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**FSU TAKES OVER TOP SPOT IN ACC WITH FIRST-EVER WIN OVER DUKE**  
No. 14 Seminole soccer wins in OT to establish most victories ever in conference play.

Tallahassee, FL – This has been an amazing week for Florida State soccer and the program firsts and records continued to come Sunday in No. 14 FSU's 3-2 overtime win against Duke. The Seminoles (9-3-0, 3-0-0) came back from a two goal deficit for the first time under head coach Patrick Baker and turned away a penalty kick in OT to move past the Blue Devils (4-6-0, 0-4-0) and into first place alone atop the ACC.

The win was the first-ever for the Seminoles against Duke (1-5-1), it broke the record for the most-ever conference wins in a single season for FSU, it moved Baker into first place for the most wins by a Florida State soccer coach (32-21-3) and it gave FSU first place in the ACC this late in a season for the first time in school history. The victory also raised the Seminoles record at home to 6-0-0 this season, was the sixth win in 2001 for FSU when either tied or trailing at the half and was the seventh win in the last eight matches for the squad.

"This was the most important win of the year for us," said senior captain Heather Dyche. "This is the first time this season we have shown this much resolve. When we get down, we haven't responded well historically but that didn't happen today. The bench was on its feet, the crowd was going wild and we all supported each other. Three wins in the conference usually keeps you out of the No. 7 or No. 8 seed in the ACC Tournament so this was a big win for us."

Both teams came out surprisingly strong in the first half despite the fact that each was playing its third game in six days. Florida State had two early opportunities to break in front inside of the game's first 10 minutes. Sophomore keeper Thora Helgadóttir saved Cindy Schofield's dangerous header in the fourth minute and the Duke defense then saved a shot off of the line in the ninth minute off of a Camie Bybee header.

The Blue Devils got their first serious chance of the game in the 13<sup>th</sup> minute when a deflected clearance ricocheted to Alison Sanders behind the FSU defense but freshman keeper Ali Mims made the save. Duke did capitalize though on a chance less than a minute later when Mims wasn't able to hold on to the ball after a nice save and freshman Casey McCluskey placed the rebound in at the far post putting the Devils up 1-0 and giving the freshman her seventh goal of the season.

After a diving one-handed save by Mims to keep the game at 1-0 in the 18<sup>th</sup> minute, McCluskey struck again scoring her eighth of the year. The Duke freshman once again picked up a rebound, this time at the top of the box, and fired a perfect low, line-drive shot to the right post from 20 yards out that put the Blue Devils up 2-0.



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Despite the fact the Seminoles created at least six good scoring chances in the first half, including a Maren Vik Edvardsen header that bounced off of the far post, the team went into halftime down 2-0 but even with Duke in every statistical category. The two teams took six shots a piece in the first half, Duke had four shots on goal compared to Florida State's three and FSU held a six to three advantage in corners.

"When we go down 2-0, this team sometimes cashes it in collectively and feels sorry for itself," said Baker. "We were embarrassed at halftime. We looked like a bunch of prima donnas out there. Duke played with unbelievable pride and unbelievable heart and I felt they kicked our butts all over the park in the first half. I give all the credit in the world to Duke coach Robbie Church and his players because that is one of the best teams we've faced all season. What an effort by them all week and they are a very good soccer team.

We talked at half about fighting this team no matter what happened on the scoreboard and I give our team credit because we came out immediately and fought hard."

Considering a Baker-led FSU team had never comeback from a 2-0 deficit, the Seminoles had their work cut out for them at the start of the second half but just nine minutes in, FSU began to make its charge.

A Duke foul in the 54<sup>th</sup> minute set the Seminoles up with a free kick 20 yards away from the Blue Devil goal. Dyche sent a beautiful lofting service to the far post where a pack of three Seminoles rushed in looking to get a head on the pass. Sophomore Amber Tollefson was able to find space amongst a group of at least six players to score her fourth goal of the season due to Bybee drawing away two Duke defenders on her run to the center of the box.

The Seminoles drew even less than six minutes later when Cindy Schofield found Bybee inside the Duke penalty box 10 yards away from the goal. The Oklahoma Gatorade Player of the Year first-timed the ball, lifting a high, arching shot over Helgadottir to even the match at 2-2.

Mims kept FSU in the game the 60<sup>th</sup> minute when Duke senior Sarah Pickens got in behind the Florida State defense and fired a rocket right at the freshman. The Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. native corralled the shot ending the Blue Devil threat.

The Seminoles had their own chance to take the lead in the 84<sup>th</sup> minute when Maren Vik Edvardsen ripped a shot from the top of the Duke penalty box. Her blast seemed to beat the Duke keeper but Helgadottir made a fantastic dive to get a hand on the ball and push it just wide of the post.

Duke made on last attempt to avoid overtime in the 87<sup>th</sup> minute when Gwendolyn Oxenham took a dangerous shot to the far post that sophomore defender Kristin Boyce deflected just in front of the net keeping FSU alive heading to overtime.



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The Seminoles had posted an astounding 3-0-3 record in overtime games under Baker including an OT win versus NC State earlier this season as they headed into the extra period against Duke. Florida State's undefeated streak in overtime almost came to end though in the 97<sup>th</sup> minute of the game.

On a developing play just outside of the FSU 18-yard box, Dyche went in for a hard tackle on McCluskey as she was dribbling into the Seminole box and was whistled for a penalty kick. The PK was the first faced by Mims as a college player and was taken by senior Katie Heaps for the Blue Devils. Heaps sent a low blast to the right side of the goal but fairly straight and Mims, diving to her left, pounced on the shot once again keeping the Seminoles in the game.

"I was confident on that PK and I knew, through my coaching, that most right-footed shooters like to shoot to the right and I was just in the right place at the right time," said Mims. "I had to be mentally focused today because Duke is a great team and I knew they were going to challenge me. I had to be on my toes every second. Even though we had two goals scored on us, I couldn't be happier right now. I am ecstatic for our team and where we sit in the conference halfway through the season."

Just two minutes after Mims saved the game, Florida State mounted an attack of its own. A beautiful piece of combination play between Tollefson and Maren Vik Edvardsen freed Tollefson down the left wing where she sent a cross in front of the Duke goal to a waiting Schofield. Schofield collected the ball, made one sidestep to free herself and fired the game-winner from four yards at the near post.

Schofield's goal was her team-leading eighth of the season and the fifth one she has scored in the last four games. She also has two assists in the last four games and five on the season. Schofield's 21 points lead the team and she is now tied for second on FSU's career goal scoring list with 16 and third on the all-time points list with 45 in her career. The assist from Maren Vik Edvardsen was her seventh of the season and she has now tied the record for assists in a season with seven regular season games remaining.

"It is exciting to win like we did today," said Baker. "When they take that penalty kick you can't help but thinking that this comeback could be over. I remember watching Heaps take a PK before and she went to the same side as today and I was signaling that to Ali (Mims) but I don't think she saw me. She made a great decision and a great save. Then Cindy stepped up again to win it for us. She is having a huge week.

"People didn't think we could top last year considering some of the changes in personnel but we keep finding ways to win and that's what it's about. We have been fortunate but keep finding ways to come out on top. There are a lot of different people stepping up for us this year. People think Emma Breland scored all of our goals last season but that wasn't the case. We spread the ball around and there are a lot of players making an impact."

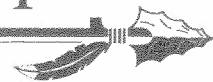
The Seminoles continue conference play October 12, 2001 when they travel to Chapel Hill, NC to face the undefeated and top-ranked Tar Heels (10-0-0, 1-0-0).



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North Carolina is looking for its third consecutive NCAA Championship in 2001 and they are off to an impressive start. Friday night's game between the Seminoles and Tar Heels is slated for a 7:00 p.m. start.

"If we think we are going to go to North Carolina and not fight and claw like we did in that first half today, it is going to be a long evening for us," said Baker. "If we play the same way we played in the first half next week, it is going to be a long trip to Chapel Hill."

Duke (4-6-0, 0-4-0) vs. No. 14 Florida State (9-3-0, 3-0-0)  
Date: Oct 07, 2001 Attendance: 702

Goals by period      1   2   OT   Tot

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Duke.....            2   0   0 - 2

No. 14 Florida State   0   2   1 - 3

### SCORING SUMMARY:

1. 13:56 DUKE Casey McCluskey (7) (unassisted)
2. 30:13 DUKE Casey McCluskey (8) (unassisted)
3. 53:24 FSU Amber Tollefson (4) (Heather Dyche)
4. 59:03 FSU Camie Bybee (4) (Cindy Schofield)
5. 101:58 FSU Cindy Schofield (8) (Amber Tollefson/Maren Vik Edvardsen)

Shots: Duke 18, No. 14 Florida State 16

Saves: Duke 8 (Thora Helgadottir 7; TEAM 1), No. 14 Florida State 6 (Ali Mims 5; TEAM 1)

FSU goes to 3-0 in ACC. Most ACC wins in a season.

[www.seminoles.com](http://www.seminoles.com)

## Soccer Box Score (OT Period [101:59])

## The Automated ScoreBook For Soccer

Duke vs No. 14 Florida State (Oct 07, 2001 at Tallahassee, Fla)

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 Weather:

Goals by period      1   2   OT   Tot  
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 Duke..... 2   0   0   -   2  
 No. 14 Florida State 0   2   1   -   3

Duke	Pos.	##	Player	Sh	SOG	G	A
GK	0	Thora Helgadottir...	-	-	-	-	
MF	2	Carly Fuller.....	3	-	-	-	
F	4	Casey McCluskey.....	3	2	2	-	
D	7	Katie Heaps.....	1	1	-	-	
D	12	Kelly Harris.....	-	-	-	-	
F	14	Gwendolyn Oxenham...	2	-	-	-	
D	16	Rebecca Smith.....	-	-	-	-	
F	17	Sarah Pickens.....	5	2	-	-	
F	18	Alison Sanders.....	4	3	-	-	
MF	20	Liz Wagner.....	-	-	-	-	
D	23	Margaret Lea.....	-	-	-	-	
----- Substitutes -----							
	3	Brigid Bowdell.....	-	-	-	-	
	5	Carly O'Connor.....	-	-	-	-	
	6	Lauren Simel.....	-	-	-	-	
	8	Stefanie Kraay.....	-	-	-	-	
	13	Sara Zielske.....	-	-	-	-	
	15	Maegan Lobo-Berg....	-	-	-	-	
	21	Crstal Pressley.....	-	-	-	-	
Totals.....				18	8	2	0

No. 14 Florida State	Pos.	##	Player	Sh	SOG	G	A
GK	0	Ali Mims.....	-	-	-	-	
MF	2	Amber Tollefson.....	2	1	1	1	
D	4	Kristin Boyce.....	1	1	-	-	
F	5	Jez Ratliff.....	-	-	-	-	
D	6	Ashlee Fontes.....	1	1	-	-	
MF	8	Marte Vik Edvardsen.	-	-	-	-	
F	11	Cindy Schofield.....	3	3	1	1	
MF	13	Summer Corum.....	-	-	-	-	
MF	15	Camie Bybee.....	4	3	1	-	
D	20	Katie Beal.....	-	-	-	-	
D	21	Heather Dyche.....	1	-	-	1	
----- Substitutes -----							
	3	Dana Denker.....	-	-	-	-	
	7	Shane Gallo.....	-	-	-	-	
	9	Maren Vik Edvardsen.	3	2	-	1	
	10	Jenny Garcia.....	1	-	-	-	
	12	Meredith Jones.....	-	-	-	-	
	14	Katie Talley.....	-	-	-	-	
	17	Marion Cagle.....	-	-	-	-	
	25	Christy Peacock.....	-	-	-	-	
Totals.....				16	11	3	4

Duke	Player	MIN	GA	Saves
0	Thora Helgadottir...	101:59	3	7
TM TEAM		0:00	0	1

No. 14 Florida State	##	Player	MIN	GA	Saves
0	Ali Mims.....	101:59	2	5	
TM TEAM		0:00	0	1	

Shots by period	1	2	OT	Tot
Duke.....	6	10	2	- 18
No. 14 Florida State	6	7	3	- 16

Saves by period	1	2	OT	Tot
Duke.....	2	5	1	- 8
No. 14 Florida State	3	2	1	- 6

Corner kicks	1	2	OT	Tot
Duke.....	3	2	0	- 5
No. 14 Florida State	6	2	1	- 9

Fouls	1	2	OT	Tot
Duke.....	5	5	3	- 13
No. 14 Florida State	3	6	2	- 11

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## CAUTIONS AND EJECTIONS:

Officials: Referee: Clark Happonstall; Asst. Referee: Tom Turner; Paul Denton;  
 Alt. Official: Dixon Ezeala; Timekeeper: Michael Morrell; Scorer: Elliott Finebloom;  
 Sides: Duke 0, No. 14 Florida State 3.  
 FSU goes to 3-0 in ACC. Most ACC wins in a season.

Referee signature

Shot Chart  
The Automated ScoreBook For Soccer  
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Duke

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B: close left wing

A: in the box

C: close right wing

18S  
4\*G\*  
17S  
17w  
17S  
17b

E: far left wing

D: top of box

F: far right wing

18S  
2  
4\*G\*  
14w  
4w  
17  
2  
18  
14w  
18  
2

No. 14 Florida State

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B: close left wing

A: in the box

C: close right wing

11S  
15  
15w  
9p  
10w  
2\*G\*  
15\*G\*  
11S  
4S  
9S  
2b  
11\*G\*

E: far left wing

D: top of box

F: far right wing

21b  
15S  
9S  
6S

SYMBOLS: \*G\*=Goal S=Save w=Wide/High p=Post/Crossbar b=Blocked

Team Shot Summary

Duke	No. 14 Florida State
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TOTAL SHOTS ATTEMPTED 17  
BLOCKED BY DEFENSE 1  
SHOTS OFF TARGET 9  
POSTS 0  
SHOTS ON TARGET 6  
SAVED BY GOALIE 4  
GOALS SCORED 2

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TOTAL SHOTS ATTEMPTED 16  
BLOCKED BY DEFENSE 2  
SHOTS OFF TARGET 2  
POSTS 1  
SHOTS ON TARGET 10  
SAVED BY GOALIE 7  
GOALS SCORED 3