

2011 FLORIDA SOFTBALL REVIEW

Record: 56-13 Overall, 21-7 SEC

NCAA Finish: 2nd (National Runners Up)

Final Poll Rankings: No. 2 - ESPN.com/USA Softball; No. 2 USA Today/NFCA

SEC Finish: 2nd (SEC & 1st SEC East)

SEC Tournament Finish: T8 (0-1)

All-Americans: 6 with 12 honors – Kelsey Bruder (Louisville Slugger/NFCA first team/Easton first team), Megan Bush (Louisville Slugger/NFCA first team/Easton first team), Michelle Moultrie (Louisville Slugger/NFCA third team/Easton second team), Aja Paculba (Louisville Slugger/NFCA third team/Easton second team), Hannah Rogers (Louisville Slugger/NFCA second team/Easton first team), Brittany Schutte (Louisville Slugger/NFCA first team/Easton first team)

NFCA All-Southeast Region: 6 – Kelsey Bruder (first team), Megan Bush (first team), Michelle Moultrie (second team), Aja Paculba (second team), Hannah Rogers (first team), Brittany Schutte (first team)

Honda Award Winner: Kelsey Bruder

All-SEC: 6 – Kelsey Bruder (first team), Megan Bush (first team), Michelle Moultrie (second team), Hannah Rogers (second team), Aja Paculba (second team), Brittany Schutte (first team)

SEC Player of the Year: Kelsey Bruder

SEC All-Freshman team: 2 – Cheyenne Coyle, Hannah Rogers

SEC All-Defensive team: 2 – Aja Paculba (second base), Hannah Rogers (pitcher)

WCWS All-Tournament Team: 4 – Kelsey Bruder, Cheyenne Coyle, Michelle Moultrie, Brittany Schutte

WCWS Co-Most Outstanding Player: Michelle Moultrie

Capitol One Academic All-America: 4 – Stephanie Brombacher (first team), Kelsey Bruder (first team), Megan Bush (second team), Michelle Moultrie (third team)

Capitol One Academic All-District III: 5 – Stephanie Brombacher (first team), Kelsey Bruder (first team), Megan Bush (first team), Kelsey Horton (first team), Michelle Moultrie (first team)

SEC Academic Honor Roll: 10 – Stephanie Brombacher, Kelsey Bruder, Megan Bush, Tiffany DeFelice, Lauren Heil, Samantha Holle, Kelsey Horton, Michelle Moultrie, Aja Paculba, Brittany Schutte

Letterwinners Returning/Lost for 2012 season: 12/5

Departing Players: Stephanie Brombacher (Sr.), Kelsey Bruder (Sr.), Megan Bush (Sr.), Tiffany DeFelice (Sr.) and Aja Paculba (Sr.)

Newcomers: 7

Team Highlights

- Tallied a 56-13 record under co-SEC Coach of the Year Tim Walton – his third coaching honor at UF, the Gators' fourth all-time 50-win season
- Advanced to the Women's College World Series for the fourth consecutive season, becoming the first SEC school to do so
- Competed for a national championship for the second time in the last three seasons, finishing 2011 as the national runner-up with a No. 2 ranking in both national polls
- Received an NCAA Tournament bid for the 12th time in school history and the ninth consecutive season
- Hosted a NCAA Regional for the eighth time in school history and the seventh year in a row, while playing host to a NCAA Super Regional for the fourth time in school history
- Brought home the school's fourth consecutive SEC Eastern Division title, the fifth all-time
- Boasted the Honda Sports Award recipient for softball in senior Kelsey Bruder, designating her as the top collegiate softball athlete
- Had a nation-leading six All-Americans, the most possible for an institution, while boasting four Academic All-Americans to lead the country
- Florida's six All-Americans were a program record and brought the tally to 11 (20 honors) under Tim Walton
- The Gators' four Capitol One Academic All-Americans brought the total to 11 under head coach Tim Walton
- Set or tied 40 Florida records, including team season records for runs scored (508), most RBI (479), most home runs (124) – including eight grand slams - and most walks (322)
- Also eclipsed eight Southeastern Conference records, including team season runs, RBI, homers and walks
- Paced the SEC in wins (56), slugging percentage (.588), runs (508), hits (573), RBI (479), homers (124) and walks 322)
- UF's 508 runs checked in at sixth in the NCAA record book, while its 124 round-trippers were fourth all-time. Meanwhile, the Gators led the country in 2011 in home runs per game (1.8), while ranking second in slugging (.588)
- Florida's five seniors, highlighted by SEC Player of the Year Kelsey Bruder, leave the program as the winningest class in UF history with a 238-33 (.878) overall record and a 94-13 (.878) record in SEC play
- UF's coaching staff was named the NFCA Southeast Region Coaching Staff of the Year (fourth time under Walton)
- Had three seniors drafted to the NPF to continue their careers professionally (Bruder, Bush, Paculba)
- Four Gators accepted invites to the 2011 USA Softball Women's National Team Selection Camp (Bush, Coyle, Moultrie, Schutte), with Moultrie and Schutte set to represent Team USA
- Head coach Tim Walton is 331-80 (.804) at UF and boasts a 454-144 (.759) career record as a head coach. He is 36-17 (.679) in the NCAA Tournament as a head coach, while the Florida program concluded the 2011 season 21-16 (.567) in NCAA Regional play, 9-2 (.818) in NCAA Super Regional play and 11-9 (.550) in the WCWS for a NCAA Tournament record of 41-27 (.602)

Individual Highlights

Stephanie Brombacher

- Pitched the second perfect game of her career against NC State Feb. 12, a 9-0 victory over the Wolfpack in Clearwater
- 2011 Lowe's Senior CLASS Award Top 10 Finalist
- Capitol One Academic All-America First Team Selection and SEC Academic Honor Roll
- USA Softball Player of the Year Top 25 Finalist
- Two-time SEC Pitcher of the Week also named the NFCA National Player of the Week Feb. 22
- Tossed two one-hitters in 2011 for nine total in her career
- Had just three losses and led Florida with a 1.51 ERA her senior season

Kelsey Bruder

- 2011 Honda Sports Award recipient for softball, designating her as the top softball athlete in the country in 2011
- 2011 SEC Player of the Year
- Louisville Slugger/NFCA All-Southeast Region first team and Louisville Slugger/NFCA All-America first team selection in the outfield
- Capitol One Academic All-America first team selection, Capitol One Academic All-District III first team and SEC Academic Honor Roll
- An All-SEC first-team player, the three-time SEC Player of the Week and USA Softball's National Collegiate Player of the Week for two walk-off hits in UF's regular-season series with Alabama
- Led the SEC through league play in runs (32), doubles (10), slugging percentage (.883), hits (40), RBI (36) and tied in homers (11)
- Ranked fifth in the NCAA in runs per game (1.14) and 10th in home runs (19)
- Set UF single-season records with her 79 runs scored and 152 total bases
- Drafted by the National Pro Fastpitch as the fifth overall pick in the second round of the NPF Senior Draft to the USSSA Florida Pride

Megan Bush

- A top 10 finalist for USA Softball's Player of the Year
- 2011 Louisville Slugger/NFCA All-Southeast Region and All-America first-team selection
- Candidate for the 2011 Lowe's Senior CLASS Award
- First team All-SEC selection in the infield, also named to the 2011 SEC Community Service Team
- Capitol One Academic All-America second team selection, Capitol One Academic All-District III first team as well as a SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient
- Tallied a career-long and UF-record 20-game hit streak in the 2011 season
- Accepted an invitation to USA Softball's National Team Selection Camp and was drafted by the National Pro Fastpitch's Akron Racers in the NPF Senior Draft
- Drove in a league-leading 36 RBI, four sac flies and tied with Kelsey Bruder for the most home runs (11) in league play
- Finished the season ranked first in the NCAA in sac flies (9), fifth in home runs (21) and 12th in RBI per game (1.16)
- Set UF and SEC records for career home runs (65), while setting Florida record for 80 RBI in a season, career UF record with 462 career total bases, sac flies (21)

Cheyenne Coyle

- A freshman All-SEC selection at short stop
- Named to the 2011 Women's College World Series All-Tournament Team, tying for the most RBI in the WCWS (8)
- Hit a homer her first career at-bat against Marshall
- Started all 69 games for the Gators at short stop
- Led all SEC freshman in runs scored, slugging percentage, walks drawn, on-base percentage, RBI home runs and fielded double plays in SEC play
- Committed just three errors in UF's last 32 games of the season
- Had a stellar weekend against Auburn with two homers in a game and three on the weekend
- SEC Freshman of the Week May 2 and was invited and participated in the 2011 USA Softball Women's National Team Selection Camp

Tiffany DeFelice

- Had just two errors her senior season – marking the only two in her career as a Gator. She finishes her career as one of just three players in Florida history to record a perfect fielding percentage in a single season and the only to do so twice (2009, 2010)
- Tallied one pick off and gunned down nine runners on the base paths this season
- Leaves UF at the top of the record book in career fielding percentage (.997)
- Led the Gators in 2011 with 13 sacrifice bunts
- SEC Academic Honor Roll Selection

Kasey Fagan

- Started all but one game at third base her freshman campaign
- Two of her five homers in 2011 were grand slams, contributing to UF's eight overall – one of just two players to hit two (Bush/Fagan)
- Ranked third among freshmen in SEC play in assists and ranked second for UF on the season with 16 stolen bases
- Committed just five errors in 69 games for the Gators at the hot corner

Kelsey Horton

- One of just two players to record a perfect fielding percentage for UF in 2011
- Named a Capitol One Academic All-District III first team selection for her work in the classroom and also named to the 2011 SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Played in 52 games with 41 starts, primarily in the designated player spot
- Tallied career highs in at-bats, hits, RBI, walks, putouts and assists this season

Michelle Moultrie

- 2011 Louisville Slugger/NFCA All-America third team and All-Southeast Region second team selection
- Second team All-SEC and SEC All-Defensive Team
- 2011 WCWS co-Most Outstanding Player. Leading the field in hits (13), doubles (2), homers (4), total bases (27) and stolen bases (3) at the WCWS
- Had just two homers entering the WCWS and left with six
- A Capitol One Academic All-America third team selection to go along with SEC Academic Honor Roll accolades
- Had a hit in 62 of Florida's 69 games in 2011, with 20 of those hits as bunt singles
- Named to the 2011 USA Softball Women's National Team and also the March 1 USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Week
- Tallied a career-high 19 game hit streak in 2011 and ranked 10th in the NCAA in batting clip with a staggering 101 hits in 2011

- Set the UF record for single-season batting average (.443), on-base percentage (.519), hits (101), triples (5), stolen bases (31) and stolen base attempts (34)

Aja Paculba

- Played in and started all 271 games of her Gator career at second base and leaves Florida holding 10 records, including career runs (253), hits (279), walks (160) and stolen bases (48)
- A 2011 Louisville Slugger/NFCA All-America third team and All-Southeast second team selection, while picking up All-SEC second team honors
- Drafted to continue her career professionally with the NPF Diamonds in the National Pro Fastpitch Senior Draft
- Led all conference athletes with 100 at-bats and helped field four double plays in league play
- Had 13 doubles, 16 homers and ranked third for the Gators with 76 hits her senior season

Hannah Rogers

- 2011 Louisville Slugger/NFCA All-America second team and All-Southeast Region first team selection
- All-SEC second team, Freshman All-SEC and SEC All-Defensive Team selection,
- Finished the season with 36 wins and a 1.92 ERA, ranking third in NCAA in wins, second among freshmen
- Two-time SEC Pitcher of the Week that tallied a career-best 12 strikeouts against Arkansas
- Did not allow an earned run in her first six conference games and allowed one or fewer in 18 appearances in league play
- Downed UF freshman records for wins (36), starts (36), complete games (28), shutouts (10), strikeouts (221) and appearances (55)

Brittany Schutte

- 2011 Louisville Slugger/NFCA All-America first team and All-Southeast Region first team honors
- First team All-SEC selection that was named to the 2011 USA Softball Women's National Team
- Named to the 2011 Women's College World Series All-Tournament Team after tallying seven hits, six runs, eight RBI and 14 total bases
- Named to USA Softball's Preseason Watch List for the 2011 Player of the Year award
- One of just six players in the SEC to have eight or more homers in league play, including two in the season finale with Auburn
- Belted three homers during two Super Regional games versus Oregon and reached base in six of seven plate appearances
- Finished the season ranked third in the NCAA in homers (22) and set UF's single-season home runs record with her 22 round-trippers, while tying for three single-game records

Statistical Leaders

Average:	.443	Michelle Moultrie
Hits:	101	Michelle Moultrie
Doubles:	17	Michelle Moultrie
Triples:	5	Michelle Moultrie
HR:	22	Brittany Schutte
RBI:	80	Megan Bush
Runs:	79	Kelsey Bruder
Slugging %:	.764	Kelsey Bruder
On base %:	.519	Michelle Moultrie
Walks:	48	Schutte & Bruder
Stolen bases:	31	Michelle Moultrie
Wins:	36	Hannah Rogers
Saves:	3	Hannah Rogers
ERA:	1.51	Stephanie Brombacher
Strikeouts:	221	Hannah Rogers
Putouts:	435	Megan Bush
Assists:	119	Cheyenne Coyle
Fielding %:	1.000	Horton/Gammel

Signees

Player	Hometown
Alyssa Bache	Clearwater, Fla.
Bailey Castro	Pembroke Pines, Fla.
Jessica Damico	Gray Summit, Mo.
Sami Fagan	Dunnellon, Fla.
Lauren Haeger	Peoria, Ariz
Briana Little	Middleburg, Fla.
Katie Medina	Downey, Calif.

Schedule & Results

Record: 56-13

Home: 26-5 Away: 12-3 Neutral: 18-5 SEC: 21-7

Date	Opponent	Result
Feb. 11 Fri	vs. Marshall \$	W, 17-1 (5)
	vs. FGCU \$	W, 6-0
Feb. 12 Sat	vs. Long Island \$	W, 9-2
	vs. NC State \$	W, 9-0 (5)
Feb. 13 Sun	vs. USF \$	W, 12-0 (5)
Feb. 16 Wed	at Jacksonville	W, 7-0
Feb. 19 Sat	vs. No. 22 NORTH CAROLINA	W, 3-0
	vs. No. 22 NORTH CAROLINA	W, 9-0
Feb. 20 Sun	vs. No. 22 NORTH CAROLINA	W, 10-0
Feb. 24 Thurs	vs. Indiana #	W, 7-0
	vs. No. 11 Texas #	W, 6-5 (9)
Feb. 25 Fri	vs. San Diego State #	W, 4-2
	vs. No. 2 UCLA #	W, 4-1
Feb. 26 Sat	vs. Utah #	W, 7-3
March 4 Fri	vs. VALPARAISO !	W, 13-4
	vs. SYRACUSE !	W, 2-0
March 5 Sat	vs. NDSU !	W, 10-2 (5)
March 6 Sun	vs. PACIFIC !	W, 10-2 (6)
March 9 Wed	vs. NDSU !	W, 9-0 (5)
	at No. 21 LSU*	W, 8-1
	at No. 21 LSU*	W, 5-0
March 11 Fri	vs. UConn ?	W, 9-0 (5)
	vs. Robert Morris ?	W, 6-1
March 12 Sat	vs. Ball State ?	W, 21-0 (5)
	vs. No. 16 Nebraska ?	L, 1-0
March 13 Sun	vs. USF ?	W, 10-2 (6)
March 16 Wed	vs. MISSISSIPPI STATE*	W, 8-0 (5)
	vs. MISSISSIPPI STATE*	W, 18-1 (5)
March 18 Fri	at Ole Miss*	W, 8-0 (6)
March 19 Sat	at Ole Miss*	W, 18-3 (5)
March 20 Sun	at Ole Miss*	W, 11-3
March 25 Fri	vs. No. 3 GEORGIA*	L, 10-7
March 26 Sat	vs. No. 3 GEORGIA*	L, 13-5
March 27 Sun	vs. No. 3 GEORGIA*	L, 5-1
April 1 Fri	at No. 23 Kentucky*	L, 10-2 (6)
April 2 Sat	at No. 23 Kentucky*	L, 7-6
April 3 Sun	at No. 23 Kentucky*	L, 9-2
April 8 Fri	vs. ARKANSAS*	W, 4-0
April 9 Sat	vs. ARKANSAS*	W, 8-1
April 10 Sun	vs. ARKANSAS*	W, 8-0 (6)
April 13 Wed	vs. FIU	W, 8-0 (6)
April 15 Fri	at No. 24 Auburn*	W, 14-4
April 16 Sat	at No. 24 Auburn*	W, 8-2
April 17 Sun	at No. 24 Auburn*	W, 13-4 (6)
April 20 Wed	vs. UCF	W, 8-1
April 22 Fri	vs. No. 3 ALABAMA*	L, 5-0
April 23 Sat	vs. No. 3 ALABAMA*	W, 6-5
April 24 Sun	vs. No. 3 ALABAMA*	W, 3-2 (9)
April 29 Fri	at South Carolina*	W, 5-0
April 30 Sat	at South Carolina*	W, 6-1
May 1 Sun	at South Carolina*	W, 6-1
May 4 Wed	vs. FLORIDA STATE	W, 1-0
May 6 Fri	vs. No. 3 TENNESSEE*	W, 4-3
May 7 Sat	vs. No. 3 TENNESSEE*	W, 2-0
May 8 Sun	vs. No. 3 TENNESSEE*	W, 7-2
May 12 Thurs	vs. No. 24 Auburn &	L, 6-2
May 20 Fri	vs. BETHUNE-COOKMAN +	W, 8-0 (5)
May 21 Sat	vs. No. 14 UCLA +	W, 4-2
May 22 Sun	vs. No. 14 UCLA +	L, 3-2
May 22 Sun	vs. No. 14 UCLA +	W, 11-3 (5)
May 27 Fri	vs. No. 11 OREGON -	W, 9-1 (5)
May 28 Sat	vs. No. 11 OREGON -	W, 7-0
June 2 Thurs	vs. Missouri ^	W, 6-2
June 3 Fri	vs. Arizona State ^	L, 6-5
June 4 Sat	vs. California ^	W, 5-2
June 5 Sun	vs. Alabama ^	W, 16-2 (5)
June 5 Sun	vs. Alabama ^	W, 9-2
June 6 Mon	vs. Arizona State ^	L, 14-4
June 7 Tues	vs. Arizona State ^	L, 7-2

\$ – USF Wilson DeMarini Tournament (Clearwater, Fla.)

– Cathedral City Classic (Palm Springs, Calif.)

! – Lipton Invitational (Gainesville, Fla.)

? – USF Under Armour Showcase (Clearwater, Fla.)

* – Southeastern Conference Game

& – Southeastern Conference Tournament (Oxford, Miss.)

+ – NCAA Regional (Gainesville, Fla.)

- – NCAA Super Regional (Gainesville, Fla.)

^ – Women's College World Series (Oklahoma City, Okla.)