



LADY STATESMEN BASKETBALL

2017-18 GAME NOTES

6 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS • 16 GSC TITLES • 27 NCAA APPEARANCES • 51 ALL-AMERICANS • 57 ALL-GSC SELECTIONS

2017-18 Schedule | Results

NOVEMBER (1-4, 1-0 GSC)

10	vs. Nova Southeastern !	L, 57-53
11	vs. Barry !	L, 63-52
16	@ Spring Hill	L, 51-45
27	Miles	L, 46-41
30	Christian Brothers *	W, 61-58

DECEMBER (2-1; 0-1 GSC)

2	Union *	L, 69-62
10	Miles	W, 60-44
13	@ Southern Arkansas	W, 53-49
16	@ Auburn Montgomery *	2 p.m.
18	@ West Georgia *	4:30 p.m.

JANUARY (0-0; 0-0 GSC)

2	Alabama Huntsville *	5:30 p.m.
4	North Alabama *	5:30 p.m.
7	@ Valdosta State *	1 p.m.
9	@ West Florida *	5:30 p.m.
13	Montevallo *	2 p.m.
15	West Alabama *	5:30 p.m.
18	@ Lee *	5 p.m.
20	@ Shorter *	2 p.m.
27	@ Mississippi College *	5:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY (0-0; 0-0 GSC)

1	West Georgia *	5:30 p.m.
3	Auburn Montgomery *	2 p.m.
8	@ West Alabama *	5:30 p.m.
10	@ Montevallo *	2 p.m.
14	@ Christian Brothers *	5 p.m.
17	Lee *	2 p.m.
22	Mississippi College *	5:30 p.m.

! - GSC-SSC Crossover - Jackson, Tenn.

* - Denotes GSC Games

DELTA STATE @ AUBURN MONTGOMERY & WEST GEORGIA

THE MATCHUP



3-5, 1-1 GSC

Rank: NR

Head Coach: Craig Roden
at DSU: 56-35 | 4th

Career Record: 553-484 | 31st

Last Game: 12.13.17

@ Southern Arkansas | W, 53-49



5-3, 1-1 GSC

Rank: NR

Head Coach: Dan Davis
at AUM: 153-124 | 10th

Career Record: Same

Last Game: 12.12.17

Spring Hill | W, 66-59



6-2, 2-0 GSC

Rank: NR

Head Coach: Scott Groninger
at UWG: 93-110 | 8th

Career Record: 189-203 15th

Last Game: 12.13.17

Clark Atlanta | W, 69-67

Overall Series Record vs. AUM: AUM leads 2-0

H: 0-1 | A: 0-1 | N: 0-0 | GSC Tourn.: --- | NCAA Tourn.: ---

First Meeting: 12.31.94 | DSU L, 113-75 | Montgomery, Ala.

Last Meeting: 2.11.95 | DSU L, 70-68 | Cleveland, Miss.

Current Series Streak: AUM W2

Last DSU Win at Sillers: NA

Last DSU Win at AUM Athletics Complex: NA

Last AUM Win at Sillers: 2.11.95 | AUM W 70-68

Last AUM Win at AUM Athletics Complex: 12.31.94 | 113-75

Overall Series Record vs. West Georgia: DSU leads 36-5

H: 21-2 | A: 14-3 | N: 1-0 | GSC Tourn.: 2-1 | NCAA Tourn.: 1-0

First Meeting: 1.11.86 | DSU W, 86-73 | Cleveland, Miss.

Last Meeting: 2.25.17 | DSU W, 61-56 OT | Carrollton, Ga.

Current Series Streak: DSU W4

Last DSU Win at Sillers: 1.7.17 | W, 63-56

Last DSU Win at The Coliseum: 2.25.17 | W, 61-56 OT

Last UWG Win at Sillers: 12.4.14 | W, 60-49

Last UWG Win at The Coliseum: 2.3.14 | W, 53-50

TIPOFF NEWS AND NOTES

- The Lady Statesmen enter play 3-5, after earning a 53-49 come-from-behind win over Southern Arkansas on Wednesday, Dec. 13.
- Just one of DSU's five losses was by more than seven points. The Green-and-White have held a lead in the second half in all but two of its games.
- After holding its last two opponents to an average of 46.5 points per game, the Lady Statesmen lead the GSC in scoring defense, allowing just 54.6 points per game.
- In all but one of its games, DSU has held opponents to at least one quarter of 11 points or less.
- With six combined three-pointers in her last three games Alondrea Rush has moved into ninth all-time on the DSU career list with 112. Her 334 career attempts are eighth in school history.
- **AUM NOTES:** After dropping 3-of-4, the Warhawks picked up a 66-59 victory over Spring Hill on Dec. 12. The Warhawks are making their debut season in the Gulf South Conference, but are not allowed to participate in the conference tournament. Evelina Avleeva leads AUM with 11.8 points per game, while Jemaiya Lee adds 11.6 points and a team-high 6.1 rebounds per game.
- **UWG NOTES:** The Wolves have claimed their last four contests, including an impressive 72-63 victory at Lee on Dec. 2. Newcomer Kayla Carter leads UWG with 15.0 points per game. Jessica Brown helps UWG, as she averages a team-best 7.1 rebounds per game. The Wolves rank sixth in the league in scoring offense (68.5), and seventh in scoring defense (60.9).

STATISTICAL COMPARISON/STAT LEADERS (17-18 TOTALS)



53.4

POINTS PER GAME

41.3

FIELD GOAL %

28.4

3-POINT %

71.1

FREE THROW %

32.8

REBOUNDS PER GAME

9.1

ASSISTS PER GAME



53.4

68.5

38.0

42.1

32.0

28.0

54.5

65.7

33.5

40.1

13.3

11.9



Scoring Leader:

Alondrea Rush - 15.3 PPG



Rebounding Leader:

Raven Johnson - 6.9 RPG



Assists Leader:

Alondrea Rush - 3.5 APG

PROBABLE STARTERS (17-18 TOTALS)

NO	NAME	POS	HT	CLS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	MPG
4	Alexis Ross	F	5-7	Gr.	5.9	4.3	0.8	0.6	30.9
10	Takisha Jordan	G	5-9	Sr.	12.0	4.7	2.9	1.3	34.9
11	Simone Jackson	F	6-0	So.	7.9	5.4	0.5	0.4	25.8
22	Erin Kate Richardson	G	5-7	Jr.	3.7	1.9	0.9	0.5	28.3
32	Alondrea Rush	G	5-3	Jr.	15.3	3.9	3.5	1.5	33.3

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- Philip Tang (Play-by-Play)
- Cody Clark (Expert Analyst)

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ALIYAH HEROD

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	0/1	6.0	2.0	1.5	1.0	38.5%	100%	28.0
CAREER	26/1	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.2	28%	50%	8.0

S0 ■ G ■ 5-2 ■ Oxford, Miss.

- Career high 24 minutes vs. Miles (2.10.17)
- Named MVP, All-Area in 5A at Lafayette High School

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 8 (12.13.17 @ SAU)
REBS: 4 (12.13.17 @ SAU)
ASTS: 2 (Three times)
STLS: 1 (Seven times)



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ALEXIS ROSS

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	8/7	5.9	4.3	0.8	0.6	39%	90%	30.9
CAREER	89/8	1.8	1.9	0.4	0.2	25%	77%	11.5

GR ■ F ■ 5-7 ■ Charleston, Miss.

- Three-Time GSC Winter Academic Honor Roll honoree
- Career high 13 points at Spring Hill on Nov. 16

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 13 (11.16.17 at Spring Hill)
REBS: 6 (Three times)
ASTS: 3 (Twice)
STLS: 2 (11.16.17 at Spring Hill)



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TAKISHA JORDAN

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	7/7	12.0	4.7	2.9	1.4	41%	64%	34.9
CAREER	7/7	12.0	4.7	2.9	1.4	41%	64%	34.9

SR ■ G ■ 5-9 ■ Decatur, Ala.

- Scored a career high 15 points with four rebounds and three assists vs. Union (12.2.17)
- Played the 2015-16 season at Tennessee Tech

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 15 (12.2.17 vs. Union)
REBS: 9 (11.27.17 at Miles)
ASTS: 6 (11.11.17 vs. Barry)
STLS: 3 (12.10.17 vs Miles)



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SIMONE JACKSON

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	8/8	7.9	5.4	0.6	0.5	46%	60%	25.8
CAREER	22/8	3.1	2.5	0.3	0.2	41%	65%	13.1

S0 ■ C ■ 6-1 ■ Pass Christian, Miss.

- Scored double-digit points twice this season
- Named Offensive MVP as a senior at Bay HS

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 12 Two times
REBS: 7 (12.13.17 @ SAU)
ASTS: 1 Seven times
STLS: 2 (11.27.17 at Miles)



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MADDY SHERAKA

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	8/3	4.0	2.4	0.5	0.5	35.5%	67%	22.4
CAREER	8/3	4.0	2.4	0.5	0.5	35.5%	67%	22.4

JR ■ G ■ 5-9 ■ Roxana, Ill.

- All-time leading scorer at Roxana HS (1,341 points)
- Averaged 11.8 points last season at Southwestern Ill. College

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 12 (12.13.17 @ SAU)
REBS: 6 (11.16.17 at Spring Hill)
ASTS: 2 (11.30.17 vs. CBU)
STLS: 2 (11.16.17 at Spring Hill)



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ERIN KATE RICHARDSON

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	7/5	3.7	1.9	0.9	0.6	31%	75%	28.3
CAREER	7/5	3.7	1.9	0.9	0.6	31%	75%	28.3

JR ■ G ■ 5-9 ■ Wellington, Texas

- Averaged eight points and three assists at Seward County CC
- Helped lead her team to a 32-3 record last season

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 8 (11.30.17 vs. CBU)
REBS: 3 (Twice)
ASTS: 2 (11.10.17 vs. Nova)
STLS: 1 (Four times)



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STETERIA HOWARD

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	5/0	0.4	0	0	0.4	17%	0%	5.0
CAREER	5/0	0.4	0	0	0.4	17%	0%	5.0

FR ■ G ■ 5-8 ■ Hollandale, Miss.

- Averaged 11.5 points and four rebounds as a senior at Simmons HS
- Helped lead her team to the second round of the MHSAA Tournament

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 2 (11.16.17 at Spring Hill)
REBS: N/A
ASTS: N/A
STLS: 3 (11.16.17 at Spring Hill)



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TORI MALLORY

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	1/1	5	3	0	4	33.3%	50%	28
16-17	26/21	3	2.5	0.6	0.8	22%	81%	25

S0 ■ G ■ 5-8 ■ Dorsey, Miss.

- Played double-digit minutes in all but one game as a freshman
- Will be relied upon as one of DSU's top defenders

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 7 (Twice)
REBS: 7 (2.16.17 vs. UU)
ASTS: 2 (Four times)
STLS: 2 (Four times)



32

ALONDREA RUSH

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	7/7	15.3	3.9	3.5	1.5	45.4%	80%	33.2
CAREER	65/64	10.1	3.2	2.9	1.5	38%	79%	32.2

JR ■ G ■ 5-3 ■ Horn Lake, Miss.

- Ninth in DSU history with 111 three pointers made
- Led DSU in points, assists and steals as a sophomore

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 24 (11.11.17 vs. Barry)
REBS: 11 (Twice)
ASTS: 7 (Twice)
STLS: 5 (11.12.16 vs. Barry)



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RAVEN JOHNSON

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
17-18	8/0	4.3	6.9	0.3	0.3	48%	80%	18.9
CAREER	8/0	4.3	6.9	0.3	0.3	48%	80%	18.9

FR ■ C ■ 6-3 ■ Greenwood, Miss.

- Averaged 17 points and 20 rebounds as a senior
- Helped Kirk Academy capture MAIS AAA Championship

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: 9 (12.13.17 @ SAU)
REBS: 11 (12.13.17 @ SAU)
ASTS: 1 (Twice)
STLS: 1 (Twice)



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KIRSTIN BROWN

	GP/GS	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	FG%	FT%	MPG
16-17	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
CAREER	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

FR ■ F ■ 5-11 ■ Tanner, Ala.

- Alabama 2A Player of the Year as a senior
- Averaged 17 points and nine rebounds during her career

**CAREER
HIGHS**

PTS: N/A
REBS: N/A
ASTS: N/A
STLS: N/A



HC

CRAIG RODEN

- Owns a 553-484 overall record and a 58-36 mark at Delta State
- GSC Tourney Champs in '15-16 & GSC Tourney Runners-Up in '14-15

4th Year ■ Guntersville, Ala.

- Has amassed a 353-305 record in Gulf South Conference play
- Collected his 500th win against Valdosta State on Dec. 10, 2014

**CAREER
COACHING**

Overall Record: 553-484
GSC Record: 353-305
Record at DSU: 58-36 | 4th

DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Lady Statesmen Basketball

QUICK FACTS

Location	Cleveland, Miss., 38733
Founded	1924
Enrollment	3,869
Nickname	Lady Statesmen
Colors	Forest Green and White
National Affiliation	NCAA Division II
Conference	Gulf South Conference
President	William N. "Bill" LaForge
FAR:	Tim Colbert
Athletic Director	Ronnie Mayers
Senior Women's Administrator	Dana George
Stadium (Capacity)	Walter Sillers Coliseum (3,000)

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach:	Craig Roden
Alma Mater:	West Alabama 1978
Record at DSU:	58-36 4th
Career Record:	553-484 31st
GSC Record:	353-305 21st
Assistant Coach:	Gary Redus, II
Alma Mater:	South Alabama 2011
Graduate Assistant:	Danielle Cole
Alma Mater:	West Alabama 2016

TEAM INFORMATION

2016-17 Record	14-14
Gulf South Conference Record	11-11
GSC Finish	Seventh
Final 2016-17 National Ranking	NR
Starters Returning/Lost (2016-17)	2/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost (2015-16)	5/5

BASKETBALL HISTORY

First Year of Basketball	1925
All-time Record:	1,136-304-3
All-time GSC Record:	816-192
Naismith Basketball Hall of Famers:	Two
	Margaret Wade, Head Coach 1st Woman Inducted
	Lusia Harris-Stewart, Player
National Championships:	Six
	AIAW Titles: Three (1975-1976-1977)
	NCAA Titles: Three (1989-1990-1992)
NCAA Appearances/Record	27/57-25
Last Appearance	2015-16
Place:	NCAA South Regional
Result:	L, 75-64 vs. Nova Southeastern
Location:	NCAA South Regional Nova Southeastern - Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

The Delta State University Athletic Communications Office is located on the second floor of the Chadwick-Dickson Athletic Fieldhouse. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on game day as time requires. The AC Office may be reached by calling (662) 846-4284 or via email at matt@deltastate.edu.

WEEKLY MEDIA SERVICES

The Athletic Communications Office produces a weekly release featuring game notes, updated statistics and other pertinent information on the Lady Statesmen women's basketball program. To access this release, log on to www.gostatesmen.com and click on women's basketball. The PDF formatted document is posted 48 hours prior to tipoff of each week's first game.

PLAYER INTERVIEWS

Media members must adhere to the following guidelines regarding player interviews: (1) All player interviews must be coordinated through the Athletic Communications Office; (2) Players are available for interviews, either at the Dorgan Center or via telephone prior to practice (generally 1:30-4:00 p.m.) as well as after practice; (3) Please give at least 24 hours notice; (4) No interviews will be allowed prior to tip-off on gameday.

COACHES INTERVIEWS

Head Coach Craig Roden and his staff are also available for interviews on weekdays, generally mornings between 10 a.m. and noon, in their offices. Please contact the Athletic Communications Office to schedule an interview outside of this time. There will be no interviews granted before a game.

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DELTA STATE



2017-2018 LADY STATESMEN NUMERICAL ROSTER

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	CLASS	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
3	Aliyah Herod	G	5-2	So.	Oxford, Miss. (Lafayette HS)
4	Alexis Ross	F	5-7	Gr.	Charleston, Miss. (Charleston HS)
10	Takisha Jordan	G	5-9	Sr.	Decatur, Ala. (Tennessee Tech Univ.)
11	Simone Jackson	C	6-1	So.	Pass Christian, Miss. (Bay HS)
12	Maddy Sheraka	G	5-9	Jr.	Roxana, Ill. (Southwestern Illinois Coll.)
22	Erin Kate Richardson	G	5-7	Jr.	Wellington, Texas (Seward County CC)
23	Steteria Howard	G	5-8	Fr.	Hollandale, Miss. (Simmons HS)
31	Tori Mallory	G	5-8	So.	Dorsey, Miss. (Itawamba Agricultural HS)
32	Alondrea Rush	G	5-3	So.	Horn Lake, Miss. (Horn Lake HS)
34	Raven Johnson	C	6-3	Fr.	Greenwood, Miss. (Kirk Acad.)
40	Kirstin Brown	F	5-11	Fr.	Tanner, Ala. (Tanner HS)

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Craig Roden (West Alabama, 1978) - 4th
Assistant Coach	Gary Redus, II (South Alabama, 2011) - 1st
Graduate Assistant Coach	Danielle Cole (West Alabama, 2016) - 1st

SUPPORT STAFF

Athletic Communications	J.T. Webb (Delta State, 2011)
Athletic Trainer	Gaby DeArmas (Florida State, 2016)

LADY STATESMEN PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Aliyah Herod	(Uh-lee-uh)
Takisha Jordan	(Tuh-key-sha)
Simone Jackson	(Suh-moan)
Maddy Sheraka	(Sha-rakeuh)
Steteria Howard	(Stuh-tare-euh)
Kirstin Brown	(Keer-stin)



Craig RODEN

HC

Head Coach | 4th year | Guntersville, Ala. | West Alabama, 1978

- Overall Career Record is 553-484 with a 353-305 mark in GSC play entering his 31st season as a head coach
- Led Delta State to a 22-7 record (16-6 in GSC) and a GSC Tournament title in 2016, his second at DSU
- Led Delta State to a 19-10 record (15-7 in GSC) and a GSC Tournament Runner-Up finish in the 2014 season
- Collected his 500th win against Valdosta State on December 10, 2014
- Coached UWA to the 2012 GSC Tournament Championship
- GSC East Division Coach the Year in 2006, 2008, 2009
- Atlanta Tip-off Club Georgia's Women's College Basketball Coach of the Year
- 2009 WBCA South Region Coach of the Year
- Inducted into the Marshall County (Ala.) Sports Hall of Fame in June of 2016

Craig Roden is entering his fourth season as head coach of the Lady Statesmen. Roden came to DSU from the University of West Alabama and has coached at every level of collegiate basketball, including the last 20 years in the Gulf South Conference. He spent 14 seasons at the University of West Georgia, four seasons at UWA and the last two seasons at DSU.

He sports a career 551-479 record, including a 352-304 mark in GSC play. His GSC victories are the second highest total of any coach in league history, trailing legendary former Lady Statesman head coach Lloyd Clark's 495.

Roden led the Lady Statesmen to the program's 16th GSC title in 2016. season. The 2015-2016 Lady Statesmen went 22-7, including a 16-6 mark in GSC play and a 12-2 record at home. Delta State led the GSC and led the NCAA in scoring defense in allowing 50.3 points per game. The Lady Statesmen were also ranked 15th in the NCAA in field goal percentage defense, allowing opponents to shoot just 35.5%.

Under Roden's tutelage, Chelsey Rhodes was named DSCCA South Region Player of the Year and was selected First-Team D2CCA All-South Region last season. Rhodes was also a WBCA All-American in her senior season, as well as being named the GSC Player of the Year and the GSC Tournament Most Outstanding Player. Alondrea Rush was also named to the GSC All-Tournament team.

In his first season with the Lady Statesmen, Roden led Delta State to a 19-10 overall record and a 15-7 mark in GSC play while battling injuries to key players all season. DSU marched to the GSC Championship game before falling to Union University. A trio of Lady Statesmen were named All-GSC, including Chelsey Rhodes (1st), Seneca Walton (1st) and Rhandi Ball (2nd). Rhodes and Walton were also named to the Daktronics All-South Region Second Team.

Roden's 21 seasons as a head coach in the GSC have led to great individual success on the court for his players, as seven have been named All-American and 21 selected to all-conference honors. He has also coached four GSC Players of the Year, two NCAA Division II South Region Players of the Year and a finalist for Daktronics DII National Player of the Year.

Academic success has also followed Roden wherever he has coached, graduating 19 student-athletes during his tenure at UWA. While at West Georgia, 28 student-athletes earned their degrees, including 17 first-time college graduates in their family.

Roden comes to DSU from his second tenure at West Alabama, helping return the Lady Tigers to ranks of yearly contenders, playing for the league title in two of the last three seasons. In his first season back at his alma mater, Roden led UWA to an 18-9 record, a nine win improvement from the previous season.

The Lady Tigers also earned postseason accolades with three players being named All-GSC, headlined by Player of the Year Mystee Dale. Latashia Greer and LaShandra McCoy also nabbed all-conference honors.

Dale captured All-American honors from the Division II Bulletin, Daktronics and Women's Basketball Coaches Association, while Greer was named to the Division II Bulletin all-America list.

The 2012 Lady Tigers, hampered by injuries throughout the season, put together a memorable run to the GSC championship, capped by back-to-back victories over nationally ranked Delta State (63-54) and Alabama-Huntsville, 86-74, in the title game. The GSC title gave UWA just its third NCAA Tournament berth in the program's history.

Following the tournament run, Nikkia Jordan was named MVP and was joined on the all-tournament team by all-conference selections Brittany Weathers and Daniele Cole.

In 2013, UWA was again hit with injuries during the regular season before making a run in the league's postseason dance. The Lady Tigers defeated West Georgia and North Alabama before falling the championship game to Alabama-Huntsville. Jordan and Weathers repeated as all-conference selections following their senior seasons.

Prior to his stint as head coach at West Alabama, Roden served as an assistant at UWA from 1978-1980 and was head coach from 1984-1987.

Roden returned to the GSC in 1996 at West Georgia, serving as head coach of the Wolves for 14 years. In his last three seasons at UWG, the Wolves posted a 56-29 record. The 2007-08 season was Roden's best in Carrollton, with the Wolves going 25-5, the school's best record since the early 1990s, winning the GSC East Division title and advancing to the semifinal round of the NCAA Division II South Region Tournament.

Roden's list of coaching accolades is also impressive. The Atlanta Tipoff Club named him Georgia's Women's College Basketball Coach of the Year following the 2007-08 season. The honor covered every women's program in the state, regardless of size or classification. In 2009, Roden was named the WBCA South Region Coach of the Year and was a finalist for the WBCA's National Coach of the Year. He also captured three GSC East Division Coach of the Year honors in 2006, 2008 and 2009.

Prior to Roden's return to NCAA Division II, the Guntersville, Alabama native made four stops ranging from junior college to Division I. He served as head coach at Crowder Community College, Snead State Community College (1980-84), the University of Texas at El Paso (1987-90), and Connors State College (1990-92).

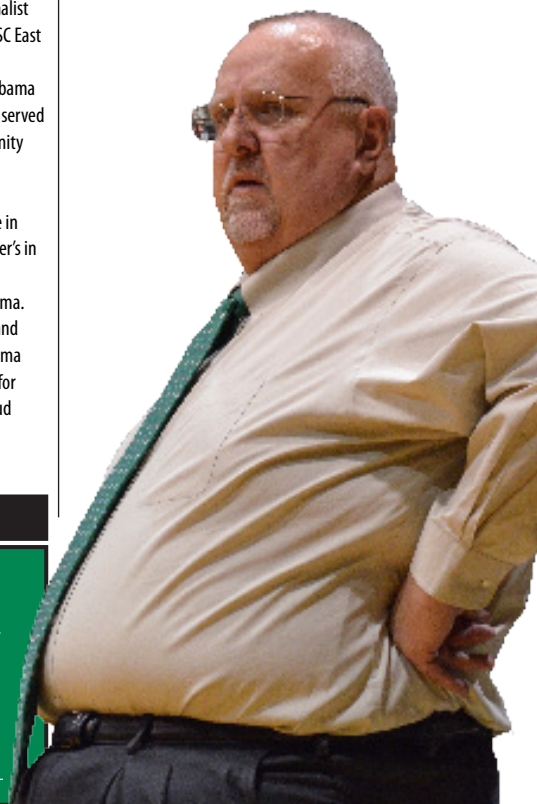
Roden is a 1978 graduate of UWA, receiving a bachelor's degree in physical education, with a minor in history. He completed his master's in health, physical education and recreation from UWA in 1980.

He is married to the former Debra Griffin of Birmingham, Alabama. The Rodens are the parents of three adult children; Tyler, who is a land surveyor in Jackson Ala., Andrew, who is an officer with the Alabama State Troopers, and daughter Maggi, who is a customer service rep for Century Bank in Pascagoula, Miss. Craig and Debra are also the proud grandparents of Emily Grace Nations and Press Roden.

RODEN YEAR-BY-YEAR RECORD

YEAR	SCHOOL	RECORD	PCT
1984-85	West Alabama	14-15	.483
1985-86	West Alabama	18-9	.667
1986-87	West Alabama	19-10	.655
1987-88	Texas-El Paso	8-19	.296
1988-89	Texas-El Paso	16-14	.533
1989-90	Texas-El Paso	12-16	.429
3 seasons	Texas-El Paso	36-49	.424
1996-97	West Georgia	8-18	.308
1997-98	West Georgia	9-17	.346
1998-99	West Georgia	11-15	.423
1999-00	West Georgia	11-15	.423
2000-01	West Georgia	14-12	.538
2001-02	West Georgia	17-10	.630
2002-03	West Georgia	16-11	.593
2003-04	West Georgia	9-18	.333
2004-05	West Georgia	16-11	.593
2005-06	West Georgia	19-10	.655
2006-07	West Georgia	12-15	.444
2007-08	West Georgia	25-5	.833
2008-09	West Georgia	22-7	.759
2009-10	West Georgia	9-17	.346
14 seasons	West Georgia	198-181	.522
2010-11	West Alabama	18-9	.667
2011-12	West Alabama	14-15	.483
2012-13	West Alabama	14-15	.483
2013-14	West Alabama	5-22	.185
7 seasons	West Alabama	102-95	.517
2014-15	Delta State	19-10	.655
2015-16	Delta State	22-7	.758
2016-17	Delta State	14-14	.500
2017-18	Delta State	3-5	.375

28 seasons	NCAA	394-361	.521
31 seasons	Overall Career	553-484	.533



► THE RODEN FILE

SCHOOL	YEARS	RECORD	PCT.	NOTES/HONORS/CHAMPIONSHIPS
West Alabama	7	102-95	.517	2012 GSC Tournament Champions
Texas-El Paso	3	36-49	.424	Member of Former DSU Coach Sandra Rushing's Staff
West Georgia	14	198-181	.522	GSC East Division Coach of the Year
Delta State	4	58-36	.617	GSC Tourney Champs: '15-16 GSC Tourney Runners-Up: '14-15
NCAA	28	394-361	.521	Earned 500th Win In Inaugural Season With Delta State
Overall	31	553-484	.533	Includes Crowder and Snead State Community College

2017-18 GULF SOUTH CONFERENCE STANDINGS

SCHOOL	CONF	PCT.	OVERALL	PCT.	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	STREAK
North Alabama	2-0	1.000	9-0	1.000	4-0	5-0	0-0	W9
Union	2-0	1.000	8-1	0.889	5-0	2-1	1-0	W3
West Georgia	2-0	1.000	6-2	0.750	1-1	4-1	1-0	W4
West Florida	1-0	1.000	6-2	0.750	3-0	3-2	0-0	W4
Lee	1-1	0.500	8-2	0.800	7-1	1-0	0-1	W2
Alabama Huntsville	1-1	0.500	6-2	0.750	2-1	2-1	2-0	W1
Auburn Montgomery ^	1-1	0.500	5-3	0.625	2-1	1-2	2-0	W2
Delta State	1-1	0.500	3-5	0.375	2-1	1-2	0-2	W2
Christian Brothers	1-1	0.500	2-6	0.250	0-2	2-3	0-1	L2
Mississippi College	1-2	0.333	4-4	0.500	2-3	2-1	0-0	W2
West Alabama	1-2	0.333	4-6	0.400	3-1	1-3	0-2	W1
Valdosta State	0-1	0.000	6-3	0.667	4-0	1-3	1-0	W2
Shorter	0-2	0.000	2-6	0.250	2-2	0-2	0-2	W1
Montevallo	0-2	0.000	2-8	0.200	2-4	0-4	0-0	L5

► THIS WEEK IN THE GSC

12.16.2017

Montevallo @ Valdosta State	1 p.m.
Mississippi College @ West Georgia	1 p.m.
Delta State @ Auburn Montgomery	2 p.m.
Lee @ Alabama Huntsville	3 p.m.
West Alabama @ West Florida	1 p.m.

12.18.2017

Delta State @ West Georgia	4 p.m.
Montevallo @ West Florida	5 p.m.
West Alabama @ Valdosta	5 p.m.
Shorter @ Alabama Huntsville	5:30 p.m.
Christian Brothers @ Union	6 p.m.
Shorter @ Alabama Huntsville	6:30 p.m.
Lee @ North Alabama	7 p.m.
Mississippi College @ Auburn Montgomery	6 p.m.

All Times Listed Are Central

► GSC PRESEASON TEAMS/POLL

Pos.	NAME	SCHOOL	YEAR	HOMETOWN
F	Toni Brewer	UWF	Sr.	Huntsville, Ala.
F	Madi Mitchell	VSU	Sr.	Warwick, Ga.
F	Kenya Samone Dixon	VSU	Sr.	Baton Rouge, La.
G	Ivy Wallen	UNA	So.	Anderson, Ala.
G	Erin Walsh	LEE	Sr.	Knoxville, Tenn.

School	Points
1. Valdosta State (6)	156
2. West Florida (5)	154
3. Lee (2)	152
4. Union (1)	128
5. West Georgia	121
6. North Alabama	113
7. Delta State	98
8. Christian Brothers	77
9. Mississippi College	75
10. Alabama Huntsville	56
11. West Alabama	49
12. Shorter	46
13. Montevallo	26
14. Auburn Montgomery	23

► GSC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Players of the Week

Week 1 (11.14.2017)	Chelsey Shumpert (Union)
Week 2 (11.21.2017)	Chelsey Shumpert (Union)
Week 3 (11.28.2017)	Chelsey Shumpert (Union)
Week 4 (12.5.2017)	Chelsey Shumpert (Union)
Week 5 (12.12.2017)	Tiara Caldwell (Union)
Week 6	N/A
Week 7	N/A
Week 8	N/A
Week 9	N/A
Week 10	N/A
Week 11	N/A
Week 12	N/A
Week 13	N/A
Week 14	N/A
Week 15	N/A

Freshman of the Week

Week 1 (11.14.2017)	Tazsa Garrett-Hammett (West Alabama)
Week 2 (11.21.2017)	Brynne Lytle (Christian Brothers)
Week 3 (11.28.2017)	Tazsa Garrett-Hammett (West Alabama)
Week 4 (12.5.2017)	Tazsa Garrett-Hammett (West Alabama)
Week 5 (12.12.2017)	Lauren Sheriff

Week 6	N/A
Week 7	N/A
Week 8	N/A
Week 9	N/A
Week 10	N/A
Week 11	N/A
Week 12	N/A
Week 13	N/A
Week 14	N/A
Week 15	N/A



► WBCA P TOP 25 POLL

#	Team	Points	First votes	Previous
1	Ashland (8-0)	600	24	1
2	Alaska Anchorage (8-0)	574	0	2
3	Bentley (8-0)	553	0	3
4	West Texas A&M (7-0)	517	0	5
5	Indiana (PA) (7-0)	486	0	7
6	Lubbock Christian (9-1)	451	0	8
7	Drury (7-10)	401	0	9
8	Carson-Newman (9-0)	383	0	15
9	Virginia Union (7-1)	360	0	10
10	Central Missouri (5-1)	347	0	12
11	California (PA) (7-1)	346	0	4
12	Rollins (7-1)	297	0	6
13	Azusa Pacific (11-1)	277	0	17
14	Northern State (6-1)	276	0	16
15	Wingate (6-1)	258	0	14
16	Edinboro (7-0)	229	0	24
17	University of the Sciences (6-0)	219	0	20
18	Michigan Tech (8-1)	194	0	18
19	Southwestern Oklahoma St. (8-0)	167	0	25
20	Fort Lewis (6-1)	166	0	11
21	Seattle Pacific (6-1)	153	0	13
22	Southern Indiana (8-0)	123	0	NR
23	Augustana (SD) (7-0)	95	0	NR
24	Cedarville (5-1)	92	0	NR
25	Central Oklahoma (6-1)	33	0	21

Others receiving votes: Grand Valley State (7-1) 21; Minnesota State Moorhead (5-1) 20; Glenville State (6-1) 19; Colorado Mesa (8-0) 18; Fort Hays State (7-0) 18; Union (TN) (7-1) 17; Montana State Billings (7-0) 14; North Georgia (5-1) 10; Southeastern Oklahoma State (5-2) 10; Pittsburg State (6-2) 8; Stonehill (5-1) 8; Lander (5-2) 7; Embry Riddle (6-1) 5. Seven teams mentioned on only one ballot for a total of 26 combined points.



2017-18 LADY STATESMEN OVERALL STATISTICS

**RECORD:** **OVERALL** **HOME** **AWAY** **NEUTRAL**

All Games 3-5 2-1 1-2 0-2

Conference 1-1 1-1 0-0 0-0

Non-Conference 2-4 1-0 1-2 0-2

##	Player	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot.	Avg	PF	A	Ast/G	T O	Stl	Blk	Pts	Avg
32	Rush, Alondrea	8	8	266	33.3	44	97	.454	18	52	.346	16	20	.800	3	28	31	3.9	17	28	3.5	20	12	0	122	15.3
10	Jordan, Takisha	7	7	244	34.9	34	83	.410	2	8	.250	14	22	.636	5	28	33	4.7	20	20	2.9	31	10	2	84	12.0
11	Jackson, Simone	8	8	206	25.8	27	59	.458	0	1	.000	9	15	.600	17	26	43	5.4	21	4	0.5	23	3	5	63	7.9
03	Herod, Aliyah	2	1	56	28.0	5	13	.385	0	3	.000	2	2	1.000	1	3	4	2.0	1	3	1.5	3	1	0	12	6.0
04	Ross, Alexis	8	7	247	30.9	19	49	.388	0	0	.000	9	10	.900	11	23	34	4.3	25	6	0.8	17	5	0	47	5.9
34	Johnson, Raven	8	0	151	18.9	13	27	.481	0	0	.000	8	10	.800	20	35	55	6.9	16	2	0.3	12	2	0	34	4.3
12	Sheraka, Maddy	8	3	179	22.4	11	31	.355	8	27	.296	2	3	.667	6	13	19	2.4	10	4	0.5	10	4	0	32	4.0
22	Richardson, Erin Kate	7	5	198	28.3	9	29	.310	5	22	.227	3	4	.750	0	13	13	1.9	20	6	0.9	11	4	0	26	3.7
31	Mallory, Tori	2	1	28	14.0	2	6	.333	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	0	3	3	1.5	3	0	0.0	2	4	0	5	2.5
23	Howard, Steteria	5	0	25	5.0	1	6	.167	0	3	.000	0	2	.000	0	0	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	2	3	0	2	0.4
	Total	8		1600		165	400	.413	33	116	.284	64	90	.711	74	188	262	32.8	136	73	9.1	141	48	7	427	53.38
	Opponents			1600	200.0	151	406	.372	34	137	.248	101	138	.732	80	170	250	31.3	102	78	9.8	121	54	13	437	54.63

SCORE BY PERIODS: **1st** **2nd** **3rd** **4th** **OT** **Total**

Delta State University 116 94 107 110 427

Opponents 94 103 114 126 437

2017-18 LADY STATESMEN GSC-ONLY STATISTICS

**RECORD:** **OVERALL** **HOME** **AWAY** **NEUTRAL**

CONFERENCE 1-1 1-1 0-0 0-0

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32	Rush, Alondrea	2	2	73	36.5	15	23	.652	8	13	.615	5	7	.714	1	10	11	5.5	2	10	5.0	1	2	0	43	21.5
10	Jordan, Takisha	2	2	71	35.5	13	27	.481	1	2	.500	2	3	.667	2	4	6	3.0	6	3	1.5	9	3	0	29	14.5
04	Ross, Alexis	2	2	76	38.0	8	19	.421	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	4	7	11	5.5	5	1	0.5	2	1	0	18	9.0
22	Richardson, Erin Kate	2	1	63	31.5	5	10	.500	3	8	.375	0	0	.000	0	4	4	2.0	4	2	1.0	4	1	0	13	6.5
34	Johnson, Raven	2	0	39	19.5	4	9	.444	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	5	7	12	6.0	4	0	0.0	4	0	0	10	5.0
11	Jackson, Simone	2	2	44	22.0	4	8	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	4	4	8	4.0	3	1	0.5	6	0	1	8	4.0
12	Sheraka, Maddy	2	1	34	17.0	1	3	.333	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	3	2	1.0	1	0	0	2	1.0
	Total	2		400		50	99	.505	12	25	.480	11	14	.786	20	39	59	29.5	27	19	9.5	30	7	1	123	61.50
	Opponents			400	200.0	47	104	.452	10	38	.263	23	30	.767	19	30	49	24.5	19	24	12.0	16	16	0	127	63.50