

# OLD DOMINION ATHLETICS



CHAMPIONSHIP EFFORT





Foreman Field at S.B. Ballard Stadium  
Sold Out Five Years and Counting...

# Old Dominion

## Old Dominion University

Old Dominion University is Virginia's forward-focused metropolitan research university for high-achieving students who want rigorous academics and an energetic residential community with a rich mix of nationalities, cultures and life experiences.

ODU's campus features more than 250 acres of state-of-the-art academic buildings, modern residence halls, a new Student Recreation Center, a high-tech Learning Commons and Student Success Center, Innovation Research Park, and a variety of shops and restaurants in the University Village.

Old Dominion University has 118,584 alumni in 50 states and 81 countries, with over 72,000 residing in Virginia and over 81,000 in the Mid-Atlantic region, and has a \$1 Billion annual impact to the regional economy.

### Outstanding Alumni



Justin Verlander



Jay Harris



Nancy Lieberman

24,466  
students enrolled  
in the fall of 2013

Over 440  
student-athletes

3.26 GPA  
average high  
school incoming  
freshman

166  
degree programs  
offered





# Mission & Vision

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### Old Dominion University Mission

Old Dominion University, located in the City of Norfolk in the metropolitan Hampton Roads region of coastal Virginia, is a dynamic public research institution that serves its students and enriches the Commonwealth of Virginia, the nation, and the world through rigorous academic programs, strategic partnerships, and active civic engagements.

### Athletics Mission

In support of the Old Dominion University mission, the Department of Athletics recruits and develops a diverse population of highly skilled student-athletes that compete at the NCAA Division I level. Our commitment is to enable student-athletes to reach their full potential academically, athletically, and as citizens. We enrich the campus experience and serve as a gateway to the University by enhancing its visibility and reputation.

### ODU Athletics Vision Statement

As a result of the academic and personal achievements of our student-athletes, our competitive success, and the work of our coaches and athletics staff, we will be recognized nationally for excellence in intercollegiate athletics. We will be strategic in our decision-making, always positioning ourselves to take advantage of changes in the landscape of NCAA Division I athletics.





# Core Values

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### Integrity

Commitment to the highest standards of conduct and sportsmanship.

### Student-Athlete Well Being

Provide opportunities for student-athletes to reach their full potential as students, athletes, and citizens.

### Equity & Diversity

Support the inclusion of all people regardless of race, color, origins, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, veteran status, or disability.

### Excellence

To strive for academic and athletic excellence within the University, Conference, National, and International level.





# Our Goals

## Our Goals for 2013 – 2015

- We will achieve academic excellence by having an exhausted eligibility graduation rate of 95%, a 930 Academic Progress Rate (APR) for all teams and a graduation success rate (GSR) of 84%, which will place us in the top 25% of the CUSA.
- We will reach competitive success by providing high quality support services for each team, and showcase- quality athletic facilities for all programs.
- We will achieve compliance excellence by operating in full compliance with NCAA, University, state and department regulations.
- We will demonstrate diversity and equity for our program by developing and implementing a plan to fully comply with Title IX, providing equitable support and services for every student-athlete and increasing diversity among our student-athletes and staff by 5% over the five year period, in an effort to more closely approximate our general student body and University staff.
- We will achieve an annual participation rate of 100% for teams, student-athletes, and staff in civic engagement and public services. We will grow our resources by an average of 10% annually, to include ticket sales, multi-media rights, merchandise, private support for capital projects and annual fund.
- We will plan for our future by continually assessing the changing landscape of Division I athletics, having our student-athletes and staff achieve positions of leadership in the NCAA, conference and national coaching and administrative associations and become a national leader in innovation for athletics management.
- We pledge to never abandon the welfare of our student-athletes, our integrity and all that it encompasses, and always hold our student-athletes, coaches and staff accountable to the highest levels of sportsmanship, even if it puts us at a competitive disadvantage.



# Facilities

## Commitment to Excellence

Old Dominion's athletic facilities are among the best in the nation. Old Dominion University prides itself on being able to offer the student-athlete the best possible facilities to achieve maximum potential on the field and in the classroom.

In the last five years, the athletic department has added five facilities and the remaining seven have undergone major renovations.

ODU invested over \$55 million for the start-up of the football program in 2009, including a \$24 million renovation of Foreman Field, construction of a 800-car parking deck and the \$17.5 million Powhatan Sports Complex. The Complex includes offices, strength and conditioning, athletic training, and two Field Turf practice fields. Other enhancements included the start-up of women's rowing, construction of the \$3 million ODU Boathouse, and the new field hockey and lacrosse offices and stadium.

To keep up with demand for football tickets and ODU's rise to the FBS, the campus strategic plan calls for a new football stadium to be constructed on the western edge of campus along the Elizabeth River.

The Folkes-Stevens Tennis Center, completed in 2008, was voted the No. 1 tennis facility in the state of Virginia for 2011.

The Ted Constant Convocation Center opened its doors in 2002 on the campus of ODU, has served as the site of six NCAA Women's Basketball tournaments, and will host the NCAA women's basketball regionals in March of 2013. The arena was voted among the top mid-size arenas in the world in 2011.

Old Dominion University has a long history of hosting NCAA events and will host the NCAA Field Hockey "Final Four" in 2012 and 2013.



# Did You Know

## Old Dominion Success

The Monarchs have won 28 national championships and four individual national titles since 1975.

Over 400,000 fans watched Monarch athletic events in 2011-12. The football program has had 21 consecutive sellouts in three years and is ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in the nation in FCS attendance at 19,818 per game. Men's basketball has led the CAA in attendance the last three years and women's basketball is among the Top 40 programs in the nation in attendance.

The men's basketball team reached national post season play eight consecutive seasons, posted 20-plus win seasons in seven of the last eight years.

Old Dominion University recorded another recordbreaking season in 2012, its final season in the Colonial Athletic Association and the FCS. ODU experienced many highlights in 2012, as the Monarchs ranked as high as No. 3 in the national polls and quarterback Taylor Heinicke was named the Walter Payton Award Winner as the best player in the FCS, just to name a few.

ODU established its own on-demand cable channel (ODU TV) and video streamed over 130 live events thru the odusports.com website.

Old Dominion was the first institution in Virginia to award grants-in-aid to female student athletes in 1974. ODU served as the site of the first two NCAA women's basketball tournaments, in 1982 and 1983.

## ODU SPORTS PROPERTIES

ODUSP generated \$2.5 million in corporate sponsorships, a 22% increase over 2011-12



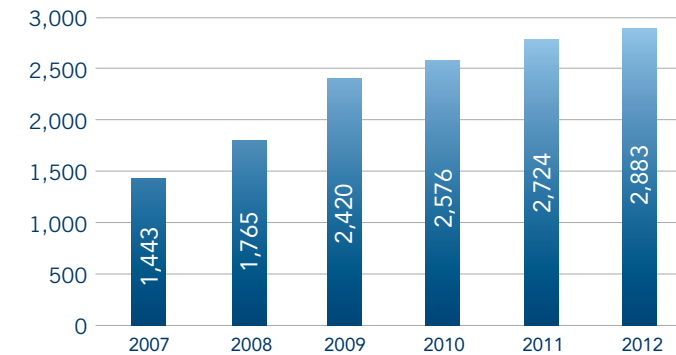
# Athletic Foundation

## Old Dominion Athletic Foundation

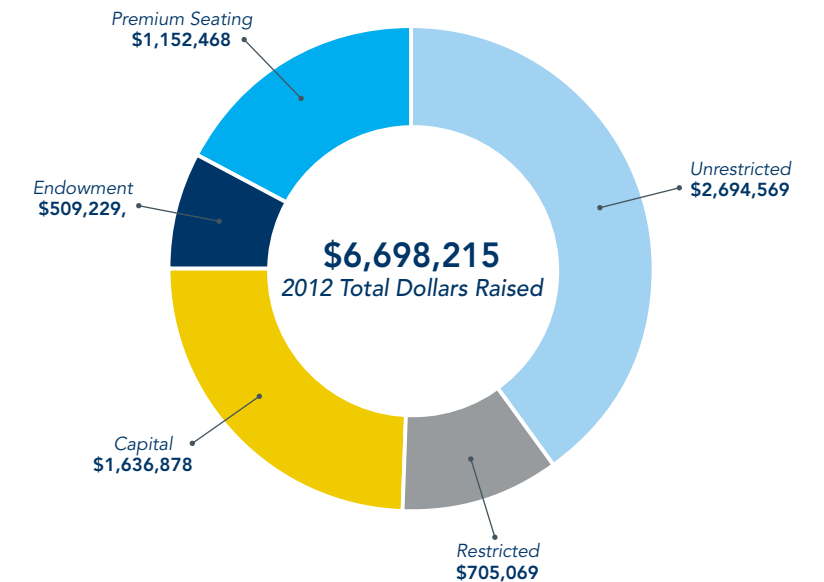
The ODAF is integral to the success of Old Dominion University Athletics, and is the channel through which our fans and alumni can partner with our coaches and student-athletes for the advancement of the athletics program.

### ODAF Total Membership

Donors at \$100 and Above



### 2012 ODAF Breakdown



## L.R. HILL SPORTS COMPLEX



The name L.R. Hill is well known in the Hampton Roads region because of the award-winning home design and construction by L.R. Hill Custom Homes. On December 12, 2012, the name became even more recognizable with the dedication of the L.R. Hill Sports Complex at ODU, formerly known as the Powhatan Sports Complex. The complex was renamed to honor the generosity of Larry Ross Hill. Hill, an avid fan of ODU football, gave a generous gift to create a football program endowment. The endowment will help give the football team financial flexibility for equipment, recruitment and training.



# ENDOWED ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Carlton Bennett Men's Basketball Endowment

Cal Bowdler Basketball Program Quasi Endowment

Cal Bowdler Men's Basketball Scholarship Endowment

Jerry & Barbara Brown Men's Basketball Endowed Scholarship

Joseph C. "Scrap" Chandler Scholarship Endowment

Jeff Chernitzer Men's Basketball Endowed Scholarship

B. Wayne and Judy Coleman Endowed Scholarship

Creecy Family Scholarship Fund

Leroy W. Davis III Scholarship Endowment

Donna Doyle Scholarship Endowment

Drewry Family Endowed Football Scholarship

Edward J. Fraim Endowed Athletic Scholarship

Richard A. Fraim Men's Basketball Endowment

Friedberg Family Endowed Scholarship

Robert M. Furniss Tennis Scholarship Endowment

Givens Foundation Football Scholarship

Stella M. Hager Memorial Endowed Scholarship

Haislip-Rorrer Endowed Basketball Scholarship

Chandler Harper Golf Scholarship

Luke Hillier Endowed Football Scholarship

Hoffman Beverage Company Men's Golf Scholarship Endowment

Hunter A. Hogan Jr. Golf Scholarship Endowment

Connie & Marc Jacobson Women's Basketball Endowed Scholarship

Lee & Bernard Jaffe Scholarship

Dr. James Jarrett Endowed Athletic Scholarship

Sugie Scott Harrison Jarrett Tennis Scholarship Endowment

Peter & Beverly Keilty Endowed Men's Basketball Scholarship

Barry M. Kornblau Endowed Football Scholarship

Lady Monarch Pride Scholarship

Max Lewis Scholarship Endowment

Arther Lilienfeld Academic Scholarship Endowment

Bud Metheny Baseball Scholarship Endowment

Tim Miller Baseball Scholarship Endowment

Monarch Club Scholarship Endowment

Ed Nagourney Endowed Baseball Scholarship

Elizabeth C. Newton Endowed Scholarship

John and Mary Alice Peterson Scholarship Endowment Peterson Championship Endowment

Richels Family Endowed Basketball Scholarship

Thomas L. Scott Memorial Scholarship Endowment

Jack Siebert Men's Basketball Endowed Scholarship

Marvin Simon Athletic Scholarship Endowment

Maurice Steingold Scholarship Endowment

E. Aaron Szambecki Team Race Intersectional Endowment

Harry Teagle Scholarship Endowment

Tonelson Athletic Scholarship Endowment

Volvo Baseball Scholarship Endowment

Melissa A. Warfield Fund

Christopher M. Whitley Memorial Endowed Athletic Scholarship Endowment

William E. Wood Jr. Endowed Scholarship

\$18.9M of total Endowed Athletic Scholarships

## ACADEMICS

134 student-athletes earned Dean's List Honors during the Spring 2013 semester, which is 31% of all student-athletes

Number of teams with GPAs of 3.0 Spring 2013 semester GPA was 12

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| Women' Golf      | 3.51 |
| Women's Soccer   | 3.22 |
| Lacrosse         | 3.19 |
| Rowing           | 3.18 |
| Women's Tennis   | 3.12 |
| Women's Sailing  | 3.08 |
| Men's Tennis     | 3.07 |
| Women's Swimming | 3.06 |
| Men's Soccer     | 3.06 |
| Men's Sailing    | 3.02 |
| Field Hockey     | 3.00 |
| Wrestling        | 3.00 |



2013 Dean's List

Of the 431 Spring 2013 student-athletes, 28 (6%) student-athletes earned a 4.0 semester GPA, 238 (55%) student-athletes earned a 3.0 or higher semester GPA. (Data is based on the Spring 2013 semester GPAs)



July 1, 2013, Old Dominion University began a new era in its athletic history as a member of Conference USA.

The Monarchs are one of eight institutions that joined C-USA on July 1, bringing the league's membership for 2013-14 to 16 teams. Joining ODU as new members are Middle Tennessee, Louisiana Tech, Charlotte, Florida Atlantic, Florida International, North Texas and Texas San Antonio. East Carolina, Marshall, the University of Alabama at Birmingham, Southern Mississippi, Tulane, Tulsa, Texas El Paso and Rice comprise the rest of the league membership.

"Old Dominion University's move to Conference USA will elevate the national profile of our athletic program and provide opportunities for new levels of excellence. With its national footprint and extensive television package, Conference USA will also raise awareness of the university's outstanding academic and research programs and reach a new audience of students looking for the energetic and challenging college experience ODU offers."

Old Dominion University President John Broderick

"Conference USA has tremendous brand awareness with its members spanning 10 states, representing 12 of the top 65 media markets in the U.S. Membership in the conference will elevate the competitiveness of our sports programs to a higher national level, which in turn will assist our coaches in recruiting some of the best athletes from across the country, as well as internationally. We are delighted today to become a member of Conference USA."

ODU Athletic Director Dr. Wood Selig

"Old Dominion will be a welcome addition and a tremendous fit within our conference. Their institution enjoys a storied history, forward-thinking leadership and unlimited growth potential."

Conference USA Commissioner Britton Banowsky





## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Irving, Texas  
Established: 1994  
Commissioner: Britton Banowsky

Total Enrollment: 352,465  
Average Enrollment: 22,209  
Total Number of Student-Athletes: 9,193

Sponsored Sports: 20  
MEN (9) – Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Soccer, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field

WOMEN (11) – Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Rowing, Soccer, Softball, Swimming & Diving, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

Headquarter – [www.conferenceusa.com](http://www.conferenceusa.com)  
Twitter – @Conference\_USA  
Facebook – Conference USA  
Instagram – Conference USA  
Pinterest – Conference USA

## OVERALL MESSAGE

Conference USA is strengthening itself for the future with growing institutions, in large and thriving markets, with tremendous upside potential.

## OUR GROWTH STRATEGY HAS SIGNIFICANT FUTURE VALUE AND POTENTIAL

- Total Enrollment of 16 schools: 354,465
- Total Number of Student-Athletes: 9,193
- The metro area population for the 2013 Conference USA footprint within 14 different states is approximately 27 million. It is 17 million for the current 12 members.
- As one the largest FBS conferences in 2013, C-USA membership will include institutions in 12 of the Top 65 television markets, eight in the Top 40 and four in the Top 25 media markets according to Nielson. C-USA home markets next year will include more than 14.5 million TV households, a 43 percent increase to our current 10.1 million homes.
- C-USA is a highly-recognized national brand. The league has great television partners with Fox Sports Media Group, CBS Sports Network and ESPN.

## OUR FUTURE MEMBERSHIP IS COMPETITIVE

- Conference USA football teams posted a 4-1 bowl record in 2012 for the second year in a row. In addition to having access to the BCS in its final year, Conference USA has five primary bowl agreements and two additional secondary agreements for alternate years.
- Louisiana Tech earned wins over Illinois and Virginia, and Middle Tennessee defeated Georgia Tech. Tulsa defeated Iowa State and finished in the top 25 for the second time in three seasons.
- Seven C-USA men's basketball teams in 2013-14 will be coming off postseason appearances – Middle Tennessee in the NCAA, Southern Miss, Charlotte and Louisiana Tech in the NIT, Tulsa in the CBI and East Carolina and Tulane in the CIT. Tulsa women are coming off a NCAA berth, while East Carolina, Tulane and UAB received WNIT bids.

## OUR DIVISIONAL LINE-UP IS THE OPTIMAL STRUCTURE

- The divisional scheduling models will reduce travel for most institutions, resulting in less missed class time for student-athletes. It will also be fan-friendly and cost effective.
- By playing within divisions, rivalries will be developed and grow.

## OUR VALUES DISTINGUISH US

- Conference USA has recognized more than 22,000 student-athletes for their academic achievements. Since 2006, the number of student-athletes qualifying for the Commissioner's Honor Roll (3.0 GPA or better) has increased ,by more than 60 percent. Additionally, the number of Academic Medalists (3.75 or better) increased 125 percent in six years.
- Since 2008-09, Conference USA has acknowledged more than 150 student-athletes through the Spirit of Service Award, highlighting community outreach and athletic and academic achievements.

## OUR FUTURE MEMBERSHIP HAS MADE INVESTMENTS

- Conference USA members continue to make significant capital investments in facilities, such as the \$75 million state-of-the-art Apogee Stadium at North Texas, as well as its surrounding Mean Green Village, and FAU's new 30,000-seat stadium. Charlotte has invested in the brand new McColl-Richardson Field as home of its football team's debut.
- The Old Dominion football program has sold out every home game since 2009, when it invested more than \$55 million to reinstitute the program after a 69-year absence.
- Marshall's \$30 million Vision Campaign is enhancing their athletic and sports medicine facilities.

# CHARLOTTE

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Charlotte, N.C.  
Founded: 1946  
Enrollment: 26,232  
Nickname: 49ers  
Chancellor: Philip L. Dubois  
Athletics Director: Judy Rose  
Football Stadium: Jerry Richardson Stadium (15,000)  
Basketball Arena: Halton Arena (9,105)  
Media Market: No. 25 Charlotte (1,140,900 TV HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 17

MEN (9) – Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Soccer, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field

WOMEN (8) – Basketball, Cross Country, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [uncc.edu](http://uncc.edu)  
Athletics – [charlotte49ers.com](http://charlotte49ers.com)  
Twitter – @Charlotte49ers  
Facebook – Charlotte 49ers

## PROMINENT FACTS

- Charlotte has an enrollment of 26,232 and sponsors 16 sports, with football beginning competition in 2013 as a member of the Football Championship Series (FCS).
- The 49ers are making a return to C-USA, where they were members from 1995-2005. During that time, Charlotte went to eight NCAA Tournaments in men's basketball, winning the C-USA Championship in 1999 and 2001.
- As a member of Conference USA, the men's soccer team advanced to the 1996 NCAA College Cup. The 49ers made a return to that prestigious event in 2011.
- A research intensive university, UNC Charlotte is the fourth largest of the 16 institutions within the University of North Carolina system and the largest institution in the Charlotte region.
- The university comprises seven professional colleges and currently offers 19 doctoral programs, 64 master's degree programs and 86 bachelor's degrees. More than 900 full-time faculty comprise the university's academic departments and the 2011 fall enrollment exceeded 25,000 students. UNC Charlotte boasts more than 90,000 living alumni and adds 4,000 to 4,500 new alumni each year.

## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- CLAY AIKEN - Singer, Broadway star, American Idol runnerup
- EDDIE BASDEN - Former NBA Player & 2005 C-USA Player of the Year



- CALVIN BROCK - Heavyweight boxer
- JON BUSCH - San Jose Earthquakes goalkeeper
- ROGER CANAFF - Nationally recognized Legal Expert, Anti-violence Advocate, and Child-protection Specialist
- HEATHER CHILDERS - Fox News weekend anchor
- CHRIS HANEY - Kansas City Royals and Montreal Expos Pitcher
- MATT HARDY - Pro wrestler
- BRYAN HARVEY - California Angels and Florida Marlins pitcher
- DAVID HAUSER - Former Duke Energy CFO, Fairpoint Communications Chairman and CEO
- DeMARCO JOHNSON - Professional basketball player
- JOHN MAINE - New York Mets and Miami Marlins pitcher
- CEDRIC MAXWELL - NBA great with the Boston Celtics and commentator
- DAVE MOODY - Dove Award winning artist/producer/song writer and indie filmmaker.
- THE MOODY BROTHERS - Grammy nominated artists/musicians
- BENNY MOSS - Former UNC Wilmington head basketball coach
- ROBERT A. NIBLOCK - Lowe's Chairman, President, and CEO
- JOE POSNANSKI - *New York Times* Best Selling Author, Senior Writer at Sports Illustrated, Writer & NCB Sports
- ANNE TOMPKINS - U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina
- MELVIN WATKINS - Former head basketball coach at Charlotte and Texas A&M
- RODNEY WHITE - Professional basketball player



# FLORIDA ATLANTIC

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Boca Raton, Fla.  
Founded: 1961  
Enrollment: 30,000  
Nickname: Owls  
President: Mary Jane Saunders  
Athletics Director: Pat Chun  
Football Stadium: FAU Stadium (30,000)  
Basketball Arena: FAU Arena (5,000)  
Media Market: No. 38 West Palm Beach-Ft. Pierce (794,310 HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 19

**MEN (8)** – Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Soccer, Swimming & Diving, Tennis

**WOMEN (11)** – Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Sand Volleyball, Soccer, Softball, Swimming & Diving, Tennis, Indoor and Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [fau.edu](http://fau.edu)  
Athletics – [fausports.com](http://fausports.com)  
Twitter – @FAUOwlAthletics  
Facebook – FAU Owl Athletics

## PROMINENT FACTS

- Florida Atlantic is serving a record-high student body of 30,000 undergraduate and graduate students at sites throughout its six-county service region in Southeast Florida. Ten distinguished colleges offer more than 175 degree programs in fields that span the arts and humanities, the sciences, medicine, nursing, accounting, business, education, public administration, social work, architecture, engineering, computer science, and more. Academically accomplished students take advantage of honors programs offered on the Boca Raton and Jupiter campuses.
- A 30,000-seat football stadium opened on the Boca Raton campus in October 2011. The Florida Department of Tourism estimates game day local economic impact of \$1.7 million.
- The College of Business, with more than 8,600 students, features the Adams Center for Entrepreneurship, which prepares students in business, science, engineering and other disciplines to become entrepreneurs through business ownership or venturing. The Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine, opened in Fall 2011, has established relationships with several prominent area hospitals that are serving as sites for clerkships, hospital-based electives and residencies.
- With 44 percent of its student body classified as minority or international students, Florida Atlantic University ranks as the most racially, ethnically and culturally diverse institution in Florida's State University System.



- Florida Atlantic University students come from all 50 states, every county in Florida and more than 180 countries. Enrichment opportunities include internships, hands-on research, study abroad experiences, and 310 clubs and campus organizations.
- Florida Atlantic is taking its place among the world's great research centers and has been given the designation of a "High Research Activity" university by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. FAU faculty members won funding grants totaling more than \$48 million in 2011-12.
- Florida Atlantic University is home to the Southeast National Marine Renewable Energy Center, a federally funded research facility that is developing technology to generate energy by harnessing the power of Florida's ocean currents.

## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- ANA M. AZCUY** - First Hispanic anchor in South Florida, three-time Emmy winner
- JEFF BELIVEAU** - Chicago Cubs pitcher
- CHRIS CARRABBA** - Singer-Songwriter, Dashboard Confessional
- MARK DEAN** - VP Technical Strategy & WorldWide Operations, IBM Research
- ROB HOUSLER** - Arizona Cardinals tight end
- LESTAR JEAN** - Houston Texans wide receiver
- STEVE LeBRUN** - FAU Hall of Fame member, played in the U.S. Open
- PATRICIA McKAY** - Executive VP and CFO, Office Depot
- ALFRED MORRIS** - Washington Redskins running back
- MICKEY STOREY** - Houston Astros pitcher
- STEVEN SWANSON** - NASA Astronaut

# FIU

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Miami, Fla.  
Opened: 1972  
Enrollment: 48,000  
Nickname: Panthers  
President: Mark B. Rosenberg  
Athletics Director: Pete Garcia  
Football Stadium: Alfonso Field at FIU Stadium (20,000)  
Basketball Arena: US Century Bank Arena (5,000)  
Media Market: No. 16 Miami-Ft. Lauderdale (1,583,800 TV HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 18

**MEN (7)** – Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Soccer, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field

**WOMEN (11)** – Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Swimming & Diving, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Sand Volleyball, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [fiu.edu](http://fiu.edu)  
Athletics – [FIUsports.com](http://FIUsports.com)  
Twitter – @FIUathletics  
Facebook – FIU-SPORTS

## PROMINENT FACTS

- With a student body of nearly 48,000, Florida International is one of the 25 largest public universities in the nation. It is Miami's first and only four-year public research university.
- The school has more than 160,000 alumni More than 110,000 FIU alumni live and work in South Florida.
- There are more than 180 bachelor's, master's and doctoral programs are offered in such fields as engineering, international relations, architecture, law and medicine.
- In 2011, 89.6 percent of FIU College of Law graduates passed the Florida Bar, marking the highest passage rate of any college in Florida - nearly 10 percent better than the statewide average.
- FIU Athletics is home to more than 400 student-athletes competing in 18 varsity sports, including seven men's and 11 women's programs (men's programs: football, baseball, soccer, indoor and outdoor track and field and cross country; women's programs: basketball, golf, softball, soccer, tennis, volleyball, sand volleyball, swimming and diving, indoor and outdoor track and field and cross country).
- FIU's Modesto A. Maidique and Biscayne Bay campuses are home to seven of the finest collegiate athletics venues in the state. FIU boasts its own on-campus football stadium, Alfonso Field at FIU Stadium, which was renovated in 2008 and expanded to 20,000 seats in 2012. U.S. Century Bank Arena, home to FIU men's and women's basketball and volleyball, also has become a model facility in the City of Miami annually hosting commencement, athletics and premium entertainment events. In January, FIU finished an 11,000-square foot addition to the Arena which included a suites level, picturesque grand entrance and several, other new amenities.



- Since moving to Division I, FIU Athletics teams boast 42 NCAA Postseason Tournament appearances and 102 All-America honors.
- The FIU football program earned back-to-back bowl bids in 2010 (Little Caesars Bowl) and 2011 (Beef O'Brady's Bowl). The Panthers won the 2010 Sun Belt Championship followed by a bowl victory over MAC Champion Toledo in its first-ever postseason appearance.
- The FIU men's soccer team has been an affiliate member of Conference USA since 2005, advancing to the finals of the 2007 Championship. Men's soccer head coach Kenny Arena inherited a program that has long been a champion on the FIU campus, from its earliest days winning the NCAA Division II National Championship (1982 and 1984), and into the Division I era where it boasts eight NCAA postseason tournament berths.
- FIU baseball has been to 10 NCAA Regionals since 1991.
- Under Cindy Russo, women's basketball has advanced to 11 Division I postseason tournaments and has coached seven players who have competed professionally in the WNBA, ABL and USBL. Russo returns the NCAA scoring leader in senior Jerica Coley, who averaged 26.3 ppg in 2012-13.

## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- OMAR BAEZ JR.** - NASA launch director for Launch Services Program at John F. Kennedy Space Center
- ANTWAN BARNES** - Professional NFL American Football Player
- DR. STEPHANIE BURNS** - President & CEO of Dow Corning
- ANDY GARCIA** - Academy Award nominated actor
- ADOLFO HENRIQUES** - Chairman/CEO of Union Planters Bank-Florida
- DENNIS LEHANE** - Author of Mystic River
- KIMBERLY LEEMANS** - America's Next Top Model contestant
- MIKE LOWELL** - Major League Baseball player
- KEV MARCUS** - Violinist: hip-hop, jazz, classical
- DAWN OSTROFF** - CW Network president of entertainment
- DANNY PINO** - actor on CBS's Cold Case
- REGYNALD WASHINGTON** - Disney

# LOUISIANA TECH

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Ruston, La.  
Founded: 1894  
Enrollment: 11,743  
Nickname: Bulldogs and Lady Techsters  
President: Les Guice  
Athletics Director: Bruce Van De Velde  
Football Stadium: Joe Aillet - Ruston (30,600); Independence - Shreveport (51,000)  
Basketball Arena: Thomas Assembly Center (8,000)  
Media Market: No. 83 Shreveport (386,150 TV HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 16

**MEN (7)** – Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field  
**WOMEN (9)** – Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [LaTech.edu](http://LaTech.edu)  
Athletics – [latechsports.com](http://latechsports.com)  
Twitter – @LATECHSports  
Facebook – LA TECH Athletics

## PROMINENT FACTS

- Louisiana Tech's institution of selective admissions has resulted in high graduation rates: one of the highest in the state for the general student body as well as athletics.
- Louisiana Tech has cutting edge research facilities for nanotechnology, biomedical engineering and a Center for Entrepreneurship and Information Technology.
- More than \$200 million has been spent on construction and renovation of campus facilities new Charles Wylly Athletic Center.
- The Institute for Micromanufacturing (IfM), the most significant research facility at Louisiana Tech, focuses on the creation of structures, devices, or systems which feature sizes on the order of nanometers and micrometers and include attention to design, fabrication, inspection, testing, assembly, and packaging.
- The Center for Biomedical Engineering and Rehabilitation Science (CyBERS) is located in a donated former hospital close to the main campus. This four-story, 22,000-square-foot complex contains classrooms, research and service laboratories, offices, and support facilities. The center's research initiatives range from cardiopulmonary support systems and micro biomedical devices to technology-based services for people with disabilities.
- An extensive and growing research unit boasting an entrepreneurial edge offers a wide learning foundation for the Doctor of Business Administration degree (D.B.A.) in the College of Administration and Business (CAB). The CAB has a long-standing tradition of excellence, demonstrated by its 50-plus years of accreditation by the Association to Advance Collegiate



Schools of Business (AACSB International). Over the past six years, CAB has achieved remarkable enrollment growth with a 44 percent increase in graduate and undergraduate students.

- The Louisiana Tech Lady Techster basketball program has participated in 27 NCAA Tournaments, including 25 straight, advancing to 13 Final Fours, playing in eight national championship games and winning three national titles.
- Former men's basketball star Karl Malone is the second all-time leading scorer in the history of the NBA and was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- LEON BARMORE** - Five-time Hall of Famer
- TERRY BRADSHAW** - NFL Hall of Fame Quarterback, FOX Sports television personality
- KIX BROOKS** - American country music artist, half of the duo Brooks & Dunn
- P.J. BROWN** - Three-time NBA All-Defensive team honoree
- TIM FLOYD** - UTEP head coach and former NBA head coach
- CHERYL FORD** - 2003 WNBA Rookie of the Year
- KARL MALONE** - Two-time NBA Most Valuable Player and 14-time NBA All-Star
- MIKE MCCALLISTER** - CEO and Chairman of the Board, Humana Corp
- WILLIE ROAF** - Pro Football Hall of Fame (Summer, 2012); Eight-time NFL Pro Bowl offensive tackle
- TERESA WEATHERSPOON** - Five-time WNBA All-Star; Olympic Gold Medalist
- CHARLES WYLY** - CEO of Michaels Corp
- SAM WYLY** - Founder of Bonanza Restaurants with Charles Wyle

# MARSHALL

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Huntington, W.Va.  
Founded: 1837  
Enrollment: 13,814  
Nickname: Thundering Herd  
President: Dr. Stephen J. Kopp  
Athletics Director: Mike Hamrick  
Football Stadium: Joan C. Edwards Stadium (38,019)  
Basketball Arena: Cam Henderson Center (9,043)  
Media Market: No. 65 Charleston-Huntington (465,030)

## Sponsored Sports: 16

**MEN (6)** – Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Soccer  
**WOMEN (10)** – Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Swimming & Diving, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [www.marshall.edu](http://www.marshall.edu)  
Athletics – [www.HerdZone.com](http://www.HerdZone.com)  
Twitter – @Herd\_Zone  
Facebook – Marshall University Athletics

## PROMINENT FACTS

- The Vision Campaign is a historic and unprecedented \$30 million facilities capital campaign at Marshall. It was created to enhance sports medicine and establish both academic and athletic centers of excellence that include an indoor practice facility with a NCAA-approved track, a Soccer Stadium Complex, a Sports Medicine Translational Research Center and a Student-Athlete Academic Center.
- Marshall boasts more than 100,000 living alumni.
- The Thundering Herd volleyball team swept the 2005 Conference USA regular season and tournament titles, while also winning the 2007 regular season title.
- Marshall is undergoing tremendous growth all across its 100-acre campus. In addition to the \$30 million athletic renovations, there have also been several other openings on campus that include the School of Physical Therapy at the St. Mary's Education Center (2012), the renovated Medical Education Building for School of Pharmacy (2012), the Erickson Alumni & Foundation Center (2010) and a 123,000-square-foot Recreation Center (2009).
- After winning the 1996 NCAA Division I-AA National Championship in 1996, Marshall moved up to the FBS and teams have gone to nine bowl games in that span.
- Marshall opened its Pharmacy School in 2012, with the first graduating class in 2016.
- In 2009, Marshall's Forensic Science Graduate Program ranked No. 1 in the nation based upon scores on the Forensic Science Assessment Test (FSAT), which is a qualifying test



offered by the American Board of Criminalistics. In 2011, the school's Digital Forensics Program was the first program in the world to obtain full accreditation in digital forensics from the Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission (FEPAC).

## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- BILLY CRYSTAL** - Actor, comedian
- VERNA K. GIBSON** - First woman to lead a Fortune 500 company (Limited Stores)
- HAL GREER** - One of the 50 greatest players in NBA history, member of the Hall of Fame
- JOE JOHNS** - Award-winning NBC News correspondent
- BYRON LEFTWICH** - NFL Quarterback
- J. MARK MCVEY** - Broadway singer, most famous for his role in "Les Miserables"
- CHAD PENNINGTON** - Heisman Trophy finalist, former NFL quarterback and current FOX analyst
- SOUPY SALES** - Well-known television personality and comedian
- MARVIN L. STONE** - Former editor of *U.S. News and World Report*
- F. SELBY WELLMAN** - Former Senior Vice President with Cisco Systems, Inc., a worldwide leader in networking for the Internet

# MIDDLE TENNESSEE

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Murfreesboro, Tenn.  
Founded: 1911  
Enrollment: 25,394  
Nickname: Blue Raiders  
President: Dr. Sidney McPhee  
Athletics Director: Chris Massaro  
Football Stadium: Johnny "Red" Floyd (30,788)  
Basketball Arena: Murphy Center (11,520)  
Media Market: No. 29 Nashville (1,024,560 HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 17

**MEN (8)** – Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field  
**WOMEN (9)** – Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [mtsu.edu](http://mtsu.edu)  
Athletics – [GoBlueRaiders.com](http://GoBlueRaiders.com)  
Twitter – [@mtathletics](https://twitter.com/mtathletics)  
Facebook – [Blue Raider Athletics](https://www.facebook.com/BlueRaiderAthletics)

## PROMINENT FACTS

- Middle Tennessee is the No. 1 choice of Tennessee undergraduates and offers more than 200 student organizations.
- First University Honors College at a public university in Tennessee
- The University recently opened a new \$65 million, 211,000-square-foot Student Union Building. It's as long as one and-one-half football fields and is a state-of-the-art conference and meeting center. But most important: it is a true gathering place for students, a place where they can hang out, collaborate and unwind.
- Work is underway on a new \$147-million Science Building project. This 250,000-square-foot facility, to be ready in time for the spring semester in 2015, represents one of the most significant investments made toward the enhancement of science and technology education in Tennessee.
- MTSU's new Doctor of Education in Assessment, Learning and School Improvement program, the first of its kind in Tennessee. It was designed by teachers and administrators and specifically focuses on tools and skills needed by leadership of today's schools and districts.
- In 12 years in the Sun Belt Conference, Middle Tennessee won eight All-Sports trophies, 54 conference championships, had four Athletes of the Year and 38 Coach of the Year winners.
- Middle Tennessee Aerospace Department is one of the nation's finest with fleet of more than 25 planes.



- The Aerospace Department has one of the largest university Air Traffic Collegiate Training Initiative (AT-CTI) programs in the country. This program allows graduates to be recommended to the FAA for the final segment of Air Traffic Controller Training and hiring. AT-CTI is independent of the five aerospace concentrations, allowing any MTSU Aerospace student to enter the program. Aerospace graduates hold responsible positions with companies throughout the United States and Internationally.
- MTSU is home to America's premier concrete industry management program where job placement is better than 90 percent.

## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- **JAMES BUCHANAN** - 1986 Nobel Laureate
- **ALBERT GORE SR.** - Former U.S. Senator
- **REP. BART GORDON** - Former U.S. Congressman
- **KELLY HOLCOMB** - Former NFL quarterback
- **HILLARY SCOTT** - Member of country music group Lady Antebellum
- **TERRY WEEKS** - 1988 National Teacher of the Year
- **CHRIS YOUNG** - Country music artist
- **ERIK WALDEN** - Linebacker, Indianapolis Colts
- **RANDY WOOD** - Founder of DOT Records

# NORTH TEXAS

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Denton, Texas  
Founded: 1890  
Enrollment: 36,305  
Nickname: Mean Green  
President: V. Lane Rawlins  
Athletics Director: Rick Villarreal  
Football Stadium: Apogee Stadium (30,850)  
Basketball Arena: Super Pit/Coliseum (10,500)  
Media Market: No. 5 Dallas-Ft. Worth (2,571,310 TV HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 16

**MEN (6)** – Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field  
**WOMEN (10)** – Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Swimming & Diving, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [unt.edu](http://unt.edu)  
Athletics – [meangreensports.com](http://meangreensports.com)  
Twitter – [@MeanGreenSports](https://twitter.com/MeanGreenSports)  
Facebook – [Mean Green Sports](https://www.facebook.com/MeanGreenSports)

## PROMINENT FACTS

- UNT has 12 colleges and schools offering 214 degree programs. North Texas boasts the first jazz studies and undergraduate emergency administration and planning programs in the U.S.
- UNT's Fall 2011 student body includes the most academically talented and largest freshman class, as well as the largest enrollment of doctoral students in UNT history.
- UNT is one of nine public universities in the nation with more than 5,000 Hispanic students and more than 4,000 African American students.
- As the nation's 26th largest public university, UNT is the largest, most comprehensive university in the North Texas region.
- UNT has developed 15 collaborative, cross-disciplinary research clusters and six strategic research areas to carry out innovative, high-impact research to address scientific, environmental and societal problems. There are 68 research centers and institutes on campus.
- UNT is a 900-acre campus that includes Discovery Park, a 300-acre research park that is one of the largest university research parks in the North Texas region.
- UNT has been named a top Military Friendly School by G.I. Jobs and a Best for Vets School by Military Times EDGE two years in a row. More than 2,500 members of the military community and their families attend UNT.
- UNT has more than 1,300 students in its Honors College, which is the largest in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.
- UNT's alumni network includes more than 336,000 members, with more than 216,000 alumni living in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.
- UNT was the first comprehensive training/research center for Spanish language media
- UNT boasts the first and only Ph.D. program in art education and only accredited professional journalism master's program in Texas.
- The medical librarianship graduate program ranked third nationally by *U.S. News & World Report*.
- UNT named one of America's 100 Best College Buys® for 16 consecutive years.
- UNT named a Green College by *The Princeton Review* two years in a row.



- Since 2003, North Texas has developed more than 12 new athletics facilities as part of a 200-acre Mean Green Village. Competition venues, training facilities and meeting space have been upgraded for all 16 sports since then, including the crown jewel - brand new \$78 million state-of-the-art Apogee Stadium that opened in 2011.
- The North Texas men's golf team has continued its historical success, winning its 28th conference championship in 2012. The team will be making its 30th NCAA Tournament appearance.
- The Mean Green's women's soccer program has never had a losing season since beginning the program in 1995. The team has advanced to eight of the last 12 Sun Belt Conference championship games and made two NCAA Tournament appearances since 2000. The North Texas men's basketball program has won 20 games in five of the last six seasons and made two NCAA Tournament appearances during that span.

## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- **PAT BOONE** - Singer; actor; entertainer
- **THOMAS HADEN CHURCH** - Actor
- **BOB DOROUGH** - Jazz musician, composer and music director of Schoolhouse Rock
- **MICHAEL FAIRCLOTH** - Fashion designer; designer to First Lady Laura Bush
- **PHYLLIS GEORGE** - Miss America 1971; broadcaster with NFL Today; entrepreneur
- **"MEAN" JOE GREENE** - NFL Hall of Fame; DL for the five-time Super Bowl Champion Pittsburgh Steelers in the 1970s
- **DON HENLEY** - Grammy-winning singer and musician; member of The Eagles and solo artist; environmental activist
- **NORAH JONES** - Grammy winning vocalist
- **TOM "BONES" MALONE** - Trombonist; member of the original Saturday Night Live band; currently serves as the principal arranger and trombonist for the *Late Show with David Letterman*
- **KERRY GAMMILL** - Cartoonist; created Superman, Indiana Jones and ROM comic strips
- **LARRY MCMURTRY** - Writer; Pulitzer Prize winner; shared the Golden Globe for Best Screenplay and an Oscar for Best Adapted Screenplay of *Brokeback Mountain*.
- **BILL MOYERS** - Television journalist; former chief correspondent for CBS Reports and senior news analyst for CBS News; former press secretary for President Lyndon Baines Johnson
- **DR. PHIL MCGRAW** - Self-help expert
- **SAM MOON** - Owner of Sam Moon Trading Company
- **JANE NELSON** - Texas State Senator, Senate District 12
- **ROY ORBISON** - Singer and guitarist
- **RON SHANKLIN** - NFL Football player
- **MARY SUHM** - City Manager, City of Dallas
- **BRIAN WATERS** - 2009 Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year and six-time Pro Bowler
- **PETER WELLER** - Actor; starred in *Robocop* and *Buckaroo Bonzai*

# RICE

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Houston, Texas  
Founded: 1891/1912  
Enrollment: 6,082  
Nickname: Owls  
President: David W. Leebron  
Athletics Director: Rick Greenspan  
Football Stadium: Rice Stadium (47,000)  
Basketball Arena: Tudor Fieldhouse (5,208)  
Media Market: No. 10 Houston (2,215,650 HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 16

**MEN (8)** – Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field

**WOMEN (8)** – Basketball, Cross Country, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [www.rice.edu](http://www.rice.edu)  
Athletics – [www.RiceOwls.com](http://www.RiceOwls.com)  
Twitter – @riceowlsdotcom  
Facebook – RiceAthletics

## PROMINENT FACTS

- Rice claimed the 2012 Armed Forces Bowl title with a 33-14 win over Air Force. It was the Owls' third bowl appearance since joining Conference USA and 10th overall.
- Rice baseball has qualified for the last 18 NCAA Tournaments, including seven College World Series appearances and a 2003 National Championship title. The Owls have won either the regular season and/or tournament title in all seven years as a member of Conference USA. They have hosted an NCAA Regional in 10 of the last 12 seasons.
- The Rice Board of Trustees approved a \$44.5 million project at Rice Stadium that will include construction of a two-story facility near the south end zone, eight suites, a plaza area and other deferred maintenance to the 61-year-old stadium. A \$27 million renovation of Tudor Fieldhouse was also completed within the last five years.
- Rice's small size allows personal interaction between students and professors, while the faculty fosters the intellectual excitement of a major research university. Undergraduates at all levels participate in cutting-edge research with world-class faculty in the humanities, social sciences, engineering and natural sciences. Premier architecture and music professors enhance classroom experiences with their exceptional talent and artistry.
- Rice offers a residential college system that builds communities that are both close-knit and diverse.



## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- **LANCE BERKMAN** - St. Louis Cardinals, Houston Astros, Texas Rangers and MLB All-Star
- **RON BOZMAN** - Academy Award-winning producer of "Silence of the Lambs"; Executive producer for "Philadelphia," "Beloved", and "For Love of the Game."
- **WILLIAM BROYLES** - Former editor, *Texas Monthly*; former editor-in-chief, *Newsweek*; screenwriter
- **JAMES CASEY** - Philadelphia Eagles Tight End
- **ROBERT CURL** - Nobel Laureate (1996)
- **CHARLES DUNCAN** - Former U.S. Secretary of Energy, former president of Coca-Cola
- **HENRY HERNANDEZ** - Managing director, Soza International
- **ROY HOFHEINZ** - State legislator, judge, sports magnate, circus owner, radio tycoon
- **MARY E. JOHNSTON** - Editor, *Fortune*; originated the Fortune 500
- **LARRY McMURTRY** - Pulitzer Prize winner; author, "Lonesome Dove," "Terms of Endearment" and "Last Picture Show"
- **JIM NEWMAN** - NASA astronaut
- **SAM REED** - President and CEO of Keebler

# SOUTHERN MISS

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Hattiesburg, Miss.  
Founded: 1910  
Enrollment: 17,254  
Nickname: Golden Eagles  
President: Dr. Rodney Bennett  
Athletics Director: Jeff Hammond  
Football Stadium: M.M. Roberts Stadium (36,000)  
Basketball Arena: Reed Green Coliseum (8,095)  
Media Market: No. 167 Hattiesburg-Laurel (111,560 HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 16

**MEN (7)** - Baseball, Basketball, Football, Golf, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field

**WOMEN (9)** – Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [www.usm.edu](http://www.usm.edu)  
Athletics – [www.southernmiss.com](http://www.southernmiss.com)  
Twitter – @USMGoldenEagles  
Facebook – Southern Miss Athletics

## PROMINENT FACTS

- Southern Miss football compiled 18 straight winning seasons from 1994 to 2011. The Golden Eagles have also made 14 bowl appearances and won five league titles since becoming a member of Conference USA in 1996.
- The men's basketball team advanced to the 2012 NCAA Championship as an at-large selection.
- The Golden Eagles baseball team made NCAA Regional appearances nine of the last 11 seasons, advancing to the College World Series in 2009. Southern Miss also claims three C-USA baseball championship titles.
- The University is continually recognized for having the highest graduation rate in the state among men's athletic programs.
- Southern Miss was named a "Green College" by The Princeton Review for its commitment to sustainability. Additionally, students log more than 40,000 hours of community service each year.
- Southern Miss ranked among the nation's top business school by U.S. News & World Report twice in the last three years.
- The Southern Miss softball team made back-to-back College World Series appearances in 1999 and 2000.



## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- **JIMMY BUFFETT** - Singer, songwriter, author
- **JIM "PEANUTS" DAVENPORT** - Former manager of Major League Baseball's San Francisco Giants
- **BRIAN DOZIER** - Minnesota Twins Infielder
- **BRETT FAVRE** - First three-time NFL MVP, led the Green Bay Packers to two consecutive Super Bowls
- **GARY GRUBBS** - Hollywood actor
- **RAY GUY** - Former NFL standout punter, was selected as NFL's top punter when the league selected its 75th anniversary ,team
- **EDWIN PITTMAN** - Chief Justice of the Mississippi Supreme Court
- **CHUCK SCARBOROUGH** - Anchor for WNBC News in New York
- **BRIGADIER GENERAL ROBERT L. STEWART** - Director of Plans for the United States Space Command and Commander of the U.S. Army element, North American Aerospace Defense NASA in 1978, qualifying as an astronaut the following year
- **CLARENCE WEATHERSPOON** - Former NBA star

# UAB

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Birmingham, Ala.  
Founded: 1969  
Enrollment: 17,545  
Nickname: Blazers  
President: Dr. Ray L. Watts  
Athletics Director: Brian Mackin  
Football Stadium: Legion Field (72,000)  
Basketball Arena: Bartow Arena (8,500)  
Media Market: No. 39 Birmingham (738,790 HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 18

**MEN (6)** - Baseball, Basketball, Football, Golf, Soccer, Tennis

**WOMEN (11)** - Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Golf, Rifle, Soccer, Sand Volleyball, Softball, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University - [www.uab.edu](http://www.uab.edu)  
Athletics - [www.uabsports.com](http://www.uabsports.com)  
Twitter - @UABAthletics  
Facebook - UAB Blazers

## PROMINENT FACTS

- UAB men's basketball has attained a large amount of success in a relatively short time frame. In just its 35th season, the Blazers have earned 14 NCAA berth and have participated in 11 NITs in the postseason. Eight of those 25 appearances have been in the last 10 years, advancing to four NCAA Championships (2004, 2005, 2006, 2011) and four NITs (2003, 2008, 2009, 2010). UAB is also on pace to records its 700th win in program history in 2013. The Blazers are ranked No. 26 among NCAA Division I all-time winningest men's basketball programs in terms of winning percentage.
- Former UAB golfer and two-time Conference USA Player of the Year Graeme McDowell won the 2010 U.S. Open.
- UAB is Alabama's largest single employer with more than 23,000 employees and an annual economic impact exceeding \$5 billion.
- The Blazers have also enjoyed an abundance of success with their Olympic Sports. Among the program's more recent Olympic Sports accomplishments include a Conference USA title and NCAA berth for baseball in 2012, six NCAA Championships for men's soccer in the past 14 years and seven NCAA Regional and/or National Championship appearances for men's golf in the past 14 years. UAB softball made its first NCAA appearance in 2010 and returned to the national tournament in 2011 and 2012.
- Within athletics, 15 of 16 UAB sports earned APR scores of 950 or better for the 2010-11 year with women's golf just below that mark at 946. Six Blazer teams finished with perfect APR scores of 1,000 for the 2010-11 year.



- UAB has seen record overall enrollment for three consecutive years. In the fall of 2011, UAB welcomed 17,575 students and its largest freshman class of more than 1,600, with two-thirds of those freshman living on campus.
- Forbes lists UAB among the Top 20 percent of all U.S. institutions and The Princeton Review has ranked the University among the Top 10 nationally for three consecutive years.
- UAB is ranked 31st nationally for funding research and development funding, attracting more than \$460 million in 2010.

## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- **DR. REGINA M. BENJAMIN** - First African-American woman and the first person younger than 40, to be elected to the American Medical Association Board of Trustees
- **LARRY J. DeLUCAS** - Director of UAB's Center for Biophysical Sciences and Engineering. Was a payload specialist on a 1992 voyage of the space shuttle Columbia
- **VONETTA FLOWERS** - First African-American to win a gold medal in a winter Olympics (bobsled)
- **ALLEN FRANKLIN** - CEO of Georgia Power
- **GRAEME McDOWELL** - Professional golfer, 2010 U.S. Open winner
- **SANDRA L. MELNICK** - Chief of the analytic epidemiology research branch of the National Cancer Institute
- **CHARLES A. NOONEY** - Instrumental in the launching of the Toon Disney television network
- **MICHAEL E. STEPHENS** - Executive director of the internationally renowned Lakeshore Rehabilitation Hospital in Birmingham
- **RODDY WHITE** - NFL Pro Bowler and first round draft pick in 2005 for Atlanta Falcons

# UTEP

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: El Paso, Texas  
Founded: 1914  
Enrollment: 22,640  
Nickname: Miners  
President: Dr. Diana Natalicio  
Athletics Director: Bob Stull  
Football Stadium: Sun Bowl (51,500)  
Basketball Arena: Don Haskins Center (12,000)  
Media Market: No. 91 El Paso (339,130 HH)

## Sponsored Sports: 16

**MEN (6)** - Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field

**WOMEN (9)** - Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

**COED (1)** - Rifle

## ON THE WEB

University - [www.utep.edu](http://www.utep.edu)  
Athletics - [www.utepathletics.com](http://www.utepathletics.com)  
Twitter - @UTEPAthletics  
Facebook - UTEP Athletics

## PROMINENT FACTS

- UTEP has won a combined of 25 NCAA Division I national championships while claiming 77 conference titles. Perhaps the most notable of the achievements was the men's basketball team beating Kentucky to win the 1966 NCAA Basketball Championship. The game had a huge impact on race and sport, with the Miners becoming the first team to start five African Americans. UTEP remains the only Division I university in the state of Texas to win an NCAA men's basketball national championship.
- Other national crowns for UTEP include 13 by men's track & field and seven from men's cross country.
- UTEP has won four C-USA Men's Cross Country titles, including three consecutive from 2005-2007. The 2007 team record the league's first perfect score of 15 by claiming the top five individual spots.
- UTEP was ranked by *Washington Monthly* magazine #12 in the U.S. (between #11 Harvard and #13 Michigan) for overall impact on students, surrounding region and the nation.
- UTEP's research expenditures have grown steadily to more than \$76 million per year.
- UTEP recently invested \$400 million to build state-of-the-art facilities in research, teaching, student support and athletics.



## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- **NATE ARCHIBALD** - NBA Hall of Famer, chosen as one of the Top 50 Greatest NBA Players
- **BOB BEAMON** - Olympic gold medalist, world record holder in track and field
- **HANK COHEN** - President, MGM Television
- **ANTONIO DAVIS** - Former NBA All-Star
- **SAM DONALDSON** - ABC News veteran
- **MAJOR GENERAL STANLEY E. GREEN** - U.S. Army
- **TIM HARDAWAY** - Former NBA All-Star, Olympic gold medalist
- **SHOSHANA JOHNSON** - U.S. Army Specialist, former Iraq POW
- **SETH JOYNER** - 1991 NFL Defensive Player of the Year, two-time Super Bowl champion
- **BOB O'REAR** - One of the founders of Microsoft
- **NOLAN RICHARDSON** - Former collegiate men's basketball head coach

# UTSA

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: San Antonio, Texas

Founded: 1969

Enrollment: 30,474

Nickname: Roadrunners

President: Dr. Ricardo Romo

Athletics Director: Lynn Hickey

Football Stadium: Alamodome (65,000)

Basketball Arena: Convocation Center (4,080)

Media Market: No. 36 San Antonio (881,050 TV HH)

Sponsored Sports: 17

MEN (8) - Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field

WOMEN (9) - Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [utsa.edu](http://utsa.edu)

Athletics – [goutsa.com](http://goutsa.com)

Twitter – @UTSAathletics

Facebook – UTSA Athletics

## PROMINENT FACTS

- The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) is an emerging Tier One research institution specializing in health, energy, security, sustainability, and human and social development. With nearly 31,000 students, it is the largest university in the San Antonio metropolitan region.
- UTSA advances knowledge through research and discovery, teaching and learning, community engagement and public service. The university embraces multicultural traditions and serves as a center for intellectual and creative resources as well as a catalyst for socioeconomic development and the commercialization of intellectual property – for Texas, the nation and the world.
- In April 2012, UTSA publicly launched its inaugural capital campaign with an initial goal of \$120 million. In May 2013, UTSA announced it met its capital campaign goal with two years to go. It has since extended the campaign goal to \$175 million. The next phase of the campaign will focus on greater investment in graduate students who conduct research, undergraduate programs that bring top students to UTSA, faculty research that fuels innovation and discovery, and athletics facilities.
- One of the youngest athletics departments in the country, UTSA began competing in 1981 and boasts 64 conference championships, more than 20 NCAA postseason appearances, 28 All-Americans and 16 Academic All-Americans. As a member of the Southland Conference from 1991-2012, the department won 55 league titles and captured the Commissioner's Cup in 2007-08 and 2010-11. The Roadrunners will join Conference USA on July 1, 2013, after spending one year in the Western Athletic Conference.



## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- ROXANNE AUSTIN - Former President and COO of DirecTV
- MICHELLE BEADL - Sports reporter for NBC Sports and cohost of *Access Hollywood*
- DEVIN BROWN - Eight-year NBA veteran
- JEFF CLARKE - Vice Chairman and President of Dell
- DAYNA DEVON - Journalist and co-host of the infotainment show *Extra*
- JOHAN EDFORS - Professional golfer
- JOHN ENGATES - Chief Technology Officer of Rackspace
- MIKE GARCIA - CFO and Senior VP of Omni Hotels
- ARLEN GLENEWINKEL JR. - VP and Controller of Tesoro
- ROLANDO GOMEZ - Professional photographer & author
- CLAY KILLINGER - Senior VP and Controller of Valero Energy Corporation
- WILLIAM E. MORROW - Founder of Grande Communications
- GEORGE MULLER - Vice President of Imperial Sugar
- JAMES MBOWE NYONDO - Malawian lawyer, development worker, and Presidential candidate of Malawi
- MARIO MARCEL SALAS - African-American civil rights leader
- KIM SPRADLIN - Winner of CBS *Survivor: One World*

# WESTERN KENTUCKY

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Bowling Green, Ky.

Founded: 1906

Enrollment: 21,124

Nickname: Hilltoppers

President: Dr. Gary A. Ransdell

Athletics Director: Todd Stewart

Football Stadium: Houchens Industries-L.T. Smith Stadium (22,113)

Basketball Arena: E.A. Diddle Arena (7,326)

Sponsored Sports: 19

MEN (9) - Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Swimming, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field

WOMEN (10) - Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Swimming & Diving, Tennis, Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field, Volleyball

## ON THE WEB

University – [www.wku.edu](http://www.wku.edu)

Athletics – [www.wkusports.com](http://www.wkusports.com)

Twitter – @WKUsports

Facebook – WKU Athletics

## PROMINENT FACTS

- Western Kentucky offers 88 academic majors to its 21,124 students. As the fastest growing university in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, enrollment has grown 15 years in a row and up a total of 45 percent since 1997.
- Since Dr. Gary Ransdell became president in 1997, Western Kentucky has seen \$650 million in new construction or renovation. More than \$100 million of that amount has been allocated to athletic facilities.
- The WKU men's basketball program has the 18th most victories in the history of the NCAA. The school has been to the NCAA Tournament 23 times and advanced to the NCAA Final Four in 1971. WKU also made three appearances in the NIT Final Four while it was the premier post-season tournament. In *Street & Smith's* "100 Greatest Programs", Western Kentucky ranked #31. WKU also recorded the first 30 win season in NCAA history in the 1937-1938 season with a record of 30-3.
- The Hilltopper Sports Satellite Network (HSSN) has helped WKU men's basketball make more than 150 national television appearances in the last five seasons. HSSN works through a partnership with the university, WKYU-PBS and WKU Athletics. HSSN also unveiled a \$2 million high definition production truck to televise games in full HD.
- WKU men's basketball annually led the Sun Belt in season ticket sales, women's basketball has seen a fan increase of more than 70 percent since 2007 and the football season ticket base has quadrupled since its transition to the FBS level.
- Western Kentucky is within a five-hour drive of 10 major cities that have a combined metro population of 17.8 million. More than 35,000 WKU alumni live within 90 minutes of Bowling Green.



## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- MICHAEL CARD - Contemporary Christian music artist
- JOHN CARPENTER - Film Director (*Halloween*, *Escape from L.A.*)
- DAMON W. COOPER - U.S. Navy Vice Admiral and the first Chief of U.S. Naval Reserve
- ROMEO CRENNEL - Former NFL head coach, Cleveland Browns & Kansas City Chiefs
- CLAIRE DONAHUE - 2012 Summer Olympic Games Gold Medalist swimmer
- STEVE GORMAN - Drummer for The Black Crowes
- JULIAN GOODMAN - Former president of NBC
- LARNELLE HARRIS - Gospel Singer
- CORDELL HULL - Secretary of State under FDR, Nobel Peace Prize winner
- COURTNEY LEE - Boston Celtics guard
- MATT LONG - Actor (*Mad Men*, *Private Practice*)
- CHARLES NAPIER - Actor
- EDWIN L. NORRIS - Former Governor of Montana
- KENNY PERRY - Professional golfer
- LARRY C. RENFRO - CEO of Optum and Executive Vice President at UnitedHealth Group
- MICHAEL ROSENBAUM - Actor (*Smallville*)
- DAVID SCHRAMM - Actor (*Wings*)
- CHRIS TURNER - New York Yankees catcher
- TERENCE W. WILCUTT - United States astronaut

# FIELD HOCKEY



# ROWING



# WRESTLING



# WOMEN'S LACROSSE



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ODU Athletic Director Wood Selig.



