THIS IS FLORIDA STATE

Florida State University, a graduate research institution, stands among the nation's elite in both academics and athletics.

Located on the oldest continuous site of higher education in Florida, the university is situated in the heart of the state's capital city. The university's main campus blends Jacobean Revival and modern styles of architecture with the oaks, pines, dogwoods and azaleas of North Florida.

As the university has progressed and grown — from its pre-Civil War beginnings as the Seminary West of the Suwannee, to the Florida State College for Women and, finally, returning to coeducational status as a university in 1947 — it has developed into an acclaimed research institution, a top-ranked competitor in intercollegiate athletics and a standard-setter in the basic sciences and the performing arts.

The university has entered the 21st century with excellence in all areas of its mission — teaching, research and public service, including many noteworthy milestones over the past year.

• In May 2004, Vice President Dick Cheney became the first U.S. vice president and the highest-ranking government official ever to deliver a commencement address at FSU.

- . In the 2005 edition of the U.S. News & World Report guidebook "America's Best Graduate Schools," published in April 2004, the university's master's programs in public affairs were ranked 26th overall, and the specialty of public management administration ranked even higher at 15th. Also, public affairs master's programs in city management and urban policy ranked 24th, and public finance and budgeting ranked 26th.
- In March 2004, Hispanic Magazine ranked FSU 22nd among its "Top 25 Colleges for Latinos." Among only public schools, FSU ranked 11th.
- FSU's art therapy program has received national approval, similar to accreditation, for its master's level program from the American Art Therapy Association. FSU is only the 31st school nationally to achieve this recognition.
- In the spring of 2004, FSU made available its public service video "Avoiding the Credit Card Monster," 10 minutes of basic financial advice to youthful credit novices, to every high school and K-12 institution in the nation

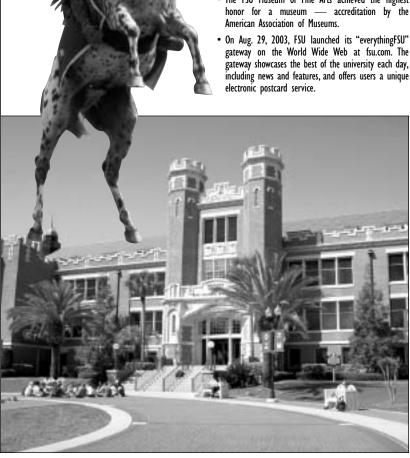


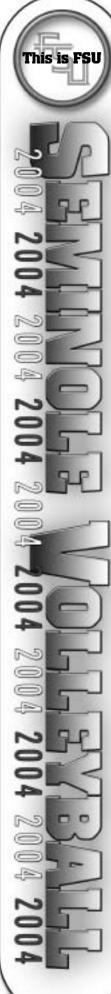
- The FSU department of psychology was recognized by the American Psychological Association for its clinic that provides mental health services to the community and training and research opportunities for students.
- Faculty members in the FSU School of Information Studies began editing Library Quarterly, the preeminent scholarly journal of research in the library and information studies community, with its October 2003 issue.
- The FSU College of Medicine added a doctoral program in biomedical sciences in the fall of 2003, with the first seven students recruited to begin this fall.
- President T.K. Wetherell and his wife, Virginia B. Wetherell, made the largest personal donation to a public university in the United States by a sitting president. Through their estate, the Wetherells will leave to FSU their 1,000-acre Oak Hill Plantation in Jefferson County, worth \$7.5 million.
- In October 2003, the FSU athletic training/sports medicine major received national accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. The major is offered in the department of nutrition, food and exercise sciences in the College of
- In October 2003, the Chinese Ministry of Education gave 1,000 new Chinese books to FSU in recognition of the university's growing Chinese studies program.
- The FSU Museum of Fine Arts achieved the highest honor for a museum — accreditation by the
- gateway on the World Wide Web at fsu.com. The gateway showcases the best of the university each day, including news and features, and offers users a unique electronic postcard service.



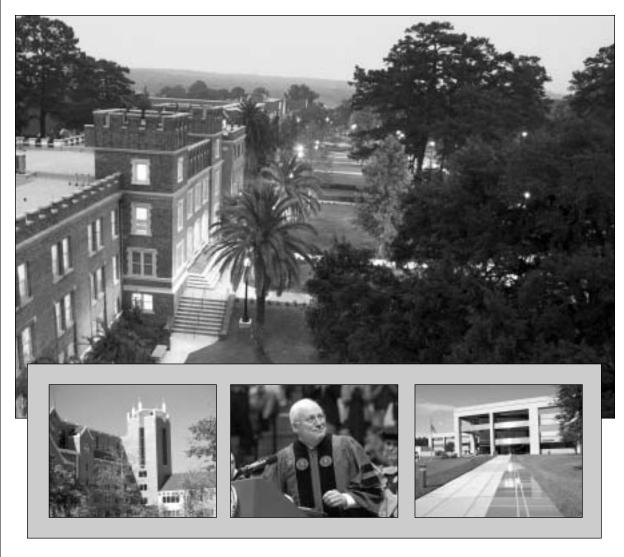












Under the leadership of FSU's 13th president, T.K. Wetherell, who took office in January 2003, and its 13-member Board of Trustees, the university continues to build on the foundation of its history of excellence in scholarship, research and service. The trustees are: Chairman John Thrasher of Orange Park; Harold Knowles, J. Stanley Marshall and Jim Smith, all of Tallahassee; Emily "June" Duda of Oveido; David Ford of Rosemont, Pa.; Dr. Jessie Furlow of Quincy; Manuel "Manny" Garcia III of Winter Springs; William "Andy" Haggard of Coral Gables; E. Ann McGee of Winter Springs; Derrick Brooks of Tampa; FSU Faculty Senate President Valliere Richard Auzenne and Student Government Association President Jarrett Eady.

A senior member of the State University System, FSU was founded as an institution of higher learning in 1851 by legislative act. It began in Tallahassee with its first class of male students in 1857 and added women in 1858.

FSU's operating budget is \$857 million. Faculty and administrators generate more than \$160 million annually in external funding to supplement state-sponsored research. Three direct-support organizations serve to bolster the university: the Seminole Boosters, the FSU Alumni Association and the FSU Foundation.

The main campus is spread over 448.3 acres in

Tallahassee; FSU, which has one of the smallest campuses in the SUS, has been actively acquiring land in the 1990s. FSU encompasses 1,445.2 acres in Leon, Bay, Franklin, Gadsden and Sarasota counties.

Within the state, the university maintains facilities at its 25-acre campus in Panama City, its Marine Laboratory at Turkey Point on the Gulf of Mexico and the Asolo Performing Arts Center in Sarasota. The Center for Professional Development and Public Service, housed in the Augustus B. Turnbull III Florida Conference Center on the edge of the campus, provides extensive credit and non-credit continuing education programs statewide.

For years, FSU has reached far beyond Florida through international programs in Switzerland, France, Panama, Costa Rica, Spain, Russia, Vietnam, the Czech Republic, Greece, Croatia, Ireland, South Africa, Ghana and the Caribbean. FSU's student centers in Florence, Italy, and London, England, are considered by many to be the nation's best in Europe.

Florida State offers 300 graduate and undergraduate degree programs through its nine colleges — Arts and Sciences; Business; Communication; Education; Engineering (operated jointly with Florida A&M University); Human Sciences; Law; Medicine; and Social Sciences (which also incorporates the Reubin O'D Askew School of Public Administration and Policy) — and eight schools — Criminology and Criminal Justice; Information Studies;

Motion Picture, Television and Recording Arts; Music; Nursing; Social Work; Theatre; and Visual Arts and Dance.

With 2,119 members, the FSU faculty has included 10 National Academy of Sciences elected members, four American Academy of Arts and Sciences members and five Nobel laureates. It is backed by 3,682 administrative and support staff members.

Library holdings at Florida State include 2.6 million book titles and 9 million microforms. The main library facility, the Robert M. Strozier Library, is linked by computer to other state university and national research libraries. The Paul A.M. Dirac Science Library is located at the heaat of the university's science research complex. FSU also maintains music, library science and law libraries, and the Mildred and Claude Pepper Library.

FSU's 6,851 graduate students pursue advanced degrees in fields as diverse as business administration and theoretical particle physics. A majority of research done at FSU is the direct result of student effort, culminating in numerous books, monographs and journal articles relating to the whole spectrum of intellectual interests and the practical needs of society.

Of FSU's 37,328-student population, 56.3 percent are female, 43.7 percent are male, 27.6 percent are minorities, and 3.8 percent are foreign students.

Iniversity Facts

BACKGROUND: The Florida State University is one of eleven units of the Division of Colleges and Universities of the Florida Board of Education...It was established as the Seminary West of the Suwannee by an act of the Florida Legislature in 1851 and first offered instruction at the postsecondary level in 1857...Its Tallahassee campus has been the site of an institution of higher education longer than any other site in the state...In 1905, the Buckman Act reorganized higher education in the state and designated the Tallahassee school as the Florida Female College...In 1909, it was renamed Florida State College for Women...In 1947, the school returned to co-educational status, and the name was changed to The Florida State University...It has grown from an enrollment of 2,583 in 1946 to an enrollment of 37,328 in the Fall Semester 2001.

ENROLLMENT (FALL, 2003): Total, 37,328...78.5% undergrad, 18.4% grad, 3.1% unclassified...76.8% in-state...92.8% from the United States... students from all 50 states and the District of Columbia are in attendance...20 states contributed over 100 students each...16 foreign countries contributed over 40 students each...male, 56.3%...female, 43.7%...minority, 23.8%...international, 3.8%.

ACREAGE: Main Campus: 448.3 acres in Tallahassee, Leon County (main campus)...Panama City Branch: 25.6 acres in Panama City, Bay County...The university owns a total of 1,445.2 acres in Leon, Bay, Franklin, Sarasota, & Gadsden counties...Sites are leased in Marion and Leon counties in Florida, and other locations overseas.

COLLEGES/PROGRAMS: FSU has 17 major academic divisions: the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Communication, Education, Engineering, Human Sciences, Law, Medicine, and Social Science; and the Schools of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Film (Motion Picture, Television, and Recording Arts), Information Studies, Music, Nursing, Social Work, Theatre, and Visual Arts and Dance.

BUDGET (2003-04): **OPERATING** \$857,017,921

DEGREE PROGRAMS: The colleges and schools offer courses of study in 26 major disciplines. In addition to the associate in arts certificate they now offer 94 authorized baccalaureate degree programs covering 194 fields, 104 authorized master's degree programs covering 200 fields, I authorized advanced master's degree program covering I field, 27 specialist degree programs covering 34 fields, two authorized professional degree programs covering nine fields, and 72 authorized doctoral degree programs covering 137 fields.

DEGREES AWARDED FOR 2002-03: Bachelor, 6,335...Masters, 1,593...Doctorate, 290...Specialist, 51...Judge Doctorate, 242, Total, 8,511

ENTERING FRESHMAN FACTS (FALL, 2003): The middle 50 percent High School GPA, 3.3-4.0; SAT score 1070-1250, ACT score 22-27.

RETENTION RATE: First year, 100%...second year, 84.6%...third year, 74.3%...fourth year, 69.3%.

FACULTY/STAFF: Total 2,119...FSU's faculty includes some past graduates, such as former astronauts Dr. Norm Thagard, who teaches Electrical Engineering, and Winston Scott who serves as Vice President of Student Affairs...FSU's faculty has included five dynamic Nobel Laureates: 10 members elected to National Academy of Sciences...four members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

EDUCATIONAL ADVANTAGES: Florida State University has a uniqueness in providing programs that are consistent in excellence across the board, from fine arts and humanities to the hard sciences...The balance of programs is based on FSU's long tradition as a leading liberal arts institution combined with its position as one of the top 10 universities in generating research-based revenues...FSU is the most wired campus in Florida, and has been recently ranked 18th most connected university in the nation by Yahoo! Internet Life...In 1998, IBM hired 29 FSU graduates and not just business graduates but also English majors for help in web development and design...Revlon, which recruits primarily at five schools nationwide, expanded in 1998 to include FSU as its sixth

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ABROAD: FSU is the recognized leader in international education

within the State University System of Florida...FSU gives students the opportunity to see the world, while still attaining their college education...FSU's International programs allow students to travel overseas to participate in formal programs in places like Europe, South America, and Asia.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: FSU has nearly 300 student organizations that allow students to find their own niche.

FINANCIAL AID: FSU offers two types of financial assistance: need-based and merit-based...Over \$160 million is given away for financial assistance each year.

STUDENT/FACULTY RATIO: 23-1... Many of the general education classes are large lecture classes, however, over 80 percent of major classes have less than 40 students.

RESEARCH: Florida State University has built a reputation as a strong research institution in both the sciences and the human-ities...Private foundations. industries, and government agencies all provide funding to support research at FSU...In 1994. Florida State was accorded the status of Research I University by the

10 LEADING States of Origin

(Enrollment) Florida
Georgia
Virginia
Texas
New York
Pennsylvania
North Carolina
Maryland
Alabama
Illinois

Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, an elite distinction that recognizes the university's strengths in doctoral programs and federal funding.

SPONSORED RESEARCH (2002-03): \$161,774,053

LIBRARY HOLDINGS: The Libraries of Florida State are: Strozier Library, Dirac Science Library, Warren D. Allen Music Library, Harold Goldstein Teaching Laboratory Library, Pepper Library, and the FSU Law Library...The Number of Volumes, 2,620,296; Current Serials, 21,598 Microforms Held, 9,029,029; Government Documents, 962,265; Computer Files, 14,837; Manuscripts and Archives (linear feet), 4,352.











FAMOUS ALUMNI

RITA COOLIDGE Rita Coolidge is a two-time Grammy Award winner. She has worked with Joe Cocker (backup singer and soloist) on his "Mad Dog and Englishman" tour. She has also toured and recorded with the likes of Eric Clapton, Jimi Hendrix, Bob Dylan, Leon Russell and Stephen Stills. Coolidge co-wrote "Superstar" which was a huge hit for the Carpenters.

LEE CORSO Lee Corso, College football Analyst for ESPN. Corso joined ESPN in 1987 after 28 years of football coaching experience at the college and professional levels — including 17 seasons as a head coach — serves as a game analyst for the Thursday night telecasts and as a studio analyst for College GameDay and the half-time and scoreboard shows. He is a member of the FSU Hall of Fame, received four varsity letters in both football and baseball at FSU.

PAUL GLEASON A teammate of Burt Reynolds, is a very successful actor who has played a number of memorable roles including that of Clarence Beaks, the maligned courier of crop reports in "Trading Places" and the assistant principal in "The Breakfast Club."

BARBARA HARRIS Barbara Harris is currently the Editor-In-Chief of SHAPE Magazine, the largest national monthly health and fitness publication for women in the United States. SHAPE has a current circulation of 808,634 and over 2.2 million readers. Harris, who lettered in volleyball and FSU from 1974-77, frequently appears on national local television, radio talk shows, and is interviewed regularly by the newspaper media, sharing her experience in the areas of exercise, health, wellness, and women's issues.

TRAYLOR HOWARD Traylor Howard, an actress best known for her role as "Sharon" in the hit TV Series "Two Guys and a Girl" (ABC). Howard appeared in more than 30 national commercials before winning the role of Joy on the comedy series "Boston Commons." Her feature film credits include "Me, Myself & Irene," with Jim Carey (2000), "Dirty Work," and "Confessions of a Sexist Pig."

GABRIELLE REECE Gabrielle Reece is best known for her career in volleyball and as a model. Reece began modeling in 1989 and has appeared on the covers of Women's Sports & Fitness, Outside, SHAPE, Elle, Life and others. She is internationally recognized as a top fashion model and spokesperson for several companies, including Nike. Reece has co-wrote a book with Karen Karbo (July 1997) about her life as a pro volleyball player "Big Girl in the Middle" and writes a column for Women's Sports & Fitness.

BURT REYNOLDS Academy award nominee and Golden Globe winner, Burt Reynolds has enjoyed enormous success as an actor and director in feature films, television and stage productions. Some of Burt's most prominent films include: "Mystery Alaska", "Striptease", "Citizen Ruth", "Deliverance", "Stroker Ace", "Smokey and the Bandit" and many more. Reynolds also starred in the hit television series "Evening Shade".

DR. TONEA STEWART Dr. Tonea Stewart is a professional actress, tenured Professor and Director of Theatre Arts at Alabama State



University. As an actor, Dr. Stewart is best known for her recurring role in "In the Heat of the Night" as Aunt Etta Kibbe. Dr. Sewart also had roles in John Grisham's film "A Time To Kill" protraying Samuel L. Jackson's wife. She won an NAACP Image Award nomination as best supporting actress in 1997. Dr. Stewart was the first African American female to receive a doctorate from the FSU School of Threatre and the first McKnight Doctoral Fellow in Theatre Arts.

NORM THAGARD Former NASA Astronaut, Norm Thagard was a mission specialist on STS-7 in 1983 on Orbiter Challenger, the flight engineer on STS-51B in 1985, also aboard Challenger and STS-30 in 1989, on Orbiter Atlantis. He also served as the payload commander on STS-42 in 1992, aboard the Shuttle Discovery and

was the cosmonaut researcher on the Russian Mir 18 mission in 1995, which required he live and train at the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Center at Star City, Russia for more than one year prior to the mission. He logged over 140 days in space during five space flights.

DELANE MATTHEWS

DeLane Matthews is an actress best known for her role as Beth Barry on "Dave's World" a television sitcom that aired on CBS 1993-1997. She has worked in regional theatre, on the New York Stage, in film and in television. DeLane has also appeared in the daytime soaps, "Guiding Light" and "Ryans Hope" for five years. Some of her other roles have included: "The Fugitive" (2001), Evasive Action (1998), "From the Earth to the Moon" (1998), "Every Woman's Dream" (1996).

Above: Burt Reynolds



OTHER DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI:

Paul Azinger, professional golfer

Alan Ball, award-winning writer, received the 1999 Academy Award for Best Original Screenplay for "American Beauty"

John W. Bradley, actor, "The New Adventures of Robin Hood"

Clifton Campbell, playwright

Davis Gaines, performer, "The Phantom of the Opera"

Jane Geddes, professional golfer

Parris Glenndening, Governor of Kentucky

Hubert Green, professional golfer

Tara Dawn Holland Christensen, Miss America 1997

Linda Keever, Editor in Chief Florida Trend Magazine

Tony LaRussa, Manager, St. Louis Cardinals

John Marks, Tallahassee Mayor

Michael Piontek, actor

Henry Polic, actor

Charles G. Rex, New York Philharmonic

Victor Rivers, actor and spokesperson for The National Network To End Domestic Violence

Stephen J. Rothman, theatre director

Winston Scott, former NASA astronaut

Steven Sears, writer and producer Randy Ser, theatrical director

Sonny Shroyer, actor, "The Dukes of Hazard"

Dr. Valint Vazsonyi, international concert pianist

Claudia Waite, award-winning soprano

Ellen Taaffe Zwilich, award-winning composer Linda Zoghby, opera singer

ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION



Dr. T. K. Wetherell

President, Florida State University

Dr. Thomas Kent "T.K." Wetherell was appointed president of Florida State University by the Florida State University Board of Trustees on Dec. 18, 2002, and he took office on Jan. 6, 2003.

Wetherell, an FSU alumnus, served as president of Tallahassee Community College from 1995 until 2001. Under his leadership, the college doubled its enrollment and the gross square footage of the main campus. He

pioneered innovative academic programs, led the college into the top 25 community colleges in the nation awarding associate's degrees and solicited the college's first \$1 million scholarship donor. After stepping down as TCC president, he served as a lobbyist with the Southern Strategy Group.

Before assuming the presidency at TCC, he was president of Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida and was responsible for coordinating and promoting post secondary higher educational opportunities and programs in Florida's private colleges.

He previously served in a number of capacities at Daytona Beach Community College, including provost and dean of instruction, vice president and president of academic and university transfer programs, vice president of district planning and development and executive assistant to the president. Before that, he served as associate professor of education at Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach. He began his career as an academic counselor for student-athletes at FSU before going to Florida Technological University in Orlando where he was assistant to the deans of housing and then director of housing and administrative assistant to the vice president.

He served in the Florida House of Representatives from 1980 to 1992, the last two years as House Speaker. During his tenure in the House, he served as chairman of the appropriations committee and the higher education committee, and the Miami Herald named him one of the Top Ten Legislative Leaders in the House each year from 1987 through 1992.

Born Dec. 22, 1945, in Daytona Beach, Wetherell attended Port Orange Elementary School and Mainland Senior High School, where he was active in service clubs, student government and athletics. He attended Florida State University on a football scholarship and played on the 1963-67 football teams. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in social studies education from FSU in 1967 and 1968 respectively. He earned a doctoral degree in education administration from FSU in 1974.

He has been inducted into Florida State University's Hall of Fame and was a recipient of the prestigious Moore-Stone Award, as well as the university's Distinguished Service Award.

Wetherell is married to Virginia B. Wetherell, who served as Secretary of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection from 1991 to 1998 and previously served as a state legislator representing Pensacola. She currently is president of Wetherell Consulting Services. They are the parents of three children, Kent, Blakely and Page, and have two grandchildren. Wetherell's personal interests include athletics, outdoor recreation, travel and aviation.



Dave Hart, Jr.

Director of Athletics

Dave Hart, Jr., became Florida State's 10th athletics director after a national search resulted in his selection as athletics director in February 1995. Hart is widely viewed as one of the nation's top athletics directors. It is a reputation he has earned.

Hart has served on several prestigious committees at conference and national levels during his career in

athletics administration. He has been a member of the NCAA Council, the NCAA Honors and Awards Committee and the NCAA Special Events and Postseason Bowls Committee as well as a consultant to the NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Council.

Hart has held positions of considerable influence within conference and national circles. He recently served as President of both the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics and the Division I-A Athletics Directors' Association. He currently is a member of NCAA Football Board of Directors where he serves with commissioners of Division I-A conferences as well as NCAA President, Myles Brand. He is also one of six athletics directors who served as an advisory group to the six presidents and conference commissioners in ongoing meetings regarding BCS format options and related issues. Hart was recognized by his peers in athletics administration with the honor of being named Athletics Director of the Year in the Southeast Region in 2000. In addition to serving in prominent leadership roles nationally, Hart has been directly involved in the renegotiations of the ACCS football and basketball television contracts, which are considered to be the nation's best. He has chaired the ACC Television Committee as well as the ACC Men's Basketball and Football committees. A long-time advocate of conference expansion, Hart played an instrumental role in the Atlantic Coast Conferences' expansion process which resulted in the addition of three new members in Miami, Virginia Tech and Boston College.

A popular speaker at the national level, Hart has made numerous speaking presentations

nationally and presented seminars on such topics as student-athlete welfare, marketing, gender equity, master facility planning, negotiation skills and personnel transition. He has been an instructor at the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics Management Institute as well as the Division I-A Athletics Directors' Institute sharing with peers his knowledge and experiences relating to athletics administration.

Just the 10th athletics director in FSU history, Hart is in his tenth year as Florida State's Athletics Director where he oversees the Seminoles \$40 million dollar athletics budget. Since his arrival at Florida State, Hart has negotiated unprecedented multi-million dollar contracts for the department totaling well in excess of \$50 million dollars while guiding the development and implementation of an extensive and comprehensive athletics facilities master plan totaling more than \$100 million dollars. He also initiated a multi-faceted Student Development/Life Skills program for all student-athletes at FSU, which has been recognized nationally with a "Program of Excellence" award, and spearheaded the rewriting of the departments mission statement to put the student-athlete at the core of everything the athletics department does in its goal to build comprehensive excellence throughout the many components of the department.

Hart took a leadership role in the athletics department's first major Capital Campaign, in concert with Seminole Boosters, which raised \$75 million dollars for athletics facilities and endowed athletics scholarships for all sports at Florida State. The Soccer/Softball facility, which was the cornerstone of the Master Facilities Plan, and the first facility to be built, is one of the nations finest. Major renovations to the Tennis and Volleyball facilities are also completed. The state-of-the-art Golf Facility and Teaching Center and the Basketball Training Center were completed two years ago. The Dick Howser Baseball Stadium project as well as the new Athletics and Communications Building have been completed within the past six months. A new aquatics facility and completion of the renovation at the Mike Long Track facility are ongoing. The planned "Legacy Walk" will ultimately showcase FSU tradition and Athletics heritage around the University Center and throughout each athletics facility.

Hart has made major hires within coaching and administrative areas of the department, while dramatically increasing exposure for all Seminole Athletics since his arrival at FSU. Through the negotiation of television contracts with Sunshine Network as well as ACC contracts with regional sports carriers and ABC and ESPN, Florida State enjoys outstanding visibility in all sports on an annual basis.

Since Hart's arrival, FSU has formed a Varsity Club to encourage the participation of former student-athletes in athletics department activities and a new focus has been placed on the growth of women's athletics at FSU. That commitment is reflected in the increased allocation of funding and facility improvements, such as the Soccer/Softball Complex, the cornerstone of the master facilities plan. Also during Hart's tenure, FSU has been home to the inaugural National Student-Athlete of the Year as well as the NCAA's State of Florida Woman of the Year. A record number of FSU student-athletes have made the ACC Academic Honor Roll, been recipients of NCAA post-graduate scholarship awards and obtained degrees during the past nine years. Student-athletes community service involvement has also become a priority since Hart's arrival. Student-athletes at FSU contributed over 4,000 recorded hours this past year to community outreach projects with the women's golf team winning the Athletics Directors' Cup for community service.

Football and baseball continue to compete at the highest level nationally during Hart's tenure as both the football and baseball programs have played in national championship games while continuing to excel in conference play. The commitment to build men's and women's basketball into a conference and national contender is very tangible. A \$20 million dollar renovation to the Leon County Civic Center and a new \$10 million dollar Basketball Training Center are a source of pride for the men's and women's basketball programs.

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

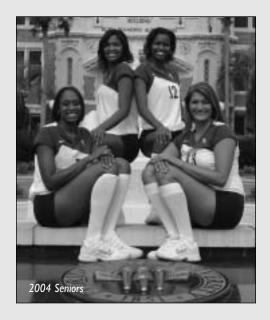
Hart met his wife, the former Pam Humble, while at Alabama and they have three children Rick, Jamie and Kelly. The Hart's also have three grandchildren Trevor, Caroline and McKinley.







ACADEMIC SERVICES



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

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

To accomplish this goal, FSU has developed an academic environment which facilitates the academic success of student-athletes. Student success is encouraged through competent academic counseling, career exploration, planning and placement and academic assistance through tutorial programs and mentors.

The program operates on a "proactive" rather "reactive" approach. At Florida State, the academic staff does not wait for an academic crisis to occur. They gather important background information and build an academic profile on all student-athletes to assess their needs in advance. Coaches also stay informed on the daily progress of each student athlete.

The academic support services are located in the state-ofthe-art University Center and are on the sixth floor of the \$126 million facility. It includes private study desks, a tutorial study area and a computer lab outfitted with 16 new IBM computers and laser printers. In addition, athletic sky boxes are utilized for group and individual tutorial instruction.

FSU offers 17 Schools and Colleges with 300 undergraduate and graduate degree programs.

Mark Meleny
Director, Athletic Academic
Support Programs



Mark Meleney begins his ninth year as the Director of the Athletic Academic Support Program. He brings to the position 19 years of advising experience at FSU. Over the past nine years, Meleney has played an integral role in the development of a comprehensive program of studentathlete support, which in 1996 won an "Award of Excellence" (from Athletic Management Magazine). Meleney directs a staff of six professional counselors, two graduate assistants, and an administrative assistant.

In addition to his duties directing the Academic Support Program, Meleney evaluates all recruits for their academic potential, monitors academic progress and eligibility for student athletes, and serves as a liaison to the academic community. He also serves as a member of the administrative team for both the Athletic Department and the Division of Undergraduate Studies.

A native of lowa, Meleney began his college education at Buena Vista College, where he earned varsity letters in football and baseball. Upon transferring to Florida State University, he earned bachelor's degrees in management and finance in 1986 and received his M.S. degree in athletic administration in April 1997. A member of the National Association of Academic Advisors for Athletes (N4A), Meleney is married to the former Sarah Cawthon and they have an 11-year-old daughter, Montana Shea.

Amy Lord
Volleyball Academic Counselor



Amy Lord is in her ninth year with the FSU Athletic Academic Support Program where she serves as the Assistant Director of the program and is the Academic Counselor for the Florida State Baseball and Volleyball teams, among other sports. Lord is responsible for coordinating support services for these student-athletes, monitoring their academic progress and counseling them on academic issues such as course and major selection, study habits and eligibility requirements. She also assists in the recruiting process for these programs. In addition to her counseling duties, Lord is the Academic Honors, Awards and Scholarship Coordinator. She also serves as the coordinator for the Golden Torch Gala, a black-tie event, which recognizes student-athletes for academic achievements. On top of those duties, Lord serves as the sports psychology consultant for all FSU student-athletes.

A native of Pensacola, Fla., Lord is a 1993 graduate of the University of West Florida, where she earned a Bachelor's degree in Psychology. She received a Master's degree in Sports Psychology from Florida State University in 1995 and is currently a Ph.D. candidate in Sports Psychology. Lord is a member of the National Association of Academic Advisors (N4A) and currently serves on the Executive Board of that organization. She is marred to Justin Lord, a pitcher in the Kansas City Royals organization.

Student Services & Personal Development

THE N.O.L.E.S. PROGRAM: NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEADERSHIP, EDUCATION & SERVICE

PAM OVERTON Associate Athletics Director/Senior Women's Administrator



JOHN LATA Director of Student Services



LIFE SKILLS

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

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

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

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

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

COMMUNITY SERVICE

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

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The Florida State University Department of Athletics is committed to developing programs of excellence that foster leadership development. The foundation of the leadership development program is the Seminole Leadership Institutes that are held four times a year. These institutes offer student-athletes the opportunity to learn skills that will benefit them as students, as athletes, and as they pursue their goals after leaving Florida State. The Institutes have the opportunity to use the values and work ethic taught by athletic participation as the framework for their leadership development. The Institutes attract outstanding guest speakers who challenge Seminole student-athletes to achieve their greatest potential and use their leadership skills to positively influence others.

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



THE STUDENT ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Shawn Allen, Track
Mike Averett, Swimming
Jeff Baggett, Athletic Trainer
Carly Brieske, Softball
Aaron Cheesman, Baseball
Roxanne Clark, Tennis
Anne Clinton, Cross Country
James Coleman, Football
Pete Crane, Swimming
Lindsay Deason, Tennis
Todd Galloway, Basketball
Tatiana George, Softball
Amy Harris, Golf

Renee Hill, Volleyball

Lisa How, Swimming
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NCAA COMPLIANCE



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The following information is provided by the Florida State Office of Compliance for prospective student-athletes. It is intended as a guideline to introduce you to some of the rules governing NCAA athletics.

KEY DEFINITIONS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Representative of Athletics Interests:

A representative of the institution's athletics interests (AKA Booster) is an individual who is know (or should have been known) by a member of the institution's athletic department to:

- Have participated in or to be a member of an agency or organization promoting the institution's intercollegiate athletics program;
- Have made financial contributions to the athletics department of to an athletics booster organization of that institution;
- Be assisting or to have been requested (by the athletics department staff) to assist in the recruitment of prospects;
- Be assisting or to have assisted in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes or their families; or
- Have been otherwise in promoting the institution's athletics program.

*** Once an individual is identified as a representative, the person retains that identity forever ***

Prospective Student-Athlete: A prospective student-athlete ("prospect") is a student who has started classes for the ninth grade, regardless whether he or she participates in athletics. A prospective student-athlete maintains his or her identity as a prospect, even after he or she signs a National Letter of Intent or financial aid agreement, until he or she attends the first day of practice or participates in an official team practice, whichever is earlier.

Contact: A contact is any face-to-face encounter between a prospect or the prospect's parents, relatives or legal guardian(s) and an institutional staff member during which any dialogue occurs in excess of an exchange of a greeting. In the sport of golf, a coach can contact you once in the month of April at your school and three more times after July 1 before your senior year in high school.

Evaluation: An evaluation is any off-campus activity designed to assess your academic qualifications or athletic ability, including any visit to your high school (during which no contact occurs) or the observation of any practice or competition in which you participate.

PHONE CALLS AND LETTERS

During the month of March during your junior year in high school, a coach may make one phone call to you. After that, phone calls from faculty members and coaches (but not boosters) are permitted beginning July I before your senior year in high school. A coach or faculty member is limited to one phone call per week except that unlimited phone calls may be made:

During the five days immediately before your official visit to the university.

On the day of a coach's off-campus contact with you.

During the time beginning with the National Letter of Intent signing date through the two days after the signing date and after a National Letter of Intent or scholarship agreement is signed.

A prospect of any age could receive the following from a coach:

- Questionnaire
- · Camp brochure
- NCAA educational information

After September I of a prospect's junior year, a coach could provide:

- Written correspondence, including letters, e-mails, instant messages and text messages
- Game programs
- Media Guide
- Schedule cards
- Official academic, admission and student services publications and videotapes produced by the institution and are available to all students

After a prospect signs a National Letter of Intent, a coach could provide:

- · Pre-enrollment information
- A Student-Athlete Handbook (could also be provided on an official or unofficial visit)

WHO IS PERMITTED TO RECRUIT FOR FSU?

Only Florida State University coaches who have successfully completed the NCAA Recruiting Rules Examination on an annual basis may be involved in the recruitment process. Boosters may not make any recruiting contacts. This includes letters, telephone calls or face-to-face contact on or off campus with a prospect or the prospect's parents.

Alumni and Boosters Do's and Don'ts

- You may forward information about prospective student-athletes to the appropriate coaches.
- You may have contact with a prospect regarding permissible pre-enrollment activities such as summer employment, provided the prospect has already signed a National Letter of Intent and the Compliance Office is aware you are making these contacts in regard to employment.
- You may have a telephone conversation with a prospect only if the prospect initiates the call. Such a call may not be prearranged by an institutional staff member and you are not permitted to have a recruiting conversation, but may exhibit normal civility.
 You must refer any questions about our athletic programs to an athletics department staff member/coach.
- You may view a prospect's contest at your own initiative provided you do not contact the prospect or his/her parents. In addition, you may not contact a prospect's coach, principal or counselor in an attempt to evaluate the prospect.
- You may continue established family relationships with friends and neighbors. Contacts with sons and daughters of these families are permitted as long as they are not made for recruiting purposes or encouraged by Florida State University coaches.
- You may not become involved in making arrangements to receive money or financial aid of any kind for a prospect or the prospect's family and friends.
- You may not make contact with a prospective student-athlete and his/her parents when the prospect is on campus for an official or unofficial recruiting visit.
- You may not transport, pay or arrange for payment of transportation costs for a prospect and his/her relatives or friends to visit campus (or elsewhere).
- You may not pay or arrange for payment of summer camp registration fees for a prospect.
- You may not provide anything to a prospect, the prospect's family or friends without prior approval from the Compliance Office.

For more information, please contact the Florida State Compliance Office at $(850)\ 644-4272.$

SEMINOLE SPIRIT

THE SYMBOL SEMINOLES

Florida State played only two football games in 1947 before students demanded the school to acquire a symbol. While details conflict, most believe the account of a poll of the student body is accurate. The Florida Flambeau reported that Seminoles won by 110 votes over the Statesmen. The other top contenders (in order) were Rebels, Tarpons, Fighting Warriors and Crackers.

In the 1950's, a pair of students dressed in Native American costumes and joined the cheerleaders on the field, which eventually evolved into the majestic symbol of Osceola and Renegade that FSU now enjoys. Today, the Seminole Tribe participates in many campus activities.

Florida State University is proud of its longstanding cooperative relationship with the Seminole Tribe of Florida. The Seminole people have suffered many hardships and injustices, but they have remained brave, dignified and proud. The Seminoles are unconquered. They symbolize what Florida State hopes will be the traits of all of its graduates, including student-athletes.

FLORIDA STATE FIGHT SONG

You got to fight, fight, fight, for FSU
You got to scalp 'em Sem-i-Noles
You got to win, win, win, win
Win this game and roll on down
And make those goals.
For FSU is on the war path now
And at the battle's end she's great;
So fight, fight, fight to victory
Our Sem-i-Noles from Florida State.





GARNET AND GOLD

Florida State's school colors of garnet and gold date back to the Florida State College championship football teams of 1904 and 1905. In those championship seasons, FSC donned purple and gold uniforms. When Florida State College became Florida Female College in 1905, the football team was forced to attend the University of Florida. The following year the FFC student body selected crimson as the official school color of 1905. The administration in 1905 took crimson and combined it with the recognizable purple of the championship football teams to achieve the color garnet. The now-famous garnet and gold colors were first used on an FSU uniform in a 14-6 football loss to Stetson on October 18, 1947.

WAR CHANT

Florida State's "war chant" appears to have begun with a random occurrence that took place during a 1984 football game against Auburn, but in the 1960's, the Marching Chiefs band would chant the melody of a popular FSU cheer. In a sense, that chant was the long-version of FSU's current "war chant." During a thrilling game with Auburn in 1984, the Marching Chiefs began to perform the dormant melody. Some students behind the band joined in and continued the "war chant" portion after the band had ceased. Most agree the chant came from the fraternity section, but many spirited Seminole fans added the hand motion to symbolize the brandishing of a tomahawk. The chant continued among the student body during the 1985 season, and by the 1986 season, it was a stadium-wide phenomenon. Of course, the Marching Chiefs refined the chant, plus put their own special brand of accompaniment to the "war chant," for the sound we hear today.

The Atlanta Braves fans took up their version of the chant when former FSU star Deion Sanders came to the plate as an outfielder. The Kansas City Chiefs first heard it when the Northwest Missouri State band, directed by 1969 FSU graduate Al Sergel, performed the chant while the players were warming up for a game against San Deigo.



NET SET CLUB

The Net Set Club was established in the summer of 2001 to generate support for the Florida State volleyball team. The Committee of Thirty gathered together with Seminole volleyball enthusiasts and athletic department staff members on June 27th, 2001, to devise a plan and introduce the Net Set Club as the newest booster club at Florida State University.

The goal of the booster club is to help create a hostile environment at every Seminole home match and make Tully Gymnasium one of the toughest arenas to play in the country. Each fan is encouraged to join the Net Set Club and help other members promote Florida State volleyball around the campus and community. In order to help build and maintain the Net Set Club, the volleyball program needs fans to join.

A membership fee of \$30.00 will provide new members with a Net Set shirt, media guide, poster, quarterly newsletter, invitations to pregame and post-game chalk talk and an invitation to the annual banquet.

