



THE SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

“THE STANDARD FOR EXCELLENCE”

The Southeastern Conference, with its storied 76-year history of athletic achievements and academic excellence, has built perhaps the greatest tradition of intercollegiate competition of any league in the country since its inception in 1933.

The 2007-08 academic year was another season to remember for the SEC, as conference teams captured five national titles and five national runner-up finishes. The SEC won consecutive national championships in football, gymnastics, women's basketball and men's tennis. Since 1990, the SEC has won 126 national team championships for an average of nearly seven per year.

LSU won the SEC's first national title of the year with its win in the BCS National Championship Game in football. The Tennessee Lady Vols won their second-consecutive women's basketball national championship. Georgia earned a pair of national championships, as the Gym Dogs won their fourth-straight gymnastics championship and the men's tennis team made it back-to-back national titles. LSU won its second national championship of the year when the women's track & field squad won the national title. Florida finished first among Southeastern Conference schools and sixth overall in the U.S. Sports Academy Directors' Cup final standings.

Overall, the SEC finished in the top two in nine of its 20 sponsored sports and in the top five in 13 of the 20 sports. Nine SEC teams participated in football postseason bowls, with Alabama, Auburn, Georgia, Kentucky, LSU, Mississippi State and Tennessee winning the Independence, Chick-Fil-A, Sugar, Music City, Allstate BCS National Title Game, Liberty and Outback Bowls, respectively. A league record-tying six men's basketball teams were invited to the NCAA Tournament, with Tennessee advancing to the Sweet 16. The SEC has now sent at least one team to the Sweet 16 for 19-straight years. Five women's basketball teams were also invited to the NCAA Tournament, with Tennessee winning the NCAA National Championship and LSU advancing to the Women's Final Four for the second-straight year. The SEC had a record-tying nine teams advance to postseason play in baseball, hosting two Super Regionals, with Georgia finishing second and LSU also advancing to the NCAA College World Series. With 168 teams advancing to NCAA postseason competition, the SEC continued to solidify its place as the nation's premier conference.

In addition to the five team championships, 46 SEC student-athletes garnered individual national championships, while 457 individuals were awarded First-Team All-American Honors. Student-athletes around the league continued to excel in the classroom as well, with over 2,300 earning recognition on the SEC Academic Honor Roll.

On the national all-sport level, the SEC placed nine teams in the top 50 of the U.S. Sports Academy Directors' Cup rankings. Florida led the league with a sixth-place finish. LSU placed eighth, while Georgia was 10th, Tennessee finished 16th, Auburn 20th, Arkansas 24th, Alabama 25th, Kentucky 36th and South Carolina 48th to round out the league's top-50 finishes.

BASEBALL IN THE SEC

The SEC posted another tremendous season in 2008, as the conference had nine teams earn selection to NCAA postseason play and both Georgia and LSU advanced to the College World Series. An SEC squad has now appeared in the College World Series 23 of the last 24 years. The Bulldogs advanced to the National Championship Series, marking the fourth time since 2000 that an SEC team has played for the national championship in Omaha. LSU won the SEC Tournament title over Ole Miss and UGA won the SEC regular-season title with a 20-9-1 conference record.

The SEC boasts 11 former National Players of the Year (Vanderbilt's David Price won in 2007), nine Baseball America Coach of the Year and seven Collegiate Baseball Coach of the Year honors. 140 student-athletes have been named first-team All-American, seven of which came in 2008.

Eight SEC players were taken in the first round of the 2008 Major League Baseball Amateur Draft, including the second pick overall. Vanderbilt's Pedro Alvarez was the second overall pick of the draft by the Pittsburgh Pirates. Vanderbilt's David Price was the first overall pick in 2007, while Luke Hochevar of Tennessee was first overall in 2006. Georgia's Gordon Beckham was taken eighth in 2008, with Justin Smoak of South Carolina at No. 11. With those eight selections last year, the SEC has now had a first-round selection in each year since 1991 and 76 total in the first round during that time.

The SEC drew over 1.6 million fans to its on-campus ballparks in 2008 for the third year in a row, nearly double that of the next closest conference. Six SEC teams drew in excess of 100,000 fans to their parks and the league averaged 4,044 fans per game in 2008, the second-straight year to exceed the 4,000 mark. South Carolina and LSU will both open new parks in 2009. The SEC Baseball Tournament drew 124,139 fans, the second-most all-time.

SECOND TO NONE

- The SEC has sent 36 teams to the College World Series since 1990. That was accomplished despite no SEC teams making the field in 1992. During that span, LSU has been to Omaha 11 times, Georgia five times and Florida and Mississippi State four times apiece, while Alabama, South Carolina and Tennessee have been three times each. Auburn has been once, while Arkansas also advanced in 2004.
- SEC teams have won six of the last 19 national championships, with LSU winning five (1991, 1993, 1996, 1997, 2000) and Georgia claiming the 1990 title. The SEC has finished runner up four times in that time: 1997, 2002, 2005 and 2008.
- SEC teams are 66-63 (.512) since 1990 in Omaha. Not counting games against each other, the SEC has a 51-49 (.510) record in the CWS since 1990.
- The SEC has played 29 games in the "Final Four" of the College World Series since 1990, an average of 1.5 per year. Only five times, 1992, 1994, 2003, 2006 and 2007, has the SEC failed to get a team to the "Final Four" of the CWS.
- The SEC has averaged nearly eight games played per year in the College World Series since 1990. In 2004, 12 of the 15 games played in Omaha involved a SEC team. In 1997, the SEC had a team in 13 of the 14 games played in the CWS. Since 1990, an SEC team played in 114 of the 270 games played in the College World Series, an amazing 42.2 percent of games.
- The SEC has sent nine of its 12 schools to the College World Series since 1990 - Alabama, Arkansas, Auburn, Florida, Georgia, LSU, Mississippi State, South Carolina and Tennessee.
- Since 1990, 122 SEC squads have been invited to the NCAA Tournament, an average over six per season. The SEC set yet another NCAA record in 2004, 2005 and 2008, with nine teams earning postseason berths. The SEC also had a NCAA-record five teams earn regional host sites in 2004 and 2006.
- The SEC has had an NCAA-high 10 different teams compete in the 62-year history of the College World Series. In those appearances, the conference has registered an 88-104 (.458) record.
- Since 1990, 23 SEC squads have posted 50+ win seasons, while 91 have won 40+ games in a season, including five teams in 2008.
- The SEC posted a 247-107 (.698) record against non-conference foes in 2008. Since 1990, the SEC has accumulated a 4,545-1,733-4 (.724) record against non-conference teams.
- SEC teams have also been strong in the polls. Since 1990, 88 conference teams have appeared in the final Baseball America poll, 95 in the final Collegiate Baseball poll and, since 1992, 85 in the final ESPN Coaches' poll.





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Founded: 1933
Members (12): Alabama, Arkansas, Auburn, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, LSU, Ole Miss, Mississippi State, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vanderbilt
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MICHAEL L. SLIVE

Commissioner



2008 RPI RANKINGS

1. Miami (Fla.)	11. Georgia Tech	21. UNC Wilmington
2. North Carolina	12. UC Irvine	22. FLORIDA
3. Florida State	13. Wichita State	23. South Carolina
4. Rice	14. Georgia	24. San Diego
5. Arizona State	15. Cal State Fullerton	25. Long Beach State
6. Arizona	16. Nebraska	26. Clemson
7. Coastal Carolina	17. Oklahoma State	27. Kentucky
8. LSU	18. Texas A&M	28. Southern Miss
9. Stanford	19. Texas	29. Virginia
10. N.C. State	20. East Carolina	30. California

2008 Florida opponents in **BOLD**

CONFERENCE RECORDS IN THE WORLD SERIES SINCE 1990

Conference	App.	Games	W-L	Pct.
SEC	36	129	66-63	.512
Pac-10	26	97	54-43	.557
Big 12	23	67	30-37	.448
ACC	21	69	27-32	.458
Big West	15	55	30-25	.545
Independents	10	36	21-15	.583
Missouri Valley	6	18	8-10	.444
WAC	6	23	12-11	.522
Conference USA	5	15	5-10	.333
Big East	2	6	2-4	.333
Southern	2	5	1-4	.200
West Coast	1	4	4-0	1.000
Sun Belt	1	4	2-2	.500

SCHOOLS IN TOP-30 RPI RANKINGS

ACC	7
SEC	5
Big 12	4
Pac-10	4
Big West	3
Conference USA	3
Big South	1
Colonial	1
Missouri Valley	1
West Coast	1

2008 NCAA REGIONAL FIELD

(by conference)	
SEC	9
ACC	6
Big 12	6
Conference USA	5
Pac-10	5
Big West	4
Big East	2
Colonial	2
Sun Belt	2
West Coast	2
Twenty-One Conferences	1

CONFERENCE RPI RANKINGS

1. ACC
2. Pac-10
3. Big 12
4. SEC
5. Conference USA
6. Big West
7. West Coast
8. Southern
9. Colonial
10. Sun Belt

From his early days as an athletic administrator to his current post as commissioner, Mike Slive has maintained an integral role in the ever-changing world of intercollegiate athletics. He was named the seventh commissioner of the Southeastern Conference on July 2, 2002.

"Through the efforts of our institutions and our conference office staff, we have been able to meet the goals, objectives and challenges that continue to make the SEC one of the nation's top intercollegiate athletic conferences. I look forward to working with our institutions in continuing to make the Southeastern Conference a place where our student-athletes can achieve excellence in their athletic and academic endeavors."

Since becoming SEC Commissioner, Slive has created committees within the SEC that are designed to assist member institutions in the operations of its athletics department as well as how its athletics operations fit within the academic mission of its universities. He was instrumental in the development of the Sportsmanship and Fan Behavior Summit, a national forum held in February 2003, which brought together athletic, community and civic leaders as well as specialists to talk about sportsmanship and how to prevent inappropriate fan behavior. Slive also has developed an initiative to ensure gender and ethnic diversity in the SEC.

He has also been instrumental in the operations of the Bowl Championship Series and concluded a two-year stint as coordinator of the BCS in January 2008. Since his arrival in Birmingham, Slive has not passed up many opportunities to speak to community, civic and business groups about the positive attributes of intercollegiate athletics and the SEC.

Prior to joining the SEC, Slive was the Commissioner of Conference USA. He was named the first-ever Commissioner of the newly-formed league on April 24, 1995. Under his direction, Conference USA quickly emerged as one of the nation's top conferences.

Slive served as chair of the first NCAA Infractions Appeals Committee and was chair of the National Letter of Intent Steering Committee from 2002-06. He served as president of the Collegiate Commissioners Association (CCA) from 2001-03, was also on the NCAA Management Council from 1997-2004 and is the former chair of the Board of Directors of NCAA Football USA. He is chair of the NCAA Men's Basketball Committee this year.

The 68-year old Slive has also served on the Board of Directors of the Sports Lawyers' Association from 1997-2001 and was chair of the Division I-A Commissioners from 1999-2001. He also was a member of the NCAA Division I Working Group to Study Basketball Issues in 1998-99.

A native of Utica, N.Y., Slive was senior partner and founder of the Mike Slive-Mike Glazier Sports Group. Prior to the formation of the Slive-Glazier Sports Group in 1990, Slive was a partner in the Chicago law firm of Coffield Ungaretti Harris & Slavin. He operated his own practice in Hanover, N.H., and served as judge of the Hanover District Court from 1972-77.

Slive graduated from Dartmouth College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1962. He earned a Juris Doctor from the University of Virginia Law School in 1965 and an LLM from the Georgetown University Law Center in 1966.

Slive and his wife, Elizabeth, are the parents of a daughter, Anna, who was the executive director of the Atlanta Local Organizing Committee of the 2007 NCAA Men's Basketball Final Four.



Commissioner Slive presented Pat McMahon and the Gator seniors with the league's regular-season trophy prior to the 2005 SEC Tournament in Hoover, Ala.



2009 SEC BASEBALL COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 20 (FRIDAY)

Southeast Missouri at Alabama
Washington State at Arkansas
Elon at Auburn

Louisville at Florida

Youngstown State at Georgia
2-Kentucky vs. Troy
Villanova at LSU
3-Ole Miss vs. Liberty
Northern Illinois at Mississippi State
Oregon State at Tennessee
Vanderbilt at Stanford

FEBRUARY 21 (SATURDAY)

Southeast Missouri at Alabama
Washington State at Arkansas
Elon at Auburn

Louisville at Florida

Youngstown State at Georgia
2-Kentucky vs. James Madison
2-Kentucky at Coastal Carolina
Villanova at LSU
3-Ole Miss vs. Mercer
North Florida at Mississippi State
Northern Illinois at Mississippi State
Dukesne at South Carolina
Oregon State at Tennessee
Vanderbilt at Stanford

FEBRUARY 22 (SUNDAY)

Southeast Missouri at Alabama
Washington State at Arkansas
Elon at Auburn

Louisville at Florida

Youngstown State at Georgia
2-Kentucky at Coastal Carolina
Villanova at LSU
3-Ole Miss at South Alabama
North Florida at Mississippi State
Dukesne at South Carolina
Oregon State at Tennessee
Vanderbilt at California

FEBRUARY 23 (MONDAY)

Dukesne at South Carolina

FEBRUARY 24 (TUESDAY)

Nicholls State at Alabama
Kansas at Arkansas
Lipscomb at Auburn

Eastern Michigan at Florida

Presbyterian at Georgia
Central Arkansas at Ole Miss
South Alabama at Mississippi State
Austin Peay at Tennessee

FEBRUARY 25 (WEDNESDAY)

Nicholls State at Alabama
Kansas at Arkansas

Eastern Michigan at Florida

Presbyterian at Georgia
Southern at LSU
Central Arkansas at Ole Miss
Mississippi Valley State at Mississippi State
Western Kentucky at Vanderbilt

FEBRUARY 26 (THURSDAY)

Auburn at Florida State

FEBRUARY 27 (FRIDAY)

Illinois-Chicago at Alabama
Western Illinois at Arkansas
Auburn at Florida State
Miami (Fla.) at Florida
Georgia at Arizona
Western Michigan at Kentucky
UCF at LSU
TCU at Ole Miss
Nicholls State at Mississippi State
4-Tennessee vs. West Virginia
Vermont at Vanderbilt

FEBRUARY 28 (SATURDAY)

Illinois-Chicago at Alabama
Western Illinois at Arkansas
Florida State at Auburn
Miami (Fla.) at Florida
Georgia at Arizona
Western Michigan at Kentucky (DH)
UCF at LSU
TCU at Ole Miss
Nicholls State at Mississippi State
South Carolina at Clemson
4-Tennessee at Coastal Carolina
Vermont at Vanderbilt

MARCH 1 (SUNDAY)

Illinois-Chicago at Alabama
Western Illinois at Arkansas
Florida State at Auburn
Miami (Fla.) at Florida
Georgia at Arizona
Western Michigan at Kentucky
UCF at LSU
TCU at Ole Miss
Nicholls State at Mississippi State
Clemson at South Carolina
4-Tennessee vs. Florida International
Vermont at Vanderbilt

MARCH 3 (TUESDAY)

Alabama at Troy
Valparaiso at Arkansas
Davidson at Auburn
Florida at Stetson
Wright State at Kentucky
LSU at New Orleans
Georgia State at South Carolina
Tennessee Tech at Vanderbilt

MARCH 4 (WEDNESDAY)

Valparaiso at Arkansas
Davidson at Auburn
Florida Atlantic at Florida
Wofford at Georgia
Eastern Kentucky at Kentucky
Mississippi Valley State at LSU
Ole Miss at Arkansas State
Charleston Southern at South Carolina
USC Upstate at Tennessee

MARCH 5 (THURSDAY)

1 - Alabama at Whataburger Classic
Mississippi State at Hawaii
Illinois-Chicago at Vanderbilt

MARCH 6 (FRIDAY)

1 - Alabama at Whataburger Classic
California at Arkansas
Brown at Auburn
Dukesne at Florida
Quinnipiac at Georgia
Indiana State at Kentucky
Illinois at LSU
Vermont at Ole Miss
Mississippi State at Hawaii
Long Beach State at South Carolina
Ohio at Tennessee
Illinois-Chicago at Vanderbilt

MARCH 7 (SATURDAY)

1 - Alabama at Whataburger Classic
California at Arkansas
Brown at Auburn
Dukesne at Florida
Quinnipiac at Georgia
Indiana State at Kentucky
Illinois at LSU
Vermont at Ole Miss
Mississippi State at Hawaii
Long Beach State at South Carolina
Ohio at Tennessee
Illinois-Chicago at Vanderbilt

MARCH 8 (SUNDAY)

California at Arkansas
Brown at Auburn
Dukesne at Florida
Quinnipiac at Georgia
Indiana State at Kentucky
Illinois at LSU
Vermont at Ole Miss
Mississippi State at Hawaii
Long Beach State at South Carolina
Ohio at Tennessee
Illinois-Chicago at Vanderbilt

MARCH 10 (TUESDAY)

Alabama vs. Auburn
(Montgomery, Ala.)
Centenary at Arkansas
LeMoyne at Georgia
LSU at SE Louisiana
Austin Peay at Ole Miss
Old Dominion at South Carolina
Western Kentucky at Tennessee
Vanderbilt at Lipscomb

MARCH 11 (WEDNESDAY)

Samford at Alabama
Centenary at Arkansas
Western Kentucky at Auburn
LeMoyne at Georgia
Indiana at Kentucky
UL-Lafayette at LSU
Austin Peay at Ole Miss
Valparaiso State at Mississippi State
(DH)
Wofford at South Carolina
Louisville at Tennessee

MARCH 13 (FRIDAY)

*Georgia at Alabama
***Florida at Arkansas**
*Auburn at Tennessee



Senior catcher Teddy Foster and Florida will collide with defending SEC Champion Georgia in Athens over the weekend of May 1-3.

*Kentucky at LSU
*Ole Miss at Vanderbilt
*South Carolina at Mississippi State

MARCH 14 (SATURDAY)

*Georgia at Alabama
***Florida at Arkansas**
*Auburn at Tennessee
*Kentucky at LSU
*Ole Miss at Vanderbilt
*South Carolina at Mississippi State

MARCH 15 (SUNDAY)

*Georgia at Alabama
***Florida at Arkansas**
*Auburn at Tennessee
*Kentucky at LSU
*Ole Miss at Vanderbilt
*South Carolina at Mississippi State

MARCH 16 (MONDAY)

Kentucky at Nicholls State

MARCH 17 (TUESDAY)

Alabama A&M at Alabama
Nebraska at Arkansas
Charleston Southern at Auburn
Florida State at Florida
Kentucky at New Orleans
Northwestern State at LSU
Arkansas State at Ole Miss
Davidson at South Carolina
Coastal Carolina at Tennessee
South Alabama at Vanderbilt

MARCH 18 (WEDNESDAY)

Alabama A&M at Alabama
Nebraska at Arkansas
Charleston Southern at Auburn
Florida at UCF
Georgia at Georgia State
McNeese State at LSU
Memphis at Ole Miss
UAB at Mississippi State
South Carolina at Furman
Tennessee Tech at Tennessee
Vanderbilt at Belmont

MARCH 20 (FRIDAY)

*Alabama at Ole Miss
*Arkansas at Auburn
***Tennessee at Florida**
*Mississippi State at Georgia
*Vanderbilt at Kentucky
*LSU at South Carolina

MARCH 21 (SATURDAY)

*Alabama at Ole Miss
*Arkansas at Auburn
***Tennessee at Florida**
*Mississippi State at Georgia
*Vanderbilt at Kentucky

MARCH 22 (SUNDAY)

*Alabama at Ole Miss
*Arkansas at Auburn
***Tennessee at Florida**
*Mississippi State at Georgia
*Vanderbilt at Kentucky

MARCH 24 (TUESDAY)

UAB at Alabama
Missouri State at Arkansas
Auburn at Samford
Florida at UNF
Wright State at Georgia
Kentucky at West Virginia
Harvard at LSU
Saint Louis at Ole Miss
Mississippi State at South Alabama
South Carolina at College of Charleston
Western Carolina at Tennessee
Austin Peay at Vanderbilt

MARCH 25 (WEDNESDAY)

Auburn at Troy
UNF at Florida
Georgia at Georgia Tech
Cincinnati at Kentucky
Harvard at LSU
Ole Miss at Southern Miss
Memphis at Mississippi State
Georgia Southern at South Carolina
UNC Asheville at Tennessee
Wright State at Vanderbilt

MARCH 27 (FRIDAY)

***Alabama at Florida**
*Mississippi State at Arkansas
*Vanderbilt at Auburn
*Georgia at Tennessee
*South Carolina at Kentucky
*Ole Miss at LSU

MARCH 28 (SATURDAY)

***Alabama at Florida**
*Mississippi State at Arkansas
*Vanderbilt at Auburn
*Georgia at Tennessee
*South Carolina at Kentucky
*Ole Miss at LSU

2009 SEC BASEBALL COMPOSITE SCHEDULE



MARCH 29 (SUNDAY)

***Alabama at Florida**
 *Mississippi State at Arkansas
 *Vanderbilt at Auburn
 *Georgia at Tennessee
 *South Carolina at Kentucky
 *Ole Miss at LSU

MARCH 31 (TUESDAY)

SE Louisiana at Alabama
 Arkansas at Missouri State
 Auburn at South Alabama
Florida vs. Florida State
(Jacksonville, Fla.)
 Clemson at Georgia
 Marshall at Kentucky
 LSU at Tulane
 Jackson State at Ole Miss
 Mississippi Valley State at Mississippi State
 South Carolina at The Citadel
 Tennessee at East Tennessee State

APRIL 1 (WEDNESDAY)

Mississippi Valley State at Alabama
Stetson at Florida
 Georgia at Clemson
 Ole Miss at Memphis
 Mississippi State at UL-Monroe
 Furman at South Carolina
 Charleston Southern at Tennessee
 Belmont at Vanderbilt

APRIL 3 (FRIDAY)

*Tennessee at Alabama
 *Arkansas at South Carolina
 *Auburn at Mississippi State
***Florida at Vanderbilt**
 *LSU at Georgia
 *Kentucky at Ole Miss

APRIL 4 (SATURDAY)

*Tennessee at Alabama
 *Arkansas at South Carolina
 *Auburn at Mississippi State
***Florida at Vanderbilt**
 *LSU at Georgia
 *Kentucky at Ole Miss

APRIL 5 (SUNDAY)

*Tennessee at Alabama
 *Arkansas at South Carolina
 *Auburn at Mississippi State
***Florida at Vanderbilt**
 *LSU at Georgia
 *Kentucky at Ole Miss

APRIL 7 (TUESDAY)

Troy at Alabama
 Arizona State at Arkansas
 Georgia State at Auburn
Bethune-Cookman at Florida
 Winthrop at Georgia
 Kentucky at Western Kentucky
 New Orleans at Ole Miss
 Mississippi State at UAB
 Presbyterian at South Carolina
 Appalachian State at Tennessee
 Vanderbilt at Middle Tennessee

APRIL 8 (WEDNESDAY)

Arizona State at Arkansas
UCF at Florida
 Winthrop at Georgia
 Cincinnati at Kentucky
 Grambling at LSU
 New Orleans at Ole Miss
 Mississippi State vs. Southern Miss
 (Pearl, Miss.)
 South Carolina at Clemson
 Lipscomb at Tennessee

APRIL 10 (FRIDAY)

*LSU at Alabama
 *Vanderbilt at Arkansas
***Florida at Auburn**
 *Georgia at Kentucky
 *South Carolina at Ole Miss
 *Mississippi State at Tennessee

APRIL 11 (SATURDAY)

*LSU at Alabama
 *Vanderbilt at Arkansas
***Florida at Auburn**
 *Georgia at Kentucky
 *South Carolina at Ole Miss
 *Mississippi State at Tennessee

APRIL 12 (SUNDAY)

*LSU at Alabama
 *Vanderbilt at Arkansas
***Florida at Auburn**
 *Georgia at Kentucky
 *South Carolina at Ole Miss
 *Mississippi State at Tennessee

APRIL 14 (TUESDAY)

Mississippi Valley State at Alabama
 UL-Monroe at Arkansas
 South Alabama at Auburn
Florida at Florida State
 Georgia Tech at Georgia
 Kentucky at Louisville
 New Orleans at LSU
 Ole Miss vs. Mississippi State
 (Pearl, Miss.)
 College of Charleston at South Carolina
 Belmont at Tennessee
 Middle Tennessee at Vanderbilt

APRIL 15 (WEDNESDAY)

Alabama at Samford
 UL-Monroe at Arkansas
 Nicholls State at LSU
 The Citadel at South Carolina
 Middle Tennessee at Tennessee
 Morehead State at Vanderbilt

APRIL 17 (FRIDAY)

*Alabama at Vanderbilt
 *Arkansas at Georgia
 *Auburn at South Carolina
***Ole Miss at Florida**
 *Kentucky at Mississippi State
 *Tennessee at LSU

APRIL 18 (SATURDAY)

*Alabama at Vanderbilt

*Arkansas at Georgia
 *Auburn at South Carolina
***Ole Miss at Florida**
 *Kentucky at Mississippi State
 *Tennessee at LSU

APRIL 19 (SUNDAY)

*Alabama at Vanderbilt
 *Arkansas at Georgia
 *Auburn at South Carolina
***Ole Miss at Florida**
 *Kentucky at Mississippi State
 *Tennessee at LSU

APRIL 21 (TUESDAY)

Arkansas at Oral Roberts
 Samford at Auburn
Florida at Florida Gulf Coast
 Kennesaw State at Georgia
 Ohio State at Kentucky
 SE Louisiana at LSU
 Arkansas Little-Rock at Ole Miss
 Middle Tennessee at Mississippi State
 USC Upstate at South Carolina
 East Tennessee State at Tennessee
 Vanderbilt at Austin Peay

APRIL 22 (WEDNESDAY)

Alabama at South Alabama
USF at Florida
 Georgia at Jacksonville State
 Evansville at Kentucky
 LSU at UL-Lafayette
 Middle Tennessee at Mississippi State
 Clemson at South Carolina
 Vanderbilt at Louisville

APRIL 24 (FRIDAY)

*Kentucky at Alabama
 *Arkansas at Tennessee
 *Auburn at LSU
***South Carolina at Florida**
 *Georgia at Ole Miss
 *Mississippi State at Vanderbilt

APRIL 25 (SATURDAY)

*Kentucky at Alabama
 *Arkansas at Tennessee
 *Auburn at LSU
***South Carolina at Florida**
 *Georgia at Ole Miss
 *Mississippi State at Vanderbilt

APRIL 26 (SUNDAY)

*Kentucky at Alabama
 *Arkansas at Tennessee
 *Auburn at LSU
***South Carolina at Florida**
 *Georgia at Ole Miss
 *Mississippi State at Vanderbilt

APRIL 28 (TUESDAY)

Oklahoma at Arkansas
 Troy at Auburn
 Louisville at Kentucky
 Tulane at LSU
 Ole Miss vs. Southern Miss
 (Pearl, Miss.)
 Lipscomb at Vanderbilt

APRIL 29 (WEDNESDAY)

South Alabama at Alabama
 Jacksonville State at Georgia
 Arkansas Pine-Bluff at Ole Miss

MAY 1 (FRIDAY)

*Alabama at Mississippi State
 *LSU at Arkansas
 *Ole Miss at Auburn
***Florida at Georgia**
 *Tennessee at Kentucky
 *Vanderbilt at South Carolina

MAY 2 (SATURDAY)

*Alabama at Mississippi State
 *LSU at Arkansas
 *Ole Miss at Auburn
***Florida at Georgia**
 *Tennessee at Kentucky
 *Vanderbilt at South Carolina

MAY 3 (SUNDAY)

*Alabama at Mississippi State
 *LSU at Arkansas
 *Ole Miss at Auburn
***Florida at Georgia**
 *Tennessee at Kentucky
 *Vanderbilt at South Carolina

MAY 6 (WEDNESDAY)

Florida Gulf Coast at Florida
 South Carolina at Wofford
 Tennessee vs. Georgia Tech
 (Chattanooga, Tenn.)

MAY 8 (FRIDAY)

*Arkansas at Alabama
 *Auburn at Kentucky
***Florida at LSU**
 *Vanderbilt at Georgia
 *Mississippi State at Ole Miss
 *South Carolina at Tennessee

MAY 9 (SATURDAY)

*Arkansas at Alabama
 *Auburn at Kentucky
***Florida at LSU**
 *Vanderbilt at Georgia
 *Mississippi State at Ole Miss
 *South Carolina at Tennessee

MAY 10 (SUNDAY)

*Arkansas at Alabama
 *Auburn at Kentucky
***Florida at LSU**
 *Vanderbilt at Georgia
 *Mississippi State at Ole Miss
 *South Carolina at Tennessee

MAY 12 (TUESDAY)

Oral Roberts at Arkansas
 Georgia Southern at Auburn
Jacksonville at Florida
 Georgia vs. Georgia Tech (Turner Field)
 Morehead State at Kentucky
 Centenary at LSU
 Mississippi State at Memphis
 USC Upstate at South Carolina
 Tennessee at Middle Tennessee

MAY 14 (THURSDAY)

*Alabama at Auburn
 *Ole Miss at Arkansas
***Kentucky at Florida**
 *Georgia at South Carolina
 *LSU at Mississippi State
 *Tennessee at Vanderbilt

MAY 15 (FRIDAY)

*Alabama at Auburn
 *Ole Miss at Arkansas
***Kentucky at Florida**
 *Georgia at South Carolina
 *LSU at Mississippi State
 *Tennessee at Vanderbilt

MAY 16 (SATURDAY)

*Alabama at Auburn
 *Ole Miss at Arkansas
***Kentucky at Florida**
 *Georgia at South Carolina
 *LSU at Mississippi State
 *Tennessee at Vanderbilt

MAY 20-24 (WED.-SUN.)

SEC Tournament
 Regions Park – Hoover, Ala.

MAY 29 - JUNE 1 (FRI.-MON.)

NCAA Regionals
 Campus Sites

JUNE 5-8 (FRI.-MON.)

NCAA Super Regionals
 Campus Sites

JUNE 13-24 (SAT.-WED.)

63rd NCAA College World Series
 Omaha, Neb.

*Southeastern Conference Game

- 1- Whataburger Classic
 (Corpus Christi, Texas)
- 2- Coastal Carolina Tournament
 (Myrtle Beach, S.C.)
- 3- South Alabama Tournament
 (Mobile, Ala.)
- 4- Baseball at the Beach
 (Myrtle Beach, S.C.)



Junior right fielder Jonathan Pigott is joined on the 2009 Gators by his younger brother Daniel.



2008 SEC STANDINGS

EASTERN DIVISION	SEC	Pct.	GB	All	Pct.	Home	Away	Neutral	vs. Div.	vs. Top 25	Postseason
Georgia#	20-9-1	.683	--	45-25-1	.641	27-12	13-9-1	5-4	11-4	24-13	World Series
FLORIDA	17-13	.567	3.5	34-24	.586	27-6	7-14	0-4	8-7	11-13	Regional
Kentucky	16-14	.533	4.5	44-19	.698	29-6	11-10	4-3	8-7	6-9	Regional
Vanderbilt	15-14	.517	5.0	41-22	.651	22-9	12-9	7-4	7-8	7-11	Regional
South Carolina	15-15	.500	5.5	40-23	.635	27-8	10-13	3-2	7-8	12-7	Regional
Tennessee	12-18	.400	8.5	27-29	.482	19-13	6-13	2-3	4-11	5-9	---

WESTERN DIVISION	SEC	Pct.	GB	All	Pct.	Home	Away	Neutral	vs. Div.	vs. Top 25	Postseason
LSU%	18-11-1	.617	--	49-19-1	.717	32-9-1	11-8	6-2	11-4	14-9-1	World Series
Alabama	16-14	.533	2.5	35-28	.556	21-9	9-13	5-6	9-6	10-7	Regional
Ole Miss	15-15	.500	3.5	39-26	.600	25-9	9-12	5-5	7-8	10-10	Regional
Arkansas	14-15	.483	4.0	34-24	.586	24-9	8-14	2-1	6-9	8-8	Regional
Auburn	11-19	.367	7.5	28-28	.500	20-15	7-13	1-0	6-9	3-13	---
Mississippi State	9-21	.300	9.5	23-33	.411	16-15	5-17	2-1	5-10	3-17	---

- SEC Champion, Eastern Division Champion, NCAA College World Series Runner-Up; % - Western Division Champion, SEC Tournament Champion

2008 SEC TOURNAMENT RESULTS

May 21-25 * Hoover, Ala. * Regions Park

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

Game 1: #2 LSU 5, #7 South Carolina 4 (10)

Game 2: #6 Vanderbilt 7, #3 Florida 3

Game 3: #8 Ole Miss 4, #1 Georgia 1

Game 4: #4 Kentucky 9, #5 Alabama 3

THURSDAY, MAY 22

Game 5: South Carolina 11, Florida 3

Game 6: Alabama 5, Georgia 2

Game 7: LSU 8, Vanderbilt 2

Game 8: Ole Miss 8, Kentucky 7

FRIDAY, MAY 23

Game 9: Vanderbilt 7, South Carolina 5

Game 10: Alabama 13, Kentucky 4

SATURDAY, MAY 24

Game 11: Vanderbilt 7, Ole Miss 4

Game 12: LSU 12, Alabama 10

Game 13: Ole Miss 8, Vanderbilt 7

SUNDAY, MAY 25

Game 14: LSU 8, Ole Miss 2

2008 SEC ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

P - Austin Hyatt, Alabama

P - Lance Lynn, Ole Miss

P - Blake Martin, LSU

C - Alex Avila, Alabama

1B - Matt Clark, LSU; Andrew Giobbi, Vanderbilt

2B - Ryan Schimpf, LSU

3B - Chris McClendon, Kentucky

SS - Ryan Flaherty, Vanderbilt

OF - Sawyer Carroll, Kentucky

OF - Michael Guerrero, Ole Miss

OF - Jordan Henry, Ole Miss

OF - Kent Matthes, Alabama

DH - Blake Dean, LSU

Most Valuable Player: Blake Dean (DH), LSU

2008 ALL-SEC HONORS & AWARDS

FIRST TEAM

1B - Justin Smoak, South Carolina

2B - Josh Adams, Florida; Ryan Wilkes, Kentucky

3B - Pedro Alvarez, Vanderbilt; Logan Forsythe, Arkansas

SS - Gordon Beckham, Georgia

C - Bryce Massanari, Georgia

OF - Collin Cowgill, Kentucky

OF - Sawyer Carroll, Kentucky

OF - Matt den Dekker, Florida

OF - David Macias, Vanderbilt

OF - Brandon May, Alabama

DH - Alex Avila, Alabama

P - Patrick Keating, Florida

P - Chris Rusin, Kentucky

RP - Joshua Fields, Georgia

SECOND TEAM

1B - Hunter Morris, Auburn

2B - Alex Feinberg, Vanderbilt

3B - James Darnell, South Carolina

SS - Ryan Flaherty, Vanderbilt; Reese Havens, South Carolina

C - Yan Gomes, Tennessee

OF - Avery Barnes, Florida

OF - Kentrail Davis, Tennessee

OF - Dominic de la Osa, Vanderbilt

DH - Phil Disher, South Carolina

P - Stephen Dodson, Georgia

P - Lance Lynn, Ole Miss

P - Trevor Holder, Georgia

RP - Scott Bittle, Ole Miss

ALL-FRESHMAN TEAM

1B - Hunter Morris, Auburn

2B - Josh Adams, Florida

3B - David Cunningham, Auburn

SS - Josh Rutledge, Alabama

C - Micah Gibbs, LSU

OF - Kentrail Davis, Tennessee

OF - Brian Fletcher, Auburn

OF - Whit Merrifield, South Carolina

DH - P.J. Polk, Tennessee

P - Grant Dayton, Auburn

P - Drew Pomeranz, Ole Miss

RP - Russell Brewer, Vanderbilt

ALL-DEFENSIVE TEAM

P - Jared Bradford, LSU

1B - Rich Poythress, Georgia

2B - Ryan Wilkes, Kentucky

SS - Reese Havens, South Carolina

3B - Jake Smith, Alabama

C - Brett Basham, Ole Miss

OF - Collin Cowgill, Kentucky

OF - Matt den Dekker, Florida

OF - David Macias, Vanderbilt

SEC Player of the Year: Gordon Beckham, Georgia

SEC Pitcher of the Year: Joshua Fields, Georgia

SEC Freshman of the Year: Hunter Morris, Auburn

SEC Scholar-Athlete of the Year: Gordon Beckham, Georgia

SEC Coach of the Year: David Perno, Georgia



The versatile Josh Adams became the first Gator rookie to collect first-team All-SEC recognition since Marc Valdes accomplished the feat in 1991. He was also one of five players to be unanimously chosen to the All-Freshman Team.



2008 SEC SEASON IN REVIEW

2008 SEC OVERALL TEAM STATISTICS

TEAM BATTING

Team	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
Kentucky	.317	63	2159	510	685	151	13	83	461	1111	.515	283	88	469	34	.411	37	75	76	103	1687	750	66	.974
Alabama	.310	63	2245	471	695	104	15	87	422	1090	.486	222	91	475	42	.389	32	22	54	73	1663	643	97	.960
Vanderbilt	.309	63	2256	448	697	135	21	62	400	1060	.470	2531	72	414	41	.392	27	32	80	108	1707	594	70	.970
Georgia	.309	71	2548	512	787	128	11	96	467	1225	.481	302	55	463	52	.391	22	28	72	102	1902	683	78	.971
LSU	.306	69	2484	538	761	148	28	100	488	1265	.509	264	52	478	35	.382	20	36	95	120	1879	749	74	.973
FLORIDA	.304	58	1995	412	606	100	16	60	378	918	.460	230	47	402	34	.384	25	25	109	131	1525	616	83	.963
Auburn	.301	56	1949	387	586	135	15	58	345	925	.475	228	51	386	29	.383	30	30	74	106	1483	555	64	.970
South Carolina	.299	63	2190	443	665	103	7	110	419	1102	.503	297	51	420	35	.392	21	50	33	55	1696	674	56	.977
Ole Miss	.295	65	2309	426	680	124	8	74	391	1042	.451	229	69	439	746	.372	20	38	51	61	1737	592	81	.966
Arkansas	.291	58	2003	418	582	106	11	77	372	941	.470	270	59	439	30	.387	22	40	61	77	1554	654	75	.967
Mississippi State	.289	56	1979	351	571	103	6	53	313	845	.427	252	44	448	56	.379	14	32	47	61	1481	599	76	.965
Tennessee	.284	56	1903	340	541	91	9	67	301	851	.447	230	71	372	36	.379	20	29	55	79	1480	555	85	.960

TEAM PITCHING

Team	ERA	W	L	G	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	AB	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Kentucky	3.71	44	19	63	4	2	1	12	563	580	284	232	193	475	88	5	44	2164	.268	40	49	4	16	36
Ole Miss	4.06	39	26	65	0	1	1	11	579	568	332	261	232	624	106	7	66	2228	.255	36	44	6	9	31
LSU	4.11	49	19	69	2	3	3	16	626.1	638	340	286	201	554	121	15	58	2395	.266	45	62	4	22	55
South Carolina	4.35	40	23	63	2	2	2	12	565.1	562	309	273	212	499	72	8	62	2156	.261	36	66	7	16	32
FLORIDA	4.39	34	24	58	3	2	2	10	508.1	597	319	248	189	319	84	1	54	2016	.296	43	56	11	21	36
Vanderbilt	4.68	41	22	63	3	2	2	15	569	577	338	296	231	587	109	15	55	2178	.265	43	65	9	19	40
Auburn	4.86	28	28	56	2	2	2	13	494.1	550	316	267	167	394	109	13	49	1949	.282	35	45	8	15	33
Arkansas	4.92	34	24	58	2	1	1	9	518	550	344	283	220	445	95	8	59	2002	.275	43	59	3	24	36
Georgia	5.05	45	25	71	1	2	1	19	634	657	406	356	251	528	105	14	82	2450	.268	56	64	3	25	36
Alabama	5.23	35	28	63	3	2	1	11	554.1	632	404	322	270	468	119	7	63	2203	.287	65	53	20	26	32
Tennessee	5.40	27	29	56	3	0	0	10	493.1	543	341	296	221	430	122	18	68	1924	.282	45	59	5	14	36
Mississippi State	6.82	23	33	56	1	2	1	8	493.2	595	441	374	274	451	110	11	61	1971	.302	54	59	5	31	41

TEAM FIELDING

Team	C	PO	A	E	FLD%	DPs	SBA	CSB	SBA%	PB	CI
South Carolina	2426	1696	674	56	.977	56	59	16	.787	8	1
Kentucky	2503	1687	750	66	.974	60	39	27	.591	11	0
LSU	2702	1879	749	74	.973	59	64	30	.681	1	1
Georgia	2663	1902	683	78	.971	53	63	24	.724	13	2
Vanderbilt	2371	1707	594	70	.970	47	54	24	.692	7	2
Auburn	2102	1483	555	64	.970	44	48	20	.706	10	2
Arkansas	2283	1554	654	75	.967	54	52	14	.788	8	4
Ole Miss	2410	1737	592	81	.966	49	76	32	.704	7	0
Mississippi State	2156	1481	599	76	.965	44	70	19	.787	16	0
FLORIDA	2224	1525	616	83	.963	72	48	17	.738	6	3
Tennessee	2120	1480	555	85	.960	53	44	38	.537	12	1
Alabama	2403	1663	643	97	.960	55	84	19	.816	17	1



Right-hander Patrick Keating was voted as one of the two starting pitchers on the first team after compiling a 7-0 league ledger with a 3.28 ERA in nine starts. He was the first Gator to achieve first-team status since Justin Hoyman in 2004.



A second-team All-SEC honoree, outfielder Avery Barnes rated among the conference leaders throughout the campaign, turning in a .355 average with 32 runs, 12 stolen bases and 11 RBI versus league foes.



2008 SEC BATTING LEADERS

BATTING AVERAGE

Player, Team	Avg.
Sawyer Carroll, UK	.419
Gordon Beckham, UG	.411
Justin Smoak, SC	.383
Rich Poythress, UG	.374
Ryan Wilkes, UK	.374

HITS

Player, Team	No.
Gordon Beckham, UG	113
Ryan Peisel, UG	106
Rich Poythress, UG	99
Josh Rutledge, UA	99
Sawyer Carroll, UK	98

HOME RUNS

Player, Team	No.
Gordon Beckham, UG	28
Matt Clark, LS	28
Justin Smoak, SC	23
Blake Dean, LS	20
Sawyer Carroll, UK	19

SLUGGING PERCENTAGE

Player, Team	Pct.
Gordon Beckham, UG	.804
Matt Clark, LS	.789
Sawyer Carroll, UK	.782
Justin Smoak, SC	.757
Collin Cowgill, UK	.687

RUNS BATTED IN

Player, Team	No.
Sawyer Carroll, UK	83
James Darnell, SC	81
Gordon Beckham, UG	77
Rich Poythress, UG	75
Blake Dean, LS	73

WALKS

Player, Team	No.
Reese Havens, SC	58
Justin Smoak, SC	57
Gordon Beckham, UG	54
Collin Cowgill, UK	49
Logan Forsythe, AR	46
Rich Poythress, UG	46

ON-BASE PERCENTAGE

Player, Team	Pct.
Gordon Beckham, UG	.519
Chase Leavitt, AR	.518
Sawyer Carroll, UK	.514
Justin Smoak, SC	.505
Reese Havens, SC	.486

DOUBLES

Player, Team	No.
Chris Wade, UK	24
Gordon Beckham, UG	22
Sawyer Carroll, UK	22
Andrew Giobbi, VU	22
Ryan Peisel, UG	22
Rich Poythress, UG	22

STOLEN BASES

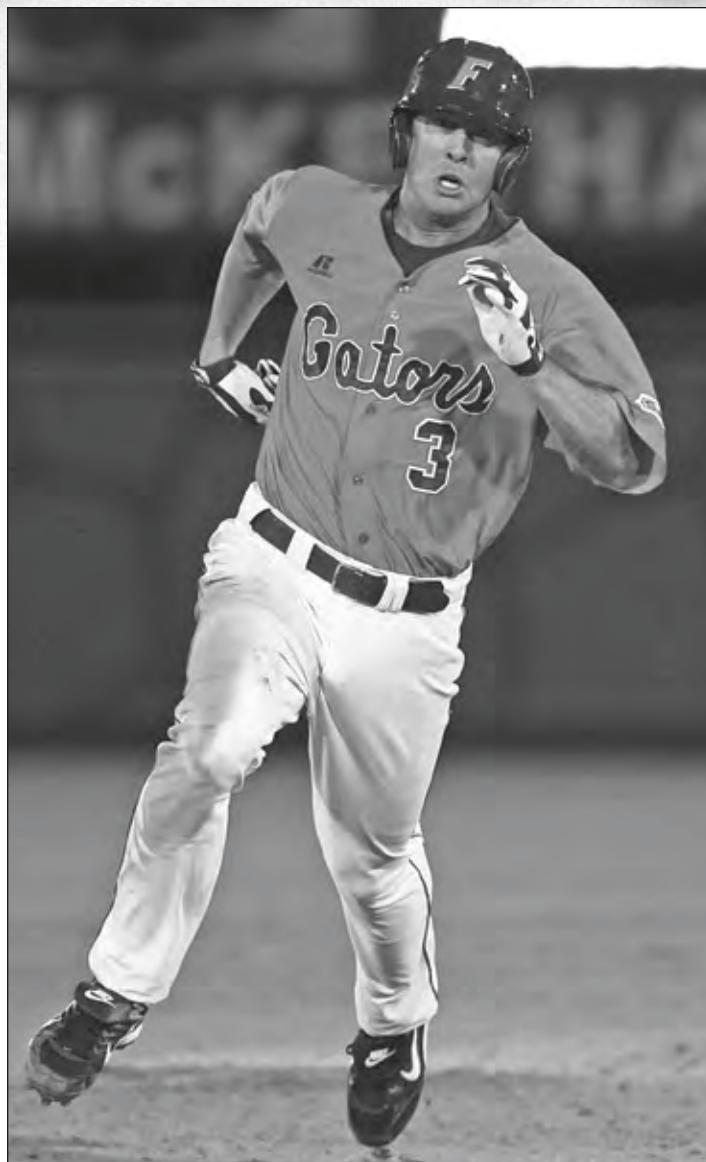
Player, Team	No.
Dominic de la Osa, VU	27
Avery Barnes, UF	26
Grant Hogue, MS	25
Collin Cowgill, UK	23
Matt den Dekker, UF	20
Cole Figueroa, UF	20
Andy Simunic, UT	20

RUNS SCORED

Player, Team	No.
Gordon Beckham, UG	97
Collin Cowgill, UK	80
Ryan Peisel, UG	78
Reese Havens, SC	76
Sawyer Carroll, UK	69

TRIPLES

Player, Team	No.
Ryan Schimpf, LS	7
Leon Landry, LS	5
Avery Barnes, UF	4
Brandon McArthur, UF	4
5 other players tied with	4



Brandon McArthur paced the Orange and Blue with a .362 batting average in SEC play and drove in 23 runs.



Not only was outfielder Matt den Dekker a first-team All-SEC pick, he earned a berth on the inaugural All-Defensive Team by often making spectacular plays look routine and robbing opponents of potential home runs.

2008 SEC PITCHING LEADERS

EARNED RUN AVERAGE

Player, Team	ERA
Anthony Ranaudo, LS	0.00
Jesse Yano, UK	0.00
Aaron Weatherford, MS	0.85
Justin Cryer, UM	1.35
Scott Bittle, UM	1.78

INNINGS PITCHED

Player, Team	No.
Mike Minor, VU	103
Jared Bradford, LS	98.1
Trevor Holder, UG	98
Ryan Verdugo, LS	96
Stephen Dodson, UG	95.2

WINS

Player, Team	No.
Jared Bradford, LS	10
Ryan Verdugo, LS	9
Louis Coleman, LS	8
Sam Dyson, SC	8
Trevor Holder, UG	8
Patrick Keating, UF	8

OPPONENTS' BATTING AVERAGE

Player, Team	Avg.
Aaron Weatherford, MS	.098
Tyler Musselwhite, SC	.111
Jonathan Huff, UK	.125
Anthony Ranaudo, LS	.128
Joshua Fields, UG	.133

STRIKEOUTS

Player, Team	No.
Scott Bittle, UM	130
Lance Lynn, UM	110
Bryan Morgado, UT	104
Mike Minor, VU	101
Jared Bradford, LS	90

SAVES

Player, Team	No.
Joshua Fields, UG	18
Bryan Woodall, AU	11
Scott Bittle, UM	8
Russell Brewer, VU	8
Aaron Weatherford, MS	7