

Bio

HEAD COACH



PATRICK BAKER

Head Coach
3rd season at FSU (23-18-3)
Otterbein-1989

1999. Baker, only the second coach in the history of Florida State women's soccer, led the Seminoles into the Southeast Regional Rankings for the first time since 1996. Florida State spent four weeks as the No. 10 team in the region and twice tied the record for the longest winning streak in team history (four games).

Baker spent two weeks this past summer assisting U-19 National team head coach Tracey Leone at the Arco Training Center in Chula Vista, Calif. He

Head soccer coach Patrick Baker has transformed the Florida State women's soccer program in just two short seasons and taken a program that had just one winning season in its history and turned it into a national power. Last season, Baker led the 2000 squad to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament and was named the Southeast Coach of the Year and runner-up National Coach of the Year by *SoccerBuzz*. He guided the Seminoles into the national rankings for the first time and his 2000 squad broke 34 team and individual records and recorded 24 program 'firsts'. After just one year of recruiting, the 2000 Seminoles recorded victories over nationally ranked North Carolina, Texas A&M, Florida (twice) and Wake Forest on the way to their first-ever NCAA tournament where they won two games advancing into the third round.

helped the US National Team prepare for a match against the Mexican National Team and for a European tour later this year. He recently finished serving as the director for Region III of the girl's Olympic Development Program (ODP) and was recently named an assistant coach for the 2000 U-16 women's national team. Baker has attended South Region ODP camps since 1990 and has a total of 14 years experience at all levels of the ODP. Prior to working with the U-16 team, he assisted head coach Lauren Gregg with the women's national team for three consecutive years. He served as Gregg's assistant for the U-21 national team for three years and was also the assistant coach for the 1999 U-21 women's national team. He served four years at the U-14 state level in North Carolina and was the 1996 U-17 ODP state coach for Pennsylvania. Baker coached the U-16 and U-18 ODP South Regional camps for eight years and was the assistant coach for the U-17 South Region team from 1991-93. Baker was also the U.S. South Region amateur coach for five years where he received the national coach of the year award in 1994.

Baker has landed two top 15 recruiting classes (No. 13 in 2000 and No. 8 in 2001) and evidence of his outstanding coaching job can be seen in the squad's improvement against common opponents from the 1999 and 2000 seasons. Florida State had a positive turnaround against 12 of the 14 opponents they played in 1999 and 2000 and one of the two negatives, South Alabama, was still a win. The Seminoles record went from 1-9 against this group in 1999 to 8-5 in 2000 and FSU had a 46-goal turnaround against this group. Add that to first-time victories against six opponents last year and it is easy to see how far Baker has taken the Seminoles in just two seasons.

Before taking over the Seminole program, Baker served as the women's head coach at the University of Pennsylvania for five years. During his tenure at Penn, Baker established a 42-37-5 record, won an ECAC Championship and was named the 1997 Mid-Atlantic Region Coach of the Year. Prior to his head coaching stint at the University of Pennsylvania, Baker achieved similar success at the Division III level where he coached North Carolina Wesleyan to three NCAA Division III tournament appearances and three Top 10 finishes. He compiled a record of 45-21-4 in his five years and was twice named the Dixie Conference Coach of the Year.

ONE SEASON TURNAROUND

TEAM	1999	2000	+/-
Univ of Florida	L 1-5	W 3-2/W 2-1	+5/+5
Texas A&M	L 1-2	W 4-1	+4
South Alabama	W 4-1	W 2-0	-1
Central Florida	L 1-2	W 3-1	+3
Wake Forest Univ	L 1-2	W 2-0/T 0-0	+3/+1
North Carolina	L 0-9	W 3-2/L 3-0	+10/+6
Univ of Miami	L 0-3	W 3-1	+5

In 1991, Baker was named the National Soccer Coaches of America Association's Division III South Region Coach of the Year. He was the NCAA Division III South Region Tournament Committee Chairman in 1993 as well as a member of the NCAA Division III South Region Tournament Committee. Baker served on the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Division I Mid-Atlantic Rankings committee from 1995 to 1998 and the Intercollegiate Soccer Coaches Association of America (ISAA) South Region Rankings Committee from 1990 to 1993.

In 1999, Baker took over a program that had just one winning season in four years and had only won 15 of the previous 41 games before he was hired. He immediately improved the FSU program from a 7-11-3 record in 1998 to 9-10-1 in



Baker received his Bachelor of Arts from Otterbein College in 1989 where he was a starter all four years for the men's soccer team and was named team captain as a senior. He is married to the former Kelly Sack and the couple welcomed their first child, Emma Louise Baker, February 10, 2001. ○



COACH BAKER AND TEAM

“ I have huge respect for Patrick Baker. The way he has turned that program around in one year is absolutely stunning. He has taken a program that wasn't competitive, and in one year, made them a wonderfully competitive team. He gives our conference credibility since we now have another fine coach. ”

>> Anson Dorrance • North Carolina Head Coach

“ It's a given that any team Patrick Baker coaches is going to be extremely well-organized and inspired. He is one of America's finest, and players love playing for him. Not only is he among the elite in his profession, he is also an exceptional human being. He runs his program with great integrity and pride. ”

>> Tracey Leone • U-19 US National Team Head Coach



COACH BAKER AND FAMILY



2000 National Coach of the Year runner-up

2000 Southeast Region Coach of the Year

PROGRAM FIRSTS UNDER BAKER IN 2000

- First NCAA Tournament game
- First time hosting an NCAA Tournament game
- First NCAA Tournament win
- First Sweet 16 appearance
- First appearance in the second round of the ACC Tournament
- First post-season national ranking (NSCAA #14, SoccerBuzz #12 and Soccer America #14)
- First SoccerBuzz Southeast Region Coach of the Year award (Patrick Baker)
- First SoccerBuzz National Coach of the Year runner-up award (Patrick Baker)
- First All-America selection SoccerBuzz (Emma Breland)
- First National Freshman of the Year finalist SoccerBuzz (Emma Breland)
- First Southeast Region Freshman of the Year award SoccerBuzz (Emma Breland)
- First All-Southeast Region first team selection SoccerBuzz (Emma Breland)
- First Southeast Region All-Freshman team selection SoccerBuzz (Emma Breland)
- First Soccer America All-Freshman team selection (Emma Breland)
- First All-Southeast Region third team NSCAA selection (Sarah Crawford and Rachael Watkin)
- First All-Southeast Region second team selections SoccerBuzz (Watkin, Crawford and Marte Vik Edvardsen)
- First All-ACC first team selection (Emma Breland)
- First All-ACC freshman team selection (Emma Breland)
- First All-ACC Tournament selections (Rachel Watkin and Sarah Crawford)
- First win over a Top 5 opponent (#2 North Carolina)
- First Top 15 national ranking
- First victory against six different schools (North Carolina, Florida, Texas A&M, Wake Forest, Miami and UCF)
- First nationally ranked recruiting class (13th)

WHAT A DIFFERENCE

- FSU can boast 23 wins during its two years under Baker compared with 31 for the previous four years combined.
- FSU's first winning record (14-8-2) since the 1996 season (12-7-1).
- Five wins against nationally ranked opponents in two years, compared to only two wins the previous four years.
- Baker has a .561 winning percentage in his two years as head coach compared to a .413 winning percentage in the previous four seasons.
- FSU has 13 home wins during two years with Baker compared to 15 home wins for the previous four years combined.
- In the two years with Baker at the helm, the team had 10 road wins, compared to 12 for the previous four years combined.
- In Baker's first two seasons as head coach, the Seminoles averaged 119 total points a season compared to 96 points per season the previous four seasons.
- Baker's teams have four come-from-behind victories in his two-year tenure compared to just six come-from-behind victories the previous four years.
- Five of the top ten attendance records have been set since Baker took over the program.
- In 2000, Baker's Florida State team broke the previous single season record for home attendance by almost 3,700 (8799 compared to 5106).
- Home attendance during the two years with coach Baker is 11,757, as compared to 15,690 for the previous four years combined.

CHANGING TRENDS

- Against ranked opponents, the Seminole's winning percentage has increased by an amazing 273 percentage points since Baker became the head coach at FSU.
- The Seminoles winning percentage at home increased from .500 to .711 since Baker took over.
- In overtime contests, the Seminoles have a .700 winning percentage under Baker compared to .409 before his arrival.
- In games played in the state of Florida, FSU has raised its winning percentage from .512 to .729.
- When the Seminoles lead at half, their winning percentage under Baker is .969 compared to .850 in the previous four seasons.
- FSU's winning percentage when they score the game's first goal increased 151 percentage points, from .778 to .929 since Baker arrived in Tallahassee.
- When FSU scores two goals in a game, its winning percentage under Baker is .722 compared to .500 before his arrival.



JOHN GALAS

Assistant Coach

University of Liverpool – MBA 1999

University of Oregon – BA 1997

2nd Season at FSU



train. Galas also served as a goalkeeping coach for the club's Community Coaching Scheme. He will return to England this summer to take his Football Association Goalkeeping Coaching B License at the Lilleshall National Sports Center. The license trains goalkeeping coaches to coach at the Football League Centers of Excellence, Football League Academy, Premier League Academy and at semi-professional and youth levels.

A Woodland Hills, Calif. native, assistant coach John Galas enters his second season as the Florida State women's soccer goalkeeper coach. Galas has spent the past seven years as either a head coach or assistant at all levels of soccer and has extensive experience coaching goalkeepers.

The 2000 Seminoles had the most successful season in the history of the program and Galas' work with Sarah Crawford was a key factor in FSU's turnaround. The year before Galas' arrival at Florida State Crawford posted a 1.90 GAA which fell 35 percent to 1.23 after just one season working with Galas. Crawford also saw her shutouts quadruple from 1.5 to 6 and her save percentage go from 77 percent to 82 percent. Crawford was named a *SoccerBuzz* All-Southeast region second team selection, an NSCAA All-Southeast region third team selection and she was the first Seminole to ever be named to the All-ACC Tournament team.

Before coming to FSU, Galas served as the director and head coach of the Eugene Goalkeeping Academy in 1999. During the summer of 1998, he worked as a goalkeeper coach at Soccer Plus Goalkeeper School in San Diego, Calif., where, in 2000, he served as the assistant director for the school. Soccer Plus was founded and directed by Tony DiCiccio, the head coach of the World Cup Champion USA women's soccer team. Galas also served as an assistant coach for the Willamette District U-23 state team during the 1999 season.

Galas served as the assistant coach for the University of Oregon women's soccer team since 1997 where he mainly worked with the team's goalkeepers. Galas, during a one-year hiatus from Oregon, also worked with one of England's premier club teams, Liverpool Football Club. Galas was afforded access to all of Liverpool's training sessions and was given a rare opportunity for an American coach to observe how one of the world's most successful club teams

Galas has also played an active role in youth soccer throughout his career. Prior to joining the University of Oregon staff, Galas served as an assistant coach/goalkeeper coach for both the boy's and girl's soccer programs at South Eugene High School in Oregon. While coaching at South Eugene, the boy's team won the state title in 1998 and the girl's team advanced to the state final one-year and the state semi-final another year.

This past summer, Galas served on the Olympic Development Program (ODP) Region III staff as a goalkeeping coach in Montevallo, Ala. During the 96-97 season, he was an assistant coach for the ODP in Portland, Oregon working with the U-17 boy's team. Prior to his work with the ODP, Galas was a head coach for the South Eugene Soccer Club U-14 boy's team, a head coach for the U-17 girl's team and the U-18 boy's team at Lane County Association F.C. Galas coached the U-15 boy's team and served as the head coach for the U-18 girl's team at McKenzie United S.A. He also served as a Marketing Assistant and Operations Assistant for the 1999 Women's World Cup in Portland.

The Oregon graduate is a member of the United States Soccer Federation, National Soccer Coaches Association of America, the Football Association Coaches Association and the Oregon Youth Soccer Coaches Association. Galas currently holds a USSF National "C" coaching license and completed his NSCAA National Diploma last January.



JOHN AND ANNA GALAS

Galas received his Bachelor of Arts in history from the University of Oregon in June of 1997. He then earned a Masters of Business Administration in Football Industries from the University of Liverpool in December of 1999. The University of Liverpool is the only school in the world that offers an MBA focusing on television rights, player contracts, sponsorship, branding and marketing of the game of soccer on a worldwide basis. Galas married his wife, Anna Brockmeyer, July 31, 1999. ○





SAMANTHA LEIGH ANDERSCH

Assistant Coach
Fairfield University – MA 2000
James Madison University – BA 1997
1st Season at FSU

Assistant coach Samantha Andersch enters her first season with the Florida State women's soccer program. Andersch joins the Seminole staff after a stellar career as a player at James Madison University, a graduate assistantship at Fairfield University and a head coaching stint at Staples High School.

Andersch has been involved with coaching at all levels of soccer for the past twelve years. Most recently, she coached the Junior Varsity soccer team at Staples High School in Westport, Conn. Before taking that position, she spent two seasons serving as a graduate assistant for the Fairfield Stags women's soccer program where she was involved with evaluating potential recruits, assisting in practice and game preparations and providing academic support and retention for student-athletes. While at Fairfield, the Stags made an NCAA Tournament appearance in 1999, won the MAAC Conference Championship in 1999 and posted a 24-14-4 record in two seasons. Andersch also coached the Fairfield Strikers U-14 Youth Travel Team and the Diamonds U-13 Premier Travel Team during the 1998 and 1999 seasons.

Andersch organized and directed the Island Soccer Camp for Girls in Hawaii and spent two summers as a camp

instructor at the Fairfield University and Princeton University Soccer Camps. She also worked soccer camps at the University of Maryland, the University of Virginia, Gettysburg College, Daryll Gee Soccer Academy and Coeruer Coaching School.

As a four-year starter in the midfield for James Madison University, Andersch ranks fourth on the Dukes all-time career assist list, 11th on the career points list, 15th on the all-time goals list and her JMU teams were ranked in the top 25 every season she played. Andersch was selected to compete in the Umbro Select Senior All-Star game in 1996 and was an NSCAA/Umbro All-Region First Team selection in 1996. As a freshman, Andersch led the team in assists and tied the university's single game record for assists (3).

In high school, Andersch was a two-time NSCAA All-American and a *Parade* All-American. She was a U-14 National Pool player and played for the U-19 and U-16 Region I Olympic Development teams. A native of Columbia, Md., Andersch was named *Washington Post* All-Metro First Team three times and All-Region and All-State twice.

Since completing her Masters Degree in Computers in Education, Andersch has been teaching for the past year and a half. She started her teaching career at Tomlinson Middle School in Fairfield, Conn, where she taught eighth grade mathematics. She then moved to Staples High School where she spent the year as a computer science teacher instructing students on computer operations and software systems. ○



COACHING STAFF



OFFICES





RACHAEL WATKIN

Manager
Florida State – 2001

As a four-year starter for the Seminole soccer team, Rachael Watkin is considered the iron woman of Florida State soccer. She is the all-time leader in starts for FSU (83) and is second in all-time game appearances (83). She started every match she appeared in and always rose to the occasion in FSU's biggest games. Two of her three goals in 2000 came in a 4-1 win against No. 8 Texas A&M (including the game-winner) and an equalizer just after halftime against No. 5 Clemson. Watkin also came through with an assist against the Aggies and she assisted on the equalizer in a 3-2 win over then-No. 2 North Carolina. Watkin helped FSU advance to the second round of the ACC Tournament for the first time in school history when she scored a goal and converted the game-winning PK in a sudden-victory shootout against Wake Forest.

After leading FSU into the second round of the ACC Tournament, Watkin was named FSU's first-ever All-ACC Tournament team selection. She was also named second team All-Southeast Region by SoccerBuzz and third team All-Southeast Region by the NSCAA.

Watkin started every game during her junior season at sweeper before taking over a role in FSU's central midfield as a senior. As a sophomore, Watkin was the only player to start all 21 matches. She scored the game-winning goal against Auburn and had assists against Wake Forest and Furman.

In high school, Rachael was named a 1995 All-State sweeper and a 1996 All-State midfielder. She was a member of the Boca Select Team (1992-97) and a member of the Boca Raton U-17 Select team and named to the All-State team during her sophomore through senior seasons. Watkin was named her team's MVP and captain junior and senior years and was a member of the Florida ODP team from 1994-95.

Watkin has worked the Patrick Baker Soccer Camp for the last three seasons and she is a volunteer coach at her alma mater Boca Raton High School. ○



SARAH CRAWFORD

Manager
Florida State – 2001

Sarah Crawford enters her first season on the Seminole soccer staff after a distinguished career on the field for FSU. As a player, Crawford became the first goalkeeper in Florida State history to start every minute of every game during the 2000 season. She set single season records for most minutes (2273:02), best goal against average (1.23) and most wins (14). She is also second in saves in a season (139). Crawford is the first Florida State goalkeeper to ever record three consecutive shutouts. She, and the Seminole defense, allowed just 31 goals last season shattering the previous record of 35 set in 1996. After just two seasons at FSU, Crawford finished her playing career with the second most saves in Florida State history (204) and the third most shutouts (7.5).

She was named All-Southeast Region third team by the NSCAA and All-Southeast Region second team by SoccerBuzz. After her performance against Wake Forest at the ACC Tournament, she joined Rachael Watkin as the first Seminoles ever to be named to the All-ACC Tournament team.

Crawford played in 11 matches while starting 10 and posting a 1.90 GAA for the season as a junior after transferring to FSU from Georgia State. Her 1.90 GAA was the third best single season mark in Seminole history and after only one season at FSU, Crawford was third in all-time saves (65), minutes (900) and shutouts (2).

While at Georgia State, Crawford was named to the TAAC All-Tournament Team and 3rd team All-TAAC as a sophomore. She was a member of the TAAC Champions in 1998 and was a TAAC Player of the Week in 1997.

Crawford has worked the Patrick Baker Soccer Camp for the past two years, the Ralph Lundy Camp in 1998, the University of Georgia Soccer Camp in 2001 and the Georgia State Soccer Camp in 1997. She has also volunteered her time at the Dick Howser Center, the Tallahassee Senior Center, Habitat for Humanity and the National Outdoor Wheel Chair Tennis Tournament. Crawford graduated from Florida State in August 2001 with a major in Fitness and Nutrition and she will begin to pursue her masters in Sports Administration this fall. ○

