

Women's 2003 Outlook

Excitement is the word used to describe the upcoming track and field season for the Lady Seminoles. The outlook for the women's team is very promising with key returning athletes including national qualifiers and ACC champions. Makiba Batten, Laura Gerber, Lacy Janson, Natalie Hughes, Kim Jones and Vicky Gill lead the way in the quest for the 2003 outdoor ACC championship. In addition, the Seminoles added one of the best recruiting classes in over a decade at Florida State University, including numerous transfer athletes who will have the opportunity to make an immediate impact. The coaching staff has worked diligently to prepare these young ladies for what could be one of the most exciting seasons the Seminoles have ever had.

Sprints

With Shauna Quinn as the only senior, the Seminoles will look to several underclassmen to lead the way to what hopes to become

distance groups should have a major impact at the conference and national levels. Three key returning All-Americans will lead the way for the Seminoles. As a freshman, Natalie Hughes was a ninth place finisher in the NCAA 1500m and competed well in the 800m. Senior Laura Gerber returns with experience as a national caliber 800m performer and looks to compete for a top five place finish in the outdoor NCAA meet. Senior Vicky Gill finished 15th in the NCAA cross country meet and will contribute greatly in the 10,000m and 5,000m events for the Lady Seminoles.

Hurdles

ACC champion and NCAA qualifier senior Kim Jones returns to anchor the Seminoles' hurdling events. The senior from Greensboro, NC will lead two of the newest members of the hurdling crew, which includes LaKendra McColum, the Georgia high school 100m and 300m hurdles state champion. Joining her is freshman

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one of the great emerging track and field programs in the nation. Junior Tamara Campbell and Sophomore Kimberly Walker will be instrumental in leading six top recruits and enhancing Seminole pride in the sprint events: 100m, 200m, 400m, 4 x 100m relay and 4 x 400m relay. Joining Quinn, Campbell and Walker will be highly recruited freshmen Kimberly Adams, a Georgia 400m state champion, Marla Jackson, Florida's 400m state champion and Cynthia Niako. Expected to see action in the 100m and 4x400m relay are sophomore transfer Sharneka Brown, an All-MEAC honoree, and Laura Gerber, an NCAA All-American and All-ACC team member.

Mid-Distance and Distance

The FSU women return top ACC performers in the 800m, the 1500m, the 5,000m and the 10,000m. Both the mid-distance and

DeAnna Lane, the Georgia state runner-up in the 100m hurdles. These ladies look to make an impact in the Atlantic Coast Conference in their perspective events.

Jumps

All-purpose athlete Kim Jones will continue to lead the way for the Lady Seminoles in the jumps. Coming off outstanding indoor and outdoor ACC and NCAA competitions, Jones will receive help in the long jump with the addition of Georgia state triple jump champion and state long jump competitor Latoya Legree. All-MEAC triple jumper Sharneka Brown and Georgia state triple jump qualifier LaKendra McColum will also contribute significantly.

The pole vault will be one of FSU's strongest events again this year after a phenomenal season by Lacy Janson. Janson set several pole vaulting records including an American Junior record, which placed her in an elite group as a National level pole vaulter. She will be joined by a strong group of vaulters including Carrie Crandall and Nicole Leferber.

The staff looks forward to the road ahead as they are faced with the job of developing and directing a large pool of young athletic talent and leading them to the national level of prominence.

Throws

The women throwers, led by All-American Makiba Batten, are ready to take the field for a season that promises to be full of excitement. Mandy Kinney, Cerinity Young and Kate Purcell are all set to return as the throws squad is rich with talent and experience.

Mandy Kinney is the most versatile thrower competing in the hammer, weight, shot and discus. Cerinity Young, a transfer from the University of Southern California, is sure to have a great impact in conference and national level in the shot put competition. Kate Purcell, a freshman javelin thrower, is really excited to be a member of the Seminole squad and is eager to make a contribution. Makiba Batten enters her final year of eligibility, seeking the one title that has eluded her, the national championship. Last season Batten red-shirted and quietly had her best off season since she entered FSU. This season she once again puts on the Garnet and Gold to challenge for the title of NCAA Champion. Throws coach Harlis Meaders has never been more excited at the potential of the lady throwers.



Lacy Janson

Women's 2003 Roster

Kimberly Adams	Freshman	Sprints/Jumps	Stone Mountain, GA
Anna Alain	Freshman	Sprints	Tampa, FL
Makiba Batten	Senior	Throws	Detroit, MI
Sharneka Brown	Sophomore	Sprints/Jumps	St. Petersburg, FL
Tamara Campbell	Junior	Sprints	Orlando, FL
Jenny Chang	Sophomore	Distance	Jacksonville, FL
Anne Clinton	Sophomore	Distance	Richmond, IN
Kristen Colton	Freshman	Distance	Jacksonville, FL
Carrie Crandall	Junior	Jumps/Pole Vault	Jacksonville, FL
Denise Daniels	Freshman	Sprints	Deerfield, FL
Abbie Day	Freshman	Distance	Winter Park, FL
Chelsea Downs	Junior	Jumps	Ormond Beach, FL
Deja Dupre'	Junior	Sprints	Clearwater, FL
Brianne Farrar	Freshman	Distance	Naples, FL
Tracy Fiedlander	Freshman	Distance	Miami, FL
Laura Gerber	Senior	400/800	Mies, Switzerland
Vicki Gill	Senior	Distance	Lancshire, England
Jennifer Gomez	Freshman	Distance	Miami, FL
Sara Guiffre	Freshman	Distance	Jacksonville, FL
Misty Harper	Junior	Distance	Seminole, FL
Janet Howard	Sophomore	Distance	Clearwater, FL
Natalie Hughes	Sophomore	Mid-Distance	Grand Junctions, CO
Bernadine Innocent	Freshman	Sprints	Deerfield, FL
Marlisha Jackson	Sophomore	Sprints/Hurdles	Jacksonville, FL
Marla Jackson	Freshman	Sprints/Jumps	Jacksonville, FL
Katie Janson	Sophomore	Distance	Oviedo, FL
Lacy Janson	Sophomore	Jumps/Pole Vault	Sarasota, FL
Kimberly Jones	Senior	Jumps/Hurdles	Greensboro, NC
Amanda Jordan	Sophomore	Distance	Oklahoma City, OK
Amanda Kinney	Senior	Throws	Lawrenceville, GA
Diana Klimliewicz	Sophomore	High Jump	Boca Raton, FL
Deanna Lane	Freshman	Hurdles	Marietta, GA
Nicole Lefeber	Sophomore	Pole Vault	Ormond Beach, FL
La'Toya Legree	Freshman	Sprints/Jumps	Lithonia, GA
Allison Lind	Senior	Distance	Woodbury, CT
Mari Leitner	Junior	Distance	Pensacola, FL
Rachel Marsh	Junior	Distance	Kissimmee, FL
LaKendra McCollum	Freshman	Hurdles/Jumps	Lithonia, GA
Laura Melendez	Sophomore	Distance	Livermore, CA
Teresa Miller	Sophomore	Distance	Daytona Beach, FL
Sydney Mondragon	Sophomore	Mid-Distance	Pueblo, CO
Evelyne Niako	Freshman	Sprints	Stone Mountain, GA
Elizabeth Ottey	Freshman	Sprints	Holly Hill, FL
Keisha Pestano	Sophomore	Sprints	Lehigh Acres, FL
Shauna Quinn	Senior	Sprints/Hurdles	Hempstead, NY
Nicole Renzulli	Freshman	Distance	Cranston, RI
Gina Riano	Freshman	Distance	Miami Shores, FL
Aneva Robinson	Freshman	Jumps	Lakeland, FL
Meghan Rogers	Sophomore	Distance/Steeple	Wellington, FL
Ann Schreiber	Freshman	Distance	Little Silver, NJ
Suzanne Shepherd	Sophomore	Distance	Ellis, KS
Elaine Skislak	Junior	Distance	Gulf Breeze, FL
Sara Swanson	Sophomore	Mid-Distance	Lakewood, CO
Tristan Tully	Sophomore	Sprints	Clearwater, FL
Hannatu Tunga-Lergo	Sophomore	Sprints	Gainesville, FL
Patricia Vasquez-Bello	Freshman	High Jump	Miami, FL
Danielle Walker	Junior	Heptathlon	Port Orange, FL
Kimberly Walker	Sophomore	Sprints	Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago
Stephanie Welcher	Freshman	Distance	Bradenton, FL
Cathleen Willy	Freshman	Distance	Flanagan, FL
Emily Yambasky	Junior	Throws	Livonia, MI
Autumn Yauchunis	Freshman	Pole Vault	Dade City, FL
Cerenity Young	Senior	Throws	Woodenville, WA

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KIMBERLEY ADAMS
Freshman • Sprints/Jumps
Sugar Hill, GA
(Stone Mountain)

PREP: National champion in 2001 and national runner up in 2002 in the 400m dash...four-time state champion in the 400m dash (1997, 2000-02)...five time regional champion in the 400m (1997, 1999, 2000-02)...four-time track and

field honor roll member...ninth grade class president...played one year of basketball and captained the team. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Debra and Earnest Adams...born on November 11, 1983...greatest ambition is to go to the Olympics...majoring in communications.



MAKIBA BATTEN
Senior • Throws
Detroit, MI (Renaissance)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: SHOT PUT (48-09.50), DISCUS (172-10)

2002: Indoor & Outdoor – Took a redshirt her senior season...competed as an unattached athlete at various meets during the season...qualified for the USA

Nationals in the discus with a personal-best mark of 176-01. **2001:** Added to her impressive list of awards and honors by earning All-ACC honors in three events and qualifying for the NCAA



Makiba Batten

Outdoor Championship...her throw of 163-10 in the discus earned her 11th overall at the NCAA Outdoor Championship...her toss of 168-9 was good for second overall in the discus event at the ACC Outdoor Championship...enjoyed a dominating outdoor season in the discus throw, capturing first place in six of eight meets prior to the NCAA Championship...her toss of 46-08.25 in shot put competition was good for third overall at the ACC Indoor Championship... followed with a third-place finish at the ACC Outdoor Championship in the shot...the third-place finish at the ACC outdoors was her lowest finish of the outdoor season, as her record included five first-place finishes and a second and third-place finish. **2000:** All-everything in her sophomore season, accumulating All-ACC honors for both the indoor and outdoor seasons...named an NCAA All-American in the discus...won the conference individual championship for the shot put in both the indoor and outdoor seasons, helping the women's squad to its first ever ACC team championship...set a new Florida State all-time record with her discus of 172-10 which earned her a first-place finish at the Seminole Twilight Meet...tossed the shot 48-09.50 at the ACC Outdoor Championships, earning her first conference crown and launching her into the record books again with the third-best mark in Florida State Track and Field history...competed in the NCAA Outdoor Championships finishing fifth in her flight (ninth overall) with a toss of 165-09...is the Seminoles' top returner in both the shot out and the discus...added a fifth-place mark at Virginia Tech, throwing the implement 44-08...ended the season with a season-best mark in the javelin of 111-10 at the ACC Outdoor Championships for an eighth-place finish...Batten ended the season with the squad's third-best mark in the javelin. **1999:** Recorded a third-place finish in the shot put event in her first collegiate meet... finished first among collegiate competitors at the Florida Invitational...placed second in the shot put event at the ACC Indoors...turned in her best performance of the year at the Seminole Twilight Invitational with season best distance in the shot put (46-1.50) and discus (159-11)...efforts at the Seminole Twilight meet went down as the second best discus throw and sixth best shot put mark in FSU history...took home first place in both the shot put and discus at the South Florida Invitational...showcased diverse talents by finishing seventh in the javelin event at the ACC Outdoors. **PREP:** All-state, all-region and all-city through all four years at Renaissance High School...participated in volleyball and basketball in addition to track and field...an honor roll student who was involved in numerous high school activities. **PERSONAL:** Born on October 26, 1980...cousin of world record holder and FSU alum Kim Batten...majoring in pre-physical therapy.



SHARNEKA BROWN
Sophomore • Sprints/Jumps
St. Petersburg, FL
(Florida A&M)

FAMU: Transferred to FSU from Florida A&M...All-MEAC honoree in the triple jump and 55m dash...placed fourth in the triple jump at the MEAC championships.

PREP: Participated in track and field all four years at Lakewood High School...

track team MVP as senior...member of state championship 4x100 relay team...helped lead her team to state runner-up finishes in 1998 and 1999...honor roll member...student body treasurer... 2001 *St. Petersburg Times* athlete of the year. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of David and Jackie Brown...born on November 10, 1982...majoring in criminology.

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TAMARA CAMPBELL Junior • Sprints Orlando, FL (Evans)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: 400M DASH (54.54), 200M DASH (24.96)

2002: Indoor – The top performer for the women's squad in the 400m at the Florida Intercollegiate, the UNC Classic and the ACC Indoor Track & Field

Championships...contributed in the 200m by competing at the Gator Invitational and the ACC Indoor Track & Field Championships...placed fourth as the first leg of the FSU 4x400m relay team at the ACC Indoor Track & Field Championships where the relay team finished with a season-best time of 3:49.7...**Outdoor** – Led the Lady Seminoles in the 400m and provided added depth in the 200m...posted a career best time of 54.54 in the 400m at the ACC Championships where she finished in fifth place...achieved other top times in the 400m at the FSU 3-Way, the FSU Twilight and the Florida Relays...in the 200m Campbell attained a personal best time of 24.96 at the FSU Twilight...posted times of 25.47 twice at the FSU Season Opener and at the Georgia Tech Invite. **2001:** Gave the Lady Seminoles depth in several sprints, including the 55m, the 200m and the 400m...member of the 400m relay team which placed third at the ACC meet and provisionally qualified for NCAA's...set her personal best in the 200m at the Georgia Bulldog Classic, finishing in 25.46...showed marked improvement in the 400m throughout the outdoor season, earning two fifth-place finishes and one third place finish (FSU Relays). **AT FAMU:** Was the Indoor conference champion in the shot put...finished second at the 2001 MEAC Outdoor Championship in the heptathlon and shot put. **AT HOUSTON:** Competed for two years at the University of



Tamara Campbell

Houston under head coach and U.S. Olympic gold medalist Leroy Burrell...finished second at the 2000 Conference USA Outdoor Championship in the heptathlon and third in the shot put at the indoor conference meet...won the 1999 C-USA title in the shot put at the indoor and outdoor championships. **PREP:** Four-year member of the Evans High School track team...attended the same high school as her brother, and teammate, Sean. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Uche Okeke...born on July 28, 1978...majoring in pre-physical therapy...earned Dean's List honors at FAMU in 2000-2001.



ANNE CLINTON Sophomore • Distance Richmond, IN (Richmond)

2002: Cross Country – Helped lead the Lady Seminoles to their first ever appearance at the NCAA Championships...scored in every meet she competed in...finished second for the Tribe at the Mountaineer Open, Seminole Invitational and Great American XC Festival...turned

in a top performance at the Seminole Invitational after placing eighth with a time of 18:44.8 for the 5k course...finished 49th at the ACC Championships with a mark of 23:44.5 in the 6k run. **PREP:** Track, golf and gymnastics standout at Richmond High School...MVP of track team as a sophomore...qualified for state championships as a senior...competed in the high jump in addition to distance events...three time golf MVP...sectional champion in golf as a senior...three time all-state honoree in gymnastics...honor roll all four years...involved in Peer-Helpers, Mi-Y, R-Club and FCA. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Vicki and George Clinton...born on September 29, 1982...park and recreation major.



CARRIE CRANDALL Junior • Jumps/Pole Vault Jacksonville, FL (Episcopal)

COLLEGIATE BEST: POLE VAULT (11-10)

2002: Indoor – Saw action at the Florida Intercollegiate posting a mark of 10-6...**Outdoor** – Gave the Lady Seminoles added depth in the pole vaulting

event...set a season high mark of 11-04.25 at the FSU Twilight meet...compiled vaults over 11 feet three times with one coming on the road at the Georgia Tech Invite...her mark of 11-00.25 was second on the Florida State squad at the FSU Relays. **2001:** Added strong depth to the pole vaulting squad as a freshman...set a personal best mark at the ACC Outdoor Championship by clearing 11-10 to finish ninth...won the pole vault event at the FSU Season Opener and FAMU Relays...vaulted over 11 feet five times. **PREP:** Competed on Jacksonville Area Vault Club team...competed on high school cross country team in 1994-95 and competed on the track and field team from 1996-2000...earned all-state honors four times, as well as earning an individual state championship twice and being named her team's Most Valuable Athlete in her senior year...earned the "Coaches' Award" as a junior...was named to her high school's Dean's List in her senior year. **PERSONAL:** Majoring in business and management information systems...daughter of Pat and Jackie Crandall...celebrates a birthday on February 23.

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CHELSEA DOWNS

Junior • Jumps
Ormond Beach, FL
(Seabreeze)

**COLLEGE BESTS: LONG JUMP (18-07.25),
HEPTATHLON (4,297), 100M HURDLES (15.58),
JAVELIN (79-08)**

2002: Turned in the second-best marks of the year for the long jump (18-07.25) and 100m hurdles (15.58) ...one of the Lady Seminole's top competitors in the heptathlon... finished ninth in the heptathlon at the ACC Outdoor Championships. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Jeff and Kathy Downs...born on April 4, 1982...nursing major.

DEJA DUPREE

Junior • Sprints
Clearwater, FL (Clearwater)

COLLEGE BESTS: 400M HURDLES (1:07.92)

2002: FSU's top competitor in the 400m hurdles...turned in a season's best time of 1:07.92 in the 400m hurdles at the FSU 3-Way meet. **PREP:** Named MVP of Clearwater High School's track team as junior and senior...captain of the track squad her senior season...member of the cheerleading squad and swim team...honor roll member. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Denise and Dean Dupree...born on January 18, 1981...exercise science major.



LAURA GERBER

Senior • Mid Distance
Geneva, Switzerland
(Chispite Senior)

**COLLEGIATE BESTS: 800M
(2:06), 400M (53:71)**

2002: Indoor – Voted to the ACC 50th Anniversary Women's Indoor Track & Field Team...as the anchor of the FSU

4x400m relay team, Gerber helped the team finish with a season-best time of 3:49.7 and place fourth at the ACC Indoor Track & Field Championships...led the Lady Seminoles in the 800m and competed in the 400m and 600 yard run...provided the squad with top times at the Adidas Invite finishing at 1:22.42 in the 600 yard run...at the same meet, she finished with a time of 2:14.72 in the 800m...represented FSU in the 400m at the UNC Invitational and the Gator Invitational...**Outdoor** – Redshirted the outdoor season. **2001:** Earned All-America honors for her accomplishments during the indoor season and established herself as one of the top 800m runners in the nation...finished third at the NCAA Indoor National Championship in the 800m with a time of 2:08.84...qualified for the NCAA Outdoor National Championship and finished 14th in the nation in the 800m (2:07.69)...named to the All-ACC indoor and outdoor teams in the 800m...finished second at both the conference's indoor (2:07.32) and outdoor (2:06.95) meets...set a personal-best time in the 800m at the Georgia Tech Invite with a time of 2:06 to finish second...set a career-best mark in the 400m with a time of 53.71 to finish third at the FSU Quad meet. **2000:** Had an incredible season which included NCAA and national honors ...was an Olympic Trials Qualifier for Zimbabwe after setting the

national record in the 400m for her native country...integral part of the women's 4x400m relay team which was crowned the conference champion after running a 3:38.77...named All-ACC for the outdoor championships after helping her 4x400m team to a first-place finish...NCAA Championships Qualifier as part of relay team... returns the squad's top mark in both the 400m dash as well as the 800m run...finished in third place after running a season-best 53.88 in the 400m dash at the Seminole Twilight Meet...ran the squad's fastest 800m time of the season in 2000 (2:11.24) at the USTCA Meet...added a solid 400m performance at the Georgia Tech Meet where she ran 54.27. **1999:** Showed improvement in her marks over the course of the indoor season...took home first place at the Iowa State Invitational in the 800m competition...captured the ACC title in the 800m and posted the conference best time in the event for the indoor season...member of the 4x400m relay team that placed 11th at the NCAA Indoor Championships and competed in the NCAA Outdoor Championships...recorded a season-best time of 54.21 in the 400m competition at the FSU Relays...took home first place at the Florida Relays in the 800m event with a team best 2:08.78...finished the season as one of the top five ACC performers in both the 400m and 800m. **PREP:** Recorded a time of 55.06 in the 400m and 26.40 in the 200m at the age of 16...broke the Zimbabwe Senior record in the 400m and 4x400m...participated in track, horseback riding, squash and tennis in high school. **PERSONAL:** Brother, David, was chosen to run the 800m in the Olympics for South Africa...plans to pursue a career in coaching... born October 29, 1980.



Laura Gerber

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Vicky Gill

VICKY GILL
Senior • Distance
Lancashire, England
(St. Andrews University)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: 5K (16:26), 10K (33:59.67)

2002: Cross Country – Became the first women's cross country All-American in school history...finished 15th at the

NCAA Championships with a time of 20:07.4 on the 6k course... won the NCAA South Regional and led FSU to a second-place finish to earn all-region honors...named to the All-ACC team after placing second at the conference championship...won the NCAA Pre-Nationals...was the top finisher for the Lady Seminoles in all five meets she competed in...**Indoor** – Redshirted the indoor season...**Outdoor** – Established many top times for the Lady Seminoles in the distance events...compiled a personal best and NCAA automatic qualifying and FSU record time of 33:59.67 in the 10K at the Stanford Invitational where she finished in 16th place...at the NCAA Championships, she placed 11th in the 10K run in a time of 35:13.61...finished fifth in the 10K at the ACC Championships with a time of 35:32.54...went on to finish tenth at the ACC Championships running the 5K in 17:17.59...in the 5K, Gill attained a season best time of 17:01.60 at the Snowbird Invitational in Tallahassee, Fla., which places her third on the all-time charts in FSU history...at the FSU 3-Way, she ran a team best time of 10:20.22 in the 3K and achieved a personal best in the 1500m at 4:37.92. **2001: Cross Country** – Finished at the NCAA National Championship in 122nd place with a time of 22:20 for the 6K course...Earned All-South Region honors following her fourth-place finish, crossing the finish line of the 6K course at 20:20...placed fifth at the ACC Championship, which was the highest finish in school history, earning her All-ACC honors...placed first at the Auburn Invitational, earning her ACC Cross Country Performer of the Week honors...led all Lady Seminoles at the NCAA Pre-Nationals with a time of 21:47 for the 6K course...won the Florida State Intercollegiate Championship running unattached. **PRIOR TO FSU:** Finished ninth in the United Kingdom Senior World Cross Country Trials as a 20-year old...missed making the U.K. national team by two spots with less than three-years of cross country experience. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Anthony and Netta Gill...born October 21, 1980.



MISTY HARPER
Junior • Distance
Seminole, FL (Seminole)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: 3000M RUN (10:20.22), 5000M (18:00.23)

2002: Cross Country – One of the Lady Seminoles' most dependable runners... named to the NCAA All-South Region team following a 22nd-place finish at the

regional meet...helped lead FSU to its first NCAA appearance... finished 36th at the ACC meet...best finish was ninth at the Seminole XC Invitational...scored in all seven races she competed in...**Indoor** – Competed in the 3,000m for the Lady Seminoles at the Florida Intercollegiates where she finished with a mark of 10:34.05 to lead the team...**Outdoor** – Competed in the distance events and added valuable depth for the Lady Seminoles...at the ACC Outdoor Championships, she established a time of 38:36.05 in the 10K finishing in 12th place...established a personal best time of 10:21.07 in the 3K at the FSU 3-Way...ran in the 5K at the FSU Season Opener, GT Invite, and Snowbird Invitational posting a personal best time of 18:00.23 at the FSU Opener. **2001:** Adds depth in the distance events, following a strong season in cross country...set season best in the 5000m at the FSU Relays, finishing in 18:09.90...her time of 18:47.52 earned eighth overall at the Snowbird Invite. **2001: Cross Country** – Time of 22:01 was good for a sixth-place finish at the Florida Intercollegiate Championships...finished 12th at the Appalachian State Invitational with a time of 18:32.00...finished third for the Seminoles at the NCAA Pre-Nationals with a time of 22:55...placed 27th at the ACC Championship at 22:23. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Earned All-Conference honors in her senior year. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of J.P. and Revonda Harper...born December 11, 1980...majoring in psychology.

NATALIE HUGHES
Sophomore • Mid-Distance
Grand Junction, CO
(Palisade)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: MILE RUN (4:46.54), 800M RUN (2:08.30), 1500M (4:19.69)

2002: Cross Country – Placed eighth at the NCAA South Regional meet to earn

all-region honors...her performance at the South Regional helped the Lady Seminoles finish second and secure a spot at the NCAA Championships...scored for FSU at all six meets she ran in...began the season as the first finisher for FSU at the Mountaineer Open, placing seventh overall...was the top finisher for FSU, third overall, at the Seminole XC Invitational...**Indoor** – Named to the All-ACC team in the one-mile run...placed second in the one-mile run representing Florida State at the ACC Indoor Track Championships with a time of 4:46.54...also stood atop the Seminole standings in the one-mile run at the UNC Classic and at the Florida Intercollegiates...**Outdoor** – Earned All-America honors in the 1500m run with her eighth-place finish at the NCAA Track and Field Championships...in the 1500m, finished third at the ACC Championships to earn all-conference honors with a time of 4:20.77...finished sixth at the ACC Championships in a time of 2:09.84 in the 800m run...posted a career best time of 4:19.69, which is good for



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Natalie Hughes

third all-time in the Seminole record books, at the Cardinal Qualifier...compiled other top finishes for FSU in the 1500m at the Georgia Tech Invite and Stanford Invitational...was the top performer for the Lady Seminoles in the 800m in four meets on the season...posted a personal best time of 2:08.30 in the 800m at the FSU 3-Way...compiled top finishes for Florida State at the GT/Reebok Invite and Snowbird Invitational in the 800m event. **2001: Cross Country** – Earned All-South Region honors following her ninth-place finish at the regional meet with a time of 21:35...placed second for the Seminoles and 27th overall at the ACC Championship at 22:37...took 19th-place at the Appalachian State Invitational with a time of 18:41 for the 5K course...improved to 13th overall and fourth for FSU at the Florida Intercollegiate Championships with a time of 22:24...her climb up the ranks for the Lady Seminoles continued at the Auburn Invitational, crossing the line in 17:32, good for third among FSU runners and 24th overall. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Was the state cross country champion in 1997, 1999, and 2000...awards earned include Varsity Online Athlete of the Year, Who's Who in Sports and Schoolsports.com Greater Denver Girls cross country Player of the Year. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Gene and Beverly Hughes...born December 18, 1982...majoring in sport management...chose FSU over NCAA cross country champions, Colorado.



MARLA JACKSON
Freshman • Sprints/Jumps
Jacksonville, FL
(Stanton College Prep)

PREP: Track class 5A state champion in the 400m dash (55.44) and state record holder as freshman...broke her own state record in winning a second state title in the 400m dash (55.32)...as a junior, won

the state championship in her first year of competition in the high jump (5-06)...earned all-state and all-city honors her junior and senior years...selected to the All-Gateway Conference track and field team all four years...four-year letter winner in track and field and basketball...basketball MVP all four seasons in addition to being team captain as sophomore, junior and senior...member of high school yearbook staff. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Paula Jackson...born on October 17, 1984...early childhood education major.



MARLISHA JACKSON
Sophomore • Sprints/
Hurdles
Jacksonville, FL (Paxon)

COLLEGE BESTS: 400M HURDLES (1:08.98), 300M HURDLES (46.16), 100M HURDLES (15.92)

2002: Earned valuable experience competing in four meets as a freshman...owns the season's second-best time in the 400m hurdles of 1:08.98...turned in her best time of 15.92 in the 100m hurdles at the FSU Relays...was the only Lady Seminole to run the 300m hurdles, completing the event in 46.16. **PREP:** Top seven finisher in hurdles at state championships all four years of track competition...track team MVP junior year...voted as one of the top senior athletes in Jacksonville following senior season...played basketball all four years...member of African Kindness Club...SOS Step Group...involved with Paxon Senior Women...honor roll member. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Curtis and Melody Parker...born on January 17, 1983...biology/pre-med major.



LACY JANSON
Sophomore • Jumps/
Pole Vault
Sarasota, FL
(Cardinal Mooney)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: POLE VAULT (14-00)

2002: Indoor – Achieved All-America honors in the pole vault as she finished in sixth place with a mark of 13-7.25 at the NCAA Track & Field Championships...only Seminole to automatically qualify for the NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships...holds the Atlantic Coast Conference and school record with her mark of 13-7.25 at the ACC Indoor Track and Field Championships...that same mark earned her the ACC title in the pole vault...awarded as the ACC Indoor Track & Field Performer of the Week twice...first, after qualifying for the NCAA Championships at her first collegiate meet, the Florida Intercollegiate...second, after winning the Gator Invitational and breaking the three-year old O'Connell Center Indoor Track record...**Outdoor** – Earned All-America honors following a ninth-place finish at the NCAA Championships with a height of 12-09.50...vaulted a record-breaking 14 feet at the ACC Championships to win the conference title and earn All-ACC honors...the height broke the conference, ACC meet and FSU pole vault records...the 14-foot vault was the third highest mark in the nation entering the NCAA Championships...only FSU member to vault over 13 feet...vaulted 13 feet or higher at six meets. **PREP:**

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Lacy Janson

Had an impressive prep career that included a successful stint on the U.S. national team...was the champion at the 2001 Junior Pan American Games in Argentina...placed second for the U.S. Junior Team at a dual meet against the Britain Junior Team in Edinburgh, England...was the 2001 high school national champion in the pole vault...holds the Florida high school record in the pole vault with a mark of 13-01.5...earned MVP honors on her high school team during her junior and senior years...lettered in track and field for two years at Cardinal Mooney High School...competed in volleyball for four years...earned honor roll honors all four years of high school...member of the National Honors Society...earned all-state honors in volleyball her junior and senior seasons. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Chuck and Laurie Janson...born on February 20, 1983...made the Dean's List her first semester at FSU...major is undecided.



KIM JONES

Senior • Jumps/Hurdles
Greensboro, NC (Grimsley)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: LONG JUMP (21-01.25), 100M HURDLES (13.30), 60M HURDLES (8.36)

2002: Indoor – Received All-America honors in the long jump and the 60m hurdles...her mark of 19-11 in the long

jump was good enough to place her 12th overall as she represented the Lady Seminoles at the NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships...led the women's squad for the Seminoles at the ACC Indoor Track & Field Championships with two championships of her own...won the ACC title for the long jump with her mark of 20-10...earned the ACC championship in the 60m hurdles with a season-best and provisional time of 8.38...placed in the top five in more than five events for the Tribe...**Outdoor** – Earned All-America honors in the long jump with a mark of 20-02.75 at the NCAA Championships...competed in the 100m hurdles at NAAs, finishing 16th overall...was the ACC 100m hurdles champion with a time of 13.36...ACC runner-up in the long jump with a NCAA provisional qualifying distance of 21-01.25...All-ACC team member in the 100m hurdles and long jump...member of the ACC title winning

4x100 relay team with a 44.58 finish and the fifth place 4x400 relay team with a time of 3:43.69...turned in a season-best and NCAA provisional time of 13.30 in the 100m hurdles at the Texas Invite...long jumped past 20 feet on six occasions. **2001:** Earned All-ACC honors in both the 60m hurdles and long jump...placed third at the ACC Indoor Championship in the 60m hurdles with a career-best time of 8.58...placed third in the long jump at the ACC Outdoor Championship with a personal-best mark of 19-09.75 and finished fifth in the 100m hurdles (13.97)...her time of 8.04 in the 60m hurdles was the top mark in the ACC...placed 10th in the long jump (18-07.75) and ninth in the triple jump (39-04.5) at the conference's indoor championship...won the long jump twice (Clemson Quad meet and Florida Field Event meet) and also placed second and third twice...placed fifth or better in the 100m hurdles at six meets including winning the FSU Relays...one of the most versatile athletes for the Lady Seminoles who has competed in nine different events. **2000:** Talented athlete who shows off her sprinting capabilities both on the track and in her approach was an NCAA Qualifier as part of the 4x100m relay team, as well as earning the outdoor conference crown as part of the relay team...FSU's top returner in the 100m hurdles, running a season-best 13.81 last season, crossing the finish line in second place at the Florida State Relays leads all returners in the long jump, clearing a season-best 18-06.75 at the Florida State Relays also competed in the 100m dash, shot put and javelin...owned season-best marks in the shot put and javelin of 28-05.75 and 99-00.00, respectively, earning both marks at the Snowbird Invitational...ran a 12.31 at the ACC Outdoor Championships, in the 100m dash for a season-best mark **PREP:** Three-sport star at Grimsley...competed in track and field, volleyball and basketball...two-time National Champion in the long jump (junior and senior)...won the national championship in the 100m hurdles as a senior...top jump in high school was 20'3"...top time in the 100m hurdles was 13.77...a national merit scholar who graduated with honors. **PERSONAL:** A biological science major...plays the clarinet in her spare time...was born on June 13, 1981.



Kim Jones

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AMANDA KINNEY
Senior • Throws
Lawrenceville, GA
(Brookwood HS/University of Wyoming)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: SHOT PUT (53-01.50), DISCUS (160-00), HAMMER (168-06)

2002: **Indoor** – Outstanding performer for the Lady Seminoles in the shot put and weight throw...in the shot put, placed third with a team high and season-high mark of 48-2.50 at the ACC Championships to earn all-conference honors...

Outdoor – Ended the season as the Lady Seminoles' top thrower in the shot put and discus, while adding impressive marks in the hammer throw...finished eighth at the ACC Championships in the shot put and 10th in the hammer throw...her season-best distance of 146 feet in the discus came at the FSU Relays...had the second-longest toss in the hammer throw for the Lady Seminoles last season with a mark of 161-03 at the FSU 3-Way meet. **2001:** Took a redshirt for the season. **AT WYOMING: Indoor** – Placed sixth at the USA Nationals in the shot put with a throw of 53-01.50...**Outdoor** – Won the Mountain West Conference title in the shot put...placed sixth in the hammer throw and ninth in the discus at the MWC Championships. **PREP:** Junior All-American in track and field...won the Georgia state title in both the shot put and discus...her mark in the discus throw set a new state record...won the High School National Scholastic meet in the weight throw and the shot putt...competed in softball and basketball...earned athletic academic honor roll honors all four years. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Reggie and Jackie Kinney...born on March 26, 1981...majoring in sport management.



DIANA KLIMKIEWICZ
Sophomore • High Jump
Boca Raton, FL
(Pope John Paul II)

COLLEGE BEST: HIGH JUMP (5-00.5)

2002: Gained experience her freshman year competing along side All-ACC honoree Stacy Taylor...took part in the FSU 3-Way and Snowbird meets...best mark of 5-00.5 came at the FSU 3-Way meet. **PREP:** Named MVP of Pope John Paul II High School's track team senior season...competed on the swimming and diving team...most improved swimmer as a junior...earned Honor Roll honors all four years. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Daniel and Eileen Klimkiewicz...born on June 30, 1983...major is undecided.

DeANNA LANE
Freshman • Hurdles
Marietta, GA (Alan C. Pope)

PREP: Participated in track all four years at Alan C. Pope High School...holds USA Track and Field Georgia Jr. Olympics record in the heptathlon...holds the Georgia record for 100m hurdles...MVP in 2001 and 2002 on high school track team...Atlanta Track Club Athlete of the Year 2001 (hurdles)...participated in three years of basketball and was a member of the dance team...graduated with

honors. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Gail and Al Brown...born on October 16, 1983...engineering major.

NICOLE LEFEBER
Sophomore • Pole Vault
Ormond Beach, FL (Seabreeze)

COLLEGE BEST: POLE VAULT (10-04.5)

2002: Member of the highly successful pole vaulting squad...saw limited action at the FSU Relays and FAMU Relays...broke the 10-foot barrier with a mark of 10-04.5 at the FAMU Relays. **PREP:** Participated in track all four years at Seabreeze High School...spent two years on the women's weightlifting team. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Glen and Yolanda Lefebere...born on March 18, 1982...majoring in business.

LATOYA LeGREE
Freshman • Sprints/Jumps
Lithonia, GA (Stephenson)

PREP: 2000 Junior Olympics champion in the triple jump...three-time state champion in the triple jump...state champion in the long jump her junior year...High School Athlete of the Year in 2001...Women In Sports Female Athlete of the Year in 2001...Atlanta Track Club Female Athlete of the Year in 2002...three-time Honor Roll member...competed in softball, cross country and cheerleading. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Ragan LeGree...born on August 6, 1984...human sciences major.



ALLISON LIND
Senior • Distance
Woodbury, CT
(South Dakota State)

COLLEGIATE BEST: 5K 16:40

2002: **Cross Country** – Earned All-South Region honors following a 18th-place finish, her best of the season, at the regional meet...finished second for FSU at the NCAA Championships to help lead the Lady Seminoles to a 28th-place finish...finished 32nd at the ACC Championships...scored in all seven races she competed in...was FSU's top finisher, 21st overall, at the Gator Invitational...**Indoor** – Contributed to the women's squad in distance events...specialized in the 5,000m run and took 12th place as she finished with a season-best time of 17:18.1 at the ACC Indoor Track & Field Championships...participated in the 3,000m run and posted a time of 10:38.19 at the ACC Indoor Track & Field Championships...**Outdoor** – Competed in the 5,000m run at the Snowbird Invitational. **2001: Cross Country** – Earned ACC Performer of the Week honors following her sixth-place finish at the Appalachian State Invitational...FSU's top finisher at the Appalachian State Invitational and Florida State Intercollegiate Championship (third-place)...finished 15th at the Auburn Invitational with a time of 17:23...hampered by injuries at the NCAA Pre-National and South Regional meets and missed the ACC Championship. **AT SDSU:** Earned All-America honors in cross country and track...two-time all-conference selection...SDSU record holder in the 5K indoor run. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Graduated from Nonnewaug High School...participated in cross country, track

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and basketball. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Darrell and Ellen Lind...born on January 2, 1981...majoring in biology.



RACHEL MARSH
Junior • Distance
Kissimmee, FL (Osceola)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: 1500M (4:47.25) 5K (18:27.52)

2002: Cross Country – Competed in three races, finishing in the top seven for FSU in all three...scored points for the Lady Seminoles at the Gator Invitational by finishing second for FSU and 53rd overall...competed at the NCAA Pre-Nationals. **2001:** Provided depth for the Lady Seminoles in distance events...had a strong season in the 1500m...turned in a collegiate-best time of 4:47.25 in the 1500m at the FSU Quad meet to finish fifth...placed second in the 1500m at the FSU Season Opener...competed at the ACC Outdoor Championship in the 5000m and placed 19th (18:27.52). **PREP:** Earned MVP of the cross country team three times...was also named most improved in cross country...also played four years of varsity soccer. **PERSONAL:** Born May 19, 1982...majoring in sports management.



LaKENDRA McCOLUMN
Freshman • Hurdles/Jumps
Lithonia, GA
(Southwest Dekalb)

PREP: State champion in the 100m hurdles her senior year...named Female Athlete of the Year in Georgia following her senior year...regional and county champion her sophomore, junior and senior seasons...named team MVP her

final three years at Southwest Dekalb High School...Honor Roll four years...National Merit Achievement winner. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Yolando and Bruce McColumn... member of Mu Alpha Theta (math club)...major is undecided.



LAURA MELENDEZ
Sophomore • Distance
Livermore, CA (Granada)

COLLEGIATE BEST: 5,000M RUN (17:41.43), 10,000M RUN (36:31), 1500M RUN (4:50.55)

2002: Cross Country – One of seven competitors for FSU at its first ever NCAA Championship meet...started the season late after rehabbing from an injury...returned to compete in four of the final five meets...was successful when healthy, finishing in the top seven for the Lady Seminoles in all four meets...in addition to the NCAA Championships, she competed at the Gator Invitational, NCAA South Regional meet and ACC Championships. **2002:** One of FSU's top competitors in the distance events...turned in the second-fastest time for the Lady Seminoles in the 5,000m run (17:41.43) at the Georgia Tech Invite...one of only two members on the FSU squad (Vicky Gill) to run 5k under 18 minutes...competed at the ACC Outdoor Champi-

onships in the 10k run...earned ACC Honor Roll honors...member of the Dean's List in the spring. **PREP:** Placed 10th in the 3200m at the California state championships...top times in high school include 10:56 in the 3200m, 36:32 in the 10k and 17:41 in the 5k. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Ralph and Marjorie Melendez...born on December 20, 1982...music and political science major.



EVELYNE-CYNTHIA NIAKO

Freshman • Sprints
Stone Mountain, GA
(Stephenson)

PREP: Earned track and field MVP honors her junior and senior years... named most improved on the cross country team as a senior...only competed two years on the track team...Honor Roll member all four years.

PERSONAL: Daughter of Eusebia and Sylvain Niako...born on September 25, 1983...roommate with teammate La'foya Lagree... majoring in human science.



SHAUNA QUINN
Senior • Sprints/Hurdles
Hempstead, NY (Uniondale)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: 400M DASH (54.81), 200M DASH (25.11), 400 M HURDLE (64.16)

2002: Indoor – Placed fourth as the second leg of the FSU 4x400m relay team at the ACC Indoor Track & Field Championships...the relay team finished with a season-best time of 3:49.7...added depth to the 200m and 400m events for the Lady Seminoles...**Outdoor** – Finished ninth in the 400m dash at the ACC Championships with a time of 55.83...ran a season-best time of 55.66 in 400m preliminaries at the ACC meet...steady contributor for the Tribe throughout the season in the 400m. **2001:** Enjoyed a strong outdoor season in the 400m dash, earning several second and third-place finishes...set her personal best in the 400m dash at the ACC Outdoor Championship, placing seventh overall...saw limited action in the 200m and 600m dash... placed second at the FSU Season Opener in the 600m with a time of 1:35.61. **2000:** Is the Lady Seminoles' top returner in the 400m hurdles, running a 1:04.16 at the USTCA Collegiate Series Meet where she finished fifth...also returns as part of a solid corps of 200m runners who return all of the top-five sprinters from last season, including Quinn who crossed the line with a time of 25.26 for the squad's fourth-best time. **1999:** Redshirted. **PREP:** A high school All-American at Uniondale...earned all-state recognition for six consecutive years between grades seven through 12...a two-time team MVP...also an honor roll student. **PERSONAL:** A political science major...rooms with teammates Teresa Davis and Laura Gerber...born January 23, 1980.

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ANEVA ROBINSON

Freshman • Jumps
Lakeland, FL
(Lakeland Christian)

PREP: State champion in the long jump her senior year...won the state title on her final attempt...named to the all-county team as a junior and senior...all-state academic team nominee as a senior...member of the National Honors Society.

PERSONAL: Daughter of Diane Robinson...born on May 4, 1984...enjoys playing the piano...major is undecided.

SUZANNE SHEPHERD

Sophomore • Distance
Ellis, KS (Ellis)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: 3,000M STEEPLECHASE (11:13.65), 2,000M STEEPLECHASE (7:46.38), 5,000M RUN (18:36.58)

2002: Cross Country – Competed at two meets for FSU...finished in the top six for the Lady Seminoles at the Mountaineer Open and Great American XC Festival...top finish was 27th at the Mountaineer Open. **2002:** Emerged as the Lady Seminoles' top performer in the steeplechase events...placed 10th in the 3,000m steeplechase at the ACC Outdoor Championships...top time in the 2,000m steeple was 7:46.38 at the FSU 3-Way meet...ran a season-best 11:13.65 in the 3,000m steeple at the Florida Relays...competed at the ACC Outdoor Championships in the 5,000m run... Golden Torch recipient...ACC honor roll. **PREP:** Multi-sport athlete, involved in volleyball, basketball, cheerleading, cross country and track...MVP of high school track team freshman and senior seasons...earned Most Inspirational and Best Leader honors as a senior...cheerleading captain as a senior...graduated third in her class...member of the Honor Roll and National Honor Society. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Paul Shepherd...born on March 13, 1983...mechanical engineering major.



KIM WALKER

Sophomore • Sprints
Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago

COLLEGE BESTS: 400M DASH (57.77), 800M RUN (2:13.16)

2002: Indoor – Top performer for the women's squad in the 55m, 60m and 200m dash...achieved a season-best time of 25.13 in the 200m dash at the ACC Indoor Championships' preliminary round...she posted a season-best time in the 60m dash of 7.71...**Outdoor** – Earned All-ACC team honors...helped the 4x100 relay team to an ACC championship with a time of 44.58 and the 4x400 relay team to a fifth-place finish in the ACCs at 3.43.69...ran in the 100m and 200m dashes at the ACC meet...competed in the 100m and earned a season-best time of 11.84 at the FSU 3 Way meet...her best 200m time of 24.94 came in the FSU Twilight meet...top 400m dash mark of 1:01.16 came in the FSU Season Opener. **PREP:** Was named the Trinidad & Tobago 1999 National Under 17 Most Outstanding Female Athlete...also captured Most Improved Athlete in her running club, the Memphis Pioneers...part-

icipated in the 2000 Central American Caribbean Games in Puerto Rico, posting a PERSONAL-best time of 11.78 in the 100m...from 1997-2000 was the Champion Sprinter in her schools (Sixth Form and Diego Martin Secondary School) in both the 100m and 200m. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Earnest and Juliet Walker...born January 20, 1983...majoring in geology.

CATHLEEN WILLY

Freshman • Distance
Pembroke Pines, FL (Flanagan)

2002: Cross Country – Positive contributor for the Lady Seminoles...best performance came at the Great American XC Festival where she placed seventh for FSU. **PREP:** Attended Central Kitsap and Flanagan High School...was the state champion in the two-mile run as a senior...won the 5k state all-star during her senior year... greatest academic achievement was earning straight A's in high school. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of James and Nancy Willy...born on May 5, 1984...majoring in biology.



CERENITY YOUNG

Senior • Throws
Woodinville, WA
(Southern California)

COLLEGIATE BESTS: SHOT PUT 51'2", DISCUS 145'9"

USC: Named Most Improved on the Trojan's track and field team following her junior season. **PREP:** Three-time competitor at the state championships in the shot put...finished sixth as a freshman, fourth as a junior and third as a senior...helped lead her high school squad to a state team championship as a junior... competed in basketball. **PERSONAL:** Daughter of Charles and Colleen Young...born on February 22, 1980... has twin sister Chanel who ran track at USC...father was an All-American football player...sister Candace was an All-American in track at USC and brother Charles played football at Stanford...political science major.



Kim Walker