



# FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

## SPORTS INFORMATION



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### FLORIDA STATE TAKES OPENING GAME FROM THE GATORS WITH A 5-3 WIN

Malerich picks up 17<sup>th</sup> win as Gauger homers and records two RBI in Seminoles 44<sup>th</sup> win of the year.

Gainesville, FL – Florida State head coach Dr. JoAnne Graf picked up her 1,099<sup>th</sup> career win as her Florida State softball team downed the University of Florida 5-3 in the opening game of a doubleheader Wednesday afternoon in Gainesville, FL. The Seminoles fought back from a 2-0 deficit to record their 44<sup>th</sup> win of the season and improve to 44-7. The Gators fell to 31-20 on the year with the loss and now trail the all-time series with FSU 5-4.

The Gators drew first blood in the top of the first when junior Katy Berger sent an RBI double to deep left center scoring sophomore Jenn Mossadeghi who got on when Florida State starter Leslie Malerich hit her to start the inning. Berger stole third and came around to score on a fielder's choice putting Florida up 2-0. It was the first time any team scored two runs off of the FSU pitching staff in the first inning this season and the Seminoles had allowed just one first inning run all year coming into Wednesday's action.

Florida State wasted no time evening the game in the top of the second when senior Robyn Gauger took the inning's first pitch out of the Florida Softball Stadium with a 230-foot home run to left field off of UF starter Renise Landry. Brandi Stuart then drew a walk and proceeded to steal second and third base. She came around to even the game at 2-2 when Natalie Bennett reached on an error by Landry.

Florida State took a 5-2 lead in the top of the third after loading the bases with no outs and then loading the bases again later in the inning with two outs. Serita Brooks led off the third with a walk and was followed by Kimmy Carter and Jessica van der Linden who each singled to load the bases. Gauger, who hit a solo homerun in the top of the second, then hit a sacrifice fly to left field to plate Brooks and put FSU up 3-2. After Florida retired the next two batters, Jen White-Stokes drew a walk to once again load the bases. That brought up Monique Marier who has 13 road RBI and 26 total RBI this season. Marier pulled a double down the left field line that scored Carter and van der Linden and extended the Seminoles lead to 5-2.

The Gators threatened in the bottom of the seventh inning but were only able to get one run off of Malerich. The junior improved to 16-2 on the season and she recorded her team leading 16<sup>th</sup> win, 17<sup>th</sup> complete game and ninth shutout. UF starter Landry took the loss and saw her record fall to 16-12.

The Seminoles and Gators wrap-up their doubleheader at 6:30 p.m. this evening at the Florida Softball Stadium. Florida State returns home Saturday, April 21 to continue SASA play when they welcome East Carolina to the Seminole Softball Complex. Game times are 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. and all games are free to the public. Visit [www.seminoles.com](http://www.seminoles.com) for more information on Seminole softball.

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The Automated ScoreBook  
 Florida State at Florida (Game 1)  
 Apr 18, 2001 at Gainesville, FL (Florida Softball Sta)

Florida State 5 (44-7)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Serita Brooks cf.....	2	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Kimmy Carter c.....	4	0	1	0	0	2	4	1	1
Jess van der Linden rf...	3	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Robyn Gauger 1b.....	3	1	1	2	0	0	12	0	2
Brandi Stuart 2b.....	3	2	0	0	1	0	4	1	0
Jen White-Stokes dp.....	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
Monique Marier lf.....	3	0	1	2	0	2	1	0	0
Natalie Bennett ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2
Staci Brandon 3b.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	1
Becky Brock pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Leslie Malerich p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Totals.....	27	5	7	4	4	7	21	13	7

Score by Innings                      R H E

Florida State..... 023 000 0 - 5 7 0  
 Florida..... 200 000 1 - 3 3 1

E - Landry. LOB - Seminoles 7; Gators 5. 2B - Marier; K.Berger. HR - Gauger. HBP - Mossadeghi. SH - Brooks; Marchetta; Prieto. SF - Gauger. SB - Brooks; Stuart 2; K.Berger.

Florida 3 (31-20)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Mossadeghi 3b.....	3	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
K.Berger rf.....	4	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
Marino dp.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	0
B.Berger c.....	3	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
Boone 1b.....	1	0	1	0	2	0	7	1	0
Marchetta ss.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	1
Walden 2b.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	2
Brown pr.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rosen cf.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Prieto lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Landry p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moore p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Totals.....	23	3	3	3	3	4	21	11	5

Florida	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Landry.....	2.2	4	5	4	3	5	12	16
Moore.....	4.1	3	0	0	1	2	15	17

Win - Malerich (17-2). Loss - Landry (16-12). Save - None.

WP - Landry. HB - Malerich.

Umpires - Home:Patty Arrington 1st:Mike McDermott 3rd:Michel Carriere

Start: 4:06 pm Time: 2:17 Attendance: 1144

Game: 4182001A