

# #12/16 UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

## 2005 GATOR FOOTBALL

2005 SEASON REVIEW  
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### FLORIDA FOOTBALL 2005

■ UF finished the season ranked No. 12 in the AP poll, the program's highest ranking since 2001. The Gators were ranked inside the final edition of the USA Today poll (16th) for the 16th consecutive season, the second longest active streak in the nation. Florida finished the year with a 9-3 overall record and was 5-3 in Southeastern Conference play.

### SEASON NOTES

■ Florida finished the season with a 9-3 overall record and ended the year with back-to-back victories. The Gators won nine games in a season for the first time since 2001 and closed out a year with back-to-back wins for the first time since 1997. Including this season, UF has only ended a year with back-to-back victories four times in the last 20 seasons.

■ Florida extended its school record of consecutive bowl games to 15. The streak is the longest among SEC teams and the third longest nationally. For the 33rd time in the history of the program, the University of Florida made a post-season bowl appearance as the Gators defeated Iowa, 31-24, in the 2006 Outback Bowl in Tampa, Fla..

■ Florida did not trail at any time against Tennessee, Georgia and Florida State this season and became the only squad in school history to accomplish that feat. The 2005 squad became the fourth in school history to defeat Tennessee, Georgia and Florida State in the same regular season (1984, 1991, 1995).

■ Florida finished the season with a 6-0 home record. Florida was one of eight teams in the nation to go undefeated at home this season (the only SEC school to do so), and the first UF team to go undefeated at home since 2000. Coach Meyer matched Steve Spurrier (1990) for the most wins by any Gator head coach at home in his first year with the program.

■ Florida was the only school in the nation to defeat two teams that played in BCS bowl games this year.

■ During the 2005 regular season, UF defeated the eventual SEC champion for the third time in the last four years.

■ Florida's win over Vanderbilt on Nov. 5 secured the 18th consecutive winning season for the Gators, which is the longest active streak in the Southeastern Conference.

■ Florida closed out the regular season with a 34-7 victory over Florida State. This marked the first time UF has defeated FSU in back-to-back regular season meetings since the 1985-86 seasons.

■ Florida's +18 turnover margin this season ranked first in the conference and third nationally. The 2005 squad ranked second in school history for the all-time largest margin by a UF squad (+19, 2000).

#### Largest Single-Season Turnover Margin In School History

1. 2000	+19
2. 2005	+18
3. 1950	+16
1975	+16

■ This year, Florida continued to take care of the football. UF lost six fumbles, which tied for the lowest total in the SEC. The school record for lowest amount in a season is five (1994). In 2004, UF lost eight fumbles, which tied Ole Miss for the third-lowest total in the league. Urban Meyer-coached teams have not fumbled the ball in eight of 59 games, and have not lost a fumble in 25 of 59 games. Only once in 59 games have Meyer-led teams lost more than two fumbles (at Texas A&M, Sept. 6, 2003).

■ From 2001-04, Urban Meyer's teams ranked fourth nationally in time of possession, averaging 32:01 per game. This season, the Gators averaged 32:37 to their opponents' 27:13. UF's average ranked first in the SEC. UF's time of possession this season was the best in available Florida records dating back to 1986.

### GATOR STORYLINES

■ The 2005 squad became the first in school history to win a bowl game and defeat Tennessee, Georgia and Florida State all in the same regular season.

■ With the win against Vanderbilt, the Gators secured the program's 18th consecutive winning season. Florida's current streak of 18 winning seasons is the longest in the SEC.

■ Florida finished the season leading the Southeastern Conference in five different statistical departments. A Florida player led the league in receptions per game, fumbles recovered and passes defended. As a team, the Gators led the SEC in turnover margin and field goals.

### SEASON REVIEW

THE POLLS	UF
Associated Press	12th
USA Today Coaches	16th

FINAL RECORD	UF
Overall	9-3
SEC	5-3

### TEAM CAPTAINS

#### Offense

Mike Degory (Sr., Center)  
Chris Leak (Jr., Quarterback)

#### Defense

Vernell Brown (Sr., Cornerback)  
Jarvis Herring (Sr., Safety)  
Jeremy Mincey (Sr., Defensive End)

### 2005 SCHEDULE

#### FLORIDA (9-3, 5-3 SEC)

S3	_____ WYOMING, W, 32-14
S10	_____ LOUISIANA TECH, W, 41-3
S17	_____ NO. 4 TENNESSEE, W, 16-7
S24	_____ at Kentucky, W, 49-28
O1	_____ at No. 15 Alabama, L, 31-3
O8	_____ MISSISSIPPI STATE, W, 35-9
O15	_____ at No. 8 LSU, L, 21-17
O29	_____ vs. No. 4 Georgia^, W, 14-10
N5	_____ VANDERBILT, W, 49-41 2OT
N12	_____ at South Carolina, L, 30-22
N26	_____ NO. 23 FLORIDA STATE, W, 34-7
J2	_____ No. 25 Iowa*, W, 31-24

^ at Jacksonville, Fla.

\* at Tampa, Fla.

## 2005 SEASON REVIEW...

■Florida turned the ball over 13 times this season. The total was the fifth-lowest nationally and the second lowest total in the SEC, as Alabama had 12. In records dating back to 1946, UF 13 turnovers this season were the lowest in school history.

### UF HEAD COACH URBAN MEYER

■Florida head coach Urban Meyer led the Gators to nine victories this season to match Ray Graves (1960) and Steve Spurrier (1990) for the most wins by a first-year Florida head coach.

■Four of Florida's nine wins came against ranked opponents (No. 4 Tennessee, 16-7; No. 4 Georgia 14-10; No. 23 Florida State, 34-7; No. 25 Iowa, 31-24). Until Urban Meyer, no first-year UF head coach had ever defeated more than three ranked opponents in his initial campaign.

■Coach Meyer has led his teams to a victory in a bowl game each of the last three years. Including this bowl season, Jim Tressel (Ohio State, winners of four straight) and Tom O'Brien (Boston College, winners of the last six) have been the only other head coaches in the nation to do so.

■Urban Meyer is the only first-year coach in school history to defeat Tennessee, Georgia and Florida State in his first full season with the Gators.

■Urban Meyer became the first Gator head coach to win his first bowl game at Florida since Charley Pell led UF to victory against Maryland (35-20) in the Tangerine Bowl on Dec. 20, 1980. Florida head coaches are now 4-5 in their first bowl game with the Gators.

■Including bowl games, bye weeks, mid-week games and season openers, Coach Meyer-led teams are 18-2 all-time when having more than one week to prepare for a game.

### FIRST-YEAR COACHES VS. NATION'S TOP TOTAL DEFENSES

■This season, there were 23 head coaches who were in their first season in Division I-A. Of those teams, Florida's scoring offense was sixth, however, no other team ahead of the Gators on the list played more of the nation's top 20 ranked total defenses and none matched up against fewer of the nation's total defenses that ranked lower than 80th nationally:

Team	Scoring Offense	Wins	Faced Top 20 Total Defenses	Faced Total Defense Ranked Below 80
1. Notre Dame	36.6	9	2	5
2. Miami (Ohio)	33.7	7	1	3
3. BYU	33.0	6	1	4
4. Western Mich.	32.1	7	0	2
5. Utah	30.0	6	0	7
6. Florida	28.5	9	5	1

### FLORIDA AT HOME UNDER COACH MEYER

■With a 34-7 victory in "The Swamp" to close out the regular season, Florida head coach Urban Meyer led the Gators to a 6-0 home record in 2005. In doing so, he matched Steve Spurrier (1990) for the most wins by any Gator head coach at home in his first year with the program. Coach Meyer also became the ninth UF head coach to be undefeated at home in his initial campaign. Other Gator head coaches to do so include: G.E. Pyle (1909), Charles McCoy (1914), William Kline (1920), J.A. Van Fleet (1923), H.L. Sebring (1925), D.K. Stanley (1933), Galen Hall (1984), Steve Spurrier (1990).

■Dating back to the 2004 season, Florida has won eight straight home games. The last time UF won eight consecutive home games was an 11-game stretch that went from the start of the 2000 season until Dec. 1, 2001, against Tennessee.

■Coach Meyer has started his UF career with a 6-0 home record. The streak matches Charles McCoy (1914) and J.A. Van Fleet (1923) for the second-best start by any coach in Gator history in terms of beginning a career without being defeated or tied at home.

#### Undefeated and Untied at Home to Begin UF Career:

1. Steve Spurrier, 1990	22
2. Charles McCoy, 1914	6
Urban Meyer, 2005-Present	6
J.A. Van Fleet, 1923	6

■Florida currently owns an eight-game win streak in "The Swamp". The streak is tied for the fifth-longest in the nation for a team on its home field:

1. Southern California	27	4. Texas Tech	9
2. Texas	15	5. Florida	8
3. Louisville	12	Penn State	8

## DATES TO KNOW

### FEB. 1, 2006

NCAA National Letter of Intent Signing Day

### MARCH 8, 2006

Florida will hold its NFL Pro Scouts Day (subject to change).

### MARCH 29, 2006

Florida Spring practices are scheduled to begin (subject to change). Each member institution may hold 15 practice sessions.

### APRIL 22, 2006

Florida will hold its annual Orange - Blue Spring Game. (1 p.m.)

### APRIL 29-30, 2006

2006 NFL Draft, New York City

### JULY 26-28, 2006

SEC Football Media Days. Florida is scheduled for Friday, July 28.

### SEPT. 2, 2006

Florida will begin the 2006 football season against Southern Mississippi in Gainesville.

## 2005 FINAL SEC STANDINGS

### EASTERN DIVISION

Team	SEC	Pct.	Overall
#Georgia	6-2	.750	10-3
<b>Florida</b>	<b>5-3</b>	<b>.625</b>	<b>9-3</b>
South Carolina	5-3	.625	7-5
Vanderbilt	3-5	.375	5-6
Tennessee	3-5	.375	5-6
Kentucky	2-6	.250	3-8

### WESTERN DIVISION

Team	SEC	Pct.	Overall
*^LSU	7-1	.875	11-2
*Auburn	7-1	.818	9-3
Alabama	6-2	.750	10-2
Arkansas	2-6	.250	4-7
Mississippi State	1-7	.125	3-8
Ole Miss	1-7	.125	3-8

# - SEC Champion/SEC Eastern Division Champion  
\* - SEC Western Division Co-Champions  
^ - SEC Championship Game Western Division Representative

## CURRENT CONSECUTIVE SEASONS IN THE FINAL COACHES POLL

Rk.	School	Years
1.	Florida State	22
2.	<b>FLORIDA</b>	<b>16</b>
3.	Georgia	9
	Texas	9
5.	Miami	8

## 2005 SEASON REVIEW...

■ Starting in 2001, when he began his head coaching career at Bowling Green, Coach Meyer's teams have posted a 28-2 record in home games. Meyer-coached teams join four other squads to have suffered two or fewer losses on its home field during that period:

Team	Home Losses Since 2001	Overall Home Record Since 2001
1. Boise State	2	31-2
Oklahoma	2	30-2
Southern California	2	29-2
<b>Urban Meyer Teams</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>28-2</b>
Toledo	2	26-2

### FIRST-YEAR UF HEAD COACHES VS. RANKED OPPONENTS

■ Head Coach Urban Meyer became the fourth coach in school history to lead his team to victory over the first ranked opponent he faced at UF (No. 4, Tennessee, W, 16-7). The other three coaches who accomplished this feat were Galen Hall (1984), Ray Graves (1960) and Bob Woodruff (1950).

■ Urban Meyer is the only coach in Florida history to defeat two teams ranked No. 4 or higher in his first season (No. 4 Tennessee and No. 4 Georgia). UF has defeated two teams ranked in the top four in the same season three times in school history (1991, 1996, 2005).

■ Urban Meyer won a first-year coach head coach school record four games against ranked opponents. He faced a school-record matching sixth ranked opponents in 2005. In 2002, Ron Zook took on a school-record six foes ranked in the polls during his initial campaign. Overall, UF first-year head coaches are 13-24 vs. ranked opponents. A look at the individual coaching records vs. ranked foes:

Year	Coach	Record	Year	Coach	Record
2005	Urban Meyer	4-2	1970	Doug Dickey	0-2
2002	Ron Zook	2-4	1960	Ray Graves	2-1
1990	Steve Spurrier	1-2	1950	Bob Woodruff	1-3
1989	Gary Darnell	0-2	1946	Raymond Wolf	0-2
1984	Galen Hall	3-0	1940	Thomas Lieb	0-1
1979	Charley Pell	0-5			

■ Urban Meyer became only the second coach in school history to lead the Gators to a victory vs. the first top-five opponent they faced (No. 4, Tennessee, W, 16-7). Past UF coaches were 1-7 against the first program they took on ranked inside the top-five nationally. Previously, Ray Graves was the only coach to defeat his first top-five ranked opponent (10-6, W, at Alabama, 1963).

■ Florida's 16-7 win against Tennessee marked the 50th game of Urban Meyer's career as a head coach. Following the game, his record as a head coach stood at 42-8 (.840), the best record through 50 games of any current head coach in the SEC.

■ Florida completed the toughest month in school history, facing three top 15 teams in the same month for the first time in the history of the program this October. UF last faced three ranked teams in the same month in 1991, but they were in the top 20 and not the top 15. This October, Florida took on then-No. 15 Alabama, then-No. 8 LSU and then-No. 4 Georgia.

### THE OFFENSE

■ Florida was the only school in the SEC to score 49 points or more against a league opponent in two games this season (at Kentucky and vs. Vanderbilt).

■ UF outrushed 10 of 12 opponents this year. Last season, the Gators were outrushed by six foes.

■ On a 16-play drive spanning the end of the third quarter against Tennessee and beginning of the fourth quarter, the Gators converted 4-of-5 third-down conversions and ate up 7:42. The drive resulted in a field goal that put the Gators ahead, 16-7. Florida's fourth quarter drive that helped seal the win marked only the second time in the last 17-plus years UF put together a fourth-quarter scoring drive of longer than 7:40. Prior to that, UF had an 8:51 drive against LSU on Oct. 1, 1988, that went 18 plays for 83 yards and resulted in a field goal. Against USC in 1999, the Gators went on a 15-play, 68-yard drive that lasted 7:47 and resulted in a field goal in the fourth quarter.

■ The Gators had three scoring drives of 12 plays or more against Vanderbilt, including a 13-play, 79-yard drive that went 7:36 to start the game and a 16-play, 80-yard drive that lasted 8:38 in the fourth quarter. UF has not had a drive longer than 8:38 since at least 1993.

■ The Gators' 49 points in the first half of the UK game were the most points UF has ever scored in the first half vs. a SEC opponent in school history. UF scored 42 points in a half against an SEC opponent twice versus LSU (Oct. 12, 1996) and South Carolina (Nov. 11, 1995). UF finished the game with 49 points (UF posted the same total against Vanderbilt), which were the most scored by an SEC team against a league opponent in a game this season.

## 2005 UF TEAM STATS

Florida	Category	Opponents
226.7	Passing Offense	204.9
146.8	Rushing Offense	94.9
373.4	Total Offense	299.8
28.6	Scoring Offense	18.8
204.9	Passing Defense	226.7
34.9	Rushing Defense	146.8
299.8	Total Defense	373.4
18.8	Scoring Defense	28.6
245	1st Downs For	198
.380	3rd Down Conv.	.350
.550	4th Down Conv.	.380
33-232	Sacks By-Yards	35-224
102-783	Penalties-Yards	64-493
20-6	Fumbles-Lost	21-15
32:37	Avg. Time of Poss.	27:13

## 2005 UF INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

### Rushing

Florida	G	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	YPG
Wynn	11	130	621	4.8	7	56.5
Manson	12	81	365	4.5	2	30.4
Moore	12	48	277	5.8	1	23.1
Portis	6	29	263	5.6	0	27.2
Thornton	10	20	96	4.8	0	9.6
Jackson	12	16	89	5.6	2	7.4

### Passing

Florida	A-C-I	Pct.	Yds.	TD	YPG
Leak	374-235-6	62.8	2639	20	219.9
Portis	11-6-1	54.5	81	0	13.5

### Receiving

Florida	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Jackson	12	88	900	10.2	9	75.0
Baker	12	52	697	13.4	5	58.1
Cornelius	11	29	383	34.8	1	34.8
Moore	12	13	56	4.3	1	4.7
Caldwell	3	10	148	14.8	0	49.3

### Defense

Florida	UT-AT-TT	TFL	S	INT	FF	FR
Everett	39-33-72	3.5	2.5	2	1	0
Siler	33-31-64	9.0	4.0	0	0	7
Herring	38-25-63	4.0	2.0	2	1	1
Mincey	31-31-62	10.5	3.5	0	1	1
Webb	34-12-46	0.0	0	1	2	0
Nelson	32-14-46	4.0	4.0	1	1	1
Thomas	22-23-45	10.5	4.0	0	1	0

## BOWL OPPONENTS FACED

■ Florida played five teams this fall that made appearances in bowl games during the 2005 season.

### 2005 Opponents in Bowls

Team	Bowl
Alabama 13, Texas Tech 10	Cotton
LSU 40, Miami 3	Peach
WV 38, Georgia 35	Sugar
Mizzou 38, S. Carolina 31	Independence
Penn State 26, FSU 23 (3 OT)	Orange

2005 opponents are in **bold**

## 2005 SEASON REVIEW...

### TOP TEAM PERFORMANCES

#### Rushing

Attempts .....	49	vs. La. Tech
Avg. ....	5.2	vs. Miss. State
TD Rushes .....	4	vs. La. Tech
		vs. Vanderbilt

#### Passing

Attempts .....	41	vs. Vanderbilt
Comp. ....	32	vs. Vanderbilt
Yards .....	350	at Kentucky
Avg. ....	9.7	at Kentucky
TD Passes .....	4	at Kentucky

#### Offense

Plays .....	83	vs. Vanderbilt
Offense .....	537	at Kentucky
Yards Per Play .....	6.9	at Kentucky
Points .....	49	at Kentucky
		vs. Vanderbilt
First Downs .....	29	vs. Vanderbilt
Penalties .....	11	vs. Vanderbilt
		at South Carolina
Penalty Yards .....	86	at South Carolina
Turnovers .....	4	vs. Miss. State

#### Defense

Sacks By .....	6	vs. Miss. State
Interceptions By ...	3	vs. La. Tech
		at Kentucky

### TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES

#### Rushing

Attempts ..	19	DeShawn Wynn, vs. Georgia
Yards .....	109	DeShawn Wynn, vs. Georgia
TD Rush ...	3	DeShawn Wynn, at Kentucky
Long .....	50	DeShawn Wynn, vs. La. Tech

#### Receiving

Catches ...	10	Chad Jackson, vs. Wyoming
		Dallas Baker, vs. Iowa
Yards .....	147	Dallas Baker, vs. Iowa
TD Rec. ....	3	Chad Jackson, vs. Wyoming
Long .....	80	Chad Jackson, vs. La. Tech

#### Passing

Att. ....	41	Chris Leak, vs. Vanderbilt
Comp. ....	32	Chris Leak, vs. Vanderbilt
Yards .....	320	Chris Leak, vs. Wyoming
Long .....	80	Chris Leak, vs. La. Tech
TD Pass ...	4	Chris Leak, at Kentucky

#### Defense

Tackles ....	14	Earl Everett, at LSU
Sacks .....	3	Jarvis Moss, at LSU
Int. ....	2	Earl Everett, at Kentucky

#### Kicking

Punts .....	10	Eric Wilbur, at LSU
Long Punt ..	63	Eric Wilbur, vs. Iowa
FG .....	3	Chris Hetland, vs. Tennessee
Long FG ...	47	Chris Hetland, vs. Wyoming

#### Kick Returns

Punt Return	29	Vernell Brown, vs. Georgia
KO Return ..	47	Andre Caldwell, vs. Wyoming

### QUARTERBACKS

■ Florida quarterbacks threw just seven interceptions this season, which was one per every 49.2 pass attempts. The total ranked as the best in school history and ninth nationally.

Year	Int.	Att.	Int. Per Attempt
2005	7	345	49.2
2000	12	466	38.8
2001	12	464	38.7
2004	12	407	33.9
1982	10	305	30.5

■ In the Outback Bowl against Iowa, Chris Leak finished 25-for-40 for 278 yards and two touchdowns. Leak completed the season by throwing for 200-or-more yards in four-straight contests. He also threw for multiple touchdowns in the last four games of the year, marking the longest streak in his career.

■ Chris Leak's six rushing touchdowns this year tied for the second-best single-season total by a Gator quarterback in school history:

1. Jimmy Fisher	8 (1979)
2. <b>Chris Leak</b>	<b>6 (2005)</b>
Jesse Palmer	6 (2000)

■ At the completion of the 2005 season, Chris Leak is fourth in the category of most touchdowns responsible for by a Gator. Leak has been involved in 75 (65 passing, 10 rushing) and is seven behind Shane Matthews (74 pass, seven rushing, one receiving).

■ Chris Leak has a career completion percentage of 60.7, which is just ahead of Danny Wuerffel (60.5) for third on UF's all-time chart.

■ Chris Leak's 22 touchdown passes against teams ranked in the AP top 25 since 2003 are the second-highest amount by any active quarterback during that time span and his 313 completions and 3,681 passing yards are the most by any player in the nation vs. ranked foes.

■ Chris Leak made his 33rd career start against Iowa in the Outback Bowl. Leak now owns an 22-11 record in starts on the collegiate level. Shown below are the consecutive starts leaders among projected 2006 Division I-A quarterbacks:

1. Kevin Kolb, Houston	36
2. Reggie Ball, Georgia Tech	36
3. <b>Chris Leak, Florida</b>	<b>33</b>
Brady Quinn, Notre Dame	33
5. Jordan Palmer, UTEP	30

■ Chris Leak is the SEC's active career leader in the following categories:

<b>Wins:</b>	22-11 record
<b>Touchdown passes:</b>	65
<b>Passing yards:</b>	8,271
<b>Completions:</b>	663

■ Chris Leak has passed for 8,271 yards in his career, which is fourth on the UF career passing yardage chart (SEE PAGE 12 FOR CHARTS). The total is also the third-highest nationally among quarterbacks who should be active in 2006 since 2003:

Player	School	Yards
1. Kevin Kolb	Houston	9,145
2. Brady Quinn	Notre Dame	8,336
3. <b>Chris Leak</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>8,271</b>
4. Jordan Palmer	UTEP	7,489
5. John Beck	BYU	7,136

■ With his 25 completions against Iowa in the Outback Bowl, Chris Leak has 663 on his career which is fourth in school history. Leak stands at fourth on the Florida career attempts list. With 40 against the Hawkeyes, Leak has 1,093 in his career (SEE PAGE 12 FOR CHARTS).

■ Chris Leak threw for 300-or-more yards in a game twice this season (320, vs. Wyoming; 319, at Kentucky). The efforts moved him into a tie with John Reaves (1969-71) for fifth on UF's chart for 300-yard passing games in a career. (SEE PAGE 12 FOR CHARTS). Florida is 6-0 when Leak throws for 300-or-more yards in a game.

■ In the Outback Bowl against Iowa, Chris Leak increased his career yardage (passing, rushing and receiving) to 8,407, which ranks fourth in school history in that department (SEE CHART ON PAGE 12).

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■Chris Leak has thrown for 65 touchdowns since the 2003 season. Entering the 2006 season, the total will be the highest in the nation among quarterbacks who are projected to be active since that time:

Player	School	TDs
1. Chris Leak	FLORIDA	65
2. Jordan Palmer	UTEP	62
3. Brady Quinn	Notre Dame	58
4. Kevin Kolb	Houston	55
5. Chad Henne	Michigan	48

■Against Wyoming, Chris Leak completed 17 consecutive passes to break Steve Spurrier's school record set during the 1966 season. Leak's streak is tied for fourth all-time in Southeastern Conference history (SEE CHART ON PAGE 12).

■Chris Leak opened the 2005 season without throwing an interception in 117 attempts before tossing one at Alabama. His streak tied Wayne Peace (1981) for the third-longest in school history and was four shy of the UF record:

### Consecutive Passes Without An Interception

1. 121, Danny Wuerffel (1995-96)
2. 118, Rex Grossman (2002)
3. 117, Wayne Peace (1981)
4. **117, Chris Leak (2005)**
5. 104, Steve Spurrier (1966)

■Through the last six games of the 2005 season, Chris Leak threw only two interceptions in 190 attempts. Leak did not throw an interception in eight of 12 games.

■Florida quarterback Chris Leak is 68-11 in his last 79 games as a starting quarterback. He won 46 in a row at Independence High School and then his first start at Florida (at Kentucky). His 11 losses have been to Ole Miss, Florida State, Iowa (2004 Outback), Tennessee, LSU (twice), Mississippi State, Georgia, Miami (2004 Peach), Alabama, and South Carolina.

### RUNNING BACKS

■Florida's 169 rushing yards against Iowa in the 2006 Outback Bowl were the most by a Gator squad against a top 25 ranked team since rushing for 211 against then No. 7 Georgia on Oct. 30, 2004. It was also the 12th highest total by the Gators against a top 25 team dating back to the 1996 season.

■The Gator running backs averaged 4.9 yards per carry on 279 runs and lost only one fumble this season.

■In the Outback Bowl against Iowa, Kestahn Moore started his fifth game of the season. He was the first true freshman to start at running back for Florida since Robert Gillespie on Oct. 17, 1998, vs. Auburn. Including Moore, there have been only eight true freshmen to start at the position for the Gators since 1972. Moore ranks second all-time among true freshman running backs in terms of starts:

Most Starts by a UF True Freshman Running Back

1. Emmitt Smith 1987 9
2. **Kestahn Moore 2005 5**
3. Octavious Gould 1986 4

■DeShawn Wynn ranked in a tie for 76th nationally in rushing touchdowns with seven this season.

■DeShawn Wynn gained a career-high 109 yards on a career-high 19 carries (5.7 avg.) against Georgia. It marked the third time in his career he reached the century mark. His total carries and rushing yards were highs for any Gator in 2005. Wynn averaged 5.8 yards per carry in his previous outing at LSU. This marked the second time in his career (and the first time against SEC foes) that he has averaged 5.0 yards per carry or more in back-to-back contests.

■At Kentucky, DeShawn Wynn became the first Gator to score four touchdowns twice in his career, as he previously accomplished the feat against Florida A&M on Sept. 13, 2003.

### WIDE RECEIVERS AND TIGHT ENDS

■Chad Jackson's seven receptions against Iowa in the 2006 Outback Bowl raised his total this season to 88 to match the school record held by Carlos Alvarez (1969). Jackson's 88 catches finished tied for the fourth-highest total on the all-time single-season SEC chart and were the most by a Gator junior in school history:

## 2005 TEAM RECORDS

### The Offense

■Florida completed 62.8 percent of its passes, which tied for the fourth-highest total in school history.

■UF quarterbacks threw only seven interceptions this season, which tied 1974 for the third-lowest total in school history.

■The Gators lost only six fumbles in 2005, which was the second-lowest total in school history.

■Since records began being kept in 1986, UF's time of possession this season (32:37) is the highest for a Gator squad. There have been only two other occasions (1989, 1990), that UF teams have finished the season averaging more than 30 minutes per game in time of possession.

■The 2005 team converted 12 fourth downs to match the 1995 and 2001 teams for the second highest total in school history.

■UF ran 840 plays in 2005, the ninth-highest total in school history.

### The Defense

■Florida's defense held opponents to 94.9 rushing yards per game marking the ninth-lowest total in school history and the lowest since 1999 (91.6).

■Florida held opponents to 3.1 yards per rush, which bettered the effort of the last five years. UF last held opponents to 3.1 yards per rush or less in 1999 (2.6).

■Florida's 76 tackles for loss in 2005 were the highest total since UF began tracking the statistic in 1979.

■The Florida defense tallied 337 yards in tackles for loss, the highest in school history since records were kept (1983).

### Special Teams

■UF blocked five kicks in 2005, which tied for the third-highest total that Florida records indicate. The total matched the number blocked by the 1994 squad.

■Florida's 3.3 yards per punt return in 2005 was the best coverage by a Florida team in the history of the program.

## 2005 SEASON REVIEW...

### PASSING YARDS SINCE 1996

Since 1996, the Gators rank third in the country in combined passing yards:

#### NATIONAL LEADERS

1. Marshall \_\_\_\_\_ 36,041
2. Louisiana Tech \_\_\_\_\_ 36,179
3. **FLORIDA** \_\_\_\_\_ **34,282**

### TD PASSES SINCE 1990

1. **FLORIDA** \_\_\_\_\_ **514**
2. Florida State \_\_\_\_\_ 418
3. BYU \_\_\_\_\_ 399
4. Louisiana Tech \_\_\_\_\_ 345
5. Nevada \_\_\_\_\_ 342

### 300-YARD PASSING GAMES SINCE 1996

1. **FLORIDA** \_\_\_\_\_ **60**
2. Louisiana Tech \_\_\_\_\_ 58
3. Kentucky \_\_\_\_\_ 54

### SINCE 1990 FLORIDA IS...

■ 124-4 when holding opponents to 21 points or less.

■ 87-6 when it rushes for 150 or more yards in a game and is 65-39-1 when held under 150 yards.

■ 133-17 when it rushes for at least 100 yards in a game and is just 20-28-1 when held under 100 yards.

■ 74-7 when a back rushes for 100 or more yards in a game.

■ 116-10 when UF out-rushes its opponent and just 38-36-1 when it is out-rushed.

■ 109-16 when UF scores first and 44-29-1 when its opponent scores first.

■ 139-9-1 when leading at the half and 14-35 when tied or trailing at the half.

■ UF has been out-rushed in 35 of the 44 games it has lost.

■ The Gators have posted a 87-5-1 record when they hold an opponent to less than 100 team rushing yards.

■ UF is 26-4 in games in which it blocks a punt.

■ The Gators are 105-22-1 in games played in the state of Florida (87-11 in Gainesville, 13-2 in Jacksonville, 2-1 in Orlando, 1-0 in Miami, 1-6-1 in Tallahassee, 1-2 in Tampa).

■ 100-6 vs. unranked teams at game time.

#### UF Single Season Receptions

- |                     |           |             |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. Carlos Alvarez   | 88        | 1969        |
| <b>Chad Jackson</b> | <b>88</b> | <b>2005</b> |
| 3. Reidel Anthony   | 72        | 1996        |

#### SEC Single-Season Receptions

- |                 |                                    |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. 97 _____     | Keith Edwards, Vanderbilt, 1983    |
| 2. 94 _____     | Josh Reed, LSU, 2001               |
| 3. 90 _____     | James Whalen, Kentucky, 1999       |
| 4. 88 _____     | Carlos Alvarez, Florida, 1969      |
| <b>88 _____</b> | <b>Chad Jackson, Florida, 2005</b> |

■ Chad Jackson's 88 receptions were sixth nationally this season and ranked first in the SEC. Jackson was the fourth different UF receiver to lead the league in receptions since 2000. Chad Jackson tied for 21st nationally in receiving touchdowns with nine. He has averaged a touchdown catch every 9.7 receptions this season.

■ Dallas Baker was chosen as the Most Valuable Player after posting the second-highest receiving yardage total in Outback Bowl history with 147 yards. Against the Hawkeyes, he posted career highs in yardage and receptions (10) and matched a personal best with touchdown receptions of 24 and 38 yards. Baker's 10 receptions were the second best in UF bowl history.

■ In 2005, the UF receivers carried the ball 26 times for 162 yards and three touchdowns. The Gator offense averaged 6.2 yards per play when a receiver carried the ball.

■ Chad Jackson's 80-yard touchdown catch against Louisiana Tech this season was the second of 80-or-more yards in his career (81, at Tennessee, 2004). Jackson joined Jacquez Green and Ricky Nattiel as the only Gators ever to catch two touchdown receptions of 80-or-more yards in their UF careers.

■ Chad Jackson has caught a pass in 24-straight games, which finished tied for first on the SEC's active list:

#### Consecutive games with a reception by SEC receivers (active)

1. 24 **Chad Jackson, Florida**
- 24 Mike Espy, Ole Miss
3. 23 Tyrone Prothro, Alabama (injured)

■ Against Kentucky, Jemalle Cornelius (eight catches, 138 yards) and Chad Jackson (nine catches, 105 yards) became the first Gator duo to go over 100 yards in the same game since Reche Caldwell (115) and Jabar Gaffney (101) did so against Tennessee on Dec. 1, 2001.

■ In the game against Wyoming, Chad Jackson (three receiving, one rushing) became the eighth player in UF history to score four-or-more touchdowns in a one game, however, he was the second to do so in a season-opener joining Jack Jackson, who did so in 1994 against New Mexico (all of which were TD receptions). His 24 points scored were the most by an SEC wide receiver in a game this year.

■ Chad Jackson's three touchdown catches against Wyoming were the most for a UF receiver since Jabar Gaffney had three against Auburn on Oct. 14, 2000. They also tied Robert Redd (vs. Ohio, 10/5/02) and Paris Warren (vs. Colorado State, 11/6/04) for the most by an Urban Meyer-coached receiver.

■ While returning the second-half kickoff against Tennessee, Andre Caldwell fractured the femur bone in his right leg and missed the remainder of the season. Jemalle Cornelius missed the Mississippi State game with an ankle sprain.

### OFFENSIVE LINE

■ In 2006 Outback Bowl vs. Iowa, Florida opened with the following offensive line (LT Randy Hand, LG Tavares Washington, C Mike Degory, RG Steve Rissler, RT Lance Butler). Degory, Hand, Butler and senior Tavares Washington saw action in 152 games combined and started 137 between them.

■ Center Mike Degory finished his UF career in the Outback Bowl by making his 50th career start to match Larry Kennedy's school record. Degory started every game of his collegiate career.

#### UF School Record

Player	Consecutive Starts
1. Larry Kennedy, CB, 1991-94	50
<b>Mike Degory, C, 2001-05</b>	<b>50</b>
3. Jarvis Williams, CB, 1984-87	45

Degory's streak ended as the fourth-longest among active players in the nation:

- |                                |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Daryn Colledge, Boise State | 52        |
| 2. Brennan Schmidt, Virginia   | 51        |
| Andre Whitworth, LSU           | 51        |
| <b>4. Mike Degory, Florida</b> | <b>50</b> |

## 2005 SEASON REVIEW...

■ Degory's streak finished tied with UF's Larry Kennedy and Jeff Hall for the fourth-longest in SEC history:

1. David Greene, QB, Georgia	52 (2001-04)	4. <b>Mike Degory, C, Florida</b>	50 (2002-05)
2. Matt Hammond, OT, Alabama	51 (1990-93)	Larry Kennedy, CB, Florida	50 (1991-94)
Andre Whitworth, OL, LSU	51 (2002-05)	Jeff Hall, PK, Tennessee	50 (1005-98)

■ UF center Mike Degory was one of five players who were named to the Rimington Trophy Watch List (presented to the nation's top center) for the third time in his career in 2005. He joined David Castillo (Florida State), Ryan Cook (New Mexico), Greg Eslinger (Minnesota) and Russ Tanner (Georgia). Degory was named one of six finalists for the award this season.

### THE DEFENSE

■ Florida's defense ranked fourth in the conference in total defense and ninth in the country, as the Gators allowed 299.8 yards per game. UF's rushing defense was fourth in the conference and 10th in the nation as it allowed 94.9 yards per contest.

■ Compared to the 2004 defense, the 2005 unit improved in 14 statistical categories, the most notable listed below:

Category	2004	2005	Category	2004	2005
Points per game	21.1	18.8	Turnovers Forced	24	31
Avg. Yards Per Rush	3.7	3.1	Third Down Defense	.398	.352
Rushing Yards Per Game	141.9	94.9	Tackles For Loss	74	76
Total Offense Per Game	345.6	299.8	Sacks	23	33
Fumbles Recovered	7	15	Safeties	0	2

■ The 2005 defensive unit also improved in several national rankings:

Category	2004 National Rank	2005 National Rank
Total Defense	42 (345.6)	10 (299.8)
Rushing Yards Per Game	53 (141.9)	10 (94.9)
Points Per Game	31 (21.1)	T18 (18.8)
Completion Percentage	56 (55.4)	16 (52.3)
Sacks	73 (23)	20 (33)
Turnovers Forced	40 (24)	9 (31)

■ In UF's nine wins this season, the Gators allowed 2.4 plays of 20-or-more yards per game. In Florida's three losses, the total is doubled as the Gators gave up 4.6 per contest.

■ Florida's defense dropped opponents for a total of 337 yards on tackles for loss this season. The total ranked as the highest amount in school history since the record was kept in 1983. The unit accounted for a loss of 569 yards this season on total tackles for loss (QB sacks and tackles for loss combined). The amount was also the largest in school history since the record began being kept in 1983.

■ UF opponents turned the ball over 31 times this season, which was the top total in the SEC and tied for the ninth-highest total nationally.

■ Eleven different players had at least one interception for the Gators in 2005. The total was the highest since 12 did so in 2000.

■ UF opponents completed just 52.3 percent of their passes, which was the 16th-best nationally and fourth in the SEC.

■ Florida's 33 sacks were tied for the 25th highest average per game nationally and were the fourth highest total in the league by average per game. Florida's 33 sacks this season were the most by a Gator team since 43 in 1999. A dozen players accounted for this year's total, while only eight from last season did so. The secondary totaled seven sacks this year already compare to only one last year.

■ The Florida defense recovered 15 fumbles this year, compared to only seven last year, and forced 12 fumbles after only forcing six in 2004.

■ Nearly half of Florida's opponents drives this season (65-of-145) went for less than 10 yards. UF was in the Red Zone 52 times this season, while opponents only entered it on 36 occasions.

■ Opponents were 33-of-89 (.370) on third-down conversions against the Gators this season in the first half. Opponents were 18-for-87 (.206) when attempting third and seven or longer on the Gators and 11-for-58 (.189) in third and 10 or longer situations. UF's third down defense was ranked 33rd nationally this season.

## CURRENT CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITHOUT BEING SHUTOUT

A look at the leaders nationally and in the SEC as far as consecutive games without being shut out:

### NATIONAL LEADERS

1. Michigan	262
2. Washington State	249
3. Oregon	245
4. Florida State	223
5. <b>FLORIDA</b>	216
6. Colorado	210

### SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE LEADERS

1. <b>FLORIDA</b>	216
2. Tennessee	144
3. Georgia	130
4. Arkansas	125
5. Ole Miss	84
6. Alabama	60
7. LSU	41
8. Auburn	37
9. South Carolina	35
10. Vanderbilt	22
11. Kentucky	21
12. Mississippi State	2

## FLORIDA IN THE RED ZONE

### FLORIDA IN THE RED ZONE IN 2005

Times Total in Red Zone	52
Scored	41 (31 TD/10 FG)
Scoring Percent	78.8
Points	245

■ In 2005, UF outscored opponents 245-186 in the red zone. UF scored 13 times through the air and 18 times on the ground. The Gators scored 19-or-more points in the red zone in six out of 12 games this season.

■ Florida allowed only Kentucky, Vanderbilt and South Carolina to score in the red zone four-or-more times in 2005. The Gators did so four-or-more times in five of 12 games this season.

■ UF held six out of the 12 teams it faced this season to one red zone touchdown or less (Louisiana Tech, Tennessee, Mississippi State, LSU, Georgia, Florida State). UF scored two-or-more red zone touchdowns in seven of 12 games in 2005.

■ Against Kentucky and Vanderbilt, the UF offense scored a season-high seven times in the red zone.

■ UF was perfect in the red zone three times in 2005: Tennessee (3-of-3); LSU (2-of-2); Florida State (4-of-4).

## 2005 LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

On August 12, 2005, the Florida football team announced 16 players had been voted to the 2005 Gator Football Leadership Committee by their teammates. The Committee is charged with acting as spokesmen for the team and handling situations related to team policy issues, academic affairs, off-campus circumstances and other topics. The 16 players for the 2005 season were:

Vernell Brown \_\_\_\_\_ Sr., Cornerback  
 Tate Casey \_\_\_\_\_ So., Tight End  
 Jemalle Cornelius \_\_\_\_\_ Jr., Wide Receiver  
 Mike Degory \_\_\_\_\_ Sr., Center  
 Earl Everett \_\_\_\_\_ Jr., Linebacker  
 Derrick Harvey \_\_\_\_\_ Fr., Defensive End  
 Jarvis Herring \_\_\_\_\_ Sr., Safety  
 Chad Jackson \_\_\_\_\_ Jr., Wide Receiver  
 Kyle Jackson \_\_\_\_\_ So., Safety  
 Chris Leak \_\_\_\_\_ Jr., Quarterback  
 Markus Manson \_\_\_\_\_ Fr., Running Back  
 Todd McCullough \_\_\_\_\_ Sr., Linebacker  
 Jeremy Mincey \_\_\_\_\_ Sr., Defensive End  
 David Nelson \_\_\_\_\_ Fr., Wide Receiver  
 Brandon Siler \_\_\_\_\_ So., Linebacker  
 Tavares Washington \_\_\_\_\_ Sr., Offensive Line

## UF ESTABLISHES NEW GAME DAY EXPERIENCES

A number of new experiences for Gator fans were put in place for the 2005 season:

### The Gator Walk

Fans were able to greet the team upon arrival at the stadium two hours prior to kick off when the team participated in the "Gator Walk." Fans were welcome to join the UF cheerleaders, mascots and pep band to wish the team well two hours prior to home contests. The Gators exited team busses on the corner of University Ave. and Gale Lemerand Drive and walked along the sidewalk into Gate Eight of the stadium and across Florida Field on its way to the locker room.

### The Swamp Things

On April 27, 2005, University of Florida students who participated in a UF Student Government and University Athletic Association-sponsored contest voted to name the student section at Florida Field "The Swamp Things," a name Coach Meyer endorsed following the vote. Tyler Boehling was the student with the winning entry. Boehling was recognized on opening night this season. He will also receive two tickets and accommodations to the 2005 Florida-Georgia football game in Jacksonville.

As part of the plans for the section, 20,000 blue "Swamp Things" t-shirts were distributed by UF Student Government courtesy of Pepsi.

### The Fight Song

At the conclusion of every home contest, the Florida football team joined the band in the Northeast corner of the stadium to join Gator fans in singing UF's Alma Mater and the school fight song.

■ The Florida defense has held its opponent's top rusher to under 100 yards in 19 of the last 24 games. The Gators have held opponents under 100 yards net rushing in eight of the last 11 wins dating back to the 2004 season.

■ In the last 37 games, the Gators have scored points off turnovers in 28 games. 109 of UF's points this season came off turnovers (31.7 percent).

■ The Gators ranked third nationally in turnover margin this season, while Urban Meyer-coached teams rank second nationally during the last five years in turnover margin (+69) after forcing 151 turnovers and committing just 82 in 59 games.

#### Turnover Ratio Last Five Years

	Games	Turnovers Gained	Turnovers Lost	Margin
1. Southern California	64	187	78	+1.71
2. <b>Urban Meyer Coached Teams</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>+1.38</b>
3. Oklahoma	65	151	101	+0.76
4. Fresno State	66	144	105	+0.59

■ In the last decade, co-defensive coordinator Charlie Strong became the only coordinator in the nation to hold Florida State to under 50 yards rushing in back-to-back seasons. In 2004, UF allowed only 34 yards rushing to the Seminoles and this season the Gators held FSU to 49 rushing yards.

■ Florida allowed Florida State to score only seven points, marking the lowest amount a Gator squad has allowed the Seminoles to score since 1981.

■ The Florida defensive staff finished the 2005 season with 111 years of combined collegiate coaching experience: Chuck Heater (30), Doc Holliday (28), Greg Mattison (30), Charlie Strong (23).

### LINEBACKERS

■ Earl Everett and Brandon Siler finished first and second on the squad in tackles with 72 and 64, respectively. Everett became the fourth linebacker in the last five seasons to lead the Gators in the department. Everett finished tied for 20th th in the SEC in tackles, while Siler ranked in a tie for 33rd.

■ Brandon Siler recorded at least half a tackle for a loss in 10 of the Gators' 12 games this season. The only games he did not record a tackle for a loss in were against Louisiana Tech and South Carolina.

■ This season, linebacker Brandon Siler led the SEC with seven fumble recoveries. No other player in the league had more than four recoveries.

### DEFENSIVE LINE

■ Jarvis Moss led the Gators with 7.5 sacks this season despite not getting into the regular rotation until the Kentucky game (fourth game of the season).

■ Jeremy Mincey had at least one tackle for a loss in nine of 12 games this season. His 10.5 tied Marcus Thomas for the second highest total on the squad in 2005.

■ On Dec. 5, Ray McDonald underwent surgery to repair the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee, which he injured in the Tennessee game. On Jan. 5, McDonald also underwent surgery to repair the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee, which he injured against Florida State. McDonald will miss Spring drills and should return to practice in August of 2006.

### SECONDARY

■ In the Outback Bowl against Iowa, Vernell Brown returned from an injury (fractured fibula, vs. Vanderbilt, Nov. 5). Brown recorded the third interception of his career and returned it 60 yards for a touchdown. It was the first interception return for a TD by a Gator since Keiwan Ratliff against Vanderbilt (Nov. 8, 2003, 52 yards) and it was the first in a bowl by a Gator since Lawrence Wright's 52-yard return against West Virginia (Jan. 1, 1994, Sugar Bowl).

■ A member of the Gator secondary had a sack in five of the 12 games this season. CB Nick Brooks had one against Wyoming, safety Reggie Nelson had one against Louisiana Tech and Kentucky and two against Mississippi State. Safety Jarvis Herring had one against UT and Mississippi State. Nelson's four sacks tied for second on the squad and averaged to drop opponents for a loss of 8.0 yards per sack.

■ Florida's defense has intercepted 53 passes since 2003, when Charlie Strong took over as defensive coordinator. The three-year total is tied for the fifth-highest total in the nation over the time period and is the best among SEC teams:

#### Total Interceptions from 2003-Present

1. Southern California	66	5. Florida	53
2. Boise State	59	TCU	53
Nebraska	59	Virginia Tech	53
4. West Virginia	54		

■ UF has had an interception in 17 of the past 24 games. UF's 16 interceptions in 2005 tied with Georgia for the highest amount by any SEC team.

■ Since 2003, 22 of Florida's 53 interceptions came against teams ranked inside the top 25. The total is the highest among any team in the nation:

**Interceptions vs. Top 25 teams Since 2003**

1. Florida	22
2. Georgia, Miami, USC	19

■ On Thursday, Sept. 29, defensive back Nick Brooks underwent surgery to correct cartilage damage in his left knee.

**SPECIAL TEAMS**

■ Florida's special teams ranked ninth nationally in net punting (38.1 per punt), while the Gators' punt return defense was the second best nationally allowing 3.3 per return.

■ Jemalle Cornelius' blocked punt in the Outback Bowl against Iowa was the fifth blocked kick by the Gators this season. In 2005, UF blocked two field goals, two punts and an extra point. Since UF records began being kept in 1978, the total is tied for the third-most in school history:

**Most Blocks By A UF Team**

1995	7	2004	4
2001	6	2002	4
2005	5	1990	4
1994	5	1978	4

■ Florida's 3.3 yards per punt return in 2005 was the best coverage by a Florida team in the history of the program:

**UF Punt Return Defense**

Year	No.	Yds.	Avg.
1. 2005	18	60	3.3
2. 1976	16	60	3.8
3. 1989	26	102	3.9

■ UF finished the season by allowing 10 punt returns for five yards in the last eight games. In UF's last outing of the regular season against Florida State, the Seminoles returned two punts for one yard. FSU entered the game ranked first in the ACC and 22nd nationally with 12.4 yards per punt return. The Seminoles were one of seven teams UF held to one yard or less on punt returns this season.

■ UF held the SEC's top two punt returners (Georgia's Thomas Flowers and LSU's Skyler Green) to two returns for nine yards.

■ In the Outback Bowl against Iowa, Eric Wilbur had a season-long punt of 63 yards. Wilbur had a punt of 50-yards or longer in eight of Florida's 12 games this season. Wilbur's 63-yard punt against Iowa was a UF bowl record.

■ Florida scored just its second defensive extra point in school history against South Carolina when Dee Webb returned a blocked PAT for two points in the second quarter.

■ Against Florida State, Reggie Lewis returned a blocked field goal 52 yards for a touchdown. In research dating back to 1979, the Gators had not returned a blocked field goal for a touchdown.

■ Jemalle Corelius' blocked punt in the Outback Bowl against Iowa was recovered and returned for a six-yard touchdown run by Tremaine McCollum. It was the first blocked punt for a touchdown by the Gators in a bowl game in school history.

■ The charts below reflect how Urban Meyer coached teams have made a difference on special teams over the past five seasons:

**Punt Returns for a TD Under Urban Meyer (4)**

2005	1
2004	1
2003	0
2002	1
2001	1

**Blocked Kicks Under Urban Meyer (25)**

2005	5 (2 punts, 2 FG, 1XP)
2004	9 (7 punts, 2 FGs)
2003	2 (2 FGs)
2002	8 (7 punts, 1 FG)
2001	1 (FG)

■ The chart below compares Urban Meyer-coached teams to Florida over the past four seasons in kickoff return averages per season. UF averages are listed first:

Kickoff Return Average			
2001	19.5/19.1	2004	17.8/26.1
2002	18.2/19.8	2005	20.6
2003	21.5/28.2		

**THE 2005 AP POLL**

■ A look at the final edition of the 2005 AP poll shows the SEC led the nation in teams ranked inside the top 15:

**CONFERENCE LEADERS**

SEC	5
Big 10	3
Pac 10	2
Big 12, ACC, Big East, Ind. Mtn. West	1

**STAT RANKINGS**

■ The chart below shows where UF ranks as a team and individuals in the SEC and nationally (Final Rankings):

	SEC	NTNL
Scoring Offense (28.4)	4	49
Scoring Defense (18.4)	6	18
Pass Offense (222.0)	3	51
Pass Defense (192.1)	8	38
Rushing Offense (144.7)	5	56
Rushing Defense (97.7)	4	10
Total Offense (366.7)	5	61
Total Defense (289.8)	4	9
Kickoff Returns (22.4)	6	57
Punting (38.1)	4	9
Pass Efficiency (135.2)	4	35
Pass Def. Efficiency (110.7)	5	25
TO Margin (+18)	1	3
First Downs (219)	5	NA
3rd Down Conversion (.367)	4	NA
Opp. 1st Downs (175)	5	NA
Opp. 3rd Down Conv. (.333)	5	NA
Sacks By (32)	T4	T20
Sacks Against (33)	9	NA
Penalties (68.5)	11	NA
Opp. Penalties (39.4 ypg)	11	NA
Field Goals (.857)	1	NA
Time of Possession (32:22)	2	NA
Kickoff Coverage (41.5 ypg)	8	NA
Red Zone Offense (.792)	7	NA
Red Zone Defense (.806)	9	NA
Leak (214.6 passing yards/game)	2	NA
Leak (219.2 total offense/game)	3	51
Leak (136.4 pass efficiency)	2	34
Jackson (7.3 rec./game)	1	7
Jackson (74.9 rec. yds./game)	3	50
Baker (50.0 rec. yds./game)	7	99
Wilbur (41.4 yds. per punt)	5	36
Jackson (11 scoring TDs)	4	NA
Wynn (9 scoring TDs)	T6	NA
Hetland (12 fgs)	7	57
Heltand (.857 fg pct.)	2	NA
Everett (6.1 tackles/game)	T20	NA
Siler (5.3 tackles/game)	T33	NA
Herring (5.2 tackles/game)	37	NA
Mincey (5.2 tackles/game)	38	NA
Moss (7.5 sacks)	6	NA
Siler (7 fr)	1	NA
Webb (13 pass def.)	1	19

## LOOKING AHEAD TO 2006

### THE SCHEDULE

■UF opens the season on Sept. 2, 2006, against Southern Mississippi in Gainesville. The Gators start the year with five of their first six games at home for the second time in three seasons. Florida is 33-15-3 against members of Conference USA all-time, having last matched up with a member of the conference in the 2002 season opener against UAB, which the Gators won 51-3.

■UF will play eight teams that made bowl appearances in 2005. The total leads the league:

**FLORIDA (8):** Alabama, Auburn, Florida State, Georgia, LSU, South Carolina, So. Mississippi, UCF

**MISSISSIPPI (6):** Alabama, Auburn, Georgia, LSU, Memphis, Missouri

**MISSISSIPPI STATE (6):** Alabama, Auburn, Georgia, LSU, South Carolina, West Virginia

**TENNESSEE (6):** Alabama, California, Florida, Georgia, LSU, South Carolina

**ARKANSAS (5):** Alabama, Auburn, LSU, South Carolina, USC

**AUBURN (5):** Alabama, Arkansas State, Florida, Georgia, LSU

**GEORGIA (5):** Auburn, Colorado, Florida, Georgia Tech, South Carolina,

**KENTUCKY (4):** Florida, Georgia, LSU, South Carolina

**VANDERBILT (4):** Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina

**ALABAMA (3):** Auburn, Florida, LSU

**LSU (3):** Alabama, Auburn, Florida

**\*SOUTH CAROLINA (3):** Clemson, Florida, Georgia

\* - total does not include nonconference opponents which are to be determined

### THE TEAM

■Entering the 2006 season, UF's leaders in each of the following departments are projected to return: rushing, passing, kick returns, fumble recoveries, field goals, total offense, punting and kickoffs. UF should also return five of its top seven leaders in tackles.

■The Gators should return six starters on offense and lose five, while the defense will return six starters and lose five. After losing four two-year starters heading into 2005, the Gators should lose six going into 2006 (LT Randy Hand, RT Lance Butler, C Mike Degory, DE Jeremy Mincey, SS Jarvis Herring and CB Dee Webb).

■Overall, the Gators should return 25 players who made at least one start during the 2005 regular season. They should also lose only 11 players who started at least one game after losing only six going into the 2005 season.

■UF should return seven of the eight players who accounted for nine of the 12 runs of over 20 yards in 2005. In addition, the 2006 Gator roster is projected to include six different players who accounted for 22 of Florida's 33 receptions of 20-plus yards in 2005.

■Going into 2005, the Gators brought back seven players who began playing for UF in the fall semester of 2001. In 2006, Florida is projected to bring back 11 (Dallas Baker, Jemalle Cornelius, Brian Crum, Gavin Dickey, Reggie Lewis, Steven Harris, Jermaine McCollum, Tremaine McCollum, Ray McDonald, Kenneth Tookes and DeShawn Wynn).

### THE OFFENSE

■Returning to the offense should be WR Dallas Baker, WR Jemalle Cornelius, WR Andre Caldwell, RG Steve Rissler, QB Chris Leak and RB DeShawn Wynn. Departing are LT Randy Hand, LG Tavares Washington, C Mike Degory, RT Lance Butler and WR Chad Jackson.

■ Of the 15 players that have rushed the ball for Florida this year only one was a senior (Randy Hand, who had a 1-yard run against Florida State). Of the 13 players that have catches, none were seniors this season. Of the 16 players that have scored points for the Gators this season, none were in the 2005 senior class.

### THE DEFENSE

■Returning to the defense should be DE Joe Cohen, DT Marcus Thomas, DT, Steven Harris, LB Brandon Siler, LB Earl Everett, and Reggie Nelson and Kyle Jackson who split time at FS this season. Departing are DE Jeremy Mincey, LB Todd McCullough, SS Jarvis Herring, CB Vernell Brown and CB Dee Webb.

■UF should return six of its top seven tacklers on the defensive line.

■ The Gators are projected to bring back members of the team that accounted for 10 of UF's 16 interceptions during the 2005 season.

### SPECIAL TEAMS

■After losing its top place kicker, kickoff specialist and long snapper heading into the 2005 season, Florida is project to return its key players in each of those areas for 2005 as well as Eric Wilbur who has handled punting duties since 2003. Wilbur is expected to be joined by place kicker (Chris Hetland), kickoff specialist (Jonathan Phillips) and long snapper (James Smith).

## 2006 SCHEDULE

S2	_____	SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI
S9	_____	UCF
S16	_____	at Tennessee
S23	_____	KENTUCKY
S30	_____	ALABAMA
O7	_____	LSU^
O14	_____	at Auburn
O28	_____	vs. Georgia*
N4	_____	at Vanderbilt
N11	_____	SOUTH CAROLINA
N18	_____	WESTERN CAROLINA
N25	_____	at Florida State
D2	_____	SEC Championship Game#

^ - Homecoming

\* - at Jacksonville, Fla.

# - Atlanta, Ga.

## PROJECTED RETURNING LEADERS

Passing	_____	Chris Leak**
Rushing	_____	DeShawn Wynn
Receiving	_____	Dallas Baker
Scoring	_____	DeShawn Wynn
Punting	_____	Eric Wilbur**
Tackles	_____	Earl Everett
Tackles For Loss	_____	Jarvis Moss
Sacks	_____	Jarvis Moss
Kickoff Returns	_____	Markus Manson
Punt Returns	_____	Jemalle Cornelius

\* - Second straight season

\*\* - Third straight season

^ - Andre Caldwell is projected to return and led the Gators in receiving in 2004

Based on UF's final 2005 regular season statistics and projected returning players.

## PROJECTED PERCENT RETURNING

Rushing Yards	_____	87.8^^
Tackles	_____	63.7
Passing Yards	_____	96.6
Receiving Yards	_____	66.9
Scoring	_____	76.0
Sacks	_____	82.8
Interceptions	_____	62.5
Break Ups	_____	53.1
Forced Fumbles	_____	58.3
Fumble Returns	_____	86.6^^
Punt Return Yards	_____	11.9
Kick Return Yards	_____	100.0
Field Goals	_____	100.0^^
Extra Points	_____	100.0^^
Punting	_____	96.5*

\* - Higher than percent returning to the 2005 squad

^^ - More than double the percent returning to the 2005 squad

All totals are based on UF's final 2005 regular season statistics and projected returning players.

## THE STADIUM...

### ATTENDANCE NOTES

■ In 2005, Florida ranked eighth nationally in average attendance with a total of 90,406.

■ The attendance for the Tennessee game on Sept. 17, 2005, of 90,716, established a school record. The previous school record stood at 90,707, set against Wyoming in the 2005 season opener on Sept. 3. The school record setting crowd as the largest to ever watch a football game in the state of Florida. The state has hosted 12 Super Bowls, two BCS national title games and have featured a team that went on to win at least a share of the national title in a bowl game 18 times.

■ The attendance for the season opener (90,707) was the largest opening-day crowd in Florida history. The previous record was 90,011 against San Jose State in the 2003 opener. The Gators opened the 2004 season against Eastern Michigan in front of a crowd of 90,009.

■ The attendance of Florida's game at Tennessee (109,061) on Sept. 18, 2004, was the largest ever to see a Gator team play.

■ The attendance for the 2004 Florida-Georgia game was an AllTel Stadium record (84,753). The previous record of 84,433 was set at the Florida-Georgia game in 2002.

■ In 2005, the Gators sold all available season tickets (78,300). That figure continues to rank as the second-highest in the state of Florida history for any team - collegiate or professional.

■ The Gators have ranked among the nation's top-15 schools in average home attendance in each of the last 24 years (1982-2005) and have ranked among the nation's top-eight schools in each of the last 15 years (1991-2005).

■ UF's average of 90,405 fans per home game in 2005 ranked as the best single-season mark in school history. The mark bettered that of the 2003 season in which the Gators averaged 90,176.

■ Florida has a current streak of 102-consecutive home sellouts dating back to the 1989 season. Here is where UF ranks nationally for current consecutive sellouts:

1. Nebraska	275
2. Notre Dame	188
3. Michigan	133
4. FLORIDA	102

# BEN HILL GRIFFIN STADIUM AT FLORIDA FIELD "THE SWAMP"

■ A look at the Gators at home since 1990:

Overall:	86-11
SEC:	49-7
SEC East:	29-2
SEC West:	20-5
Non-Conference:	38-4
Top-25 Teams:	19-10
Top-10 Teams:	10-6
Top-5 Teams:	8-4
Unranked Teams:	67-1
At Night (6 p.m. or later)	29-2

■ Florida's home winning percentage of .887 (87-11) ranks third-best in the nation since 1990.

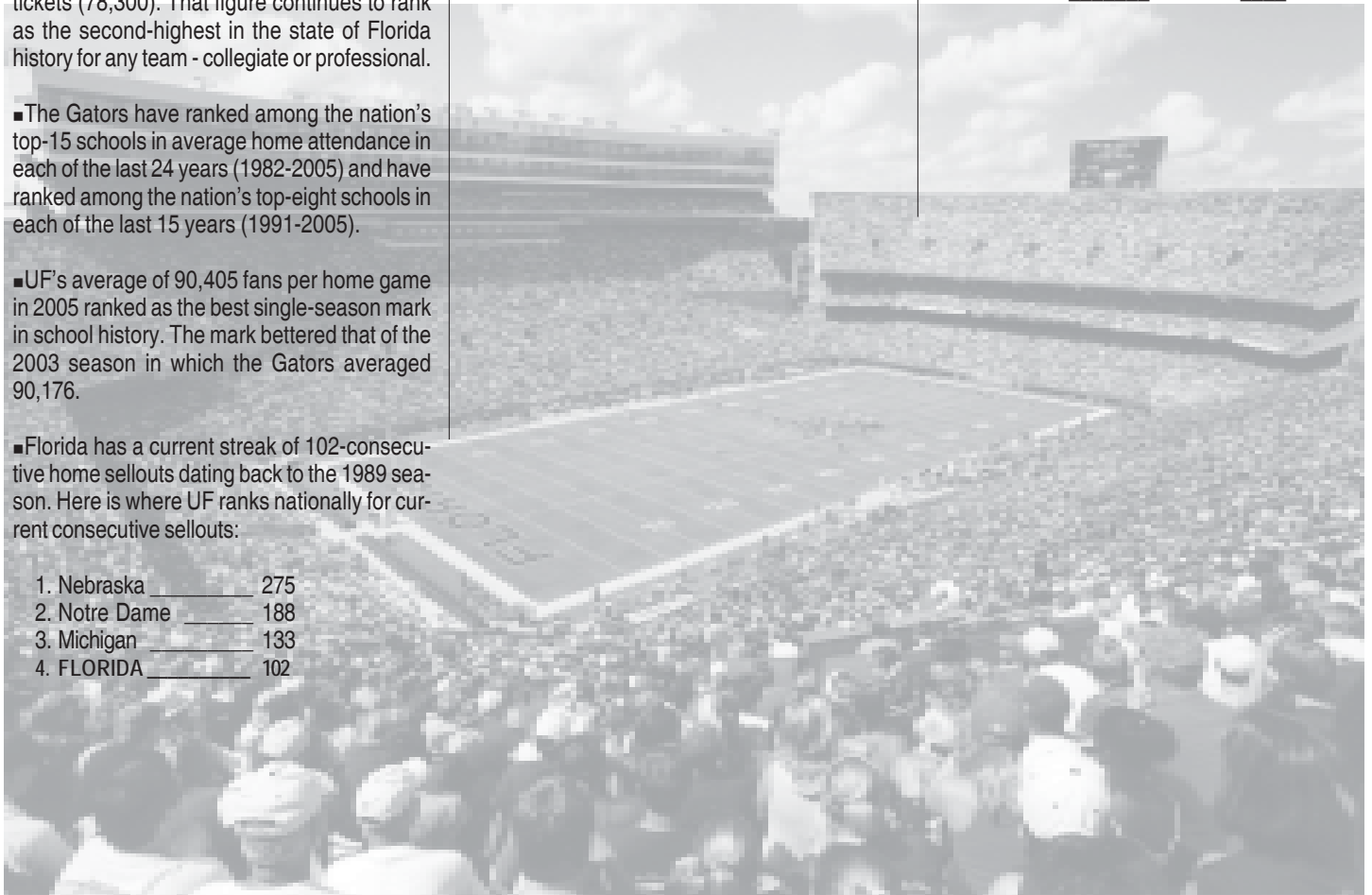
■ The Gators had two significant streaks at "The Swamp" in the 1990s: a 23-game win streak from 1990-93 and a 30-game streak from 1994-99. In 98 home games since 1990, UF has scored 30 or more points 74 times and has held its opponent to 14 or less points 52 times.

■ Since 1990, UF has outscored its opponents at "The Swamp" by a combined total of 3,946-1,551 (an average of 40.2 to 15.8 for an average victory margin of 24.4).

■ Since 1990, Florida has lost only five times at home to a team ranked below the top five.

### HOME RECORDS SINCE 1990

1. Florida State	81-5-1	.931
2. Nebraska	97-10-0	.906
3. FLORIDA	87-11-0	.887
4. Kansas State	90-13-1	.865
5. Texas A&M	80-16-1	.833



**CHRIS LEAK**



**Passing Attempts (Career)**

1. 1,202 \_\_\_\_\_ Shane Matthews, 1989-92
2. 1,170 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, 1993-96
3. 1,128 \_\_\_\_\_ John Reaves, 1969-71
- 4. 1,093 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2003-**
5. 1,110 \_\_\_\_\_ Rex Grossman, 2000-02
6. 991 \_\_\_\_\_ Wayne Peace, 1980-83
7. 949 \_\_\_\_\_ Kerwin Bell, 1984-87
8. 907 \_\_\_\_\_ Doug Johnson, 1996-99
9. 692 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Spurrier, 1964-66
10. 479 \_\_\_\_\_ Jesse Palmer, 1997-2000

**Passing Completions (Career)**

1. 722 \_\_\_\_\_ Shane Matthews, 1989-92
2. 708 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, 1993-96
3. 677 \_\_\_\_\_ Rex Grossman, 2000-02
- 4. 663 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2003-**
5. 610 \_\_\_\_\_ Wayne Peace, 1980-83
6. 603 \_\_\_\_\_ John Reaves, 1969-71
7. 549 \_\_\_\_\_ Kerwin Bell, 1984-87
8. 504 \_\_\_\_\_ Doug Johnson, 1996-99
9. 392 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Spurrier, 1964-66
10. 254 \_\_\_\_\_ Jesse Palmer, 1997-2000

**Passing Yards (Career)**

1. 10,875 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, 1993-96
2. 9,287 \_\_\_\_\_ Shane Matthews, 1989-92
3. 9,164 \_\_\_\_\_ Rex Grossman, 2000-02
- 4. 8,271 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2003-**
5. 7,585 \_\_\_\_\_ Kerwin Bell, 1984-87
6. 7,549 \_\_\_\_\_ John Reaves, 1969-71
7. 7,206 \_\_\_\_\_ Wayne Peace, 1980-83
8. 7,114 \_\_\_\_\_ Doug Johnson, 1996-99
9. 4,848 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Spurrier, 1964-66
10. 3,755 \_\_\_\_\_ Jesse Palmer, 1997-2000

**Passing Touchdowns (Career)**

1. 114 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, 1993-96
2. 77 \_\_\_\_\_ Rex Grossman, 2000-02
3. 74 \_\_\_\_\_ Shane Matthews, 1989-92
- 4. 65 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2003-**
5. 62 \_\_\_\_\_ Doug Johnson, 1996-99
6. 56 \_\_\_\_\_ Kerwin Bell, 1984-87
7. 54 \_\_\_\_\_ John Reaves, 1969-71
8. 39 \_\_\_\_\_ Terry Dean, 1991-94
9. 36 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Spurrier, 1964-66
10. 34 \_\_\_\_\_ Wayne Peace, 1980-83

**Passing Touchdowns (Game)**

1. 7 \_\_\_\_\_ Doug Johnson, vs. Cent. Mich, 1997
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_ Terry Dean, vs. New Mexico, 1994
- 3. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, vs. USC, 2004**
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, vs. Alabama, 1996
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, vs. Tenn., 1995
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Eric Kresser, vs. N. Illinois, 1995
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Terry Dean, vs. SW La., 1993

**5,000-Yard Club (Pass. Rec., Rush)**

1. 10,500 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, 1993-96
2. 9,248 \_\_\_\_\_ Shane Matthews, 1989-92
3. 9,040 \_\_\_\_\_ Rex Grossman, 2000-02
- 4. 8,407 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2003-**
5. 7,297 \_\_\_\_\_ John Reaves, 1969-71
6. 7,032 \_\_\_\_\_ Kerwin Bell, 1984-87
7. 6,955 \_\_\_\_\_ Wayne Peace, 1980-83
8. 6,793 \_\_\_\_\_ Doug Johnson, 1996-99
9. 5,393 \_\_\_\_\_ Errict Rhett, 1990-93
10. 5,295 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Spurrier, 1964-66

**200-Yard Passing Games (Career)**

1. 31 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, 1993-96
2. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ Shane Matthews, 1989-92
3. 26 \_\_\_\_\_ Rex Grossman, 2000-02
- 26 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2003-**
5. 23 \_\_\_\_\_ John Reaves, 1969-71
6. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Doug Johnson, 1996-99
7. 14 \_\_\_\_\_ Wayne Peace, 1980-83
- 14 \_\_\_\_\_ Kerwin Bell, 1984-87
9. 12 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Spurrier, 1964-66

**300-Yard Passing Games (Career)**

1. 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Rex Grossman, 2000-02
2. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ Shane Matthews, 1989-92
3. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, 1993-96
4. 7 \_\_\_\_\_ Doug Johnson, 1996-99
5. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ John Reaves, 1969-71
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2003-**

**Consecutive Completions (Florida)**

1. 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2005 vs. Wyoming, 2005
2. 16 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Spurrier  
\_\_\_\_\_ 9 vs. Florida State, 7 vs. NC State, 1966
3. 14 \_\_\_\_\_ Terry Dean  
\_\_\_\_\_ 11 vs. Arkansas State, 3 vs. Kentucky, 1993

**Consecutive Completions (SEC)**

1. 24 \_\_\_\_\_ Tee Martin (UT)  
\_\_\_\_\_ 1 vs. Alabama, 23 vs. USC, 1998
2. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Kent Austin (OM)  
\_\_\_\_\_ 5 vs. Tulane, 15 vs. Tennessee (1982)
3. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Eli Manning (OM) vs. Murray State (2001)
- 4. 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak (UF), vs. Wyoming (2005)**
- 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Dave Marler (MSU)  
\_\_\_\_\_ 6 vs. Florida St., 11 vs. Tennessee (1978)
- 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Rohan Davey (LSU)  
\_\_\_\_\_ 6 vs. Arkansas, 11 vs. Western Carolina (2000)
- 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Matt Mauck (LSU)  
\_\_\_\_\_ 10 vs. Arizona, 7 vs. Western Illinois (2003)

**Efficiency (Career)**

**Min. 500 Att.**

1. 163.6 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, 1993-96
2. 146.7 \_\_\_\_\_ Rex Grossman, 2000-02
- 3. 138.5 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2003-**
4. 137.6 \_\_\_\_\_ Shane Matthews, 1989-92
5. 136.5 \_\_\_\_\_ Kerwin Bell, 1984-87

**Lowest Interception Percentage (Career)**

**Min. 500 Att.**

1. 2.65 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Leak, 2003-
2. 3.24 \_\_\_\_\_ Rex Grossman, 2000-02
3. 3.59 \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Wuerffel, 1993-96
4. 3.68 \_\_\_\_\_ Kerwin Bell, 1984-87

**CHAD JACKSON**



**Receptions (Season)**

- 1. 88 \_\_\_\_\_ Carlos Alvarez, 1969
- 88** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chad Jackson, 2005**
- 3. 72 \_\_\_\_\_ Reidel Anthony, 2002
- 4. 71 \_\_\_\_\_ Taylor Jacobs, 2002
- 71 \_\_\_\_\_ Jabar Gaffney, 2000
- 6. 70 \_\_\_\_\_ Travis McGriff, 1998
- 70 \_\_\_\_\_ Chris Doering, 1995
- 8. 67 \_\_\_\_\_ Jabar Gaffney, 2001
- 67 \_\_\_\_\_ Darrell Jackson, 1999
- 10. 65 \_\_\_\_\_ Reche Caldwell, 2001

**Receptions (Season)**

By a Junior \_\_\_\_\_ **88, Chad Jackson, 2005**

**SEC Receptions (Season)**

- 1. 97 \_\_\_\_\_ Keith Edwards, Vanderbilt, 1983
- 2. 94 \_\_\_\_\_ Josh Reed, LSU, 2001
- 3. 90 \_\_\_\_\_ James Whalen, Kentucky, 1999
- 4. 88 \_\_\_\_\_ Carlos Alvarez, Florida, 1969
- 88** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chad Jackson, 2005**
- 6. 85 \_\_\_\_\_ Craig Yeast, Kentucky, 1998
- 7. 80 \_\_\_\_\_ Wendell Davis, LSU, 1986
- 8. 79 \_\_\_\_\_ Bob Goodridge, Vanderbilt, 1967

**ERIC WILBUR**



**Yardage Avg. (Career)**

**Min. 90 Att.**

- 1. 44.4 \_\_\_\_\_ Ray Criswell (161 punts), 1982-85
- 2. 43.0** \_\_\_\_\_ **Eric Wilbur (178 punts), 2003-**
- 3. 42.6 \_\_\_\_\_ Bobby Joe Green (97 punts), 1958-59
- 4. 42.5 \_\_\_\_\_ Shayne Edge (145 punts), 1991-94
- 5. 41.8 \_\_\_\_\_ Alan Rhine (94 punts), 1999-2000
- 6. 41.2 \_\_\_\_\_ Alan Williams (100 punts), 1976-77
- 7. 40.7 \_\_\_\_\_ Robby Stevenson (113 punts), 1995-98
- 8. 40.3 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Spurrier (130 punts), 1964-66

**Yardage Avg. (Season)**

**Min. 45 Att.**

By a Sophomore \_ 42.3, Eric Wilbur (53 punts), 2004  
 By a Freshman \_ 44.8, Eric Wilbur (66 punts), 2003

**Punts Attempts (Career)**

- 1. 209 \_\_\_\_\_ Buster Morrison, 1972-74
- 2. 182 \_\_\_\_\_ Shayne Edge, 1991-94
- 3. 178** \_\_\_\_\_ **Eric Wilbur, 2003-**
- 4. 161 \_\_\_\_\_ Ray Criswell, 1982-85
- 5. 154 \_\_\_\_\_ Fred Montsdeoca, 1948-50
- 6. 135 \_\_\_\_\_ Bill Conover, 1978-79
- 7. 130 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Spurrier, 1964-66

**DeSHAWN WYNN**



**Rushing Touchdowns (Career)**

- 1. 36 \_\_\_\_\_ Emmitt Smith, 1987-89
- 2. 34 \_\_\_\_\_ Errict Rhett, 1990-93
- 3. 33 \_\_\_\_\_ Earnest Graham, 1990-02
- 4. 31 \_\_\_\_\_ Fred Taylor, 1994-97
- 5. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ Neal Anderson, 1982-85
- 6. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ Buford Long, 1950-52
- 7. 24 \_\_\_\_\_ Larry Smith, 1966-68
- 8. 19** \_\_\_\_\_ **DeShawn Wynn, 2003-**
- 8. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Tommy Durrance, 1969-71
- 9. 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Terry Jackson, 1995-98
- 17 \_\_\_\_\_ James Jones, 1979-82

# HEAD COACH URBAN MEYER...

## THE MEYER FILE

■20 years collegiate coaching experience (Florida, Ohio State, Illinois State, Colorado State, Notre Dame, Bowling Green, Utah)  
 ■Participated in 10 bowl games (all as a coach)

### PERSONAL

**Birthdate:** July 10, 1964  
**Hometown:** Ashtabula, Ohio  
**Alma Mater:** Cincinnati (1986); Ohio State (1988)  
**Family:** Wife, Shelley; children, Nicole, Gigi, Nathan

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

**Florida**  
 2005-Present \_\_\_\_\_ Head Coach

**Utah**  
 2003-04 \_\_\_\_\_ Head Coach

**Bowling Green**  
 2001-02 \_\_\_\_\_ Head Coach

**Notre Dame**  
 1996-2000 \_\_\_\_\_ Wide Receivers

**Colorado State**  
 1990-95 \_\_\_\_\_ Wide Receivers

**Illinois State**  
 1989 \_\_\_\_\_ Quarterbacks/Wide Receivers

**Illinois State**  
 1988 \_\_\_\_\_ Outside Linebackers

**Ohio State**  
 1987 \_\_\_\_\_ Receivers (Grad. Assistant)

**Ohio State**  
 1986 \_\_\_\_\_ Tight Ends (Grad. Assistant)

### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Lettered as a defensive back at the University of Cincinnati...A 13th-round pick in the 1982 Major League Baseball June Amateur Draft as a shortstop...Played two years in the Atlanta Braves' organization...Spent the summer of 1982 with Sarasota of the Rookie League and played for Pulaski (Va.) a Class A team in 1983.

## THE COACHING STAFF

Charlie Strong ..... Asst. Head Coach/  
 ..... Co-Defensive Coor./LB  
 Greg Mattison ..... Co-Defensive Coor./DL  
 \*Chuck Heater ..... Recruiting Coor./CB  
 Doc Holliday ..... Assoc. Head Coach/Safeties  
 \*Dan Mullen ..... Offensive Coor./QB  
 Billy Gonzales ..... WR  
 John Hevesy ..... OL  
 \*Steve Addazio ..... TE  
 Stan Drayton ..... RB  
 \* - In press box on game day.

## TOP WINNING PCT. OF ACTIVE HEAD COACHES SINCE 2001

Coach	School	Record	Win Percentage
1. Mack Brown	Texas	56-8	.875
2. Larry Coker	Miami	53-9	.854
3. Pete Carroll	USC	54-10	.843
4. Dan Hawkins	Colorado	53-11	.828
5. Bob Stoops	Oklahoma	55-11	.833
6. Mark Richt	Georgia	53-12	.815
<b>7. Urban Meyer</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>48-11</b>	<b>.813</b>
8. Jim Tressel	Ohio State	50-13	.793
9. Kirk Ferentz	Iowa	45-17	.725
10. Phillip Fulmer	Tennessee	44-19	.698

## NATIONAL AND CONFERENCE RANKINGS UNDER URBAN MEYER FIRST OR SECOND CONFERENCE RANKING AND TOP 50 NATIONALLY

Year	Category	League Rank	National Rank
2004	Total Offense (499.7)	1	3
	Scoring Offense (45.3)	1	3
	Passing Efficiency (173.4)	1	3
	Turnover Margin (+1.25)	1	3
	Net Punting (40.8)	1	3
	Kick Return (26.2)	1	5
	Pass Efficiency Defense (108.9)	1	24
	Rushing Offense (236.1)	2	13
	Passing Offense (263.7)	2	19
	Scoring Defense (19.5)	2	22
	Total Defense (343.4)	2	39
	Punt Returns (10.9)	2	40
	Pass Defense (203.3)	2	45
2003	Kick Returns (28.2)	1	1
	Turnover Margin (+0.75)	2	15
	Scoring Defense (19.1)	2	19
	Pass Efficiency (141.7)	2	21
	Pass Efficiency Defense (111.0)	2	27
2002	Scoring Offense (40.8)	1	3
	Turnover Margin (+0.75)	1	21
	Rushing Offense (219.1)	2	11
	Pass Efficiency Defense (113.8)	2	38
	Total Offense (448.9)	3	9
2001	Turnover Margin (+1.55)	1	3
	Rushing Defense (86.3)	1	4
	Total Defense (319.6)	1	21
	Scoring Defense (19.6)	1	22
	Punt Returns (10.3)	1	42

## YEAR-BY-YEAR TEAM OFFENSIVE STATS BY URBAN MEYER-COACHED TEAMS

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Points/Points per Game	333/30.2	490/40.8	344/28.7	544/44.3	343/28.6
First Downs	234	294	241	305	245
First Downs Rushing	102	152	122	145	105
First Downs Passing	114	127	107	136	124
Rushing Yards	1,896	2,629	1,926	2,833	1,761
Avg. Per Rush	3.8	5.3	3.6	5.4	3.9
TDs Rushing	19	34	32	36	19
Avg. Rush Yds./Game	166.9	219.1	160.5	236.1	146.8
Passing Yardage	2,387	2,758	2,568	3,164	2,720
Att.-Comp.-Int.	340-207-13	398-227-11	328-203-5	344-232-5	385-241-7
Avg. Pass Yds./Game	217.0	229.8	214.0	263.7	226.7
Passing TDs	21	27	17	33	20
Total Offense	4,223	5,387	4,494	5,997	4,481
Avg. Per Play	5.1	6.0	5.1	6.9	5.3
Avg. Per Game	383.9	448.9	374.5	499.8	373.4

# HEAD COACH URBAN MEYER...

## URBAN MEYER SUPERLATIVES

### TEAM GAME HIGHS

Points	72, Ohio (10/5/02)
First Downs	37, Ohio (10/5/02)
Rushes	58, Kent State (10/6/01)
Yards Rushing	354, BYU (11/20/04)
Yards Per Rush	7.4 at Kansas (9/21/02)
	BYU (11/20/04)
TD Rushes	5, Ohio (10/5/02)
	at Air Force (11/01/03)
	Air Force (9/25/04)
	BYU (11/20/04)
Pass Attempts	53, at Northwestern (11/17/01)
	N. Illinois (11/9/02)
Pass Comp	36 at Northwestern (11/17/01)
Yards Passing	472 at Northwestern (11/17/01)
Yards Per Pass	12.4, San Diego State (10/11/03)
TD Passes	5, Ohio (10/05/02)
	Eastern Michigan (11/23/02)
	at San Diego State (10/30/04)
Total Plays	100, vs. Kent State (10/06/01)
Total Offense	692, Ohio (10/05/02)
Yards Per Play	8.9, Ohio (10/05/02)
Sacks By	9, Pittsburgh (1/01/05)
Penalties	13, Colorado State (11/06/04)
Penalty Yards	130, Colorado State (11/06/04)
Turnovers	5 at Western Michigan (10/13/01)
Interceptions By	4 at Kent State (11/02/02)
Punts	10 at LSU (10/15/05)
Fumbles	9 at Texas A&M (9/6/03)
Fumbles Lost	3 at Texas A&M (9/6/03)
Forced Fumbles	7, Kent State (10/6/01)
Fumbles Recovered	4, Kent State (10/6/01)
	4, Toledo (11/23/01)
	4 at Colorado State (9/27/03)
	4 at Southern Mississippi (12/31/03)
Time of Possession	43:34,
	vs. Kent State (10/6/01)
Points, First Quarter	28 points
	10/23/04 vs. UNLV W (63-28)
Points, Second Quarter	35 points
	9/24/05, at Kentucky (49-28)
Points, Third Quarter	21 points
	11/23/04 vs. UNLV W (63-28)
	1/1/05 vs. Pittsburgh (Tempe) W (35-7)
Points, Fourth Quarter	29 points
	11/17/01 at Northwestern W (43-42)
Points Half	49 points
	9/24/05, at Kentucky (49-28)
Points First Half	49 points
	9/24/05, at Kentucky (49-28)
Points Second Half	35 points
	10/5/02 vs. Ohio W (72-21)
	11/23/02 vs. Eastern Michigan W (63-21)

Since 1900, only seven coaches in the history of Division I-A college football have won more games than Urban Meyer after five years as a head coach:

Bob Pruett, Marshall, 1996-2000	58
Bob Stoops, Oklahoma, 1999-2003	55
Barry Switzer, Oklahoma, 1973-77	51
John Robinson, USC, 1976-80	50
RC Slocum, Texas A&M, 1989-93	49
Lloyd Carr, Michigan, 1995-99	49
Frank Solich, Nebraska, 1998-2002	49
Urban Meyer, Bowling Green/Utah/Fla., 2001-05	48

### INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	36, Brandon Warfield
	at Texas A&M (9/6/03)
Yards Rushing	181, Brandon Warfield
	at Texas A&M (9/6/03)
TD Rushes	4, Marty Johnson
	vs. Air Force (9/25/04)
Long Rush	92, Steve Savoy
	vs. BYU (11/20/04)
Pass Attempts	52, Josh Harris
	vs. N. Illinois (11/9/02)
Pass Completions	32, Chris Leak
	vs. Vanderbilt (11/57/05)
Yards Passing	402, Josh Harris
	at Northwestern (11/17/01)
TD Passes	5, Alex Smith
	at San Diego State (10/30/04)
Long Pass	80, Chris Leak
	vs. Louisiana Tech (9/10/05)
Receptions	15, Paris Warren
	vs. Pittsburgh (1/1/05)
Yards Receiving	215, Robert Redd
	at Marshall (9/29/01)
TD Receptions	3, Robert Redd
	vs. Ohio (10/5/02)
	Paris Warren
	vs. Colorado State (11/6/04)
	Chad Jackson
	vs. Wyoming (9/3/05)
Long Reception	80, Chad Jackson
	vs. Louisiana Tech (9/10/05)
Field Goals	3, David Carroll
	at San Diego State (10/30/04)
	3, Chris Hetland
	vs. Tennessee (9/18/05)
Long Field Goal	47, Chris Hetland
	vs. Wyoming (9/4/05)
Punts	10, Eric Wilbur
	at LSU (10/15/05)
Punting Average	50.7, Matt Kovacevich
	at Utah State (9/18/04)
Long Punt	68, Matt Kovacevich
	at Utah State (9/18/04)
Long Punt Return	61, Robert Redd
	vs. Miami (11/03/01)
Long Kickoff Return	90, Morgan Scalley
	vs. UNLV (10/23/04)
Tackles	18, Chris Haneline
	at Northwestern (11/17/01)
Sacks	3, Brandon Hicks
	at Marshall (9/29/01)
	Tommy Hackenbruck
	vs. Pittsburgh (1/1/05)
	Marques Ledbetter
	vs. Oregon (10/3/03)
	Jarvis Moss
	at LSU (10/15/05)
Tackles For Loss	3, Marques Ledbetter
	vs. Oregon (10/3/03)
	Marcus Thomas
	vs. Alabama (10/1/05)
	Jeremy Mincey
	vs. Mississippi State (10/8/05)
	Jarvis Moss
	at LSU (10/15/05), vs. Florida State (11/26/05)
Interceptions	2, Janssen Patton
	at Missouri (9/1/01)
	Karl Rose
	at Ohio (11/10/01)
	Chad Long
	at Northwestern (11/17/01)
	Morgan Scalley
	vs. Colorado State (11/6/04)
	Earl Everett
	at Kentucky (9/24/05)

## URBAN MEYER WEEK-BY-WEEK IN THE POLLS

DATE	AP	COACHES	BCS	HAR
Oct. 13, 2002	25	23	NP*	
Oct. 20, 2002	24	22	NR*	
Oct. 27, 2002	21	18	NR	
Nov. 3, 2002	20	16	NR	
Nov. 10, 2002	NR	25	NR	
Oct. 19, 2003	24	23	NR	
Nov. 16, 2003	NR	NR	24	
Nov. 23, 2003	NR	NR	22	
Nov. 30, 2003	NR	NR	23	
Dec. 7, 2003	25	25	22	
Jan. 4, 2004	21	21	NP	
Aug. 1, 2004	NP	21	NP	
Aug. 15, 2004	20	NP	NP	
Aug. 29, 2004	NP	19	NP	
Sept. 5, 2004	17	16	NP	
Sept. 12, 2004	15	14	NP	
Sept. 19, 2004	14	14	NP	
Sept. 26, 2004	14	14	NP	
Oct. 3, 2004	11	11	NP	
Oct. 10, 2004	11	10	NP	
Oct. 17, 2004	9	10	7	
Oct. 24, 2004	9	10	6	
Oct. 31, 2004	7	8	6	
Nov. 7, 2004	7	8	7	
Nov. 14, 2004	5	6	6	
Nov. 21, 2004	5	6	6	
Nov. 28, 2004	5	6	6	
Dec. 5, 2004	5	6	6	
2004 Final Poll	4	5	NP*	
Preseason 2005	10	11	NP*	
Week 1	10	10	NP	
Week 2	6	7	NP	
Week 3	5	5	NP	
Week 4	5	5	NP	4
Week 5	13	15	NP	15
Week 6	11	13	NP	12
Week 7	18	19	20	19
Week 8	16	18	19	17
Week 9	13	15	16	15
Week 10	12	12	13	13
Week 11	20	20	22	20
Week 12	19	19	23	19
Week 13	17	18	17	18
Week 14	16	18	17	17
2005 Final Poll	12	16	NP	NP

\*NP \* No Poll; NR \* Not Ranked

## UF FIRST-YEAR COACHING RECORDS

1906	Jack Forsythe, 5-3
1909	G.E. Pyle, 6-1-1
1914	Charles J. McCoy, 5-2
1917	A.L. Busser, 2-4
1920	William Kline, 6-3-1
1923	J.A. Van Fleet, 6-1-2
1925	H.L. Sebring, 8-2
1928	Charles Bachman, 8-1
1933	D.K. Stanley, 5-3-1, 2-3 SEC
1936	Josh Cody, 4-6, 1-5 SEC
1940	Thomas J. Lieb, 5-5, 2-3 SEC
1948	Raymond B. Wolf, 0-9, 0-5 SEC
1950	Bob Woodruff, 5-5, 2-4 SEC
1960	Ray Graves, 9-2, 5-1 SEC
1970	Doug Dickey, 7-4, 3-3 SEC
1979	Charley Pell, 0-10-1, 0-7 SEC
1984	Galen Hall, 8-0, 5-0 SEC
1989	Gary Darnell, 3-4, 1-2 SEC
1990	Steve Spurrier, 9-2, 6-1 SEC
2002	Ron Zook, 8-5, 6-2 SEC
2005	Urban Meyer, 9-3, 5-3 SEC

## UF FIRST-YEAR COACHING HIGHS

Wins	9, Graves, Spurrier, Meyer (1960/90/05)
SEC Wins	6, Steve Spurrier, Ron Zook (1990/02)
Most Points Scored	73, Charles Buchman (1928)
Most Home Wins	6, Steve Spurrier,
	Urban Meyer (1990/05)
Undefeated at Home	3-0-1, G.E. Pyle (1909)
	3-0, Charles J. McCoy (1914)
	4-0, William Kline (1920)
	3-0, J.A. Van Fleet (1923)
	4-0, H.L. Sebring (1925)
	3-0, D.K. Stanley (1933)
	4-0, Galen Hall (1984)
	6-0, Steve Spurrier (1990)
	6-0, Urban Meyer (2005)
Shutouts	9, William Kline (1920)

## LEGENDARY STATUS...

### ONE OF THE ONLY SCHOOLS IN THE NATION TO:

- One of three schools in major college history, and the only one in the SEC, to win at least nine games for a period of 12 consecutive years (1990-2001).
- One of six schools in major college history to win 100 games during a decade (102 wins in the 1990s).
- The only school in modern major college history to score 500 or more points for a period of four-straight years (1993-96).
- In the history of the NFL Draft, Florida and Miami hold the distinction of being the only schools represented for the most consecutive years in the first-round of the draft. From 1983-91, UF had at least one first round draft choice for nine straight seasons. Miami's 11-year streak, which began in 1995, is active.
- One of only two schools in the nation to have multiple recipients of the Draddy Trophy, which is presented by the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame to the nation's top football scholar-athlete.
- The only school in the nation that can boast of a Heisman Trophy recipient (Danny Wuerffel) who also received the Draddy Trophy, which is presented by the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame to the country's top football scholar-athlete.

### THE ONLY SCHOOL IN THE SEC TO:

- The only school in SEC history, and one of only three in major college history, to win at least 10 games for a period of six-straight years (1993-98).
- Post a perfect 8-0 conference record in back-to-back seasons (1995-96).
- The only school in SEC history, and one of only four schools in major college history, to rank in the top 15 of the final polls in 12-consecutive seasons (1990-2001).
- Its 87-13 SEC record from 1990 to the seventh conference game of 2001 is the best league record over a 100 SEC game-time period in conference history.
- It holds the SEC record for most consecutive seasons (12) with at least six league wins, a streak that doubles the previous record of six set by Alabama from 1961-66.
- One of only two schools in SEC history to win four-consecutive league championships (1993-96).
- Play in seven of the 14 SEC Championship Games and has won six SEC titles over the last 14 years.

## ***GATORS JOIN EXCLUSIVE 100-WIN DECADE CLUB***

Florida, 102-22-1 during the 1990s, joined an exclusive list of only six major colleges that won 100 games during a decade entirely spent at the I-A level.

<u>1970s</u>	
Alabama .....	103-16-1
Oklahoma .....	102-13-3
<u>1980s</u>	
Nebraska .....	103-20-0
BYU .....	102-26-0
<u>1990s</u>	
Florida State .....	109-13-1
Nebraska .....	108-16-1
<b>FLORIDA .....</b>	<b>102-22-1</b>

## CONSECUTIVE WEEKS IN THE POLLS (ALL-TIME)

Nebraska .....	347 (1981-2002)
<b>FLORIDA .....</b>	<b>227 (1990-2003)</b>
Florida State .....	212 (1989-2001)
Alabama .....	184 (1971-82)
Michigan .....	160 (1968-80)
Notre Dame .....	159 (1964-75)
Oklahoma .....	156 (1971-81)

## JANUARY BOWL APPEARANCES SINCE 1993

Florida State .....	14
<b>FLORIDA .....</b>	<b>12</b>
Tennessee .....	11
Michigan .....	10
Ohio State .....	10
Nebraska .....	8
Penn State .....	8

## COLLEGE LEADERS SINCE 1990

### MOST TOTAL WINS

Florida State .....	163
Nebraska .....	159
<b>FLORIDA .....</b>	<b>154</b>
Miami .....	153
Tennessee .....	149

### TOP-15 FINISHES

<b>FLORIDA .....</b>	<b>13</b>
Florida State .....	13
Miami .....	12
Tennessee .....	12
Michigan .....	11
Nebraska .....	10
Penn State .....	10

### TOP-10 FINISHES

Florida State .....	11
<b>FLORIDA .....</b>	<b>10</b>
Nebraska .....	8
Tennessee .....	7
Michigan .....	7

## FLORIDA AND THE NFL...

■ The 2005 National Football League season began on Thursday, Sept. 8. All notes below reflect 2005 opening day totals and the 2005 NFL Draft.

### GATORS AND THE NFL DRAFT

■ Former Gator quarterback Rex Grossman's first-round selection by the Chicago Bears in 2003 marked the seventh-straight year and eighth time in the last 11 years that a Florida player has been selected in the first round of the NFL Draft. Florida's 26 first-round draft choices since 1983 is the third-best total in the nation. Since the first NFL Draft in 1936, a Florida player has been selected in the first-round 35 times, covering 26 separate seasons. It marks the fourth-most number of years for a top pick by any school in the nation.

■ One of only two schools to have had at least one first-round draft selection in 17 of the last 23 drafts.

■ UF has had at least 40 players chosen in the NFL Draft for the decades of 1950, 1960, 1970, 1980 and 1990. UF already has 33 selections from the years 2000-05.

■ The Gators had at least one NFL first-round draft choice for nine-straight seasons (1983-91). This marked the second-longest streak by any college in the history of the draft.

### FLORIDA NFL NOTES

■ Florida had 37 players on 2005 NFL opening day rosters, which tied for the second-highest total in the nation. Last season, UF's 36 players were tied for the fifth-highest total of any school in the country.

■ Overall, Florida had 42 former players appear on 2004 NFL rosters throughout the 2004 season.

■ Florida's six wide receivers on 2005 NFL rosters ties Tennessee for the top total in the nation. Last season, UF's seven wide receivers on 2004 NFL rosters ranked as the highest total nationally.

■ UF's five running backs on 2005 NFL rosters is the second highest amount from any school nationally behind Miami (six).

Former Gator Emmitt Smith became the NFL's all-time leading rusher on Sunday, Oct. 27, 2002, with an 11-yard run against the Seattle Seahawks in Dallas. Smith surpassed the long-time record held by Walter Payton, who rushed for 16,726 yards in his 13-year career.

Smith was a three-time All-American at the University of Florida from 1987-89. He established 58 school records in three seasons, including a career rushing mark of 3,928 yards. Following his junior season with the Gators, Smith was a first-round selection in the 1990 NFL Draft by the Dallas Cowboys. On Friday, Feb. 4, 2005, Smith retired from the NFL. Smith starred for 13 seasons with the Dallas Cowboys and spent the last two years with the Arizona Cardinals. He finished his career with 18,355 rushing yards and 164 rushing touchdowns, both of which are the highest totals ever posted in NFL history.



On April 12, 2003, Florida fans got the opportunity to recognize one of their own as Emmitt Smith was honored at halftime of the 2003 Orange and Blue Spring game.

### FLORIDA PLAYERS ON 2005 NFL OPENING DAY ROSTERS (37)

DE - Alex Brown	- Chicago Bears
WR - Reche Caldwell	- San Diego Chargers
OG - Cooper Carlisle	- Denver Broncos
DE - Kevin Carter	- Miami Dolphins
RB - Ran Carthon	- Indianapolis Colts
LB - Channing Crowder	- Miami Dolphins
LB - Andra Davis	- Cleveland Browns
RB - Ciatrick Fason	- Minnesota Vikings
WR - Jabar Gaffney	- Houston Texans
RB - Earnest Graham	- Tampa Bay Buccaneers
QB - Rex Grossman	- Chicago Bears
CB - Reynaldo Hill	- Tennessee Titans
WR - Ike Hilliard	- Tampa Bay Buccaneers
WR - Darrell Jackson	- Seattle Seahawks
RB - Terry Jackson	- San Francisco 49ers
WR - Taylor Jacobs	- Washington Redskins
QB - Doug Johnson	- Cleveland Browns
FS - Todd Johnson	- Chicago Bears
DE - Jevon Kearse	- Philadelphia Eagles
TE - Erron Kinney	- Tennessee Titans
S - Marquand Manuel	- Seattle Seahawks
QB - Shane Matthews	- Buffalo Bills
DE - Bobby McCray	- Jacksonville Jaguars
C - Jeff Mitchell	- Carolina Panthers
OT - Mike Pearson	- Jacksonville Jaguars
LB - Mike Peterson	- Jacksonville Jaguars
OG - Zach Piller	- Tennessee Titans
CB - Keiwan Ratliff	- Cincinnati Bengals
DE - Guss Scott	- New England Patriots
DT - Ian Scott	- Chicago Bears
CB - Lito Sheppard	- Philadelphia Eagles
OT - Max Starks	- Pittsburgh Steelers
RB - Fred Taylor	- Jacksonville Jaguars
WR - Travis Taylor	- Baltimore Ravens
TE - Ben Troupe	- Tennessee Titans
OT - Kenyatta Walker	- Tampa Bay Buccaneers
DT - Gerard Warren	- Denver Broncos

### SCHOOLS WITH THE MOST PLAYERS ON NFL 2005 OPENING DAY ROSTERS

1. Florida State	42
2. <b>FLORIDA</b>	<b>37</b>
Tennessee	37
4. Georgia	35
Ohio State	35
6. Michigan	34
7. Miami	33
8. Auburn	31
9. LSU	30
Notre Dame	30

### CONFERENCES WITH THE MOST PLAYERS ON NFL 2005 OPENING DAY ROSTERS

1. <b>SEC</b>	<b>261</b>
2. ACC	231
3. Big Ten	223
4. Pac-10	188
5. Big 12	176
6. Big East	88
7. Conference USA	71
8. Mountain West	68

## 2005 Honors

### BY AGENCY

#### ALL-SEC

**Coaches' First Team:** C Mike Degory

**Coaches' Second Team:** OL Randy Hand

**Coaches' Second Team:** WR Chad Jackson

**Coaches' Second Team:** DE Jeremy Mincey

**Coaches' Second Team:** CB Dee Webb

**Coaches' Second Team:** K Chris Hetland

**AP First Team:** WR Chad Jackson

**AP First Team:** C Mike Degory

**AP First Team:** CB Dee Webb

**AP Second Team:** OL Randy Hand

**AP Second Team:** QB Chris Leak

**AP Second Team:** K Chris Hetland

**AP Second Team:** DE Jeremy Mincey

**AP Honorable Mention:** DT Marcus Thomas

#### TEAM AWARDS

TBA

#### ACADEMIC HONORS

SEC Good Works: LB Todd McCullough

SEC Player of the Week

K Chris Hetland, Special Teams, Sept. 5

K Chris Hetland, Special Teams, Sept. 19

C Mike Degory, Offensive Lineman, Sept. 26

DE Jeremy Mincey, Defensive Lineman, Oct. 10

OL Drew Miller, Offensive Lineman, Oct. 31

DE Jeremy Mincey, Defense, Oct. 31

QB Chris Leak, Offense, Nov. 7

RB Markus Manson, Freshman, Nov. 7

S Jarvis Herring, Defense, Nov. 28

OL Randy Hand, Offensive Lineman, Nov. 28

#### ALL STAR GAMES

**East-West Shrine Game:** DB Vernell Brown; OL Randy Hand

**Hula Bowl:** DE Jeremy Mincey

**Senior Bowl:** C Mike Degory

# BY PLAYER

**Vernell Brown** - East-West Shrine Game participant

**Andre Caldwell** - Biletnikoff Award Watch List; No. 8 receiver in the nation (The Sporting News)

**Mike Degory** - Rimington Trophy Finalist (1 of 6); Draddy Trophy Semifinalist; Outland Trophy Watch List; Lombardi Award Watch List; First-team All-SEC (Coaches); First-team All-SEC (AP); SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (Kentucky); No. 4 center in the nation (The Sporting News); Senior Bowl Participant

**Earl Everett**

Bednarik Award Watch List

**Randy Hand**

Lombardi Award Watch List; Second-Team All-SEC (Coaches); Second-Team All-SEC (AP); SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (Florida State Game); East-West Shrine Game Participant

**Chris Hetland**

Second-team All-SEC (AP); Second-team All-SEC (Coaches); SEC Special Teams Player of the Week (Wyoming Game); SEC Special Teams Player of the Week (Tennessee Game)

**Jarvis Herring**

Bednarik Award Watch List; SEC Defensive Player of the Week (Florida State Game)

**Chad Jackson**

Biletnikoff Award Semifinalist (1 of 15); Maxwell Award Watch List; Pro Football Weekly Honorable Mention All-America; First-team All-SEC (AP); Second-team All-SEC (Coaches); No. 15 receiver in the nation (The Sporting News)

**Kyle Jackson**

No. 3 strong safety in the nation (The Sporting News)

**Chris Leak**

Maxwell Award Watch List; Walter Camp Award Watch List; Davey O'Brien Award Watch List; Second-team All-SEC (AP); SEC Offensive Player of the Week (Vanderbilt Game); No. 5 quarterback in the nation (The Sporting News)

**Markus Manson**

SEC Freshman of the Week (Vanderbilt Game)

**Todd McCullough**

SEC Goodworks Team Player of the Week (Mississippi State Game)

**Drew Miller**

SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (Georgia Game)

**Jeremy Mincey**

Second-team All-SEC (Coaches); Second-team All-SEC (AP); SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (Mississippi State Game); SEC Defensive Player of the Week (Georgia Game); Hula Bowl participant

**Brandon Siler**

Lombardi Award Watch List; Butkus Award Watch List; Lott Trophy Watch List; No. 1 inside linebacker in the nation (The Sporting News)

**Marcus Thomas**

Honorable Mention All-SEC (AP)

**Dee Webb**

First-team All-SEC (AP); Second-team All-SEC (Coaches); No. 11 cornerback in the nation (The Sporting News)

**Eric Wilbur**

Ray Guy Award Semifinalist (1 of 10); No. 11 punter in the nation (The Sporting News)