990s alone, FSU has sent 45 players into professional baseball. In 1997, J.D. Drew became the 13th Seminole chosen in the first round of the major league baseball draft and eighth in the 1990s.

The 37-man list of Florida State stars who went on to play in the major leagues ranges from past major leaguers Ken Suarez, Woody Woodward, Jim Lytle, John Grubb and Juan Bonilla, to current pros Paul Sorrento, Luis Alicea, Deion Sanders, Eduardo Perez and Paul Wilson. Every year, more former Seminoles are working their way up the professional ladder and into the limelight of professional baseball.

Undoubtedly, Florida State's winning tradition has been fueled by its fans. Over 98,622 people packed Dick Howser Stadium last year, an average of 2,595 per game.

Florida State enjoys the support of the entire University and the Tallahassee communities. And no matter where the Seminoles travel, they can expect the same rousing cheers they receive in their home stadium. Florida State baseball fans are the most loyal and knowledgeable fans in college baseball.

With that type of fan interest, Florida State baseball attracts extensive media coverage around the state and country. FSU baseball is first page news in Tallahassee, and 10 major newspapers in Florida cover the Seminoles on a daily basis. National baseball publications keep weekly tabs on the squad as well.

And if fans can't travel to watch their Seminoles play, what better way to find out about the action than on the radio. Florida State boasts the most extensive radio package in college baseball. Every game, home and away, will be broadcast live across the Tallahassee area this season.

Media coverage of the Seminoles extends to the television screen. In the past nine seasons, over 100 games have been broadcast on cable networks across the Southeast and the country. Already, 12 games have been scheduled for broadcast in 1998, including three of Florida State's games against intra-state rivals Florida and Miami.

Local television stations offer extensive coverage of the team, beginning in January with preseason practices and continuing through tournament time. "Seminole Uprising" and "The Mike Martin Show", a pair of half-hour shows focusing on Seminole baseball, air twice weekly on statewide cable and on local television.

While the Florida State baseball winning tradition began long ago under the first Seminole coaches, there is no question that tradition has reached unprecedented heights under current head coach Mike Martin. In his 18 seasons at the helm, Martin has led Florida State to nine Col-

lege World Series appearances, including seven in the last 11 years. All 18 of his teams have appeared in NCAA Regionals, and 16 of those 18 teams won at least 50 games. FSU teams coached by Mike Martin have won nearly 75 percent of their games. His career record of 969-330-3 makes Martin the second winningest active coach in Division I baseball.

Athletics and academics go hand in hand at Florida State University, and that is evidenced by the opportunities afforded to each and every student-athlete who attends FSU. The Florida State coaching staff and administration stress the pursuit of excellence in both baseball and academics. To help balance the two, all FSU student-athletes work with the academic support staff, which provides tutorial assistance, career development, scheduled study hall sessions, and computer facilities. One of the Seminole assistant coaches works closely with the academic support staff to monitor class attendance and resolve any conflicts which may arise with scheduling, travel, etc. during the season.

Facilities don't necessarily make a winning tradition. Tradition in Florida State baseball has made the facilities great. Dick Howser Stadium is, simply put, one of the finest college baseball stadiums in

the nation. The setting, with pine trees lining the rightfield wall, a 2,500-seat concrete grandstand and bleacher seats along both lines, is beautiful. The playing field itself is meticulously groomed year-round.

Located behind the Seminole dugout is a lockerroom and clubhouse facility. The spacious, carpeted rooms include a large player room, an office with video equipment where players and coaches review videos, and a training area/weight room.

The Moore Athletic Center, adjacent to Dick Howser Stadium, houses the Seminole weight room and training complex, in addition to the baseball coaches' offices. In the state-of-the-art weight room, FSU baseball players have the opportunity to condition themselves under the direction of strength coach Dave Van Halanger and his assistants, who run an off-season program for Seminole athletes. In the training room, athletes receive the finest care from the professional training staff, led by head trainer Randy Oravetz.

In the past 50 years, thousands of coaches, fans and administrators have contributed to the winning tradition of Seminole baseball. But it is the players who have built that tradition, one person at a time, one season at a time.



*All-American shortstop and former coach Woody Woodward and All-American catcher Buddy Teagle lead the 1962 Seminoles to the College World Series.*

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# Dick Howser Stadium

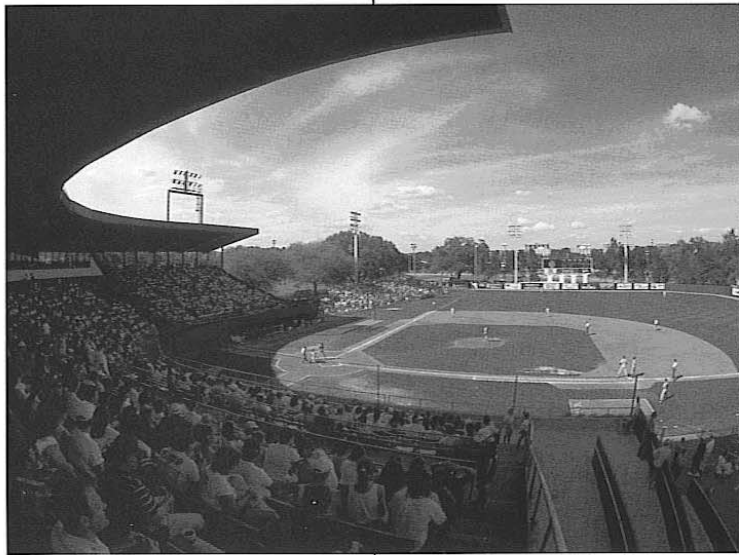
A few collegiate baseball facilities rival the Seminoles' beautiful Dick Howser Stadium. Located on the campus of Florida State University, the stadium has provided over one million fans with the feeling of having "the best seat in the house" to watch the finest in college baseball action. Additions and improvements to the stadium since its 1983 opening have made it one of the best ballparks in the country.



**Dick Howser**

The Seminole Baseball "Tradition Room" underneath the third base stands holds an attractive showcase which tells the story of the great players, award-winners and tremendous teams of the past. Trophies and plaques depicting Florida State's baseball success through the years adorn the walls. It also provides a comfortable lounge area adjacent to the FSU clubhouse, complete with VCR and big-screen television, where Florida State players can relax before and after games.

Florida State's players and coaches enjoy the convenience and luxury of a clubhouse and locker-room located behind the Seminole dugout. The main lockerroom area is fully-carpeted and contains personalized lockers for each player,



a separate lockerroom for the Seminole coaches, a video area where FSU players and coaches do videotape analysis, and a coaches' office. A built-in stereo system blares the players' latest favorites. Adjacent is a room which doubles as a weight and training area, complete with lifting machines.

There are on-going efforts to keep Dick Howser Stadium one of the top facilities in college baseball. Truly a "player's ballpark," the stadium has had many upgrades: the addition of a screen to the top of the right field wall, the addition of a roof to the grandstand and a state-of-the-art electronic scoreboard, complete with message center. New bleachers have just been installed down the rightfield line this season and the outfield wall was padded last year.

Dick Howser Stadium, named after the late Kansas City Royals and Florida State manager who was also Florida State's first-ever baseball All-American, is a showcase befitting one of the top collegiate teams in the nation. From the beautifully-manicured playing surface to the chairback seats and modern press box, Howser Stadium is one of the best places in the country to watch a game.

In 1994, the one-millionth fan walked through the gates of Howser Stadium in only its 12th season of operation. For the eighth consecutive year the Seminoles averaged over 2,000 fans a game.

With a listed capacity of 5,000 in Dick Howser Stadium, Florida State continues to set attendance records. Every year, over 5,000 fans witness the home team take on the University of Miami. Florida State annually ranks in the top 10 nationally in attendance.

Florida State fans are simply the best and most knowledgeable in college baseball. Although they live and die with "their" Seminoles, the FSU faithful are known nationwide for their sportsmanship and appreciation of good baseball — by both teams, as well as their sometimes "creative" brand of support. They, along with the stadium and a professional game operation, are a large reason Dick Howser Stadium has been the site of 13 NCAA Regional tournaments in the 15 years since its opening in 1983.

The stadium was dedicated in honor of Dick Howser in March of 1988 prior to an exhibition game between Florida State and the Kansas City Royals, two of Howser's former teams. As part of the stadium dedication, Kansas City all-stars George Brett and Bo Jackson helped unveil a new \$150,000 matrix scoreboard and a bronze bust of Howser. Both items were permanent additions to the facility.

Old Seminole Field was christened Seminole Stadium March 28, 1983, after over one million dollars of renovations were completed on the park. Wooden bleachers were replaced with a two-tier

## Top Crowds

NO.	OPPONENT	DATE	ATTEN
1.	Miami	4/11/86	6,145
2.	Miami	4/13/91	6,039
3.	Miami	4/12/91	6,032
4.	Miami	4/11/92	5,945
5.	Miami	4/14/90	5,877
6.	Miami	4/14/91	5,740
7.	Miami	4/08/94	5,524
8.	Florida	3/05/94	5,486
9.	Florida	3/09/91	5,450
10.	Florida	3/10/90	5,434
11.	Memphis State	4/21/85	5,423
12.	Arizona State	2/09/91	5,413
13.	Miami	4/11/87	5,405
14.	Miami	4/13/90	5,385
15.	Miami	4/09/94	5,375

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concrete grandstand seating 2,500. Modern concession areas and restrooms, and a press box complete with separate booths for radio and television broadcasts were also added.

The lower level seating is arranged like box seats, while the upper level has metal bleachers with chair backs. All 2,500 grandstand seats annually sell out. Additional seating down both lines provides 2,500 more seats. Nearly 1,000 seats are available for overflow crowds and the park was designed to allow for future expansion.

The playing surface dimensions measure 320 feet to rightfield, 400 feet to center and 340 feet to left. Prior to the 1986 season, a screen was added to the top of the right field wall; it rises from the 10-foot high wall, increasing in five-foot increments from 20 feet in the power alley to 30 feet in rightfield — giving a unique effect.

A matrix board which provides line-ups, statistics and messages throughout the game, a high quality public address system, modern concession stands and vendors circulating the stands give Howser Stadium a "big league" look.

The playing field itself is also often compared to that of a major league park. Long-time FSU grounds chief Robert Barrett and his crew oversee the every-

day upkeep of the playing surface and surroundings, spending hours on the field year-round. The hours of hard work put in by Barrett and his ground crew are often taken for granted, but they give Dick

Howser Stadium a playing field unsurpassed by any collegiate team in the nation.

The beautiful home of Florida State's baseball Seminoles, from the Tradition Room, clubhouse area and lockerroom to the top-notch playing field, chairback seats and overall family atmosphere, is indeed a fitting tribute to one of FSU's greatest alumni, Dick Howser.

## Stadium Quick Facts

Capacity .....	5,000
Dimensions .....	320' right - 400' center - 340' left
Height of Wall .....	10'
Height of Right Field Screen .....	30'
Playing Surface .....	Natural Grass (Bermuda)
Opening Day .....	March 28, 1983
First Game Result .....	FSU 5, LSU 15
First FSU Win .....	FSU 10, LSU 5 (3/29/83)
First Day Crowd .....	1,305
First Run .....	Tommy Zoeller (FSU)
First Hit .....	Zoeller, single to left
First RBI .....	Danny Dowell (FSU), single to score Zoeller
First Batter .....	John Morse (LSU)
First Putout .....	Rick Figueredo (FSU), 5-3 putout on Morse
First Assist .....	Mark Barineau (FSU) on Morse grounder
First Double .....	Ronnie Corbett (LSU), sixth inning
First Triple .....	Ronnie Corbett (LSU), eighth inning
First Home Run .....	Rick Figueredo (FSU), fifth inning
FSU in Dick Howser Stadium .....	526-108-1
Percentage .....	.829

## Season Home Attendance Totals

(Since opening of stadium in 1983)

YEAR	DATES	TOTAL	AVERAGE
1983 <sup>^</sup>	30*	57,575	1,919
1984	51*	72,518	1,422
1985	58*	103,552	1,785
1986	45*	<b>118,897</b>	2,642
1987	43*	86,209	2,005
1988	46*	86,628	1,884
1989	46*	87,240	1,896
1990	40	106,081	2,652
1991	40*	109,549	<b>2,739</b>
1992	41*	90,278	2,202
1993	40*	80,757	2,019
1994	42*	106,352	2,532
1995	35*	85,137	2,432
1996	36	72,382	2,010
1997	38	98,622	2,595
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>1,361,777</b>	<b>2,158</b>

<sup>^</sup> Stadium opened in middle of 1983 season.

\* Includes NCAA Regional games.

Bold indicates FSU single-season record

## 1997 Totals

(Includes Tournaments)

	DATES	TOTAL	AVERAGE
Home*	36	98,622	2,595
Away	29	72,101	2,486
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>170,990</b>	<b>2,548</b>

## BASEBALL TRADITION ROOM

The latest addition to Dick Howser Stadium is the Seminole Baseball Tradition Room. A beautiful area adjacent to the FSU clubhouse and lockerroom. This room, located underneath the stadium, holds an array of FSU baseball memorabilia and trophies which tell the story of Florida State baseball success.

Separate wall displays, attractively backlit, are devoted to Florida State All-Americans, former Seminoles in the pros, and FSU's 15 College World Series teams. Another wall is lined with FSU's most recent tournament and conference championship trophies, as well as replicas of the Golden Spikes Awards of Mike Loynd, Mike Fuentes and J.D. Drew.

Another corner contains a VCR and large-screen television where players can enjoy the latest videos. Couches line the room to provide a comfortable area for relaxed viewing.

The Seminole Baseball Tradition Room, built thanks to the generous donations of Florida State former players, friends and alumni, gives Seminole players an area in which to relax before and after games and practices, and serves as a showcase for the great tradition which is Florida State baseball.

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# Academic Support

## ATHLETIC ACADEMIC SUPPORT MISSION STATEMENT

*The Primary focus of the Athletic Academic Unit is to provide an environment which facilitates the academic success of the student-athlete. Student success is encouraged through competent academic counseling, study skills development, and additional academic assistance through the tutorial program.*

### AN OVERVIEW OF AN ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM ON THE RISE

Academic, personal and professional support are essential to college success. At Florida State University, we have developed an outstanding support program which enables student-athletes to reach their full potential.

Our philosophy is "to offer an academic support program integrated with the total university that will assist all student-athletes with the transition into college and provide continued support in all phases of academic and professional development culminating with graduation, job placement or graduate school."

To accomplish this goal we have developed an academic environment which facilitates the academic success of student-athletes. Student success is encouraged through competent academic counseling,

career exploration, planning and placement, and academic assistance through tutorial programs.

Our program operates on a "proactive" rather than "reactive" approach. At Florida State, our academic staff does not wait for academic crises to occur. We gather important background information and build an academic profile on all student-athletes to assess their needs in advance. We also stay informed on the daily progress of each student-athlete through constant communication with our faculty.

Our academic support staff includes a director, four counselors, and three graduate interns forming a group of professionals serving the needs of all our student-athletes. The director, Mark Meloney, brings 11 years of advising experience at FSU to the position. Over the past four years, Meloney has played an integral role in the development of a comprehensive program of student-athlete support, which in 1996 won an "Award of Excellence" from Athletic Management Magazine.

In 1994, the academic programs moved to the state-of-the-art University

### 1997 GOLDEN TORCH AWARD WINNER

Zach Diaz

### 3.5 CLUB

Brooks Badeaux • Matt Diaz  
Zach Diaz • Matt Woodward

### 3.00 CLUB

John Bentley • Chris Ginn  
Brett Groves • Terry Henderson  
Scott Hudson • George Otero  
Jeremy Salazar • Mike Smalley

Center and are located on the sixth floor of the \$126 million facility. It includes private study carrels, a tutorial study area and a computer lab outfitted with 16 new IBM computers and laser printers. In addition, athletic sky boxes are utilized for group and individualized tutorial instruction.

## ACADEMIC SUPPORT TUTORIAL PROGRAM

The Athletic Department at Florida State University has made a commitment to providing our student-athletes with one of the finest and most comprehensive tutorial programs in the nation. The tutorial program is just one of several key support programs that are available to all student-athletes as they progress towards their ultimate goal of obtaining a college degree.

The academic support program has a cadre of about 80 to 90 tutors each semester who are committed to providing a proactive and individualized approach to insure academic success. The tutors are usually seniors or graduate level students who have outstanding academic backgrounds. Through an orientation session provided each semester by the Tutorial Coordinator, they acquaint themselves with the purposes, objectives and respon-



*The Academic Support Staff*

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sibilities involved with tutoring student-athletes.

Tutorial assistance is available for all academic coursework that is offered by the University and it is the responsibility of the Tutorial Coordinator to arrange all tutorial sessions for student-athletes within the first two weeks of the semester. Student-athletes may request a tutor, or one may be assigned to them, depending upon the circumstances.

## MENTOR PROGRAM

Academic Mentors are academic role models who have demonstrated the ability to teach and give guidance in areas of academic developmental skills.

Each semester, mentors begin the process by sitting down with their assigned student-athletes and assist them in identifying their academic responsibilities. A calendar is developed which becomes a visual blueprint of each course's academic requirements. This tool introduces the student-athlete to the concept of time management. Students learn to plan projects days and weeks in advance. Such planning aids them in developing strong study habits.

Mentors are also responsible for providing assistance in the development of skills such as note taking, test preparation and communication with faculty. In essence, mentors become an extension of the academic counselor as they keep the academic performance of their student-athletes under close observation and report to the academic counselor each week.

Mentors typically spend two or three hours per week during the first few weeks of the semester helping the student-athletes get organized and about one or two hours a week with their assigned student-athlete thereafter keeping up with their progress.

## STUDY HALL

In an effort to help ensure the academic success of the student-athletes, professionally supervised study sessions for each athletic team are required. The main focus of the study hall program is to help students develop consistent and appropriate study patterns by providing a structured setting to work on class assignments, and to provide tutorial assistance before academic problems arise.

Although the criteria for mandatory study hall is left to the discretion of the academic counselor for their respective sport, typically, all freshmen, first year transfers, and upperclassmen who have not achieved a satisfactory cumulative grade point average are required to attend study hall. Additionally, each coach is regularly notified of any absences, tardiness, or inappropriate use of time of student-athletes who are attending study hall.

## ACADEMIC HONORS & AWARDS

Florida State University student-athletes have achieved great success in obtaining recognition for academic excellence. More than \$115,000 in postgraduate award monies have been granted to FSU's student-athletes over the past four years, as well as a number of other academic honors and awards. Florida State had 156 student-athletes on the 1996 Atlantic Coast Conference Honor Roll.

The Academic Support Program is committed to recognizing academic success of

all student-athletes. The Academic Support Program puts on The Golden Torch Gala, an academic awards banquet each fall to recognize the ACC Honor Roll athletes, and the members of each of our 17 teams with the highest GPA's for the previous academic year. Team meetings are held each year, during which time student-athletes are notified of potential honors and awards and encouraged by their academic counselor to apply. Combining a strong GPA with athletic accomplishments and community service activities create a student-athlete capable of attaining unlimited academic honors, awards and postgraduate opportunities.

### Mark Meloney

#### DIRECTOR, ATHLETIC ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAMS

Mark Meloney became Florida State's Director of Athletic Academic Support Programs in August after serving as Acting Director since October 1996. Meloney, who oversees a staff of seven, is responsible for maintaining FSU's highly acclaimed program which has placed the Seminole football team among the nation's best with a graduation rate of over 70 percent in three of the last four years.



Meloney, 36, graduated from Florida State in 1986 with a degree in Management and earned a Master's in Athletic Administration from FSU in 1997. He has worked in various capacities within FSU's academic support structure the past 10 years.

"Mark demonstrated to everyone associated with athletics and academics that he is well-suited to provide the necessary leadership to maintain high levels of performance by our student-athletes in the classroom," FSU Director of Athletics Dave Hart said. "He clearly understands the importance, and priority, placed on our student-athletes being students first."

Meloney and his wife Sarah are the parents of a four-year-old daughter, Montana Shea.

### Amy White

#### BASEBALL ACADEMIC COUNSELOR

Amy White is in her third year with the FSU Athletic Academic Support Staff. She is Academic Counselor responsible for the academic advising of the Men's Baseball and Women's Volleyball teams. She is responsible for coordinating support services for these student-athletes, monitoring their academic progress, and counseling them on academic issues such as course and major selection, study habits and eligibility requirements. She also assists in the recruitment process for these student athletes. In addition to her counseling duties, Amy is the Academic Honors, Awards, and Scholarship Coordinator, as well as the coordinator of the Annual Golden Torch Gala, a black-tie event which recognized the student-athletes' academic achievements. Amy also serves as the Sports Psychology



Consultant for the entire student-athlete population.



# Life Skills & Student Development

## The N.O.L.E.S. Program: New Opportunities for Leadership, Education and Service

Developed by the Florida State University Department of Athletics, the NOLES program represents a commitment to the total growth and development of the student-athlete. This program establishes an administrative commitment to academic and athletic excellence. Those efforts will be supported with programs and services in personal development, career development and community service.

### Personal Development

Fostering the development of personal growth is a fundamental component of the NOLES program. These support programs ensure that the student-athlete will be provided opportunities to focus on personal growth issues such as values clarification, goal setting, fiscal planning, decision making and personal responsibility. Programming focuses on helping student-athletes develop a healthy lifestyle while they

are at Florida State and habits that will benefit them for life.

### Career Development

Preparing for life after college sports is a major focus of the NOLES Career Development program. The program is designed to work cooperatively with the University's Career Services to acquaint students with the job search process, provide networking opportunities and ultimately assist with job placement. This program places a priority on the development of the total person, with the goal of developing individuals who will have rewarding careers and productive lifestyles after they leave Florida State.

### Community Service

Serving the community is the focus of our Seminole Spirit program. Student-athletes are challenged to give service to our community and individuals who

are in need. With a clearly defined program of service, student-athletes are given the opportunity to develop the foundation for a lifelong commitment to volunteerism. The Seminole Spirit Student-Athlete Speakers' Bureau enables student-athletes to improve their speaking skills, develop effective communication and impact the lives of others through their service as role models in our community.

### Leadership Development

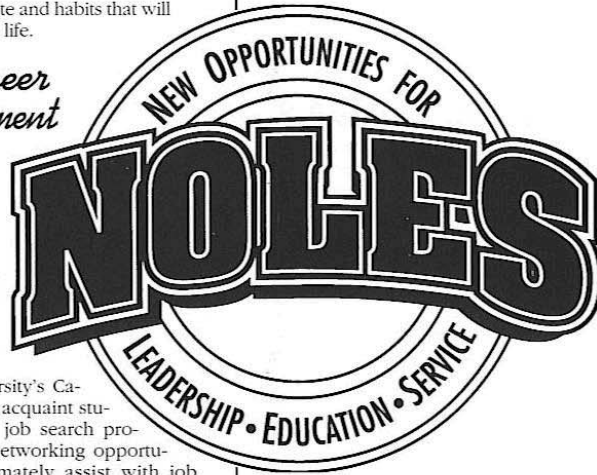
The Florida State University Department of Athletics is committed to developing programs of excellence that foster leadership development. The foundation of the leadership development program will be the two councils that represent the student-athletes at the University.

The Student-Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC) serves as the advisory board to the NOLES program and the athletics administration. The prestigious board, comprised of two representatives of each athletic team at FSU, also recommends programming and serves as a liaison between student-athletes and the athletics administration. The Advisory Council plans and implements various events for student-athletes and serves as the department's most visible ambassadors. The SAAC planned and hosted the annual Golden Nole banquet for the first time last year and have recently planned such events as orientation for incoming student-athletes and the back-to-school picnic.



Student Athletic Advisory Council

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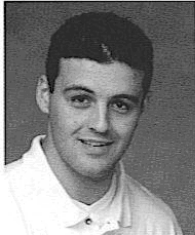




# Strength & Conditioning



Strength training and conditioning is an important part of any athlete's performance on the field. At Florida State, this aspect of a student-athlete's training is taken very seriously.



**Steve Tamborra**  
Baseball Strength & Conditioning Coach

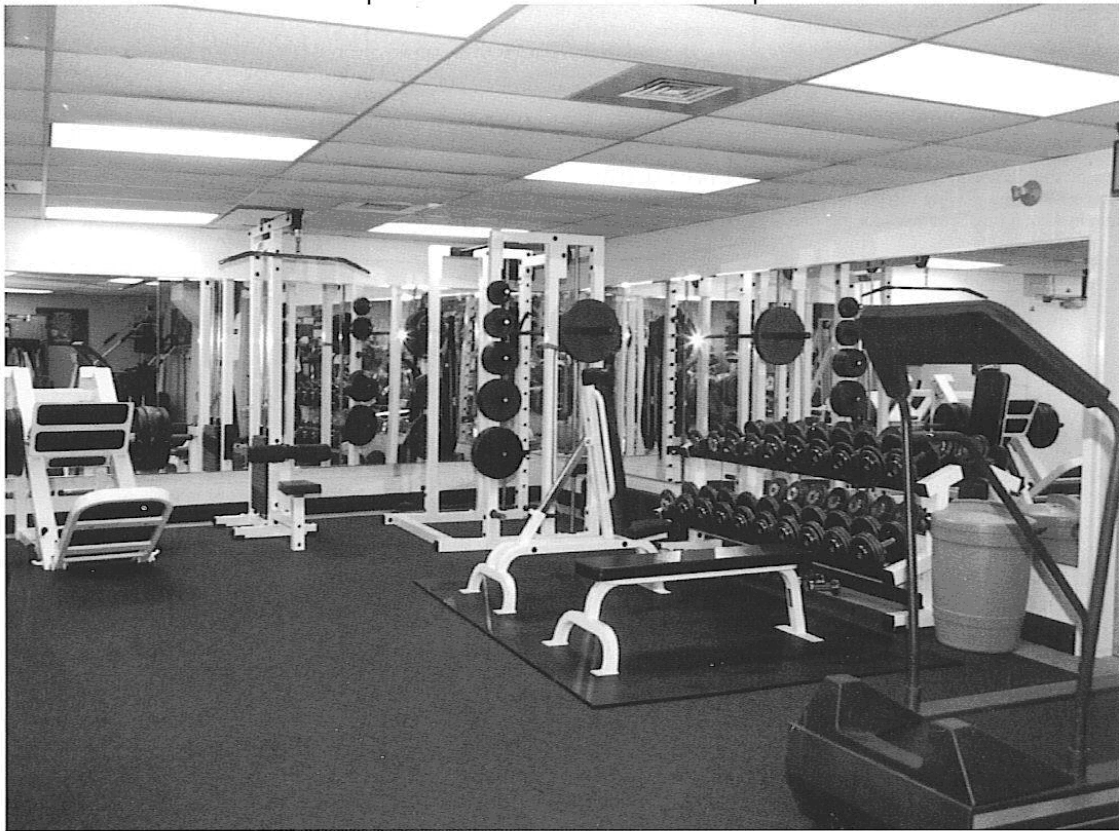
Strength and conditioning coach Steve Tamborra enters his third season as a member of the FSU baseball staff. He is a graduate of Florida State, receiving his bachelor's degree in Nutrition & Fitness and master's degree

in Athletic Administration. Tamborra is a member of the National Strength and Conditioning Association and is a Certified Strength & Conditioning Specialist. He is also certified through the American College of Sports Medicine.

The FSU baseball program's philosophy for strength training is consistency with added variety. The dedicated Seminoles perform a 13-week off-season workout in the Moore Athletic Center weight room. The workout is specific to develop the needs and goals of each individual athlete. It consists of stretching, weight training, speed drills, plyometrics and aerobic conditioning. The off-season workout's aim is to increase the players' speed, strength and durability. In addition to increasing an athlete's performance, the workout is also designed to decrease the incidence of injury.

The Moore Athletic Center weight room is a complete facility with a new rubberized floor surface and a mirrored area which includes exercise systems by Cybex Eagle as well as free weight equipment. A variety of exercise bicycles, rowing machines and Stairmasters incorporate both strength and conditioning and cardiovascular endurance. The facility encompasses over 7,000 square feet.

During the season, the Seminoles continue their training in Dick Howser Stadium's weight room. The team performs an in-season maintenance lift that is essential in keeping in top condition. The Howser weight room is conveniently located adjacent to the Seminoles' clubhouse. It is complete with Cybex equipment, free weights and a variety of cardiovascular machines.



*The weight room at Dick Howser Stadium*

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# Marketing & Promotions

Local baseball fans can always expect a good time at Dick Howser Stadium. Whether playing a contest of chance or a game of skill, fans have plenty to see and do at the ballpark.

Fans of all ages cannot help but to have fun when there is an assortment of contests, giveaways and promotions in which to participate, as well as exciting Seminole baseball action to watch. Upon entering the stadium, fans are encouraged to sign up for contests ranging from catching water balloons in the outfield to racing on a horse around the infield.

Always in the forefront of baseball promotions, FSU Sports Marketing Office has been recognized as a national leader. And for good reason. An annual favorite, "Youth Day" was recognized by *Collegiate Baseball* as the best promotion in college baseball. Once a season, area youth league ballplayers attend a selected game in their team jersey and gain free admittance. The youngsters huddle up, by position, along the leftfield foul line. Then as the Seminole player playing their position is announced all the youth leaguers playing that same position follow their FSU player onto the field where they stay for the playing of the National Anthem. The Dick Howser Stadium playing field is filled with hundreds of future Seminoles for this must-

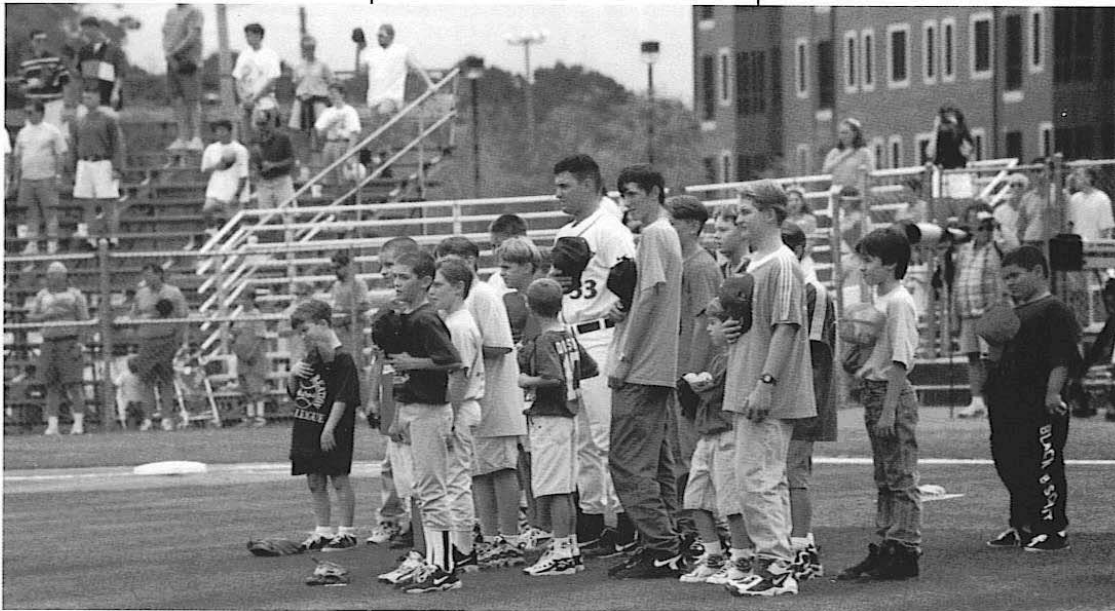


see spectacle. And there's more.

Here is a sample of a few of the crowd favorites which will occur at Howser Stadium in 1998:

- 25 CENT HOT DOG DAY
- SCOUT DAY
- DOLLAR DAY
- FAN APPRECIATION WEEKEND
- BIRTHDAY AT THE BALLPARK

Among other changes and additions for 1998 will be the "4 for 24" promotion in which fans can purchase four tickets, four hot dogs, and four cokes for only \$24. The 1998 Seminole baseball schedule features numerous season-long promotions and single-game specials. So make a point to experience top-notch collegiate baseball the Seminole way.



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