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16TH-RANKED SEMINOLES COMPLETE SWEEP OF GEORGIA STATE WITH 10-0 WIN Gauger and White-Stokes each record three RBI as Florida State and Malerich picks-up 13th win.

Atlanta, GA — The Florida State softball team completed its doubleheader with Georgia State Sunday afternoon with a 10-0 win in five innings at Robert E. Heck Field in Atlanta, GA. The Seminoles recorded 14 hits for the second straight game and Leslie Malerich improved to 13-2 and lowered her ERA to 0.50 as she allowed just three hits in five innings and led FSU to its third series sweep of the season. The win moved FSU to 35-6 on the year and dropped Georgia State to 26-16.

"I'm not sure what we did differently this morning but it sure worked," said head coach Dr. JoAnne Graf. "We hit four home runs, scored 19 runs and got 28 hits in two games today and that was just 10 innings. Our pitchers allowed one run and we played pretty solid in the field all day. Hopefully we continue to pay like this when we return to conference play next week."

After putting up nine runs in the first game, the Noles picked up where they left off in the top of the first in game two. Serita Brooks led off the top of the inning when she was hit by a pitch and then stole second. Kimmy Carter sacrificed her over to third and she scored on Jessica van der Linden's single to left field. Senior designated player Jen White-Stokes then singled home van der Linden to give Florida State a 2-0 lead.

The Seminoles extended their lead to 3-0 in the third when Brandi Stuart led off with a single and was sacrificed to second by White-Stokes. After she stole third, Stuart came around to score on Robyn Gauger's sacrifice fly. The RBI was the 21st of the year for Gauger and the second of the weekend.

FSU broke the game open in the fourth inning when it scored six runs on eight hits. Staci Brandon's one-out single started the rally and she was followed by Serita Brooks who doubled to left field. Cater then singled to plate Brandon and moved Brooks to third. Van der Linden then reached on a bunt single and plated her team-leading 23rd RBI of the year. White-Stokes then hit a two-run single to give FSU a 7-0 lead. The Noles capped off the scoring when Robyn Gauger launched a two-run homer to center field and staked FSU to a 9-0 lead.

The Seminoles added another run in the fifth inning when Carter led off with a triple to right field. She then scored the Noles 10th run of the game when van der Linden reached on an error by the center fielder that allowed Carter to score the final run of the game.

After walking the first batter in the bottom of the fifth, the Noles infield turned their fifth double play of the season and Malerich retired the next batter to record her 16th complete game of the season. She now leads the team with seven shut outs, 13 wins and the fewest earned runs allowed (7). Florida State returns to action Friday, April 6 when they head to Chapel Hill, NC to face ACC-rival North Carolina. The Seminoles will then take part in the Tar Heel Invitational where they will face the 25th-ranked Florida Atlantic Owls among others.

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The Automated ScoreBook

Florida State at Georgia State (Game 2)

Apr 01, 2001 at Atlanta, GA (Robert E Heck Field)

Florida State 10 (35-6)

Georgia State 0 (26-16)

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Serita Brooks cf							0			0	Hall 3b							2	2	0
Kimmy Carter c	2	2	2	1	1	0	2	1		0	Gillies lf	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Leah Armstrong pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	I	0	Bodziony c	2	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0
Jess van der Linden rf	4	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	I	2	Roberts ss	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Brandi Stuart 2b	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	5	i	0	Blue rf	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jen White-Stokes dp	3	1	2	3	0	1	0	0	I	1	McRae cf	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1
Robyn Gauger 1b	2	1	2	3	0	0	3	0	ı	0	LeComte 1b	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0
Beth Wade 1b	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	ļ	0	Pritchett 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1
Monique Marier lf	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	I	2	Dempsey dp/p	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Skyla Cox pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	I	0	Buckem p/dp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Natalie Bennett ss	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	5	i	0										
Stephanie Elowsky ph	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	I	0										
Staci Brandon 3b	3	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	I	2										
Jackie Hirschfeld 3b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0										
Leslie Malerich p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0										
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Stuart; McRae; LeComte. DP - Seminoles 1. LOB - Seminoles 7; Panthers 3. 2B - Brooks; Marier. 3B - Carter. HR - Gauger.

J - Brooks. SH - Carter; Stuart 2; White-Stokes. SF - Gauger. SB - Brooks; Stuart; Roberts.

Florida State	IP H R ER BB SO AB BF	Georgia State	IP H R ER BB SO AB BF
Leslie Malerich	5.0 3 0 0 1 1 17 18	Buckem	3.2 12 9 9 1 3 18 25
		Dempsey	1.1 2 1 0 0 1 7 7

Win - Malerich (13-2). Loss - Buckem (9-10). Save - None.

HB - Buckem.

Umpires -

Start: 2:00 pm Time: 1:35 Attendance: 104

Game: 4012001B