



## ACC HONORS & REVIEW

### ANNUAL ACC SOFTBALL CHAMPIONS

YEAR	CHAMPION	HEAD COACH	RUNNERUP	SITE
1992	Florida State	Dr. JoAnne Graf	Virginia	Tallahassee, Fla.
1993	Florida State	Dr. JoAnne Graf	Virginia	Tallahassee, Fla.
1994	Virginia	Peggy Kellers	Florida State	Tallahassee, Fla.
1995	Florida State	Dr. JoAnne Graf	Georgia Tech	Tallahassee, Fla.
1996	Florida State	Dr. JoAnne Graf	North Carolina	Raleigh, N.C.
1997	FSU/Maryland	Graf/Gina	LaMandre	Marietta, Ga.
1998	Florida State	Dr. JoAnne Graf	Virginia	Tallahassee, Fla.
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2001	North Carolina	Donna Papa	Florida State	Raleigh, N.C.



### ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE HONORS

YEAR	PLAYER OF THE YEAR	COACH OF THE YEAR	ROOKIE OF THE YEAR	TOURNEY MVP
1992	Toni Gutierrez, FSU	Dr. JoAnne Graf, FSU	Stephanie Weitman, GAT	Susan Buttery, FSU
1993	Eileen Schmidt, UVA	Dr. JoAnne Graf, FSU	Shamalene Wilson, FSU	Lisa Davidson, FSU
1994	Beverly Smith, UNC	Peggy Kellers, UVA	Laura Williams, GAT	Michelle Collins, UVA
1995	Cindy Lawton, FSU	Regina Tomaselli, GAT	Kristy Hull, FSU	Cindy Lawton, FSU
1996	Shamalene Wilson, FSU	Donna Papa, UNC	Kelly Shipman, MD	Renee Espinoza, FSU
1997	Laura Williams, GAT	Dr. JoAnne Graf, FSU	Anne Knobbe, GAT	Kristy Fuentes, FSU Kelly Shipman, MD
1998	Brandy Arthur, UNC	Donna Papa, UNC	Radara McHugh, UNC	Stacy Venable, FSU
1999	Kelly Shipman, MD	Gina LaMandre, MD	Kristen Dennis, UVA	Danielle Cox, FSU
2000	Michelle Semmes, UNC	Donna Papa, UNC	Ruby Rojas, Virginia	Leslie Malerich, FSU
2001	Leslie Malerich, FSU	Dr. JoAnne Graf, FSU	Jessica van der Linden, FSU	Radara McHugh, UNC

### 2001 ACC PLAY

#### Tournament MVP

Radara McHugh, UNC

#### Player of the Year

Leslie Malerich, FSU

#### Rookie of the Year

Jessica van der Linden, FSU

#### Coach of the Year

Dr. JoAnne Graf, FSU

#### Final Standings

North Carolina - ACC Champions

#### ACC Tournament

(May 11 - May 13, 2001 Raleigh, NC)

#### FRIDAY

#5 Maryland d. #4 Georgia Tech 1-0

#2 North Carolina d. #3 Virginia 7-3

#1 FLORIDA STATE D. MARYLAND 2-1

#### SATURDAY

Virginia d. Georgia Tech 3-2

North Carolina d. Florida State 2-0

Maryland d. Virginia 3-1

#### SUNDAY

FLORIDA STATE D. MARYLAND 4-0

North Carolina d. Florida State 4-1

#### ALL-ACC Softball Team

**FLORIDA STATE (5)** - Serita Brooks, Robyn Gauger, Leslie Malerich, Brandi Stuart, Jessica van der Linden; **Maryland (1)** - Michelle Burrell; **North Carolina (3)** - Natalie Anter, Radara McHugh, Michelle Semmes; **Virginia (2)** - Kristen Dennis, Meaghan Young

#### ALL-ACC TOURNAMENT TEAM

**FLORIDA STATE (4)** - Natalie Bennett, Serita Brooks, Leslie Malerich, Monique Marier; **Maryland (2)** - Amanda Bettker, Michelle Burrell; **North Carolina (4)** - Natalie Anter, Radara McHugh, Beth Olen, Emily Price; **Virginia (1)** - Meghan Young.



#### CONFERENCE RECORD

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
FLORIDA STATE	6	2	0	.750
North Carolina	6	2	0	.750
Maryland	3	5	0	.375
Virginia	3	5	0	.375
Georgia Tech	2	6	0	.250

#### OVERALL RECORD

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
North Carolina	47	17	0	.734
FLORIDA STATE	51	27	0	.654
Maryland	27	28	0	.491
Georgia Tech	25	33	0	.431
Virginia	27	38	0	.415



# THIS IS THE ACC

## THE TRADITION

Consistency. 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 49th 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 82 national championships, including 40 in men's competition and 42 in women's. In addition, 120 men and 31 women have earned the coveted title of NCAA champion.

The conference had an immediate impact on the national college football scene in the fall of 1953 when the University of Maryland captured the first of what would eventually be five national football titles for the ACC. Clemson laid claim to the league's second national title in 1981 while Georgia Tech followed suit in 1990. Florida State pocketed national titles No. 4 and 5 in 1994 and 1999.

The nine schools that take to the field this fall under the ACC banner have produced 373 first or second team gridiron All-Americans and 54 first-team academic All-Americans. ACC teams have had 1,485 players selected in the annual professional football draft, including 109 first round selections. A year ago, the nine ACC member institutions had 186 former players on NFL rosters during the regular season or playoffs.

If success is best measured in terms of wins and losses, then the ACC over the years has proved itself to be among the elite in Division I-A football. The ACC is the nation's second-winningest bowl conference as the nine current league teams are a combined 84-77-5 (.521) in post-season play. Since 1990, the ACC is one of only five conferences to have each of its schools play in a bowl game.

Georgia Tech and Florida State rank among the nation's winningest bowl teams. Among teams with 20-or-more bowl appearances, the Yellow Jackets are second with a 19-10 (.655) post-season record while the Seminoles are third at 17-10-2 (.621).

Over the past three years, ACC teams have posted a 17-14 mark against non-league AP-ranked opponents.

This past season the ACC had five consensus All-Americans and over the past four years has produced 22 consensus All-Americans. Since 1997, the ACC has had more first round draft picks (27) in the annual NFL draft than any other conference except the 12-team Southeastern Conference. The ACC also set two attendance marks during the 2000 season, drawing 2,653,816 fans over 54 home dates for a 49,145 per game mark.

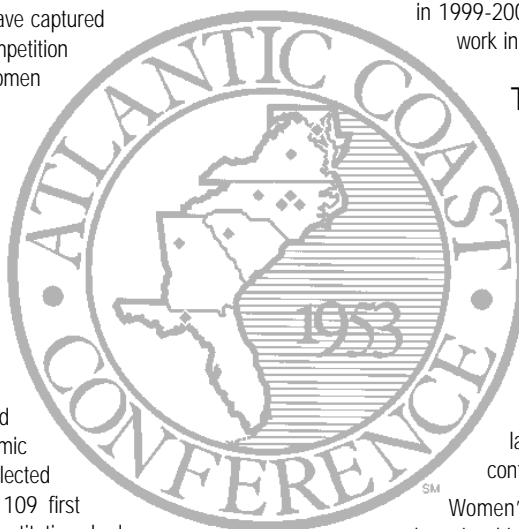
## 2000-01 IN REVIEW

The 2000-01 academic year concluded with the league pocketing three more national team titles and four individual NCAA crowns. In all, the ACC has won 39 national team titles over the last 11 years.

The ACC's 2000-01 national champions were North Carolina in women's soccer, Duke in men's basketball and Maryland in women's lacrosse. Overall, ACC teams posted a 73-56 (.566) mark in NCAA Tournament play.

The ACC placed at least one team in the Top 10 nationally in 15 of the 25 sports sponsored by the league. Other records of note during the 2000-01 season include 98 teams competing at NCAA Championships five bowl teams and 43 Top 10 showings.

The ACC Academic Honor Roll record was broken for the 14th-straight year in 1999-2000 as 1,664 student-athletes were recognized for their work in the classroom.



## THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The conference will conduct championship competition in 25 sports during the 2000-01 academic year — 12 for men and 13 for women.

The first ACC championship was held in swimming on February 25, 1954 at NC State. 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.

Championships for women are currently conducted in cross country, volleyball, field hockey, soccer, basketball, swimming, indoor and outdoor track, tennis, golf, lacrosse, softball and rowing.

## 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 became officially the Atlantic Coast Conference.

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

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

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