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The NFCA Division I Leadoff Classic is back! Presented by Rawlings, the 19th version of the Association's season-opening tournament takes place Feb. 7-9 at the Eddie C. Moore Complex in Clearwater, Fla. The 2020 field features 15 collegiate programs, 10 of which participated in the 2019 postseason, and the United States Women's National Team.

As part of their "Stand Beside Her" Tour in partnership with Major League Baseball, the Red, White and Blue are gearing up for the 2020 Olympics and take on five programs over the three days. The World No. 1 will match up in exhibition contests against Mississippi State, Illinois, Baylor, Kentucky and Texas State. A pair of National Team pitchers – Keilani Ricketts and Cat Osterman - have ties to the Bulldogs and Bobcats, respectively. Ricketts is the younger sister of Mississippi State head coach Samantha, while Osterman is Texas State's pitching coach.

Highlighting the field of collegiate programs is 2019 Women's College World Series participant No. 8 Minnesota, along with No. 15 Kentucky and No. 21 Ole Miss, which reached the Super Regionals. RV Missouri and RV Louisville were regional finalists, while No. 23 Auburn, Illinois, Mississippi State and RV Notre Dame qualified for regionals. The final postseason team from 2019 is Liberty, which took part in the Championship round of the NISC.

Rounding out the field of collegiate programs is RV Baylor, Missouri State, North Carolina State, South Alabama and Texas State. Each team will play a total of five games over three days.

In addition, Liberty head coach Dot Richardson was a member of the 1996 team that won the first-ever Olympic Gold Medal in softball. Coincidentally, 1996 was the first year the NFCA hosted the Leadoff Classic in Columbus, Ga., the competition site for softball at the Atlanta Olympic Games. The Washington Huskies, with the help of then-senior and current U.S. assistant coach Heather Tarr, were crowned winners of the inaugural tournament.

The first 15 tournaments were held in Columbus, Ga. from 1996 through 2010 before moving to Clearwater from 2012-14. One team in this year's field, Notre Dame, participated in the first-ever Leadoff Classic, while another, Illinois, captured the 2010 title. Michigan has captured the most titles with four, while Louisiana, Stanford and Washington each came out on top twice.

Note: Rankings reflect 2020 USA Today/NFCA Division I Preseason Top 25 Coaches Poll.

Previous Division I Leadoff Classic Champions

2014 – Hofstra; 2013 – Louisiana; 2012- DePaul; 2010- Illinois
2008- Michigan; 2007 – Georgia Tech & Michigan
2005- Oklahoma; 2004 – LSU; 2003- UMass; 2002 – Nebraska
2001 – Stanford; 2000 – Washington; 1999 – Louisiana
1998 – Michigan; 1997 – South Carolina; 1996- Washington

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City of Clearwater Mayor George Cretekos:

“The City of Clearwater’s partnership with the NFCA has remained very strong over the years, and all of us are excited to have the Leadoff Classic back in Clearwater. “The 2020 Leadoff Classic will be extra special, because fans will also be able to watch the U.S. National Team prepare for its gold medal run. The game of softball is ingrained in the culture of Clearwater since the days of the 1940s when the Clearwater Bombers put softball on the map. Clearwater is now home to many great softball tournaments and is proud to be the host of the Leadoff Classic once again.”

All games will be live streamed for free on the NFCA’s YouTube page (NFCAorg)

Friday, February 7

NOON

Field 1 - South Alabama v **Texas State**
 Field 2 - RV Missouri v **RV Notre Dame**
 Field 3 - No. 15 Kentucky v **Liberty**
 Field 4 - Mississippi State v **Missouri State**
 Field 8 - No. 23 Auburn v **RV Baylor**
 Field 9 - RV Louisville v **No. 21 Ole Miss**

2:30 PM

Field 1 - **North Carolina State** v No. 8 Minnesota
 Field 2 - **No. 23 Auburn** v RV Notre Dame
 Field 3 - **No. 15 Kentucky** v Texas State
 Field 4 - Illinois v **Liberty**
 Field 9 - RV Louisville v **RV Baylor**

5:00 PM

Field 1 - **Missouri State** v No. 8 Minnesota
 Field 3 - North Carolina State v **No. 21 Ole Miss**
 Field 4 - **RV Missouri** v South Alabama

6:00 PM

Field 8 - Mississippi State v **U.S. National Team**

8:00 PM

Field 8 - Illinois v **U.S. National Team**

Saturday, February 8

10:00 AM

Field 1 - **No. 15 Kentucky** v North Carolina State
 Field 2 - Texas State v **RV Louisville**
 Field 3 - RV Baylor v **RV Missouri**
 Field 4 - Liberty v **No. 23 Auburn**

12:30 PM

Field 1 - Missouri State v **North Carolina State**
 Field 2 - RV Missouri v **No. 8 Minnesota**
 Field 3 - Liberty v **Mississippi State**
 Field 4 - **Texas State** v No. 23 Auburn

3:00 PM

Field 1 - Missouri State v **RV Notre Dame**
 Field 2 - **South Alabama** v No. 8 Minnesota
 Field 3 - **RV Louisville** v Mississippi State
 Field 4 - No. 21 Ole Miss v **Illinois**
 Field 8 - RV Baylor v **U.S. National Team**

5:30 PM

Field 2 - RV Notre Dame v **No. 21 Ole Miss**
 Field 4 - **South Alabama** v Illinois
 Field 8 - No. 15 Kentucky v **U.S. National Team**

Sunday, February 9

9:00 AM

Field 1 - RV Baylor v **Missouri State**

10:00 AM

Field 2 - **RV Missouri** v RV Louisville
 Field 3 - No. 21 Ole Miss v **Liberty**

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11:00 AM

Field 4 - No. 15 Kentucky v **No. 8 Minnesota**

NOON

Field 1 - No. 23 Auburn v **Illinois**
 Field 2 - North Carolina State v **Mississippi State**
 Field 3 - RV Notre Dame v **South Alabama**
 Field 8 - Texas State v **U.S. National Team**



ABOUT THE NFCA

NFCA QUICK HITS

Established	1983
Located	Louisville, Ky. (2012)
Members	5,840 (as of Jan. 31, 2020)
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Established in 1983, the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) is the professional growth organization for fastpitch softball coaches from all competitive levels of play. The national office, located in the Crescent Hill community of Louisville, Ky., moved to the Bluegrass State in 2012.

Although collegiate coaches comprised the majority of the organization's membership in the early days, today they are joined by high school, travel ball, professional and international coaches, along with umpires, clubs, businesses and fans of fastpitch softball. Growing from 40 members in 1983 to over 5,800 today, the NFCA boasts members from all 50 states and several international countries.

There are many services offered to the membership. Highlighted by the All-America teams, the awards program is about recognizing student-athletes for their athletic and academic prowess and coaches for their contributions both on and off the field.

Education is one of the NFCA's highest priorities. It hosts an annual National Convention in December, conducts eight coaches clinics and provides in-person and online educational classes (NFCC) for its members. The Association also runs collegiate and high school tournaments and hosts skills and academic camps throughout the nation. Additionally, the NFCA works with USA Today in producing polls for NCAA Division I and high school softball as well as compiling NCAA Division II and Division III national polls.

NFCA Executive Director Carol Bruggeman

"I can't think of a better way to kick off the 2020 season than to head to Clearwater, Fla. for our NFCA Division I Leadoff Classic! Our tournament will give fans the first opportunity to see some of the best teams in the country and the U.S. National Team all in one place. Our Division I coaches have been asking the NFCA to 'bring back' this tournament for the last two years and we are honored to make it happen. The NFCA would like to thank official Convention sponsor USA Softball, longtime NFCA partner, the City of Clearwater, and Rawlings for their support of this prestigious event."

NFCA PURPOSE

TO SUPPORT FASTPITCH SOFTBALL COACHES IN THEIR QUEST FOR EXCELLENCE, WHILE UNITING TOGETHER
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U.S. NATIONAL TEAM



NO.	NAME	POS	B/T	HOMETOWN/COLLEGE (GRAD/SCHOOL YEAR)
1	Aubree Munroe	C	R/R	Brea, Calif./Florida (2016)
2	Ali Aguilar	IF	L/R	Orangevale, Calif./Washington (2017)
3	Ally Carda	P/IF	R/R	Elk Grove, Calif./UCLA (2015)
4	Amanda Chidester	C	R/R	Allen Park, Mich./Michigan (2012)
7	Kelsey Stewart	IF/OF	L/R	Wichita, Kan./Florida (2016)
8	Haylie McCleney	OF	L/L	Morris, Ala./Alabama (2016)
9	Janie Reed	OF	L/R	Placentia, Calif./Oregon (2015)
10	Keilani Ricketts	P	L/L	San Jose, Calif./Oklahoma (2013)
12	Taylor Edwards	C	R/R	Murrieta, Calif./Nebraska (2014)
14	Monica Abbott	P	L/L	Salinas, Calif./Tennessee (2007)
16	Michelle Moultrie	OF	L/R	Jacksonville, Fla./Florida (2012)
20	Valerie Arioto	IF	R/R	Pleasanton, Calif./California (2012)
21	Rachel Garcia	P/IF	R/R	Palmdale, Calif./UCLA (R-Sr.)
34	Dejah Mulipola	C	R/R	Garden Grove, Calif./Arizona (Sr.)
37	Hannah Flippen	IF	R/R	San Diego, Calif./Utah (2017)
38	Cat Osterman	P	L/L	Houston, Texas/Texas (2006)
48	Bubba Nickles	UT	R/R	Merced, Calif./UCLA (Sr.)
99	Delanie Spaulding	IF	R/R	Rancho Cucamonga, Calif./UCLA (2017)



HEAD COACH Ken Eriksen 10th Year

Head coach of the United States Women's National Team since 2011, Ken Eriksen leads the Red, White and Blue in their return to the Olympics this July in Tokyo.

Joining USA Softball in 2002, Eriksen is establishing himself as one of the winningest coaches in USA Softball Women's National Team history, currently sitting second in all-time wins and compiling a 52-4 record at the helm of Team USA in major competitions. Eriksen has guided Team USA to a pair of gold medals each at the WBSC World Championships and Pan American Games.

As the longtime head coach at the University of South Florida, coach Eriksen has steered the Bulls to 975 victories, 14 NCAA postseason berths, two Super Regionals and one Women's College World Series in 23 seasons.

Assistant Coach: Laura Berg (Corvallis, Ore./Oregon State HC)

Assistant Coach: Howard Dobson (Baton Rouge, La./LSU AC)

Assistant Coach: Taira Flowers (Northridge, Calif./CSUN HC)

Assistant Coach: Heather Tarr (Seattle, Wash./Washington HC)

USA Softball Chief Executive Officer, Craig Cress:

"We're excited to be participating at the 2020 NFCA Leadoff Classic. It's important for our National Team to face quality competition in their training for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, and participating in events such as this will help our team prepare. We look forward to competing in this prestigious event and sharing in the excitement of softball's return to the Olympic Games."

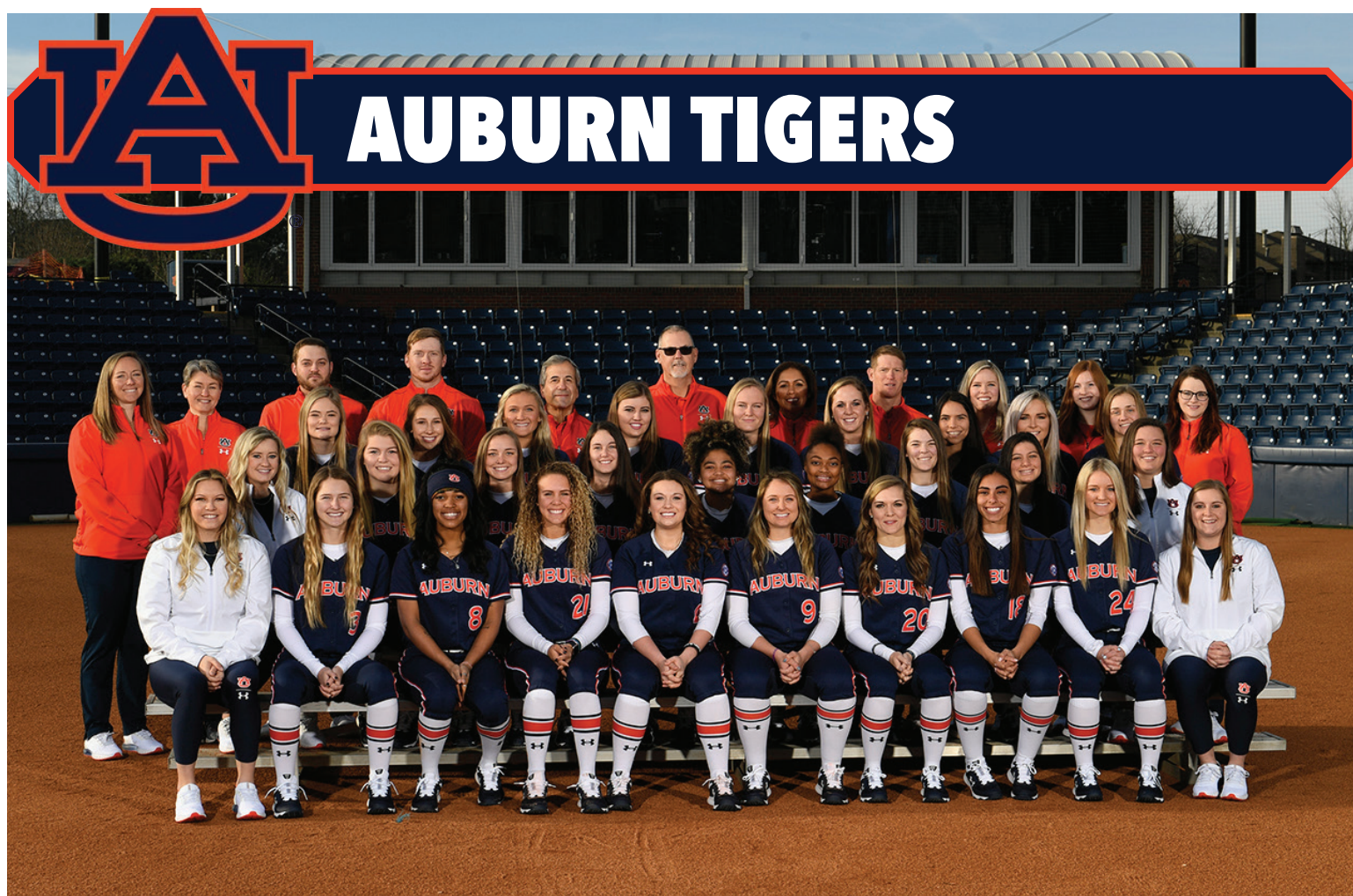


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NO.	NAME	POS	YR	HT	B/T	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
00	Aspyr Godwin	C/OF	So.	5-8	R/R	Silverhill, Ala./Daphne
1	Samantha Yarbrough	P	So.	5-6	R/R	Fairhope, Ala./South Alabama
2	Bailee Dempsey	P	Jr.	5-4	L/L	Dothan, Ala./Dothan (Wallace CC)
3	Madi Perry	IF	Fr.	5-7	L/R	Loganville, Ga./Walnut Grove
4	Ashlee Swindle	P	Sr.	5-6	R/R	Jasper, Ala./Curry
5	Lindsey Garcia	IF	Fr.	5-5	R/R	Coral Springs, Fla./Coral Springs Charter
8	Brittany Maresette	OF	Sr.	5-4	L/R	Snellville, Ga./Archer
9	Tannon Snow	IF	Sr.	5-7	R/R	Chino Hills, Calif./Chino Hills (Washington)
11	Maddie Majors	OF/1B	Fr.	5-8	L/R	Birmingham, Ala./Spain Park
12	Carlee McCondichie	UT	Fr.	5-7	L/R	Birmingham, Ala./Gardendale
14	Jadia Jones	OF	Jr.	5-7	L/R	Phenix City/ Central-Phenix City (Chipola College)
16	Hannah Cavanaugh	P	So.	6-0	R/R	Winter Park, Fla./Trinity Preparatory
17	Maia Engelkes	IF	Fr.	5-11	R/R	Sioux Falls, S.D./Harrisburg
18	Justus Perry	IF	Sr.	5-9	R/R	Prior Lake, Minn./Prior Lake
19	Abby Tissier	C	Jr.	5-8	R/R	Hoover, Ala./Hoover
20	Rachel Cook	OF	Sr.	5-6	R/R	Dadeville, Ala./Dadeville
21	Alyssa Rivera	OF	Sr.	5-9	L/R	Eagle Lake, Fla./Lake Region
24	Jaylin Calvert	OF	Fr.	5-6	L/R	New Palestine, Ind./New Palestine
27	Lexie Handley	P	R-Jr.	6-1	R/L	Mogadore, Ohio/ St. Vincent-St. Mary's (Akron)
32	Makenna Dowell	IF	Jr.	5-0	L/R	Suwanee, Ga./North Gwinnett
34	KK Dismukes	P	Fr.	5-11	R/R	Holtville, Ala./Holtville
43	Haley Nillen	C	So.	5-10	R/R	Spring, Texas/Oak Ridge
66	Tyler King	OF	Jr.	5-5	L/L	Upland, Calif./Upland (East Carolina)
77	Madison Koepke	IF	Fr.	5-6	R/R	Dacula, Ga./Mill Creek
99	Phoebe Florian	IF	Fr.	5-7	L/R	Charlotte, N.C./Ardey Kell

Assistant Coach: Eugene Lenti (1st Season)

Assistant Coach: Ruby Rojas (1st Season)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Emily Carosone (3rd Season)

Director of Operations: Leisa Lee (1st Season)



HEAD COACH **Mickey Dean** 3rd Season/Elon '87

Mickey Dean enters his third season in the Auburn dugout. In two seasons, he has guided the Tigers to 80 victories and two NCAA Regionals.

Overall, Dean has led his programs to 558 wins, nine NCAA Regionals, two 50-win seasons and seven 40-win seasons. During his five-year stint at James Madison, Dean compiled a record of 237-56 (.809) and steered the Dukes to a Super Regional in 2016. He amassed five 40-win seasons, including the final two campaigns with 52 and 50 victories, respectively.

Prior to JMU, Dean spent six seasons as the head coach at Radford where he took the Highlanders to their first-ever NCAA Tournament appearances in 2009 and 2010. Dean also served as an assistant coach at Akron (2001-02), Indiana (2002-04) and Longwood (2005-06).

Dean has worked on the professional and international level. He was the pitching coach for the Venezuelan National Team (2002-08) as well as the head coach for the Chicago Bandits (2004-10) that finished as the National Pro Fastpitch regular season champions five times and won the title in 2008.



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NO.	NAME	POS	HT	YR	B/T	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
2	Kyla Walker	OF	5-2	R-Sr.	L/L	Franklin, Texas/Franklin
3	Kayman Courtney	IF	5-4	Fr.	R/R	Carthage, Texas/Carthage
4	Emily Hott	UT	5-8	Fr.	R/R	Edmond, Okla./Deer Creek
5	Sidney Holman-Mansell	P	5-10	R-Jr.	R/R	Belton, Texas/Belton (ACU / Temple College)
7	Gia Rodoni	P	5-7	R-Sr.	R/R	Los Banos, Calif./Pacheco
8	Hannah Smith	UT	5-10	Jr.	R/R	Nederland, Texas/Nederland
9	Lou Gilbert	OF	5-7	So.	L/R	Kansas City, Mo./Staley
10	Taylor Ellis	IF/C	5-8	Sr.	R/R	Waco, Texas/Midway
12	Kendall Cross	IF	5-6	So.	L/L	Friendswood, Texas/Friendswood
13	Hannah Thompson	C	5-7	Jr.	R/R	Dickinson, Texas/Dickinson
15	Erin Talley	P/OF	5-10	Fr.	R/R	Lumberton, Texas/Lumberton
18	Campbell Selman	UT	5-8	Fr.	R/R	Lufkin, Texas/Hudson
20	Ashley Marchand	C	5-9	Jr.	R/R	Haymarket, Va./Battlefield
22	Ana Watson	OF	5-4	So.	L/R	Hewitt, Texas/Reicher Catholic
23	Alyssa Avalos	OF	5-6	Jr.	L/L	Rancho Cucamonga, Calif./St. Lucy's Priory
24	Madison Lindsey	LHP	5-5	So.	L/L	Kingwood, Texas/Kingwood
27	Nicky Dawson	IF	5-7	Sr.	L/R	Baton Rouge, La./Parkview Baptist (LSU)
33	Casey Shell	C/IF	5-5	So.	R/R	Olathe, Kan./Olathe South
34	Goose McGlaun	P/IF	5-8	Sr.	R/R	Humble, Texas/Atascocita
41	Aliyah Pritchett	P/IF	5-7	Fr.	R/R	New Braunfels, Texas/New Braunfels Canyon
44	Josie Bower	OF	5-7	So.	L/R	Spring, Texas/Northland Christian
55	Maddison Kettler	OF/IF	5-2	R-Jr.	L/R	West, Texas/West

Associate Head Coach: Mark Lumley (20th season)
Assistant Coach: Britni Sneed Newman (17th season)
Volunteer Assistant: Leah Brown (1st season)



HEAD COACH Glenn Moore 20th Season Northwestern State '93

Glenn Moore is in his 20th season as head coach at Baylor and his 23rd full season as a collegiate softball head coach. Moore, who was selected to guide the Lady Bears'

program in June 2000, begins the 2020 season with a career record of 895-414 (.684), including a 756-372 (.670) record at Baylor. Guiding the program to four Women's College World Series appearances, his teams have had a winning record in all but one season of his Division I coaching career. He is Baylor Athletics' active all-time wins leader across all sports. He has progressed up the active and over-all NCAA coaching ranks, now ranking No. 17 in winning percentage and No. 26 in total victories.

During Moore's tenure, the Lady Bears have received 17 CoSIDA Academic All-America honors, 16 National Fastpitch Coaches Association All-America Honors and 65 NFCA All-Region honors. In addition, Baylor players have earned 86 all-conference selections during his tenure, while numerous Lady Bears have earned academic all-conference honors.

Prior to coming to Baylor, Moore spent two-plus seasons as head coach at LSU and four years total with the Tigers' program. Moore led LSU to the Southeastern Conference championship in 1999 and 2000. While at LSU, Moore amassed a 117-25 (.820) record.



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2	Gabi Robles	5-5	OF	Fr.	L/R	McHenry, Ill./Minooka Community
4	Akilah Mouzon	5-9	P	Sr.	R/R	Newark, N.J./Ballard
5	Kailee Powell	5-8	IF	So.	L/L	Canyon Country, Calif./Canyon
7	Rhein Trochim	5-8	OF	Jr.	L/R	Waco, Texas/Midway
8	Delaney Rummell	5-6	UT	Fr.	R/R	Gilberts, Ill./Hampshire
9	Zaria Dunlap	5-8	OF	So.	L/R	Charlotte, N.C./Providence
10	Shelby Stauffenberg	5-8	C	Jr.	R/R	Kankakee, Ill./Bishop McNamara Catholic
14	Kelly Ryono	5-8	OF	Fr.	R/R	Huntington Beach, Calif./Huntington Beach
15	Miranda Gallardo	5-2	UT	Fr.	L/R	Buena Park, Calif./John F. Kennedy
18	Bella Loya	5-6	C	Jr.	R/R	Mission Viejo, Calif./Mission Viejo
19	Addy Jarvis	5-10	P	So.	R/R	Vienna, Ohio/Mathews (Youngstown State)
20	Danielle Davis	5-7	OF	So.	R/R	Missouri City, Texas/Fort Bend Elkins
21	Sydney Sickels	5-11	P	So.	R/R	Indianola, Iowa/Indianola
22	Avrey Steiner	5-3	UT	So.	L/R	Fowler, Ohio/Cortland Lakeview
24	Maddison Demers	5-9	IF	Jr.	R/R	League City, Texas/Clear Falls
27	Katie Wingerter	5-5	UT	Jr.	R/R	Prospect Heights, Ill./John Hersey (Northern Illinois)
33	Maddy Adams	5-8	IF	Sr.	R/R	Hobart, Ind./Hobart (Lake Land)
38	Morgan Scivally	5-9	P	Fr.	R/R	Kankakee, Ill./Herschler
39	Brianna Nykaza	5-3	UT	Fr.	L/R	Chicago, Ill./Whitney M. Young Magnet (NC State)
48	Jaelyn Vickery	5-8	UT	Fr.	L/R	Kankakee, Ill./Bishop McNamara Catholic
88	Taylor Murray	5-8	P	Fr.	R/R	Freeport, Ill./Freeport

Assistant Coach: Laura Trout (5th Season)

Assistant Coach: Lance McMahon (4th Season)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Kristen Drage (1st Season)

Director of Operations: Michael Palmer (2nd Season)



HEAD COACH Tyra Perry 5th Season/LSU '97

Tyra Perry was hired as the University of Illinois' second-ever head coach in June, 2015. Entering her 19th season as a NCAA Division I softball head coach and fifth at the helm of the Illini, Perry has totaled

over 500 career victories as the head coach at Illinois, Ball State, Western Kentucky and Birmingham Southern.

With 145 victories on her belt, Perry has made an immediate impact in her time at the helm of Illini softball, leading the program to its first back-to-back NCAA Regional appearances since 2010 (2016 & 2017) and three times in four seasons.

Perry led the 2017 squad to a 39-20 record, tying for the fourth-most wins in program history and a top-four finish in the Big Ten Conference, while also advancing to the conference tournament semifinals for the first time since 2004. In her first season, she guided Illinois to its first NCAA Regional appearance since 2010.

During her two seasons at Ball State, Perry, the 2014 Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year, directed the Cardinals to 67 wins with a combined nine All-MAC selections and 13 Academic All-MAC honorees.

Prior to Ball State, the two-time SunBelt Coach of the Year spent six seasons as head coach at Western Kentucky, guiding the Lady Toppers to 196 victories and its first-ever NCAA Regional appearance. She also led Birmingham-Southern to 146 triumphs.

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Coaches are the lifeline of our sport.
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What: NFCA Day

When: April 18, 2020 | Rain Date: April 19, 2020

Where: Home or away, near or far. Use your practice, warm-ups, or game day to recognize coaches in your community.

Why: Help us raise awareness for the coaching profession, the NFCA, and your softball coach. The softball community will join together to show appreciation for the coaches in the sport of softball across all divisions.





NO.	NAME	POS	YR	B/T	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
00	Tekiya Garr-Carter	OF	So.	L/R	Lexington, Ky./Lafayette
1	Miranda Stoddard	P/UT	Fr.	R/R	Anaheim, Calif./Orange Lutheran
2	Bailey Vick	OF	Sr.	L/R	Paducah, Ky./McCracken Co.
3	Grace Baalman	P	Jr.	R/R	Hardin, Ill./Calhoun
4	Renee Abernathy	OF	So.	L/L	Springfield, Ill./Sacred Heart Griffin
5	Tatum Spangler	UT	So.	L/L	Henderson, Nevada/Coronado
7	Autumn Humes	P	Sr.	R/R	Bald Knob, Ark./Bald Knob (Harding University)
9	Lauren Johnson	OF	Jr.	L/R	Owensboro, Ky./Davies Co.
13	Mallory Peyton	IF	Jr.	R/R	Madisonville, Ky./Madisonville
14	Jaci Babbs	OF	So.	L/R	Sturgis, Ky./Union Co.
17	Sloan Gayan	P/IF	Fr.	R/R	Ottawa, Ill./Ottawa Township
19	Rylea Smith	UT	Fr.	L/R	St. Louis, Mo./Parkway North
20	Maclai Branson	IF	So.	R/R	Union, Ky./Ryle
24	Emma Boitnott	OF	So.	R/R	Normal, Ill./Normal West
25	Emmy Blane	IF	Fr.	R/R	Hopkinsville, Ky./Christian Co.
26	Meghan Schorman	P	So.	R/R	Hazelwood, Mo./Marquette
30	Larissa Spellman	P	Sr.	R/R	Butler, N.J./Butler
33	Alex Martens	IF	Sr.	L/R	McHenry, Ill./McHenry West
34	Cassie Lindmark	IF	Fr.	R/R	Lyons, Ill./Marist
44	Gabi Deters	IF	Fr.	R/R	Bowling Green, Mo./Bowling Green
99	Kayla Kowalik	C	So.	L/R	New Braunfels, Texas/St. John Paul II

Associate Head Coach: Kristine Himes (13th season)

Assistant Coach: Molly Belcher (10th season)

Director of Operations: Brittany Cervantes (1st season)



HEAD COACH Rachel Lawson 13th Season/UMass '94

Entering her 13th season as UK's head coach in 2020, Lawson's vision for the UK softball program has become a realization. The winningest head coach in program history has not only lead UK to its first-ever appearance in the Women's College World Series, seven NCAA Super Regionals the last nine seasons, including a program-best 50 wins in 2014, but UK's administration came through on their promise and commitment to softball by providing Lawson with one of the nation's greatest collegiate softball facilities in John Cropp Stadium.

She became the first coach in program history to eclipse 400 wins at Kentucky. In 2019, Kentucky had one of its best offensive seasons ever – setting the school record for runs scored, batting average, on-base percentage, slugging and trying the program best with 71 home runs. Abbey Cheek was named the 2019 NFCA Schutt Sports and SEC Player of the Year, becoming the first player under Lawson to win a conference and national Player of the Year honor. Additionally, UK made its third-straight NCAA Super Regional and swept its way through the Lexington Regional for a third-straight season.

Six of the last seven seasons, Lawson has led the Wildcats to a national seed in the NCAA Tournament. The school's first-ever national seed was in 2013 - and UK hosted an NCAA Regional for the first time ever. Kentucky, which has made the NCAA Tournament each of the last 11 seasons, is one of just 18 schools nationally to claim that honor.

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LIBERTY FLAMES



NO.	NAME	POS	B/T	YR	HT	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
1	Blake Gibson	IF	L/R	Fr.	5-9	Dothan, Ala./Rehobeth
2	Savannah Channell	IF	R/R	Fr.	5-6	Keystone Heights, Fla./Keystone Heights
3	Kayla Harris	C/IF	R/R	Sr.	5-11	Gold Run, Calif./Colfax (Northwest Florida State)
5	Story Giebeig	IF	R/R	Fr.	5-7	Lake City, Fla./Columbia
6	Addison Baele	OF	L/L	Sr.	5-7	Washington, Ill./Washington Community (Lake Land)
7	McKenzie Murray	OF	L/R	Fr.	5-5	Plymouth, Minn./Wayzata
8	Karlie Keeney	P	R/R	Fr.	5-9	Providence, Ky./Webster County
9	Emily Sweat	OF	L/R	R-Jr.	5-6	McDonough, Ga./Union Grove
10	Kara Canetto	OF	L/R	So.	5-4	Sylvania, Ga./Screven County
12	Emily Kirby	P	L/L	Jr.	5-8	Greenville, N.C./D.H. Conley
13	Madison Via	OF	L/R	Jr.	5-8	Roanoke, Va./Northside
14	Caroline Hudson	C	R/R	Fr.	5-7	Paris, Tenn./Henry County
16	Brittany Lew	IF	R/R	So.	5-5	Potomac, Md./Winston Churchill
17	Gaby Ruiz	IF	R/R	Fr.	5-7	Miami, Fla./Doral Academy
18	Carolyn McMullen	OF	L/R	Fr.	5-3	Murrieta, Calif./Calvary Murrieta Christian Acad.
19	Glory Thompson	OF	L/R	Fr.	5-4	Inglis, Fla./Dunnellon
22	Denay Griffin	IF	R/R	So.	5-7	San Antonio, Texas/Brandeis
24	Megan Johnson	P	R/R	Jr.	5-9	Vinita, Okla./Adair (Butler CC)
27	Kastin Belogorska	P	R/R	Fr.	5-7	Eden, Ga./South Effingham
61	Autumn Bishop	IF	L/L	Sr.	5-8	Murrieta, Calif./Murrieta Valley
72	Amber Bishop	IF	R/R	Sr.	5-8	Murrieta, Calif./Murrieta Valley

Associate Head Coach: Paige Cassady (7th Season)

Assistant Coach: Kasey Fagan (3rd Season)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: John Cassady (5th Season)

Director of Operations: Alexia Taylor (2nd Season)



HEAD COACH Dot Richardson 7th Season/UCLA '84

Dot Richardson was named the fifth head coach in the history of the Lady Flames softball program on July 17, 2013.

During her time at Liberty, Richardson has helped guide a

resurgence of the softball program. The Lady Flames have improved in the win-loss column nearly every year under her guidance. Entering the 2020 season, Richardson has led the Lady Flames to a 206-164 overall record.

Liberty is one of just 13 NCAA Division I softball teams to win 40 or more games in 2017, 2018 and 2019, and is 13th in the nation with 135 wins over that three-year span.

In 2019, Richardson helped Liberty make an immediate impact on the ASUN Conference, as the Lady Flames went 40-22 overall and finished second in conference standings at 16-5. The Lady Flames claimed their second NISC Regional title in the last three years, not allowing a single run in winning the Lynchburg Regional.

She was instrumental in the planning for the state-of-the-art Liberty Softball Stadium, which debuted during the 2015 season. Liberty Softball Stadium, a 1,000-seat structure, opened March 19, 2015 with the Lady Flames defeating Rider, 9-2.

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LOUISVILLE CARDINALS



NO.	NAME	POS	B/T	HT	YR	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
1	Maddy Newman	2B/OF	L/R	5-5	Jr.	Osceola, Ind./Penn
2	Charley Butler	OF	R/R	5-5	So.	Randleman, N.C./Randleman
3	Lexi Carver	C/IF	R/R	5-4	Fr.	Spencer, Ind./Owen Valley
4	Riley Schindler	OF	R/R	5-7	Jr.	Borden, Ind./Borden
7	Paige Schindler	P	R/R	5-7	Jr.	Borden, Ind./Borden
8	Taylor Roby	P	R/R	5-8	R-So.	Mt. Washington, Ky./Bullitt East
10	Jenna Servi	IF	L/R	5-3	Fr.	Monterey, Calif./Monterey
11	Taja Felder	P/UT	L/R	5-9	Fr.	Fresno, Calif./Clovis East
12	Chardonnay Harris	P	L/L	5-10	Jr.	Oak Park, Ill./River Forest (Auburn)
14	Caitlin Ferguson	IF	R/R	5-7	Sr.	Versailles, Ky./Woodford County
17	Payton Hudson	P/UT	R/R	5-7	Fr.	McMinnville, Ore./McMinnville
18	Cassady Greenwood	C	L/R	5-9	Fr.	Birmingham, Ala./Oak Mountain
19	Madison Ciacio	1B	R/R	5-8	Jr.	New Orleans, La./Mt. Carmel Academy
21	Eden Mayo	IF	R/R	5-8	R-Fr.	Grayson, Ky./East Carter
23	Jordyn Wolfe	OF	L/R	5-5	Jr.	South Elgin, Ill./St. Charles North
27	Elana Ornelas	UT	R/R	5-6	Fr.	LaGrange, Ky./Oldham County
33	Celene Funke	OF	L/R	5-7	Sr.	Carmel, Ind./Carmel
37	Rebecca Chung	C/3B	R/R	5-10	So.	Torrance, Calif./West Torrance
77	Carmyn Greenwood	OF	L/R	5-8	Jr.	Birmingham, Ala./Oak Mountain (Auburn)

Assistant Coach: Griffin Joiner (2nd Season)

Assistant Coach: Ashley Lane (2nd Season)

Graduate Manager: Alexis Silkwood (2nd Season)

Volunteer Assistant: Giorgia Zeremenko (2nd Season)

Director of Softball Operations: Casey Bonk (2nd Season)



HEAD COACH Holly Aprile 2nd Season/UMass '92

Holly Aprile enters her second season at the helm of the Louisville softball program.

Aprile's Cardinals enjoyed a successful 2019 campaign, highlighted by an at-large bid to the

NCAA tournament and a regional final appearance. The team amassed a 35-23 overall record and a 12-12 mark in ACC play for a third-place finish in the league's Atlantic Division and fifth in the overall conference standings. Louisville's 35 wins marked the most victories in a season since 2016 when the Cards posted a 35-17 record.

In the midst of a challenging schedule, the Cards collected six wins against teams ranked in the top 25 including a pair of contests against then-No. 3/3 Florida State. With the series win, Louisville became the first ACC team to claim a series against the Seminoles since 2012. Other ranked wins included No. 15/17 Michigan, No. 24/19 Virginia Tech, No. 24/23 Kentucky and No. 18/17 Northwestern.

Aprile came to Louisville from the University of Pittsburgh, where she spent 10 seasons (2009-18) as the Panthers' head coach and five years (2004-08) as an assistant. In 2018, she earned ACC Coach of the Year honors after leading Pitt to the ACC Coastal Division title and a runner-up finish in the conference tournament where it fell in the championship game to eventual national champion Florida State.

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1	Brooke Vander Heide	OF	L/L	5-7	Sr.	Sandy, Utah/Alta
2	Sydney Strelow	IF	R/R	5-4	Fr.	Kenosha, Wis./Bradford
3	MaKenna Partain	IF	L/R	5-8	Sr.	Banks, Ore./Banks
4	Carlie Brandt	UT	R/R	5-7	Sr.	Le Sueur, Minn./Le Sueur-Henderson
7	Olivia Peterson	UT	R/R	5-7	Fr.	Dyer, Ind./Lake Central
8	Macy Gill	UT	L/R	5-6	Jr.	Elkhart, Iowa/North Polk
9	Hope Brandner	IF	R/R	5-7	Jr.	Vacaville, Calif./Vanden
10	Katelyn Kemmetmueller	UT	R/R	5-7	Sr.	Rogers, Minn./Rogers
13	Amber Fiser	P	R/R	5-6	Sr.	Van Horne, Iowa/Benton Community
18	Ellee Jensen	OF	L/R	5-5	R-So.	Watertown, Wis./Watertown
19	Delanie Cox	UT	R/R	5-6	Fr.	Aurora, Colo./Cherokee Trail
21	Kaylen Krueger	IF/UT	L/R	5-7	Sr.	Green Bay, Wis./Green Bay Preble
23	Kianna Jones	P/UT	R/R	6-0	Fr.	Surrey, B.C., Canada/Burnsview Senior Secondary
25	Autumn Pease	P	R/R	5-10	So.	Murrieta, Calif./Murrieta Mesa
26	Ava Dueck	P	R/R	5-9	Fr.	Maple Grove, Minn./Maple Grove
31	Natalie DenHartog	UT	R/R	5-7	Sr.	Hopkins, Minn./Hopkins
39	Emily Hansen	UT	L/R	5-7	Sr.	Buffalo, Minn./Buffalo
44	Josey White	UT	R/R	5-6	So.	Henderson, Nev./Lake Mead Christian Academy
58	Shyann Beddow	UT	R/R	5-9	Fr.	Kearns, Utah/Kearns
67	Ali Lindner	OF	L/R	5-7	So.	Sioux Falls, S.D./Harrisburg

Assistant Coach: Piper Ritter (13th Season)

Assistant Coach: Katie Rietkovich (2nd Season)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Michael Lewis (3rd Season)

Director of Operations: Cody Shoemaker (1st Season)

Graduate Manager: Alyssa Reina (3rd Season)

Graduate Manager: Nicole Newman (1st Season)



HEAD COACH

Jamie Trachsel
3rd Season
St. Cloud State '01

Jamie Trachsel enters her third season as the head coach of the University of Minnesota softball team.

Trachsel led the Gophers to historic heights in her second season leading the program. Minnesota finished the year 46-14 and its first Women's College World Series appearance in the NCAA era.

Trachsel coached five All-Big Ten honorees and five NFCA Great Lakes All-Region honorees. Under Trachsel's watch, Amber Fiser was also named the Big Ten Pitcher of the Year and a First Team All-American.

The Gophers closed out the 2019 season ranked No. 8 in both the USA Today/NFCA Top-25 Coaches Poll and the ESPN.com/USA Softball Collegiate Top-25 Poll. The No. 8 ranking is the highest the Gophers have finished a season in either major poll. They also finished No. 7 in the NCAA RPI, which is not only the highest RPI to finish a season, but the highest at any point in program history. Trachsel and her staff were named the NFCA Great Lakes All-Region Coaching Staff of the Year.

The Gophers have also made history in the classroom under Trachsel. Their team GPA of 3.63 set in the spring of 2019 was the highest in program history. Eleven different players notched 2019 Academic All-Big Ten honors.



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2	Kiki Edwards	OF	R/R	5-7	Fr.	Woodbridge, Va./Osborn Park
3	Candace Denis	P/UT	L/R	5-9	Sr.	Malakoff, Texas/Malakoff (UMass)
5	Desiree Lewis	SS	R/R	5-6	Fr.	Mocksville, N.C./Davie County
6	Paige Cook	3B/UT	R/R	5-3	Fr.	Cornelia, Ga./Habersham Central
7	Anna Kate Segars	OF/1B	L/L	5-9	So.	Moulton, Ala./East Lawrence
9	Celeste Soliz	C/UT	L/R	5-4	Fr.	Fairview, Texas/Lovejoy (Arizona State)
12	Brylie St. Clair	OF	L/L	5-5	Fr.	Sand Rock, Ala./Sand Rock
14	Chloe Malau'ulu	OF	R/R	5-7	So.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
17	Carter Spexarth	OF	R/R	5-7	Jr.	The Woodlands, Texas/Tomball
18	Madisyn Kennedy	SS/3B	R/R	5-10	Fr.	Montgomery, Ala./Macon East Academy
20	Aquana Brownlee	IF/OF	R/R	5-8	Fr.	Houston, Miss./Houston
22	Lindsey Williams	IF	R/R	5-5	Sr.	Mobile, Ala./UMS-Wright Preparatory School
24	Fe Leilua	UT	R/R	5-9	Sr.	Hawthorne, Calif./Hawthorne (Arizona State)
28	Aspen Wesley	P	R/R	5-3	Fr.	Philadelphia, Miss./Neshoba Central
29	Annie Willis	P	R/R	5-11	Jr.	Huntsville, Ala./Westminster Christian Acad. (Troy)
31	Grace Fagan	P	L/L	6-0	So.	Swedesboro, N.J./Kingsway Regional
32	Montana Davidson	INF	R/R	5-4	Jr.	Hillsborough, N.C./Orange
33	Mia Davidson	C/IF	R/R	5-5	Jr.	Hillsborough, N.C./Orange
44	Jackie McKenna	C/3B	R/R	5-5	So.	Parkland, Fla./Marjory Stoneman Douglas
53	Kenley Hawk	P/OF	R/R	5-10	Fr.	Palestine, Ark./Palestine-Wheatley
58	Emily Williams	P	R/R	5-8	Jr.	Carrolton, Ga./Central
88	Christian Quinn	OF	L/R	5-2	Sr.	Hattiesburg, Miss./Oak Grove (Florida Southwestern)
98	Alyssa Loza	P	R/R	5-6	Sr.	North Torrance, Calif./North Torrance (Arizona State)

Assistant Coach: Tyler Bratton (7th Season)

Assistant Coach: Josh Johnson (1st Season)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Katiyana Mauga (1st Season)

Coordinator of Softball Operations: Kayla Winkfield (1st Season)

Graduate Assistant Manager: Nicole Pendley (1st Season)



HEAD COACH

Samantha Ricketts 1st Season/Oklahoma '09

Samantha Ricketts, one of the rising coaching stars in college softball who has directed the most explosive offenses in Mississippi State history, was named the Bulldogs' sixth head softball coach on

July 22, 2019.

Ricketts served as MSU's assistant coach from 2015-18 focusing on hitting and recruiting before being promoted to associate head coach on July 30, 2018. The San Jose, California, native has been a part of one Women's College World Series appearance, six NCAA Regional berths and two NCAA Super Regional appearances during her coaching career.

MSU has become one of the nation's elite offensive teams under Ricketts' watch. In her first season of 2015, the Bulldogs set several single-season offensive records. Last season under her watch, Fe Leilua and Mia Davidson became one of the most dynamic duos in the nation. MSU joined Arizona as the only clubs in the nation to boast multiple hitters with 20 or more home runs. The Bulldogs shattered the school record for home runs and posted the second-highest slugging percentage in school history.

Prior to joining the Bulldogs, Ricketts served as an assistant coach at Wichita State from 2012-14, working with the team's hitters and consistently improving their production.



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0	Kendal Cook	IF/OF	L/R	5-7	Fr.	Horseheads, N.Y./Horseheads
1	Imani Myint	IF/OF	L/R	5-1	Jr.	Virginia Beach, Va./Landstown (Hofstra)
2	Kendyll Bailey	IF	R/R	5-10	R-So.	Grain Valley, Mo./Grain Valley
4	Jazmyn Rollin	IF	L/R	5-8	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah/West
5	Emma Nichols	P	L/L	5-10	Fr.	Hillsboro, Mo./Hillsboro
7	Brooke Wilmes	IF/OF	L/R	5-5	Jr.	Johnston, Iowa /Johnston
8	Hannah McGivern	SS/2B	R/R	5-1	Fr.	Weston, Mo./West Platte
10	Megan Moll	C/UT	R/R	5-7	Fr.	Eureka, Mo./Eureka
11	Baleigh Koester	P	R/R	5-11	Jr.	Carterville, Ill./Carterville (Missouri Baptist)
12	Casidy Chaumont	UT	R/R	5-10	Jr.	Moss Bluff, La./Sam Houston (Louisiana)
13	Kara Decker	1B/OF	L/R	5-10	Jr.	Leitchfield, Ky./Grayson County
16	Summer Shockley	P/IF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	Van Buren, Mo./Three Rivers
17	Kimberly Wert	IF	R/R	5-10	Jr.	Melfa, Va./Nandua (Hofstra)
20	Alexis Burks	UT	R/R	5-6	So.	Columbia, Mo./Rock Bridge
21	Emma Raabe	1B	R/R	5-9	So.	Omaha, Neb./Marian
22	Lindsey Warick	C/3B	R/R	5-9	Fr.	South Brunswick, N.J./South Brunswick
23	Jordan Weber	P	R/R	5-8	Fr.	Lee's Summit, Mo./Lee's Summit West
26	Kendal Judge	P	R/R	5-5	R-Jr.	Plainfield, Ill./Providence Catholic (Oklahoma State)
27	Megan Schumacher	P	R/R	5-7	Fr.	East Fishkill, N.Y./John Jay East
31	Hatti Moore	C/OF	R/R	5-9	Jr.	La Grange, Texas/La Grange
32	Sophie Dandola	P	R/R	5-10	Jr.	Seaford, N.Y./Seaford (Hofstra/Syracuse)
33	Cayla Kessinger	OF	L/R	5-9	R-Jr.	Saugus, Calif./Saugus
42	Eli Daniel	P	R/R	5-8	Sr.	Locust Grove, Ga./Locust Grove (Brenau Univ.)
67	Katherine Kadlec	C/3B	R/R	5-6	R-So.	Columbia, Mo./Father Tolton
99	Abby George	OF	L/R	5-4	Jr.	St. Louis, Mo./Lutheran South

Associate Head Coach: Chris Malveaux (2nd Season)

Assistant Coach: Sara Michalowski-Marino (2nd Season)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Michaela Transue (2nd Season)

Director of Operations: Kate Malveaux (1st Season)



HEAD COACH

Larissa Anderson 2nd Season/Gannon '97

A new era in Mizzou Softball began in the summer of 2018, as Larissa Anderson was named the 10th head coach to lead the tradition-rich Tiger program.

As Anderson enters year two in Columbia, Mo., that new era is well underway, and her ability to change the culture of the program in such a short time was a big reason why.

Anderson finished her first season in the Black & Gold with a 35-25 record, the most wins for the Tigers in a single-season since 2016, along with a fourth-place finish in the SEC. She guided the Tigers to their 13th straight regional appearance, pushing host No. 2 UCLA to a winner-take-all game seven.

In four seasons as Hofstra's head coach, Anderson fashioned a 130-73-1 (.640) record with a pair of NCAA Tournament appearances, two Colonial Athletic Association (CAA) titles and four winning seasons. She picked up her 100th career win with the Pride's 7-2 win over Boston University, March 17, 2018, and posted seven career wins over nationally-ranked opponents, including three in 2018—a 1-0 victory over then-No. 13 Florida State on March 2 and a pair at No. 22 James Madison to claim the CAA Tournament crown.

In her 17 years on the Hofstra staff, Pride hurlers won nine CAA Pitcher of the Year awards in 10 seasons, including four consecutive wins by Olivia Galati from 2010-13 and three from Kayleigh Lotti from 2007-09.



MISSOURI STATE BEARS



NO.	NAME	POS	HT	YR	B/T	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
1	Olivia Krehbiel	IF	5-6	R-Fr.	R/R	Lee's Summit, Mo./Lee's Summit North (Central Missouri)
2	Kathryn Taylor	IF/OF	5-5	Fr.	L/R	Bixby, Okla./Bixby
3	Bailey Greenlee	P/OF	5-5	So.	L/R	Snohomish, Wash./Snohomish
5	Darby Joerling	OF	5-9	Sr.	L/R	Defiance, Mo./Francis Howell
6	Kelsie Lewis	SS	5-5	Fr.	R/R	Plattsburg, Mo./Plattsburg
7	Hannah Heinrichs	OF	5-10	Sr.	R/R	Broken Arrow, Okla./Broken Arrow
8	Ashton Thomas	SS	5-7	So.	R/R	Kankakee, Ill./Kankakee
9	Abi LaValley	3B	5-6	So.	L/R	Ada, Okla./Latta
10	Alex Boze	C	5-8	So.	R/R	Swansea, Ill./Belleville Township East
11	Payton Minnis	2B/OF	5-5	So.	L/R	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs
12	Jacie Taber	P/OF	5-9	Fr.	R/R	Sand Springs, Okla./Charles Page
13	Steffany Dickerson	P	5-8	Jr.	R/R	Oklahoma City, Okla./Putnam City North
14	Daphne Plummer	SS	5-7	Jr.	L/R	Lee's Summit, Mo./Lee's Summit West
15	Madison Hunsaker	P/1B	5-8	Jr.	L/L	Peculiar, Mo./Belton
16	Carolyn Stock	1B/P	6-1	Jr.	L/L	Parkville, Mo./Park Hill South
17	Meagan McCorkell	3B/OF	5-7	Fr.	R/R	Barnhart, Mo./Seckman
18	Rachel Weber	OF/1B	6-1	So.	R/R	Lincoln, Neb./Lincoln East
19	Hope Hamilton	1B/OF	5-8	So.	R/R	Combine, Texas/Crandall
20	Erin Griesbauer	P	5-9	Sr.	L/R	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs South
22	Kelly Metter	OF/2B	5-9	Jr.	R/R	Columbia, Ill./Columbia
24	Madison Orr	C	5-5	Sr.	L/R	Vandalia, Mo./Van-Far (John Wood CC)
25	Gracie Johnston	P	5-6	Fr.	R/R	Augusta, Kan./Augusta
33	Darian Frost	C	5-10	R-Sr.	R/R	Lee's Summit, Mo./Blue Springs
48	Tess Weakly	C/3B	5-7	Fr.	R/R	Elsberry, Mo./Elsberry

Associate Head Coach: Sue Frederick (30th Season)

Associate Head Coach: Beth Perine (25th Season)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Toni Rieke (1st Season)

Graduate Assistant: Kaitlin Beason (1st Season)

Director of Operations: Kristen Doty (1st Season)



HEAD COACH Holly Hesse 32nd Season Creighton '82

Head coach Holly Hesse is in her 32nd season leading the Bears' program as the second-winningest coach in Missouri Valley Conference

history with 811 victories.

The 2019 season included a number of highlights for Hesse and the Bears, most notably a thrilling walk-off win over Northern Iowa on March 24 to record her 800th career victory. The Bears also relished their second straight 30-win campaign in 2019, the first time MSU has achieved that feat since reeling off three straight MVC titles from 1996-98.

Missouri State also boasted a pair of All-MVC first-team selections in 2019 with senior third baseman Kyana Mason and sophomore pitcher Steffany Dickerson earning conference distinction. The pair also went on to NFCA All-Region laurels with Mason landing on the first team and Dickerson on the second team.

She is the winningest coach in Missouri State history with a 811-788-2 (.507) record. Her tenure includes two regular-season MVC titles, five MVC tournament crowns and five NCAA Tournament appearances. Hesse recorded her 300th win in 2000, her 400th win in 2004, her 500th in 2007 and victory number 600 in 2012.

Missouri State leads all schools with 72 wins in the MVC Tournament and Hesse is tied with the most tournament wins at 50.

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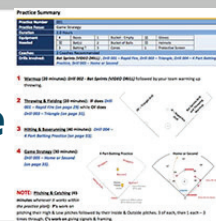
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NORTH CAROLINA STATE WOLFPACK



NO.	NAME	POS	B/T	YR	HT	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
1	Carson Shaner	OF	L/R	Jr.	5-6	Pittsboro, N.C./Northwood (Coastal Carolina)
2	Keisha White	OF	R/R	Fr.	5-9	Salt Lake City, Utah/West
3	Sam Russ	OF	L/R	Jr.	5-8	Charlotte, N.C./Providence Day
6	Kelsey O'Connor	OF	R/R	Fr.	5-8	Naperville, Ill./Neuqua Valley
8	Madeline Curtis	IF	L/R	Jr.	5-4	Graham, N.C./Southern Alamance
9	Sam Gress	P/IF	R/R	Fr.	5-7	Harrisburg, Pa./Central Dauphin
10	Logan Morris	IF	R/R	Jr.	5-5	Sumter, S.C./Thomas Sumter Acad. (USC Upstate)
11	Libby Whittaker	IF	R/R	Fr.	6-0	Mifflinburg, Pa./Mifflinburg Area
13	Randi Farricker	IF	R/R	R-Jr.	6-0	Glendora, Calif./Glendora (Arizona State)
16	Tatyana Forbes	OF	L/R	Sr.	5-7	Redmond, Wash./Redmond (Coastal Carolina/FIU)
17	Grace Johnson	UT	R/R	Fr.	5-6	High Point, N.C./Northwest Guilford
18	Sam Sack	C	L/R	Jr.	5-9	Barrington, N.J./Paul VI (Coastal Carolina)
20	April Visser	IF	R/R	So.	5-7	Salt Lake City, Utah/Herriman
21	Sydney Nester	P	R/R	So.	5-8	Hillsville, Va./Carroll County
24	Abby Trahan	P	R/R	Sr.	5-10	Kaplan, La./Kaplan (Saint Francis/Southern Miss)
25	Devin Wallace	P	L/R	Sr.	5-10	Raleigh, N.C./Middle Creek (Coastal Carolina)
27	Bailee Bryant	IF	R/R	Fr.	5-4	Holden, Mo./Holden
28	Brigitte Nordberg	UT	R/R	Sr.	5-9	Exton, Pa./Dowington East (Maryland)
34	Skylar Johnston	IF	R/R	Sr.	5-6	Virginia Beach, Va./First Colonial (Fordham)
42	Angie Rizzi	OF	R/R	Sr.	5-6	Tuckahoe, N.Y./Tuckahoe (LIU Brooklyn)

Assistant Coach: Patrick Swift (2nd Season)

Assistant Coach: Chelsea Wilkinson (2nd Season)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Jen Petteys (1st Season)



HEAD COACH

Jennifer Patrick-Swift 2nd Season/Methodist '04

Jennifer Patrick-Swift enters her second season as North Carolina State's head coach following seven seasons as Saint Francis' skipper.

Patrick-Swift helped lead NC State to the ACC Championship semifinals

in her first season at the helm of the program. The squad compiled 31 wins during the 2019 season, the most for the team in a single season since the 2015 campaign. NC State picked up wins in three ACC series during the regular season before going on to earn its first ACC Championship berth since the 2017 season.

In the 2019 ACC Tournament, Patrick-Swift guided the Wolfpack to a semifinals appearance for the first time since 2017, which included an upset of No. 1 seeded Virginia Tech to become the first eight-seed to reach the semifinals of the tournament since 2011.

In her final two seasons at Saint Francis, Patrick-Swift guided the Red Flash to back-to-back conference championship titles and a pair of NCAA Tournament appearances, both firsts in program history. She ended her tenure on a 38-game Northeast Conference win streak, which is the fourth-longest streak in NCAA Division I history.

Overall, she racked up 226 wins in her seven seasons at the helm of Saint Francis and was named ECAC (Eastern College Athletic Conference) Coach of the Year while leading the NEC Coaching Staff of the Year in 2017 and NFCA Great Lakes Region Staff of the Year in 2018.



NO.	NAME	POS	B/T	HT	YR	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
1	Brooke Marquez	IF	R/R	5-0	Fr.	Valencia, Calif./Hart
2	Sarah Genz	IF	R/R	5-7	Jr.	Lakeville, Minn./Homeschooled/Lakeville North
3	Leea Hanks	OF	L/R	5-7	Fr.	Leesburg, Fla./Eustis
4	Quinn Biggio	IF	R/R	5-9	So.	Houston, Texas/Saint Agnes Academy
6	Shelby Grimm	C	R/R	5-4	So.	Valparaiso, Ind./Chesterton
8	Ellie Richards	IF	R/R	5-5	Sr.	Pendleton, Ore./Pendleton
9	Chelsea Purcell	IF	R/R	5-2	Sr.	La Habra, Calif./Sonora
12	Macie Eck	OF	L/L	5-8	Fr.	Andale, Kan./Andale
14	Payton Tidd	P	R/R	5-10	So.	Vista, Calif./San Marcos
15	Emma Clark	OF	L/R	5-8	So.	Huntington Beach, Calif./Mater Dei
17	Anna Grace Wagner	IF/OF	L/R	5-3	So.	Smyrna, Ga./The Lovett School
21	Miranda Johnson	IF/OF	L/R	5-6	Fr.	Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif./Santa Margarita Catholic
23	Riley Wester	OF	L/R	5-3	Jr.	Huntington Beach, Calif./Edison
24	Alexis Holloway	P	R/R	5-3	Jr.	Crown Point, Ind./Crown Point
25	Joley Mitchell	IF	R/R	5-9	Fr.	Rosebud, Ark./Rose Bud
26	Abby Sweet	OF/IF	R/R	5-9	Jr.	Newhall, Calif./Hart
27	Katie Marino	IF	R/R	5-6	Sr.	Warren, N.J./The Pingry School
34	Morgan Ryan	P	R/R	5-10	Jr.	Greensburg, Pa./Hempfield
40	Caitlyn Schreier	C	R/R	5-11	So.	Mendota Heights, Minn./Visitation
44	Alexis Bazos	OF	S/R	5-8	Sr.	Pound Ridge, N.Y./Fox Lane
71	Alex McManus	P	R/R	5-9	Fr.	Rogers, Ark./Rogers

Associate Coach: Kris Ganeff (19th Season)

Associate Coach: Lizzy Ristano (15th Season)

Volunteer Assistant: Ashley Burkhardt (1st Season)

Director of Operations: Jamie Spitale (6th Season)



HEAD COACH Deanna Gumpf 19th Season/Nebraska '93

In her 19th season as leader of the Notre Dame softball program, Deanna Gumpf continues to ascend the ladder as one of the nation's premier head coaches.

Under Gumpf's guidance the Irish have made 18 consecutive trips to NCAA Regionals, claiming four conference tournament titles during that span. Even more, Notre Dame staked claim to the BIG EAST Conference's regular-season championship during her first four seasons on the bench (2002-05). The Irish hoisted BIG EAST regular-season hardware again in 2010, 2011, and the program's final year as a conference member in 2013 before transitioning to the Atlantic Coast Conference prior to the 2014 campaign.

The Notre Dame coaching staff has received nine prominent honors during Gumpf's tenure, being tabbed as the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Mid-east Region Coaching Staff of the Year in 2002 and 2004, the NFCA Mid-Atlantic Region Coaching Staff of the Year in 2014, 2016 and 2017 (co), and the BIG EAST Coaching Staff of the Year in 2002, 2004, 2011 and 2013.

Gumpf has compiled a career record of 739-312-1 in her 18 seasons at Notre Dame, placing her among the elite skippers in the NCAA. In 2018, she joined Hall of Fame women's basketball mentor Muffet McGraw as the only coaches in Notre Dame's fabled history to win 700 or more games.

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NO.	NAME	POS	B/T	HT	YR	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
1	Kaylee Horton	UT	L/R	5-6	Sr.	Jasper, Ala./Curry
4	Taylor Bachmeyer	P	R/R	5-6	Fr.	Pflugerville, Texas/Hendrickson
5	Ava Tillmann	P	R/R	5-10	Jr.	Cedartown, Ga./Cedartown
6	Mikayla Allee	SS/2B	R/R	5-4	So.	Corona, Calif./Norco
7	Molly Jacobsen	P	L/L	5-8	Sr.	Adel, Iowa/Adel-DeSoto-Minburn (DMACC)
8	Raegan Cheyne	OF	L/R	5-8	Fr.	Norco, Calif./Norco
9	Paige Smith	3B	R/R	5-5	Fr.	Corona, Calif./Norco
10	Katelin Cooper	OF	L/R	5-5	So.	Choudrant, La./Cedar Creek
11	Tate Whitley	OF	L/L	5-5	So.	Angleton, Texas/Angleton
12	Kinsey Kuhlmann	UT	R/R	5-7	Fr.	Liberty Hill, Texas/Liberty Hill
13	Savannah Diederich	P	R/R	5-11	So.	Hacienda Heights, Calif./Los Altos
14	Taylor Watford	2B/OF	R/R	5-5	So.	Lamar, S.C./Hartsville
16	Sydney Gutierrez	1B/UT	L/L	5-9	Jr.	Pearland, Texas/Pearland (Blinn College)
17	Kacey Hvitved	3B	R/R	5-5	Jr.	Snohomish, Wash./Monroe (Shoreline CC)
19	Lindsey Johnson	P	R/R	5-8	Jr.	Wetumpka, Ala./Macon East Acad. (William Carey)
20	Jessica Puk	UT	R/R	5-10	Jr.	Cedar Rapids, Iowa/Agoura Hills
21	Amanda Roth	3B	R/R	5-7	Jr.	Carrollton, Texas/Hebron
22	Anna Borgen	P	L/L	5-9	Jr.	Heath, Texas/Dallas Christian
23	Ally Mena	UT	R/R	5-7	Jr.	Miami, Fla./Westminster Christian School
24	Autumn Gillespie	C	R/R	6-1	Sr.	Redlands, Calif./Redlands East Valley (UCF)
30	Abbey Latham	1B/DP	R/R	5-11	Jr.	Livingston, Ala./Demopolis
31	Mac Barbara	1B/C	L/R	5-9	Fr.	Long Beach, Calif./Saint Joseph
32	Kelsha Loftin	OF	S/R	5-7	Sr.	Mendenhall, Miss./Mendenhall (Jones JC)
34	Nyomi Jones	OF	L/R	5-7	Fr.	Long Beach, Calif./Mater Dei
36	Gabby Alvarez	1B/DP	R/R	5-9	Jr.	Riverside, Calif./Martin Luther King, Jr.

Assistant Coach: Kim Schuette (1st Season)

Assistant Coach: Damon Haecker (1st Season)

Volunteer Assistant: Kylan Becker (1st Season)

Director of Operations: Brian Thomas (1st Season)



INTERIM HEAD COACH Ruben Felix 1st Season/Texas Tech '01

Ruben Felix was named the interim head coach of Ole Miss softball on December 8, 2019 after spending five seasons as an assistant coach for the Rebels, including associate head coach and recruiting coordinator.

Along the way up, Felix has played a major role in the Rebels' unprecedented success the last four seasons. Felix has helped the Rebels to a pair of NCAA Super Regionals (2017, 2019), two NCAA Regional Championships (2017, 2019), the 2017 SEC Tournament Championship and the only four NCAA Tournament appearances in program history.

Part of the reason for the success was a significant uptick in every imaginable offensive category from the previous season. The Rebels set program records for doubles (67), triples (23), RBIs (284) and steals (126), with numerous players enjoying career years. Kylan Becker put a bow on one of the most decorated careers in program history, becoming the second player in Ole Miss history to be named an NFCA All-American, receiving a First Team nod. Felix came to Ole Miss prior to the 2015 season after four seasons as the top softball assistant coach & recruiting coordinator at the University of Central Florida. In two of his last three seasons at UCF, Felix helped the Knights advance to the NCAA tournament.

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SOUTH ALABAMA JAGUARS



NO.	NAME	POS	YR	B/T	HT	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
1	Kelsie Rivers	P	So.	R/R	5-8	Tallahassee, Fla./Lincoln (College of Central Florida)
2	MC Nichols	OF	Sr.	L/R	5-4	Hoover, Ala./Hoover
3	Emma Kropp	C/UT	Fr.	R/R	5-9	Fairhope, Ala./Fairhope
4	Allie Hughen	P/IF	Jr.	R/R	5-8	Vista, Calif./Rancho Bueno Vista (Palomar College)
5	Camryn McLemore	IF	Fr.	R/R	5-9	Saraland, Ala./Saraland
7	Caroline Nichols	IF	So.	L/R	5-1	Hoover, Ala./Hoover
9	Jordyn Calderon	IF	So.	R/R	5-3	Jackson, N.J./Jackson Memorial
10	Kassidy Wilcox	C	Fr.	R/R	5-5	Brantley, Ala./Brantley
11	Kamdyn Kvistad	C	Jr.	R/R	5-6	Lake City, Fla./Columbia
12	Shelby Sloan	OF	Fr.	L/R	5-7	Baker, Fla./Baker
16	Lexi Hutchins	P/IF	Fr.	R/R	5-8	Joaquin, Texas/North Desota (La.)
17	Abby Krzywiecki	IF	Sr.	R/R	5-6	Brighton, Mich./Mercy
18	Mackenzie Brasher	OF	Fr.	L/R	5-6	Orange Beach, Ala./Gulf Shores
19	Kennedy Cronan	IF	So.	R/R	5-8	Daphne, Ala./Daphne
20	Holly Stewart	IF	So.	R/R	5-7	Conway, Ark./Conway (Pensacola State College)
22	Breanna Barlow	IF	Fr.	R/R	5-7	Excel, Ala./Excel
24	Amanda Flynn	OF	Jr.	L/L	5-3	Plantation, Fla./Coral Springs Charter School
30	Katelyn Gruich	IF	Sr.	R/R	5-8	Biloxi, Miss./St. Martin
33	Jamie Finnical	P	Jr.	R/R	5-6	Reistertown, Md./Franklin (Elon)
34	Victoria Ortiz	OF	So.	L/L	5-6	Mobile, Ala./Baker
35	Jenna Hardy	P	Fr.	R/R	6-1	Whitehouse, Ohio/Anthony Wayne

Assistant Coach: Kristina McCain (11th Season)

Assistant Coach: Hannah Campbell (5th Season)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Taryn Gray (5th Season)

Director of Operations: Meredith Tanner (9th Season)



HEAD COACH Becky Clark 14th Season/Mobile '91

Over the past 13 seasons of competitive action, the University of South Alabama softball program has only seen one person at the helm; Becky Clark.

Clark has been there since the program's infancy in 2007, raising it to one of the most respected mid-majors, claiming three Sun Belt Conference Tournament titles (2012, '13 and '15) and advancing to the NCAA Regional final four times (2012, '13, '14 and '15) under her direction. The Jaguars have also eclipsed the 40-win mark four times during that span.

Clark was named head coach for the Jaguar program in the summer of 2005, prior to the team's first season. Over that stretch, the Jag skipper has steered the program to undeniable competitive success in a short time, in addition to creating a culture that carries over into the classroom. In her 13 seasons at South Alabama, Clark has amassed an overall record of 429-272-1, while also accumulating a Sun Belt record of 166-132. During her 16 seasons as a head coach, Clark has registered an overall competitive record of 585-305-2 combined at her two coaching stints.

The Jaguars have also excelled in the classroom under Clark as USA has had 95 student-athletes named to the Sun Belt Conference Commissioner's list, 73 student-athletes earn Sun Belt Conference Academic Honor Roll honors and 86 players named to the NFCA All-America Scholar list, an award given to student-athletes that acquire at least a 3.5 grade-point average or higher during the academic year.



TEXAS STATE BOBCATS



NO.	NAME	POS	HT	YR	B/T	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS)
00	Cat Crenek	C	6-2	So.	L/L	Cypress Ranch, Texas/Cypress Ranch
1	Natalia Reeves	P	5-8	R-Fr.	R/R	San Antonio, Texas/Incarnate Word
2	Molly Damiani	OF	5-4	So.	L/R	San Antonio, Texas/Reagan
3	Bailee Carter	IF	5-3	Sr.	L/R	Azle, Texas/Azle
5	Eliza Eberhard	IF	5-9	Jr.	R/R	Sugar Land, Texas/ Kempner (Weatherford College)
6	Marisa Cruz	OF	5-3	Jr.	R/R	San Angelo, Texas/Central (Weatherford College)
8	Meagan King	P	5-8	Jr.	R/R	Mont Belvieu, Texas/Barbers Hill
9	Maya Zavala	IF	5-2	Fr.	R/R	Edinburg, Texas/Edinburg
10	Kylie George	OF	5-3	Jr.	L/R	Crosby, Texas/Crosby (Texas A&M)
11	Kaylee Lind	UT	5-9	R-Fr.	R/R	Giddings, Texas/Giddings
13	Caitlyn Rogers	C	5-7	So.	L/L	Magnolia, Texas/Magnolia West
14	Kennedy Picou	IF	5-7	Fr.	L/R	Houston, Texas/Cy Fair
16	Cassie Valdez	P/UT	5-4	So.	R/R	Brownsville, Texas/Veterans Memorial
18	Dalilah Barrera	P	5-7	Sr.	R/R	Mercedes, Texas/Mercedes (Temple College)
19	ArieAnn Bell	IF	5-9	Jr.	L/L	Castroville, Texas/Medina Valley
20	Sara Venderford	IF/C	5-6	Fr.	R/R	Pasadena, Texas/Deer Park
21	Christiana McDowell	OF	5-5	Sr.	R/R	Round Rock, Texas/Cedar Ridge
22	Tara Oltmann	IF	5-7	Jr.	R/R	Giddings, Texas/Giddings
23	Brooke Blackwell	P	5-11	So.	R/R	Grandview, Texas/Grandview (Texas Tech)
25	Hailey MacKay	IF	5-8	Sr.	R/R	Leander, Texas/Leander (Arkansas)
27	Samara Lagway	P/IF	5-7	So.	R/R	Willis, Texas/Willis

Assistant Coach: Haley Long (3rd Season)

Assistant Coach: Paige McDuffee (2nd Season)

Volunteer Assistant: Josh Trevino (1st Season)

Director of Operations: Cat Osterman (6th Season)



HEAD COACH Ricci Woodard 20th Season New Mexico State '91

In 19 years at the helm of the Texas State softball program, head coach Ricci Woodard has guided the program to a 670-420-1 record, 12 conference championships and eight NCAA Regional Championship appearances.

Woodard has developed 82 all-conference sections, 26 all-region honorees, four NFCA All-Americans and three CoSIDA Academic All-Americans. In addition, Woodard has earned five coach of the year awards.

Texas State finished the 2019 season with an overall record of 29-25 and a league record of 16-10. The Bobcats earned the No. 4 seed in the 2019 Sun Belt Conference Championship. Woodard helped manage three selections to the 2019 Second Team All-Sun Belt Conference team. Junior outfielder Christiana McDowell, also named Third Team NFCA All-Central Region, sophomore infielder Tara Oltmann, and sophomore pitcher Meagan King all collected league laurels following the season.

Prior to coaching her current post with Texas State, Woodard served as an assistant coach at the University of Oregon for four seasons. In her first collegiate coaching experience, Woodard helped lead the Ducks to three consecutive national top 25 finishes and three consecutive appearances in the NCAA Regional Championships.



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