



NC STATE MEN'S SOCCER

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549 ALL-TIME WINS • 16 NCAA TOURNAMENT APPEARANCES • 124 ALL-ACC SELECTIONS • 21 10+ WIN SEASONS

NC STATE

Overall: 5-3-0

ACC: 1-1-0 | vs. Ranked: 0-1-0

Home: 5-0-0 | Away: 0-3-0 | Neutral: 0-0-0

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
8/13	SOUTH CAROLINA (EXH)	W 5-1
8/16	CAMPBELL (EXH)	W 2-0
8/19	VCU (EXH)	W, 3-1
8/25	RADFORD	W, 3-1
8/28	USC UPSTATE	W, 3-0
9/1	at #13 UCF	L, 1-3
9/4	at Stetson	L, 0-3
9/8	BOSTON COLLEGE *	W, 2-0
9/12	HOWARD	W, 3-1
9/16	at Virginia*	L, 1-3
9/20	NORTH FLORIDA	W, 1-0
9/24	at Louisville*	
9/27	GARDNER-WEBB	
10/1	NOTRE DAME*	
10/6	WAKE FOREST *	
10/10	AMERICAN	
10/13	at DUKE *	
10/17	HIGH POINT	
10/22	at Syracuse	
10/27	CLEMSON	

All times (ET) are subject to change

CAPS - home games

* - ACC contest

^ - ACC Tournament

Rankings: United Soccer Coaches at time of competition

ACC STANDINGS

ATLANTIC DIVISION (FINAL REG. SEASON)

SCHOOL	ACC	TOTAL	ACC PTS
Clemson	1-1-0	5-2-1	3
NC State	1-1-0	5-3-1	3
Syracuse	0-0-2	3-1-3	2
Louisville	0-1-1	5-1-1	1
Wake Forest	0-1-1	4-1-3	1
Boston College	0-1-1	2-2-3	1

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MATCH 9



**NC STATE
WOLFPACK**

5-3-0
Head Coach:
George Kiefer

Date.....Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023
 Site.....Louisville, KY.
 Field/Stadium.....Dr. Mark & Cindy Lynn Stadium
 Kickoff Time.....7 PM
 Broadcast.....ACCNX

**LOUISVILLE
CARDINALS**



5-1-1
Head Coach:
John Michael Hayden

PACK FACTS

A WIN ON SUNDAY WOULD

- Be the 550th win in program history (549-480-108)
- Be the 211th win in Kiefer's head coaching career (210-131-71)
- Be Kiefer's 49th victory at NC State (48-45-20)

SERIES HISTORY (4-4-2)

- Sunday will be the 12th meeting between the two teams.
- Louisville won the last meeting 1-0 in Raleigh a year ago.
- NC State's last win in the series came back in 2019, a 2-1 road win.

LAST TIME OUT

Co-captain Will Buete scored on a penalty kick in the 86th minute as the Wolfpack defeated North Florida, 1-0, at Dail Soccer Stadium.

HOT HOME START

A win over North Florida improved the Wolfpack to 5-0 at home this season. The 5-0 start at Dail Soccer Field ties best start to a home slate under Kiefer. The Wolfpack also started 5-0 at home during the 2018 season. NC State is the only ACC team undefeated at home this year.

WELCOME TO THE (SCORING) PARTY

Freshman Yuta Toya scored his first goal of the season against Howard. Toya and Ervin Cruz are the only freshmen who have scored this season for the Wolfpack.

KENDALL ON THE CAMERA

Graduate Kendall Edwards has been resourceful on and off the field. The Liburn, Georgia native is active in the NC State Athletics creative videos department. Edwards records and produces game highlights for men's and women's tennis in the spring. He's even done some videos for both soccer programs this fall.

DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY

Four members of the NC State soccer program have already earned their undergraduate degrees and are currently enrolled in graduate programs: Kendall Edwards, Scotty Taylor, Cam Murray and Jeremiah Luoma.

WELCOME TO RALEIGH

Scotty Taylor played 66 games at Duke before transferring in the offseason. In the opener against Radford, Taylor scored the first goal of the 2023 season off an assists from freshman Yuta Toya. • A total of four new faces made their NC State debut in the starting lineup versus Radford: Taylor (transfer), Toya (true freshman), Emil Thyregod (true freshman), Gabi Velez (true freshman).

THE FORCE IS STRONG WITH THIS ONE

After missing most of the preseason action Luke Hille has made an impact. Hille has a team-high three goals through the first five games.

2023 SQUAD

The full breakdown of NC State's 2023 squad includes 15 returners and 14 newcomers (11 freshmen, 3 transfers).

- Graduate Kendall Edwards and junior Will Buete were named cocaptains for the 2023 campaign.
- The Pack brings back four of its top five scorers from 2022. Luke Hille scored three goals (8 points) last season.
- In total, NC State has five of its 11 goal scorers from 2022 back with the team in 2023. Those five men accounted for nine of the team's goals last season.
- NC State returns 15 players who saw action in at least one contest in 2022.

200 FOR KIEFER

George Kiefer hit the 200 career win milestone in the Pack's season opener. He became the sixth active ACC coach to hit that mark. Kiefer accomplished the 200 wins in 389 career games that have spanned his 20-year career.

STACKED SCHEDULE

NC State plays 11 home games at Dail Soccer Complex this fall, including four ACC opponents. Five opponents on the Wolfpack schedule finished in the Top 25 of the final Division I men's soccer rankings.

2022 REWIND

The Pack went 6-7-4 (1-5-2 ACC) during the 2022 season. • NC State went 6-1-2 in non-conference matches.

TEAM LEADERS

GOALS	ASSISTS	POINTS	SHOTS	SHUTOUTS
Luke Hille 5	Yuta Toya 3	Luke Hille 10	Luke Hille 20	Lucas Hatsios 2
Junior Nare 3	Jarvis Cleal 1	Junior Nare 7	Yuta Toya 14	Ben Voase 1
Will Buete 3	Scotty Taylor 1	Will Buete 6	Junior Nare 12	
Three tied 1	Ervin Cruz 1	Yuta Toya 5	Ervin Cruz 9	
	Gabi Velez 1	Ervin Cruz 3	Hakim Karamoko 8	
	Junior Nare 1	Scotty Taylor 3		
				GOALS AGAINST AVERAGE
				Lucas Hatsios 1.111
				Ben Voase 1.429

NC STATE QUICK NOTES

TEAM HISTORY

First Season.....	1950
Field.....	Dail Soccer Field
All-Time Record.....	549-480-108 (.533)
All-Time ACC Record.....	115-257-54 (.309)
ACC Tournament Appearances.....	31
ACC Tournament Record.....	14-29-6
ACC Tournament Titles.....	1 (1990)
NCAA Tournament Appearances.....	16 (last in 2019)
NCAA Tournament Record.....	6-15-2

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TEAM INFORMATION

2022 Record.....	6-7-4
2022 ACC Record.....	1-5-2
2022 Conference Finish.....	11th
2022 ACC Tournament.....	0-1
2022 Postseason.....	N/A
2022 Nonconference Record.....	5-2-2
Starters Returning/Lost (10+ starts).....	3/7
Newcomers.....	14 (11 freshmen, 3 transfers)

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location.....	Raleigh, N.C.
Founded.....	1887
Enrollment.....	34,340
Nickname.....	Wolfpack
Colors.....	Red (PMS 186) and White
Conference.....	Atlantic Coast
Home Field.....	Dail Soccer Stadium (2,000)
Chancellor.....	Dr. Randy Woodson
Athletic Director.....	Boo Corrigan
Soccer Administrator.....	Garrett Munro
Athletic Department Phone.....	(919) 515-2101
Athletics Web Site.....	GoPack.com

2022 COACHING STAFF

Head Coach.....	George Kiefer (7th year at NC State) SCSU, 1994
Career Coaching Record.....	210-131-71 (.615)
Record at NC State.....	48-45-20 (.516)
ACC Record.....	12-24-13 (.333)
ACC Tournament Record.....	2-4-0 (.333)
Associate Head Coach.....	Jeff Negalha 7th season
Assistant Coach.....	Kyle Nicholls 7th season
Assistant Coach.....	AJ Madero 1st season
Director of Soccer.....	Kaneile Thomas 2nd season

PACK FACTS

- The Pack gutted out a few draws during the 2022 regular season, most notably a 1-1 tie against Syracuse and a 2-2 tie with North Carolina.
- NC State concluded the regular season with a 3-0 loss over Clemson on the road.
- The Pack shut out six opponents in 2022.
- The squad fell to Pittsburgh in the first round of the 2023 ACC Tournament.

FOOTY IN THE FAMILY

- Will Buete: father, Gary, is the CEO of NCFC Youth

KEEPING UP WITH KIEFER

- Head coach George Kiefer is amidst his seventh season at the helm of the Wolfpack program.
- On his career, Kiefer has reached 13 NCAA Tournaments as a head coach (10 at USF, 3 at NC State). He has led his teams to the postseason in 12 of the last 15 years. Prior to 2020, Kiefer had guided the Wolfpack to the NCAA Tournament in each of his first three seasons with the program.
- Kiefer is ranked 42nd among active NCAA coaches in winning percentage (.595).

NEW KEEPERS COACH

AJ Madero comes to Raleigh after spending the previous two seasons at University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley. Madero brings 13 years of coaching experience to the Pack. At UTRGV Madero was part of a staff that saw the program earn its first-ever national ranking in the United Soccer Coaches Top 25 poll and a No. 2 seed in the Western Athletic Conference Tournament. During his stint with the Vaqueros, UTRGV went 21-18-5 overall. SPrior to his time at UTRGV, Madero was part of the staff for the US Virgin Island National Team. Madero led the national team to its first home game CONCACAF Nations League win. From November 2020 through October of 2022, Madero was the Technical Director for RGV Toros MLS/USL Academy.



NC STATE MEN'S SOCCER 2023 NUMERICAL ROSTER



NO.	NAME	POS.	YR.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN	PREVIOUS TEAM
1	Lucas Hatsios	GK	So.	6-2	192	Charlotte, NC.	Charlotte Independence
2	Ervin Cruz	F	Fr.	5-7	170	Knightdale, NC	Charlotte FC
3	Emil Thyregod	CB	Fr.	6-1	183	Silkeborg, Denmark.	Silkeborg IF
4	Lawson Abass	LCB	Fr.	6-1	180	Ghana	Angels United
5	Vusumzi Plamana	MF	Jr.	5-10	162	Engcobo, Eastern Cape	Ubuntu Football Academy
6	Kendall Edwards	D	Gr.	6-2	196	Lilburn, Ga.	Atlanta United Academy
7	Jarvis Cleal	D	Jr.	6-2	192	Yeovil, England	West Bromwich Albion
8	Will Buete	MF	Jr.	5-10	191	Wake Forest, N.C.	NCFC Academy
9	Luke Hille	F	Jr.	6-0	170	Cary, N.C.	NCFC Academy
10	Noe Cabezas	F	Sr.	5-10	156	Johannesburg, South Africa	Bidvest Wits FC / La Salle
11	Henrique Santos	F	Jr.	5-9	153	Algarve, Portugal	Portimonense FC
12	Yuta Toya	CM	Fr.	5-7	150	Maebashi, Japan	Briar Cliff University
13	Calem Tommy	MF	So.	5-9	153	Cape Town, South Africa	Black Rock FC
15	Aidan Payne	F	So.	6-2	167	Wilmington, N.C.	New Hanover
16	Parker Underwood	MF	Sr.	6-1	172	Davidson, N.C.	Charlotte Independence
17	Caden Tolentino	MF	So.	5-8	152	Pinehurst, N.C.	NCFC Academy
18	Jeremiah Luoma	F	Gr.	5-10	155	Atlanta, Ga.	Atlanta United / Georgia Southern
19	Scotty Taylor	F	Gr.	6-1	177	Millburn, NJ.	Duke University
20	Jonathan Cisneros	D	So.	5-9	140	Raleigh, N.C.	NCFC Academy
22	Drew Lovelace	MF	So.	6-1	175	Holly Springs, N.C.	Wake FC
23	Dylan Mitchiner	D	Jr.	6-1	175	Cornelius, N.C.	Army
24	Cam Murray	D	Gr.	6-0	168	Perth, Western Australia	Perth Glory FC
25	Gabi Valez	LB	Fr.	5-7	165	Weston, Fla.	Inter Miami CF
26	Samuel Terranova	GK	Fr.	6-2	193	Fayetteville, N.C.	North Carolina FC
28	Brendan Peebles	MF	Jr.	5-9	131	Raleigh, N.C.	Cardinal Gibbons
29	Ben Voase	GK	Fr.	6-2	193	Scarborough	Hull City
31	Hakim Karamoko	RW/CF	Fr.	5-11	180	New York City	Manhattan Soccer Club
32	Lazarr Gonzalez, Jr.	CM	Fr.	5-8	170	Bailey, N.C.	North Carolina FC
34	Andrew Fox	CB	Fr.	6-1	177	Durham, N.C.	NCFC Academy

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	George Kiefer (KEY-fur)
Associate Head Coach	Jeff Negalha (Nuh-GALL-yuh)
Assistant Coach	Kyle Nicholls
Assistant Coach	AJ Madero
Director of Soccer	Kaneile Thomas (cuh-KNEEL)
Athletic Trainer	Adam Wesche (WEH-she)
Director of Strength & Conditioning	Cristi Bartlett

PLAYER PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Will Buete	Beaut (as in beginning of beauty)
Luke Hille	Hilly
Jeremiah Luoma	Loo-OH-muh
Junior Nare	NAH-ray
Vusumzi Plamana	Vuh-ZOOM-zee Plah-mah-NAH
Calem Tommy	CAL-um
Ben Voase	V-ost (like host with a V)
Hakim Karamoko	Carra Mocco
Jonathan Cisneros	Sis-Narros

THE LAST TIME...

NC STATE TEAM:

Home win	September 20, 2023 • W, 1-0 • vs. North Florida
Home loss	September 30, 2022 • L, 0-1 • vs. #15 Louisville
Road win	September 28, 2021 • W, 6-2 • at Longwood
Road loss	September 16, 2023 • L, 1-3 • at Virginia
OT win	October 29, 2021 • W, 1-0 (2 OT) • vs. Boston College
OT loss	September 26, 2020 • L, 0-1 (OT) • at Duke
Draw	October 22, 2022 • 1-1 • vs. #4 Syracuse
ACC win (reg. season)	September 8, 2023 • W, 2-0 • vs. Boston College
Non-conference win	September 20, 2023 • W, 1-0 • vs. North Florida
Shutout win	September 20, 2023 • W, 2-0 • vs. North Florida
Scored one goal	September 20, 2023 • W, 1-0 • vs. North Florida
Scored two goals	September 12, 2023 • W, 3-1 • vs. Howard
Scored three goals	September 12, 2023 • W, 3-1 • vs. Howard
Scored four goals	August 29, 2022 • W, 4-0 • vs. Wofford
Scored 5+ goals	September 28, 2021 • W, 6-2 • at Longwood
Gave up zero goals (in a win or draw)	September 20, 2023 • W, 1-0 • vs. North Florida
Gave up one goal	September 16 • 1-3 • vs. Virginia
Gave up two goals	September 16 • 1-3 • vs. Virginia
Gave up three goals	September 16 • 1-3 • vs. Virginia
Gave up four goals	October 3, 2021 • L, 0-4 • at North Carolina
Gave up 5+ goals	October 16, 2015 • L, 2-6 • at Duke

NC STATE PLAYERS:

Hat trick	August 29, 2022 • Conor Kelly • 4-0 W vs. Wofford
Multi-goal game	October 25, 2022 • Drew Lovelace, 2 goals • 2-0 W vs. Radford
5+ point game	August 29, 2022 • Conor Kelly, 3 goals • 4-0 W vs. Wofford
2+ assists	August 29, 2022 • Luke Hille, 2 assists • 4-0 W vs. Wofford
Shutout win	September 20, 2023 • Lucas Hatsios • 1-0 W vs. North Florida
5+ saves	October 22, 2022 • Lucas Hatsios, 8 saves • T, 1-1 vs. #4 Syracuse

OPPOSING PLAYERS:

Multi-goal game	September 16, 2023 • Stephen Annor Gyamfi • 1-3 L at Virginia
5+ point game	October 29, 2016 • Trevor Davock, 3 goals • 4-5 (OT) L at Boston College
2+ assists	September 3, 2021 • Denis Kelmendi • 1-3 L vs. #20 Seton Hall
Shutout win	September 4, 2023 • Nicolo Radaelli, 4 saves • 0-3 L at Stetson

NC STATE'S RECORD WHEN:

Leading at the half	3-1-0
Trailing at half	0-0-0
Tied at the half	0-0-0
Playing overtime	0-0-0
Scoring first	4-1-0
Conceding first	0-1-0
Scoring 0 goals	0-1-0
Scoring 1 goal	4-1-0
Scoring 2 goals	4-0-0
Scoring 3 goals	3-0-0
Scoring 4 goals	0-0-0
Scoring 5+ goals	0-0-0
Allowing 0 goals	2-0-0
Allowing 1 goal	2-2-0
Allowing 2 goals	0-2-0
Allowing 3 goals	0-2-0
Allowing 4 goals	0-0-0
Allowing 5+ goals	0-0-0
Scoring in the first 15'	1-0-2
Conceding in the first 15'	0-1-0

Most First Half Goals

NC State	2 (vs. Howard, 9/12/23)
Opponents	1 (2x, last Howard, 9/12/23)

Largest Halftime Lead

NC State	1 (3x last BC, 9/8/23)
Opponents	2 (Virginia, 9/16/23)

Most Second Half Goals

NC State	3 (vs. USC Upstate, 8/28/23)
Opponents	3 (Stetson, 9/4/23)

Largest Margin of Victory

NC State	4 (vs. Wofford, 8/29/22)
Opponents	3 (Stetson, 9/4/23)

NC STATE MATCH-BY-MATCH STAT LEADERS

OPPONENT	RESULT	GOALS	ASSISTS	SHOTS	SAVES
Radford (8/25)	W, 3-1	Taylor, Hille, Nare	Toya, Cleal	Cruz, Toya	Hatsios
USC Upstate (8/28)	W, 3-0	Cruz, Hille, Buete	Cruz, Taylor	Hille, Buete	Hatsios
at UCF (9/1)	L, 1-3	Buete	Toya	Buete 2, Hille 2	Hatsios - 1
at Stetson (9/4)	L, 0-3	-	-	Cruz, Edwards, Hille, Toya, Taylor	Voase - 2
Boston College (9/8)	W, 2-0	Nare, Hille	Velez	Hille 2, Toya, Nare, Buete, Plamana	Voase - 1
Howard (9/12)	W, 3-1	Nare, Toya, Hille	Nare, Toya	Hille 7, Karamoko 3, 3 w/ 2, 4 w/ 1	Voase - 1
at Virginia (9/16)	L, 1-3	Hille	-	Nare 2, Plamana, Hille, Tommy, Karamoko	Voase - 3
North Florida (9/20)	W, 1-0	Buete	-	Hille 2, Buete 1, Nare 1, Taylor 1	Hatsios 2
at Louisville (2/24)					
Gardner-Webb (2/27)					
Notre Dame (10/1)					
Wake Forest (10/6)					
American (10/10)					
at Duke (10/13)					
High Point (10/17)					
at Syracuse (10/22)					

MATCH 9

MATCH NOTES



1 - Lucas Hatsios



2 - Ervin Cruz



3 - Emil Thyregod



4 - Lawson Abass



5 - Vusumzi Plamana



6 - Kendall Edwards



7 - Jarvis Cleal



8 - Will Buete



9 - Luke Hille



10 - Junior Nare



11 - Henrique Santos



12 - Yuta Toya



13 - Calem Tommy



15 - Aidan Payne



16 - Parker Underwood



17 - Caden Tolentino



18 - Jeremiah Luoma



19 - Scotty Taylor



20 - Jonathan Cisneros



22 - Drew Lovelace



23 - Dylan Mitchiner



24 - Cam Murray



25 - Gabi Velez



26 - Samuel Terranova



28 - Brendan Peeples



29 - Ben Voase



31 - Hakim Karamoko



32 - Lazaro Gonzalez, Jr.



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