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16<sup>th</sup>-RANKED FSU DEFEATS FLORIDA A&M 11-0 AT WORTH INVITATIONAL Leslie Malerich picks up seventh win and Robyn Gauger knocks in four RBI's.

Boca Raton, FL – The Florida State softball team (14-3) bounced back Saturday morning and ended its first losing streak of 2001 with a 9-0, five inning win over FAMU (3-7) in second day action at the FAU/Worth Invitational. Junior Leslie Malerich went three innings and allowed no runs and just one hit as she has now pitched 13 innings at the Worth Invitational and allowed no earned runs and struck out 14 opposing batters.

"I was glad to see our team respond after what happened Friday night," said head coach JoAnne Graf. "We were able to put some runs on the board and give our pitchers a little bit of breathing room early in the game. We need to build on this morning's performance as we head into our next game with Maryland who is 2-0 in the tournament."

The Seminoles broke the game open in a wild first inning, which included five walks, a couple of illegal pitch calls and two big hits for FSU. Freshman Jessica van der Linden knocked a two RBI single after Staci Brandon had already scored on an illegal pitch. Robyn Gauger then came up with the bases loaded and launched a double that scored three runs and staked the Seminoles to a 6-0 lead.

Gauger once again had a big hit for FSU in the third inning when her single to centerfield plated Jen White-Stokes to increase the Seminoles lead to 7-0. Beth Wade and Staci Brandon also added third inning RBI's to extend the Seminoles lead to 9-0. Kimmy Carter and Brandi Stuart both recorded RBI's in the fifth, on a double and walk respectively, and White-Stokes limited FAMU the rest of the way as the Seminoles recorded their 14<sup>th</sup> win of the season.

Florida State continues play in the FAU/Worth Invitational at 1:15 p.m. when they meet the University of Maryland (4-3) in second round action. The Terrapins are 2-0 in the tournament after defeating FAMU and Illinois on Friday.

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## The Automated ScoreBook

## Florida State vs Florida A&M

Feb 24, 2001 at Boca Raton, FL (FAU Stadium)

Florida State 11 (14-3)

## Florida A&M 0 (3-7)

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| Staci Brandon 3b       | 2    | 1   | 1    | 1   | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1 | 0   |   | Tonya Minick cf      |      | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 1  | 1  | 0 | (   |
| Jackie Hirschfeld 3b   | 1    | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0   | ı | Natalie Mathews rf   | . 2  | 0 | 1 | 0   | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0 | C   |
| Serita Brooks cf       | 2    | 1   | 0    | 0   | 1  | 1  | 1  | 0 | 0   | ı | Nkese Reed 2b        | . 2  | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | (   |
| Kimmy Carter c         | 3    | 2   | 2    | 1   | 1  | 0  | 4  | 0 | 0   | ı | Tiya Hines dp        | . 2  | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0 | 1   |
| Brandi Stuart 2b       | 2    | 0   | 0    | 1   | 2  | 0  | 0  | 1 | 4   |   | Raven Rushton 3b     | . 2  | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0  | 2  | 2 | (   |
| Elisa Velasco lf       | 0    | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   | ı | Meyla Hooker 1b      | . 2  | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0  | 4  | 2 | (   |
| Jess van der Linden 1f | 3    | 1   | 2    | 2   | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0   | ı | Jerika Mobley ss     | . 2  | 0 | 1 | 0   | 0  | 0  | 3  | 1 | C   |
| Stephanie Elowsky ph   | 1    | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   | ı | Javetta Dryer p/pr   | . 0  | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | C   |
| Monique Marier lf      | 0    | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   | ı | Temyse Tasby p       | . 2  | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 2 | 1   |
| Jen White-Stokes dp/p  | 2    | 2   | 0    | 0   | 1  | 0  | 0  | 2 | 0   | ı | Shakaye Peters c     | . 2  | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 1  | 5  | 0 | 1   |
| Natalie Bennett ss     | 2    | 2   | 1    | 0   | 0  | 0  | 4  | 1 | 0   | ı | Kimberly Saunders lf | . 0  | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | (   |
| Robyn Gauger rf        | 3    | 1   | 2    | 4   | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0 | 1   | , |                      |      |   |   |     |    |    |    |   |     |
| Beth Wade 1b           | 3    | 0   | 2    | 1   | 0  | 0  | 4  | 1 | 0   | ı |                      |      |   |   |     |    |    |    |   |     |
| Skyla Cox pr           | 0    | 1   | 0    | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   | ı |                      |      |   |   |     |    |    |    |   |     |
| Leslie Malerich p      | 0    | 0   | 0    | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   | ı |                      |      |   |   |     |    |    |    |   |     |
| Totals                 | 24   | 11  | 10   | 10  | 6  | 4  | 15 | 6 | 6   |   | Totals               | . 18 | 0 | 2 | 0   | 0  | 4  | 15 | 7 | 3   |
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Stuart; Mobley. LOB - Seminoles 6; Rattlerettes 3. 2B - Carter; Gauger. HBP - Brooks; Bennett. SB - Brooks.

| Florida State    |     |   |   |   |   |   |   | BF | Florida A&M   | IP  |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |
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| Leslie Malerich  |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |    | Javetta Dryer |     |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |
| Jen White-Stokes | 2.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 7  | Tenyse Tasby  | 5.0 | 10 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 24 | 29 |

Win - Malerich (7-1). Loss - Dryer (). Save - None.

WP - White-Stokes. HB - Tasby 2. BK - Dryer 2. PB - Peters.

Umpires -

Start: 11:00 am Time: 1:45 Attendance:

Game: 2242001

Dryer faced 3 batters in the 1st.