

# 2008-09 Review

## REVIEWING FLORIDA STATE'S 2008-09 SEASON

Florida State earned seven top 10 finishes and won the team championship at the Florida State Spring Break Invitational during the 2008-09 fall and spring seasons. The Seminoles finished in a tie for third place at the Callaway Match Play Championship and finished in fourth place at both the Brickyard Collegiate Championship during the fall season and at the Gator Invitational during the spring season.

## A PAIR OF ALL-AMERICAN HONORS FOR NOLES

Florida State University golfers Matt Savage and Drew Kittleson, who helped lead the Seminoles to the NCAA Southeast Regional championship tournament for the fourth consecutive year, were named to the PING Southeast Regional All-American team as announced by the Golf Coaches Association of America. It marked the second consecutive season Savage was named to the regional All-American team and the first such honor for Kittleson.

## CONFERENCE RECOGNITION

Matt Savage and Drew Kittleson were named to the All-ACC men's golf team and Brooks Koepka was named the ACC Freshman of the Year in a vote by the leagues 11 head coaches. Savage became the first Seminole player to earn All-ACC

honors three times and Koepka is the first Seminole to be named as the ACC men's golf freshman of the year. It's the first time on the All-ACC team for Kittleson who played the Master's Championship in April and the U.S. Open in June.

Savage, who has earned three top-10 finishes this spring, earned All-ACC honors as a sophomore, junior and senior. He is one of only three players in school history to earn All-ACC honors multiple times (Christian Raynor in 1994 and 1995 and Jonas Blixt and 2007 and 2008). Florida State was one of only three teams in 2009 to have multiple players earn All-ACC honors.

Koepka finished his inaugural collegiate season Florida State's second ranked golfer with a 72.58 stroke average and was the only freshman in the league with multiple top five individual finishes. He finished in second place at the Florida State Spring Break Invitational and in a tie for second place in the stroke play competition at the Callaway Match Play Championship. His second place finishes were the best individual placings among all of the freshmen in the ACC.

## SAVAGE HAS SOLID CAREER

Matt Savage, who graduated in May 2009 with a degree in Communications, capped off a stellar FSU career when he was named to the

All-ACC men's golf team, becoming the only player in school history to earn All-ACC honors three times (2007, 2008 and 2009). He also earned All-American Honorable Mentions honors in 2007 and All-Southeast Regional All-American honors in 2008 and 2009.

Savage set the school record for low round score with a nine-under par 63 in the second round of the 2008 Florida State Spring Break Invitational and finished in a tie for third place in leading the Seminoles to the team title at the 2008 ACC Championship. Savage averaged 73.08 strokes in 44 career tournaments for the Seminole men's golf team.

## SAVAGE PLAYS IN FOUR NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior All-American Matt Savage, became one of only a handful of players in school history to play in four NCAA regional championships during his career. Savage earned his best regional outing at the 2007 NCAA East Regional championship at the Lakeside Course at the Country Club of Georgia.



### FLORIDA STATE MEN'S GOLF STATISTICS (FALL 2008 AND SPRING 2009 COMBINED)

Name	Tourn.	Rounds	Par	-75	Low	Strokes	Avg
Drew Kittleson	10	28	10	24	66	2,029	72.46
Brooks Koepka	11	31	10	23	65	2,250	72.58
Matt Savage	11	31	15	24	63	2,256	72.77
Cameron Knight	8	22	11	15	69	1,620	73.64
Nicholas Smith	2	5	1	4	68	370	74.00
Seath Lauer	10	28	5	19	70	2,092	74.71
Wesley Graham	5	14	2	5	68	1,079	77.07

### FLORIDA STATE MEN'S GOLF STATISTICS (SPRING 2009)

Name	Tourn.	Rounds	Par	-75	Low	Strokes	Avg
Nicholas Smith	1	2	2	2	140	70	70.00
Brooks Koepka	8	22	11	18	65	1,575	71.59
Drew Kittleson	7	19	8	16	66	1,374	72.32
Matt Savage	8	22	11	15	63	1,599	72.68
Cameron Knight	7	19	6	15	69	1,405	73.94
Seath Lauer	7	19	5	13	70	1,421	74.79
Wesley Graham	4	11	2	3	68	851	77.36

### FLORIDA STATE MEN'S GOLF STATISTICS (FALL 2008)

Name	Tourn.	Rounds	Par	-75	Low	Strokes	Avg
Cameron Knight	1	3	2	2	69	215	71.67
Matt Savage	3	9	4	7	67	657	73.00
Drew Kittleson	3	9	1	8	70	655	72.78
Seath Lauer	3	9	0	6	71	671	74.56
Brooks Koepka	3	9	0	5	72	675	75.00
Wesley Graham	1	3	0	0	76	228	76.00
Nicholas Smith	1	3	0	2	74	230	76.67



#### FOUR-STRAIGHT NCAA TOURNAMENT APPEARANCES

Led by freshman Brooks Koepka, who carded a three-under par 68 - his third consecutive round in the 60's - and finished in a tie for sixth place in the individual standings, the Seminoles placed in a tie for seventh place in the team standings at the NCAA Southeast Regional at the Red Tail Golf Club.

The Seminoles' appearance in the NCAA Tournament marked the first time the men's golf program has made four consecutive NCAA appearances since the 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983 seasons.

#### JONES TAKES TEAMS TO NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Seminole head coach Trey Jones made his ninth regional championship as a head coach as he took the Seminoles to the 2009 NCAA Southeast Regional Championship. He took four of his seven teams at Georgia State to the regional championships and has taken four of his first six Florida State teams to postseason play.

#### ON A QUEST FOR A GREEN JACKET

An event unlike any other. It is golf's premier tournament held at Bobby Jones' Augusta National Golf Club that has produced some of the most memorable moments in sports history. And it is where Florida State junior Drew Kittleson made his pro tournament debut on April 9 in the first round of the 2009 Masters. After finishing second in the 2008 U.S. Amateur Tournament at Pinehurst No. 21 in August 2008, Kittleson earned a spot to play in both the Masters and 2009 U.S. Open--one of the greatest honors in Florida State golf history.

The Scottsdale, Ariz. native not only became the youngest player in Florida State history to compete in the Masters, but he was also paired with some former tournament champions, such as Mark O'Meara, Phil Mickelson and Tiger Woods, in practice rounds of the tournament.

#### FLORIDA STATE'S TOP 10 FINISHES

Florida State has earned seven top 10 team finishes and each member of the Seminoles' starting line-up earned at least two top-20 individual finishes during the 2008 fall and 2009 spring seasons. Drew Kittleson (tied for 6th/Seminole; tied for 7th/Callaway; tied for 9th/Gator) and Matt Savage (1st/Florida State Spring Break, tied for 6th/Seminole; tied for 10th/Callaway Match Play) earned a team-high three top-10 finishes.

#### HOME-GROWN VICTORY

The FSU men's golf team played an impressive two rounds at the Seminole Golf Course to win the 2009 Florida State Spring Break Invitational. The Seminoles finished the event with an overall team-score of 26 under par (550), after All-American Matt Savage led the way with a nine under par 63- the top score

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for all golfers. Brooks Koepka's seven under par 65 helped seal the victory for the Noles.

#### LAUER AMONG SEMINOLE LEADERS

Junior Seath Lauer led the Seminoles in the individual standings at the 2009 ACC Championship at the Old North State Club at Uwharrie Point in New London, N.C. He tied his season-low score for a tournament with a 219 total and finished as the Seminoles' leader for the second time in his career. Lauer led the Seminoles at the spring 2007 Linger Longer Invitational with a tied for fourth place finish in leading the Seminoles to a third place finish in the team standings in the event.

#### KNIGHT ENJOYS BEST YEAR

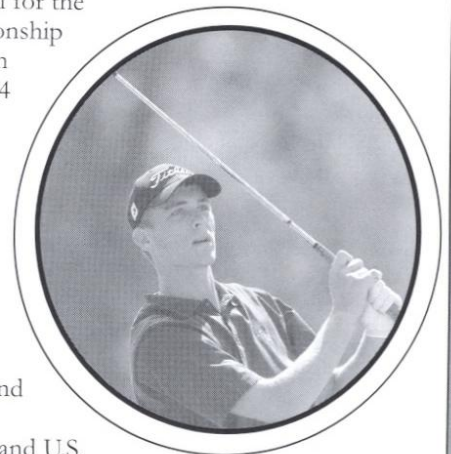
Cameron Knight finished his third season as a Seminoles with a career-low 73.64 stroke average in 22 rounds during eight events. His stroke average during the fall 2008 and spring 2009 seasons was more than one stroke below his career average of 74.93 during the first two seasons of his career.

#### TOP-RANKED SEASON

Florida State began the season ranked 11th before moving up one position to the 10th ranked team in the nation. The success was shared by the women's golf team who moved from an unranked position to 23rd in Golf Week national collegiate polls. Florida State was one of 16 schools nationally and one of only three in the Atlantic Coast Conference to have both its men's and women's teams ranked in the national top-25 at the time.

#### KITTLESON MAKING A NAME FOR HIMSELF

Drew Kittleson, played for the U.S. Amateur Championship after he defeated Adam Mitchell by a score of 4 and 2 in the semifinals on Pinehurst No. 2. Kittleson played Danny Lee in 36 holes of match play for the title in the oldest golf championship in United States golf history. Kittleson finished second in the event, securing a spot in 2009 Masters and U.S. Open tournaments.



#### SEMINOLES SHOWCASE TALENT IN U.S. OPEN

Playing one of the toughest golf courses in the nation under some of the most difficult weather conditions in the history of the event, Seminole Drew Kittleson and former Seminole George McNeil played in the 109th US Open at Bethpage Black Course, June 18-19. Both players played well and represented Florida State and its golf program on one of golf's biggest stages.

# 2008-09 Results

**Olympia Fields Invitational/Sept. 19-21, 2009/Par 70  
Olympia Fields Country Club/Olympia Fields, Ill.**

7/15.	Florida State	300	289	287	876
T11.	Matthew Savage	73	74	67	214
T11.	Drew Kittleson	70	71	73	214
T45.	Brooks Koepka	80	72	73	225
T58.	Seath Lauer	77	72	79	228
66.	Nicholas Smith	82	74	74	230

**PING /GolfWeek Preview/Sept. 28-30, 2008/Par 71  
The Inverness Club/Toledo, Ohio**

10/15.	Florida State	296	292	295	886
T21.	Matt Savage	72	71	75	218
T34.	Drew Kittleson	77	73	72	222
T38.	Brooks Koepka	76	72	75	223
T42.	Seath Lauer	75	76	73	224
T52.	Wesley Graham	76	76	76	228

**2nd Annual Brickyard Collegiate Chmpship/Oct. 11-13, 2008/Par 70  
The Brickyard Golf Course/Macon, Ga.**

4/15.	Florida State	299	288	286	873
T3.	Cameron Knight	77	69	69	215
T21.	Drew Kittleson	73	74	72	219
T21.	Seath Lauer	73	71	75	219
T46.	Matt Savage	79	74	72	225
T54.	Brooks Koepka	76	78	73	227

**Hawaii-Hilo Invitational/Feb. 4-6, 2009/ Par 72  
Mauna Lani Resort/Kohala Coast, Hawaii**

10/17.	Florida State	311	293	286	890
T15.	Drew Kittleson	80	66	72	218
T39.	Brooks Koepka	78	77	69	224
T43.	Cameron Knight	73	75	77	225
T65.	Matt Savage	81	81	68	230
T80.	Seath Lauer	80	75	80	235

**Gator Invitational/Feb. 14-15, 2009/Par 70  
Univ. of Florida Golf Course/Gainesville, Fla.**

4/14.	Florida State	288	282	277	847
T9.	Drew Kittleson	71	70	68	209
T15.	Brooks Koepka	72	69	70	211
T17.	Matt Savage	73	69	70	212
T26.	Cameron Knight	73	74	69	215
73.	Wesley Graham	79	75	75	229

**Seminole Intercollegiate/March 6-8, 2009/Par 72  
Golden Eagle Country Club/Tallahassee, Fla.**

3/12	Florida State	292	289	287	868
T6	Drew Kittleson	69	74	73	216
T6	Matt Savage	73	71	72	216
T13	Cameron Knight	75	71	72	218
T22	Seath Lauer	75	73	73	221
T32	Brooks Koepka	76	78	70	224

**Florida State Spring Break Invitational/March 12, 2009/Par 72  
Seminole Golf Course/Tallahassee, Fla.**

1/6.	Florida State	282	268	550
1.	Matt Savage	69	63	132
2.	Brooks Koepka	68	65	133
3.	Wesley Graham	68	67	137 *
5	Nicholas Smith	68	72	140 *
T10.	Cameron Knight	72	70	142
12	Seath Lauer	73	70	143
T13.	Drew Kittleson	74	70	144

\* played as an individual

**Callaway Match Play Championship/March 22-24, 2009/Par 72  
The Farms Golf Club/Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.**

T2.	Florida State	295	293	588
T4.	Brooks Koepka	71	73	144
T7.	Drew Kittleson	70	75	145
T10.	Matt Savage	74	72	146
T43.	Seath Lauer	80	73	153
78.	Cameron Knight	82	81	163,

**Florida State defeats Texas Tech, 3-1-1**

Florida State (4) vs. Texas Tech (1)  
Drew Kittleson (FSU) def. Nils Floren (TT), 3 and 2  
Matthew Savage (FSU) def. Santiago Rivas (TT), 1 up  
Brooks Koepka (FSU) def. Garrett Merrell (TT), 2 and 1  
Chris Ward (TT) def. Cameron Knight (FSU), 6 and 4  
Seath Lauer (FSU) tied Will Griffin (TT), halved

**Middle Tennessee State def. Florida State, 4-1**

Rick Cochran (MTSU) def. Drew Kittleson (FSU), 4 and 2  
Chas Narramore (MTSU) def. Matt Savage (FSU), 7 and 6  
Brooks Koepka (FSU) def. Jason Millard (MTSU), 3 and 1  
Kent Bulls (MTSU) def. Cameron Knight (FSU), 2 and 1  
Craig Smith (MTSU) def. Seath Lauer (FSU), 3 and 2

**Florida State tied UCLA, 2-2-1**

Gregor Main (UCLA) def. Drew Kittleson (FSU), 2 and 1  
Matt Savage (FSU) def. Erik Flores (UCLA), 2 and 1  
Brooks Koepka (FSU) tied Phillip Francis (UCLA), halved  
Beau Schoolcraft (UCLA) def. Cameron Knight (FSU), 3-2  
Seath Lauer (FSU) def. Connor Driscoll (UCLA), 3 and 2

**US Collegiate Championship/April 5-7, 2009/Par 72  
Golf Club of Georgia/Alpharetta, Ga.**

15/15.	Florida State	302	309	304	915
T7.	Brooks Koepka	70	74	74	218
T41.	Cameron Knight	74	79	74	227
T64.	Matt Savage	79	76	77	232
73.	Seath Lauer	79	80	79	238
T77.	Wesley Graham	88	80	79	247

**56th Annual ACC Men's Golf Championship/April 17-19, 2009/Par 72  
Old North State Club at Uwharrie Point/New London, N.C.**

10/11.	Florida State	287	297	291	875
T24.	Seath Lauer	74	72	73	219
T27.	Brooks Koepka	72	79	69	220
T32.	Matt Savage	71	76	74	221
T36.	Drew Kittleson	70	77	75	222
T40.	Cameron Knight	75	72	76	223

**NCAA Southeast Regional/May 14-16, 2009/Par 71  
Red Tail Golf Club/Sorrento, Fla.**

T7/14.	Florida State	277	286	281	844
T6.	Brooks Koepka	69	69	68	206
T23.	Matt Savage	66	73	71	210
T33.	Seath Lauer	71	70	71	212
T55.	Cameron Knight	71	74	74	219
T60.	Drew Kittleson	71	78	71	220