



McNEESE SOFTBALL

Southland Conference Champs (8) - 1983, 1994, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2022, 2023

Southland Conference Tournament Champs (9) - 1983, 2005, 2010, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2021, 2022, 2023

NCAA Tournaments (9) - 1994, 2005, 2010, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2021, 2022, 2023

2024 Schedule

4-1 Overall, 0-0 SLC

4-1 Home, 0-0 Away, 0-0 Neutral

FEBRUARY (4-1)

8	Cal	L 5-2
9	New Mexico\$	W 12-4 (6)
10	Tarleton State\$	W 11-3 (5)
	Tennessee State\$	W 10-0 (5)
11	Tarleton State\$	W 5-1
15	#24 Baylor	6 p.m.
16	#1 Oklahoma! (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
17	Central Arkansas!	4 p.m.
	#1 Oklahoma! (ESPN+)	6:30 p.m.
18	Lamar!	1:30 p.m.
21	Boise State	6 p.m.
23	Niagara%	11 a.m.
	North Dakota%	6 p.m.
24	Niagara%	2:30 p.m.
28	at Houston	6 p.m.

March (0-0)

1	^ vs. San Diego State	1:30 p.m.
2	^ vs. Illinois	12 p.m.
	^ at LSU (SECN+)	7:30 p.m.
3	^ vs. Louisiana Tech	12:30 p.m.
	^ at LSU (SECN+)	3 p.m.
5	Louisiana Tech	6 p.m.
6	Houston (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
8	UL-Monroe (ESPN+)	4 p.m./DH
	UL-Monroe (ESPN+)	
9	UL-Monroe (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
13	at UL-Lafayette (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
15	at Nicholls*	4 p.m./DH
	at Nicholls*	
16	at Nicholls*	12 p.m.
22	Incarnate Word*	6 p.m.
23	Incarnate Word*	1 p.m./DH
	Incarnate Word*	
26	at South Alabama	5 p.m.
28	at NW State* (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
29	at NW State* (ESPN+)	1 p.m./DH
	at NW State* (ESPN+)	

April (0-0)

2	at Florida State (ACCN)	6 p.m.
3	at Florida State (ACCN)	6 p.m.
5	Lamar* (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
6	Lamar* (ESPN+)	1 p.m./DH
	Lamar* (ESPN+)	
12	at A&M-Commerce* (ESPN+)	5 p.m./DH
	at A&M-Commerce* (ESPN+)	
13	at A&M-Commerce* (ESPN+)	12 p.m.
17	Sam Houston	6 p.m.
19	Houston Christian* (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
20	Houston Christian* (ESPN+)	1 p.m./DH
	Houston Christian* (ESPN+)	
24	UL-Lafayette (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
26	at Texas A&M-CC*	12 p.m.
	at Texas A&M-CC*	2 p.m.
27	at Texas A&M-CC*	12 p.m.
30	at Louisiana Tech	6 p.m.

May (0-0)

3	Southeastern* (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
4	Southeastern* (ESPN+)	1 p.m./DH
	Southeastern* (ESPN+)	
7-10	SLC Tourn.	TBA

\$ - Cowgirl Classic (Lake Charles)

! - Cowgirl Challenge (Lake Charles)

% - Cowgirl Classic II (Lake Charles)

^ - LSU Purple & Gold Challenge (Baton Rouge)

(-) - Innings Played

* - SLC Game

** - SLC Tournament (Hammond)



Thursday Feb. 15- 6 p.m.

Cowgirl CHALLENGE

Friday Feb. 16-18



Friday Feb. 16 - 6 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 17 - 6:30 p.m.



Saturday Feb. 17- 4 p.m.



Saturday Feb. 18 - 1:30 p.m.

NEWS & NOTES

- It's the second of three consecutive tournaments the Cowgirls will host
- Coming off a season opening 4-1 record including a 4-0 record at its Cowgirl Classic
- Opened the season with a 5-2 loss to Cal last Thursday then went on to win its next four games
- Of the four wins at the Cowgirl Classic, three were run-rule wins
- Southland Conference preseason favorites for the third straight year, received 16 out of a possible 18 first place votes. Coaches and SID weren't allowed to vote for their teams.
- placed a league high eight on the preseason team
- Received Top 25 votes in the USA Today/NFCA Coaches Poll and USA Softball preseason polls
- Will open the season with 14 consecutive home games along with three home tournaments
- The Sooners are the first No. 1 ranked team McNeese has ever hosted
- McNeese has played a No. 1 ranked team but has never hosted a No. 1 ranked team
- McNeese has defeated a No. 1 team once, Arizona State 3-1 in 2012
- eight teams on the schedule advanced to the 2023 NCAA Tournament (Cal, Baylor, Oklahoma, Central Arkansas, San Diego St., LSU, UL-Lafayette, Florida State)
- four teams advanced to the Super Regionals last season (Oklahoma, UL-Lafayette, Florida St., San Diego St.)
- two teams advanced to the College World Series (Oklahoma, Florida St.)
- Return 17 letterwinners including eight position starters from the 2023 season.
- Return four pitchers from 2023
- Have nine upper classmen including five seniors (Pitchers Ashley Vallejo and Shaelyn Sanders, catchers Chloe Gomez and Emily Phillips, and second baseman Mariana

Torres).

CLOSURE LOOK AT THE OPPONENTS

BAYLOR

- Ranked 24th
- are 0-2 after two losses to then No. 2 Tennessee last weekend in Waco
- Its the 21st meeting between the two teams, Baylor leads the series 16-4
- Last played a three game series in Waco in 2022
- First meeting in Lake Charles since 2021, Bayoor won 3-2 in nine innings
- Former Cowgirl player and coach Dani Price is a member of the Baylor staff, serving as the Director of Softball Operations

OKLAHOMA

- Three time defending National Champs
- No. 1 ranked team in the nation
- Is 4-0 after its opening weekend at the Puerto Vallarta College Challenge last weekend.
- Have outscored their opponents 31-6 to open the season
- Fifth meeting against the Sooners, Sooners lead the series 4-0
- Last met in 2022 at the Houston Classic. OU won both games by the run-rule (15-1, 11-0)
- Both teams face each other in Nortman, OK in 2019 and in a neutral game in Baton Rouge during the 2015 season

CENTRAL ARKANSAS

- are 1-4 following its open season at teh NFCA Leadoff Classic
- Its win was a 5-4 win over St. John's
- McNeese leads the series 30-15 and has won three of the last four meetings

LAMAR

- Is 2-2 on he season following its play at the Cowgirl Classic last weekend
- Sunday's game will NOT be considered a conference game
- McNeese leads the series 30-2 and have won the last 17 straight games against the Cardinals

2024 Southland Softball

Preseason Poll (First Place Votes)

1. McNeese (16)
2. Southeastern (2)
3. Nicholls
4. Lamar
5. Texas A&M-Corpus Christi
6. Northwestern State
7. Houston Christian
8. Incarnate Word
9. Texas A&M-Commerce

Cowgirls on the SLC Preseason

All-Conference First Team

SS	Reese Reyna
UT	Chloe Gomez
OF	Erin Ardoin
P	Ashley Vallejo

Second Team

1B	Crislyne Moreno
2B	Mariana Torres
3B	Rylie Bouvier
P	Shaelyn Sanders

2023 RECAP

- won a school record 47 games (47-16),
- set a school record with 23 shutouts, 13 in SLC games
- led the nation in double plays (37), ranks 3rd with 23 shutouts, sixth in stolen bases (147), 8th in stolen bases per game (2.33), 11th with a 1.84 ERA in fielding percent (.977), 12th with a .978 fielding percent, and 17th with a 74.6 won/loss percent.
- were 8-0 in run-rule games this season
- were 2-0 in extra inning games
- set single season school records: triples (17), stolen base percent (.855), fewest errors (42), fielding percent (.978)
- stole second most bases (147), one shy of tying the school record
- turned second most double plays (37) in program history
- won 21 of last 25 games
- had a season long 11 game winning streak
- played 11 games against ranked teams
- picked up wins over ranked teams (LSU, Washington (twice), and North Texas
- defeated then #15 LSU for the first time since 2014. The win was also the first home win over LSU single 2009.
- set a new Cowgirl Diamond attendance record of 1,488 in 4-3 win over LSU on April 18
- won its eighth regular season conference title.
- repeat 3-peat as SLC Tournament Champs (only SLC team to 3-peat and repeat 3-peat)
- won its six of the last 10 regular season conference titles.
- ranked as high as 22nd in Softball American College Top 25 Poll (Week 15)
- stole 66 of 77 bases in league play and walked 74 times.
- led the SLC with a .335 batting average in and a league low 0.98 in conference games.
- held SLC opponents to a .184 batting average and picked up 13 shutouts
- had four players hit above .300 (Alayis Seneca- .373), (Corine Poncho .341) (Reese Reyna- .309), (Chloe Gomez- .305).
- Pitcher Ashley Vallejo posted the most wins (19-9), strikeouts (112), and was second on the team with a 2.25 ERA and seven shutouts.
- It's the second straight year Vallejo records over 100 strikeouts
- Whitney Tate (graduated) posted a 18-4 overall with a team low 1.26 ERA and nine shutouts.

SLC TOURNAMENT NOTES

- have won a league high nine SLC tournament titles
- are the only team in conference history to not only three-peat (2016, 2017, 2018) but to three-peat twice (2021, 2022, 2023)
- have won six of the last seven Southland Conference Tournaments excluding the 2020 Covid year.
- have made seven SLC tournament appearances under head coach James Landreneau.
- have a 19-2 overall conference tournament record and have won its last 10 consecutive tournament games under Landreneau
- have hosted four SLC Tournaments (2009, 2016, 2018, 2023)
- have made a league high 33 Southland Conference Tournament appearance.
- have missed only two tournaments (1998, 2004) when the tournament was played.

2023 NCAA TOURNAMENT NOTES

- made a league high ninth NCAA tournament appearance and fifth under Landreneau
- advanced to the NCAA Regional Finals for the second straight year
- have a 7-16 record in regional tournament games.
- first McNeese team to win three NCAA Tournament games
- won the programs first NCAA Tournament "If necessary game"
- was the fourth time McNeese was the No. 3 seed in a regional tournament and No. 3 seed for the second straight year
- one of seven non-Power 5 teams to reach regional finals (San Diego, Liberty, Middle Tennessee, Charlotte, UL-Lafayette, and Miami-Ohio)
- first Southland Conference team to throw a shutout in the NCAA Tournament since 2009 with 1-0 win over Minnesota on May 20.
- the 1-0 shutout win over #7 Washington in the NCAA Tournament on May 21 was the first shutout Washington suffered in NCAA Tournament history since Alabama shut them out in 2015.

Location: Lake Charles, La.

Founded: 1939

Enrollment: 8,992 (est.)

Nickname: Cowgirls

Home Field: Cowgirl Diamond

Dimensions: Left Field- 205, Left Field-Power Alley- 211, Right Field Power Alley- 216, Right Field- 205

Capacity: 2,500

Colors: Royal Blue/ Yellow

Conference: Southland

President: Dr. Daryl Burckel

Athletics Director: Heath Schroyer

SOFTBALL STAFF

Head Coach: James Landreneau

Years at McNeese: 12th overall/8th as HC

Record at McNeese (Yr.): 262-142 (8th)

Career Record: same

Assistant Coach: Shelbi Sunseri

Assistant Coach: Alexis Otero

Assistant Coach: Alayis Seneca

Dir. of Player Dev.: Casidy Chaumont

Dir. of Game Ops: Cameron Honaker

TEAM INFORMATION

2024 Record: 4-1

SLC Record (finish): 0-0

2023 Postseason: NCAA Regional/Seattle

Position Starters Returning/Lost: 7/1

Pitchers Ret./Lost: 4/1

Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 17/5

Redshirt Returning: 1

Newcomers: 10 (all freshmen)

First Year of Softball: 1979

SLC Regular Season Champions: 8

(2023, 2022, 2017, 2016, 2014, 2013, 1994 (co-champions w/Nicholls State), 1983

SLC Tournament Champions: 9 (2023, 2022, 2021, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2010, 2005, 1983)

Years In NCAA Regionals: 9 (2023, 2022, 2021, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2010, 2005, 1994)

SPORTS INFORMATION

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2024 McNEESE ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT	CL.	B/T	HOMETOWN/SCHOOL
1	Jada Muñoz	IF	5-5	So.	R/R	San Antonio, TX./Sandra Day O'Connor HS
2	Brooke Otto	IF	5-5	So.	R/R	Smithville, TX./Smithville HS
3	Ashley Vallejo	P	5-7	Sr.	R/R	New Waverly, TX./Willis HS
4	Erynn Boatright	UT	5-5	Fr.	R/R	Independence, MO./Truman HS
5	Allison Hagebusch	UT	5-1	Fr.	R/R	Conroe, TX./Grand Oaks HS
6	Erin Ardoin	OF	5-5	Jr.	L/R	Moss Bluff, LA./Sam Houston HS
7	Rylee Eyster	OF	5-3	So.	L/R	Southaven, MS./Hernando HS
8	Grace Janik	UT	5-8	So.	R/R	Missouri City, TX./Ridge Point HS
9	Lindsay Davis	P	5-9	So.	R/R	Troup, TX./Troup HS
10	Emma Banks	P	5-11	Fr.	R/R	Stuttgart, AR./Stuttgart HS
11	Ryann Schexnayder	P	5-4	So.	L/L	Walker, LA./Walker HS
12	Mariana Torres	IF	5-8	Sr.	R/R	Pflugerville, TX./Texas A&M
14	Crislyne Moreno	IF	5-8	Jr.	R/R	Converse, TX./Samuel Clemens HS
15	Alexis Dibley	P/OF	5-9	Fr.	R/R	Moss Bluff, LA./Sam Houston HS
17	Delaney Dunham	OF	5-6	So.	L/L	Mount Belvieu, TX./Barbers Hill HS
18	Brilee Ford	IF	5-5	Fr.	R/R	Hammond, LA./Albany HS
19	Corine Poncho	UT	5-8	So.	R/R	Basile, LA./Notre Dame HS
20	Molly Powell	IF	6-1	Fr.	R/R	Nome, TX./Hardin Jefferson HS
21	Brylie Fontenot	IF	5-3	Fr.	R/R	Moss Bluff, LA./Sam Houston HS
22	Reese Reyna	IF	5-3	Jr.	R/R	Santa Fe, TX./Santa Fe HS
23	Bella Perez	C	5-6	Fr.	R/R	Houston, TX./Dovie HS
24	Shaelyn Sanders	P/UT	5-6	Sr.	L/R	Splendora, TX./Blinn JC
25	Chloe Gomez	C	5-1	Sr.	R/R	Spring, TX./Spring HS
26	Kelsey Gaspard	C	5-4	So.	R/R	Roanoke, LA./Northside Christian HS
27	Samantha Mundine	UT	5-4	Fr.	L/R	Luling, TX./Navarro HS
32	Rylie Bouvier	IF	5-7	Jr.	L/R	Santa Fe, TX./Baylor
34	Emily Phillips	C	5-9	Sr.	R/R	Chesapeake, VA./James Madison

HEAD COACH: James Landreneau (12th overall at McNeese, 8th as Head Coach)

ASSISTANT COACH: Shelbi Sunseri (2nd yr.)

ASSISTANT COACH: Alexis Otero (1st yr.)

ASSISTANT COACH: Alayis Seneca (1st yr.)

DIRECTOR OF PLAYER DEVELOPMENT: Casidy Chaumont (1st yr.)

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Cameron Honaker (1st yr.)

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#1 Jada MUÑOZ (moon-yo's)

#2 Brooke OTTO (ah-toe)

#3 Ashley VALLEJO (vuh-lay-ho)

#5 Allison HAGEBUSCH (hag-ugh-bush)

#6 Erin ARDION (are-dwan)

#7 Rylee EYSTER (eye-stir)

#8 Grace JANIK (yawn-ick)

#11 Ryann SCHEXNAYDER (shakes-nigh-der)

#12 MARIANA (mah-d-aun-ugh) Torres

#14 CRISLYNE (chris-lean) MORENO (muh-ren-oh)

#17 DELANEY (duh-lane-e) DUNHAM (dun-um)

#19 CORINE (cuh-rin) Poncho

#21 Brylie FONTENOT (font-no)

#22 Reese REYNA (ray-nuh)

#24 SHAELYN (shay-lynn) Sanders

#25 CHLOE (klo-e) Gomez

#26 Kelsey GASPARD (gas-pard)

#32 Rylie BOUVIER (boo-v-a)

James LANDRENEAU (lan-druh-no)

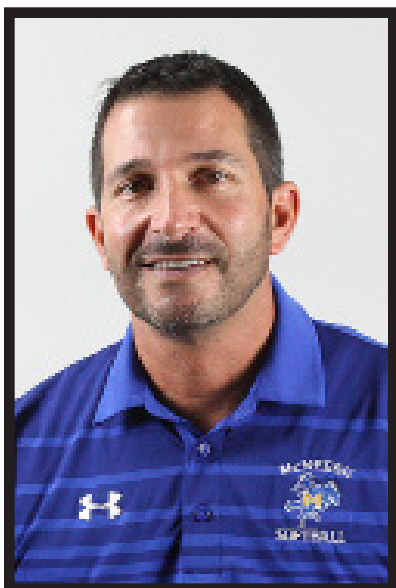
Shelbi SUNSERI (sun-sear-e)

Alexis OTERO (oh-tear-oh)

ALAYIS (uh-lay-us) SENECA (sin-uh-cuh)

Casidy CHAUMONT (sho-mo)

Cameron HONAKER (hawn-uh-ker)



JAMES LANDRENEAU- HEAD COACH

12th Year at McNeese- 8th As Head Coach
Record: 262-142, 118-35 SLC)
Two-time SLC Coach of the Year (2022, 2017)
Louisiana Coach of the Year (2022)

Four 40-win seasons
Two 30-win seasons
Three SLC Regular Season Titles (2023, 2022, 2017)
Five SLC Tourn. Titles (2023, 2022, 2021, 2018, 2017)
Six postseason appearances (5 NCAA, 1 NISC)

James Landreneau is in his 12th overall and eighth season as head coach with a 258-141 overall career record and 118-35 conference record. He picked up his 250th career win on May 5, 2023 at Houston Christian, becoming the second McNeese head softball coach to reach this milestone.

For the second straight year, Landreneau guided the Cowgirls to the NCAA Regional championship game (Seattle, Washington) and ended the season ranked No. 22 by D1 Softball. Landreneau's staff was named the NFCA South Region "Coaching Staff of the Year". Landreneau also guided McNeese to the Southland Conference regular season title and a 3-Peat Repeat as Southland Conference Tournament Champs.

The Cowgirls ended the 2023 season with a school record 47 wins (47-16) and a 21-3 conference record. The 40 wins marks the fourth 40-win season under Landreneau. Included in the 47 victories was a 3-2 home wins over Washington who was ranked #12 at the time and a 4-3 over #15 LSU.

Also in 2023, Landreneau guided a team that led the nation in double plays per game with 0.59 per contest.

In 2022, Landreneau guided McNeese to a 40-21 overall record and its deepest run in the NCAA Tournament in 2022, advancing to the regional championship game (Evanston, Illinois) for the first time in school history. On its way to the regional championship game against Northwestern, a team that advanced to the Women's College World Series, the Cowgirls picked up two win over Notre Dame.

Landreneau guided McNeese to the regular season and SLC tournament title for the fourth time under his direction in 2022, earning his second Southland Conference "Coach of the Year" honor after posting a 15-3 conference record. Landreneau was also named Louisiana "Coach of the Year" for his accomplishments.

In 2021, Landreneau's team led the nation with 48 double plays turned, has guided McNeese to four straight Southland Conference Tournaments and four postseason tournaments including back-to-back Southland Conference Tournament Titles (2017, 2018), one regular season title (2017), three NCAA Regionals (2017, 2018, 2020) along with a NISC (National Invitational Softball Championship) Regional Tournament appearance in 2019, is in his 10th overall season at McNeese and sixth season as head coach of the Cowgirls.

Following a year that saw the Covid pandemic cancel the 2020 season followed by Hurricanes Laura and Delta that hit Lake Charles six weeks apart in August and September of 2020 along with a rare freeze in February of 2021 that crippled not only the softball facility but the entire city of Lake Charles, the Cowgirls gave McNeese and Lake Charles something to cheer about.

Following the destruction, the Cowgirls rebuilt the best they could in order to have a playing field and a season, and it was a season that won't be forgotten. McNeese, who entered the Southland Conference Tournament as the No. 3 seed, went on to defeat Sam Houston, second seeded Central Arkansas in the second round, the regular season champion and the tournament's top seed Stephen F. Austin in the semifinals before defeating Central Arkansas 1-0 in the championship game and the NCAA automatic bid.

Freshman pitcher Whitney Tate was named the tournament's MVP, who was joined on the all-tournament team by Cori McCrary, Kaylee Lopez, Toni Perrin, Jenna Edwards, and Haylee Brinlee.

The Cowgirls ended the 2021 season with a 35-26 overall record and an 18-9 conference record. Edwards was named the SLC Newcomer of the Year while McCrary and Brinlee were named to the All-SLC first team. Tate, Lopez and Jil Poullard were named to the second team while Chloe Gomez was a third team selection.

In five years as head coach, Landreneau has coached two All-Americans (Erika Piancastelli, Justyce McClain), 21 All-Southland Conference selections, Four SLC Hitters and Players of the Year, one SLC Newcomer of the Year (Jenna Edwards/2021), four All-Region picks, and 12 All-Louisiana selections.

Former Olympian and All-American Erika Piancastelli was a four time SLC Player and Hitter of the Year, the SLC softball Student-Athlete of the Year (2017, 2018) and to the CoSIDA District 6 All-Academic Team twice (2017, 2018). In 2018, Piancastelli was named Louisiana's Hitter of the Year.

With the 2020 season cut short due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Cowgirls were off to a 19-7 overall record and 3-0 Southland Conference record. The Cowgirls opened their season by winning 14 of their first 16 games including a win at Texas A&M and wins over North Texas, Ball State, UAB, Middle Tennessee, Southern Miss., and UT-Arlington. Of the 14 wins, six were run-rule victories. McNeese was looking to win a conference best, seven regular season titles and started the season with a conference opening home series sweep over Abilene Christian. After a 6-3 road win at UL-Monroe on March 11, the season was canceled.

In 2019, Landreneau guided McNeese to its first NISC South Regional Tournament appearance where the Cowgirls fell 4-3 in 10 innings to Texas-Arlington in the championship game. Earlier in the day, the Cowgirls defeated UTA 6-1 to force the "If Necessary" game. McNeese picked up its first NISC Tournament win with a 7-3 victory over Middle Tennessee State University. The Cowgirls then fell 5-3 to UTA before bouncing back with a 3-1 win over Stephen F. Austin to advance to the championship games against UTA.

The Cowgirls ended the regular season (33-32) and finished in third place in the Southland Conference race with a 19-8 record. McNeese advanced to its 24th overall SLC Tournament, and fourth straight postseason tournament. After dropping its first game of the tournament, McNeese fought their way back but fell one game short of reaching the tournament championship game.

The 30-win season is the third straight under Landreneau who reached a coaching milestone during the 2019 season when he picked up his 100th career victory with a 1-0 win at Houston Baptist in the second game of the SLC series on March 29, 2019.

Landreneau continued the winning tradition in 2018 and posted his second consecutive 40-win season with a 41-21 overall record along with winning the Southland Conference Tournament and earned the NCAA automatic bid for the second straight year under his leadership. The Cowgirls finished the regular season in a three-way tie for second place with an 18-9 conference record.

In 2018, McNeese broke into a major poll (USA Today/NFCA Top 25) for the first time in school history following the first week of the season that saw the Cowgirls go 4-0 with wins over Virginia and preseason No. 20 Tulsa. The Cowgirls ranked 24th in the USA Today/NFCA poll and 23rd in the FPN (Fastpitch News) Poll.

McNeese also picked up a 6-1 win at Florida State, the 2018 National Champions who was ranked 9th at the time and opened the NCAA Regional Tournament at Texas A&M with an 11-10 win over No. 18 Baylor.

As a team, the Cowgirls broke five school records and Erika Piancastelli completed her stellar career by breaking a combined 20 records (McNeese and SLC) including 13 career records.

The Cowgirls offense continued to produce in 2018, leading the Southland Conference in 13 offensive categories (wins-41, slugging percent-.463, on base percent-.407, runs scored-361, RBI-319, home runs-59, total bases-734, total plate appearances-1,967, at bats-1,585, walks-283, sacrifice flies-27, innings pitched-413.1, and putouts-1,237). McNeese was second in the league with a .291 batting average, 461 hits, and 283 stolen bases while ranking third in doubles with 76.

In 2017, Landreneau guided McNeese to a school record 24 conference wins, tied the school record with 43 (43-18) wins, the 2017 Southland Conference regular season title, the SLC Tournament title and an NCAA Regional appearance as well as being named the league's Coach of the Year in his first season as head coach.

Landreneau, a key component on the McNeese Cowgirls' softball coaching staff the previous four years, continued the Cowgirl success in 2017.

The Cowgirls broke a combined nine records (8 McNeese, 1 SLC) and tied six school records and led the SLC in 15 statistical categories including 11 offensive categories in 2017. The Cowgirls broke the McNeese single season RBI (320), runs scored (361) and walks (216) records while leading the SLC with a .296 batting average, .460 slugging percent, .399 on base percent, 368 runs scored, 471 hits, 325 RBI, 85 doubles, 52 homeruns and 229 walks. His pitching staff ranked third in the league with a 2.58 ERA and fourth in strikeouts with 229.

Under Landreneau's leadership, he coached the 2017 & 2018 SLC Player and Hitter of the Year (Erika Piancastelli) along with the 2017 Southland Conference Pitcher of the Year (Rachel Smith).

After starting the 2017 season with a 5-9 record, Landreneau guided the Cowgirls to a 38-9 record the rest of the way including a 12-game winning streak and won 13 of their last 15 games.

In his previous four years at McNeese, the Cowgirls compiled a 157-66 overall record and an 83-20 mark in Southland Conference play was apart of three conference championships (2013, 2014, 2016) while coaching three league player of the year recipients.

In 2016, Landreneau coached an offense that was led by two-time NFCA All-American catcher and Southland Conference Player and Hitter of the Year Erika Piancastelli as the Cowgirls won the league regular season and tournament championships while playing in the NCAA Baton Rouge Regionals where they beat former national champion Arizona State in the opening round.

The Cowgirls, who won a school record 43 games, led the league in hitting (.305), slugging (.460), on-base percentage (.409), runs scored (350), hits (466), runs batted in (292), doubles (88), total bases (702) and hit by pitches (81).

In addition to the record number of victories, the Cowgirls also set school records in runs scored, RBI, batters hit, walks (201) and on-base percentage.

In 2015, Landreneau's offense broke or tied four single season records while Piancastelli became the first player in Southland Conference history to be voted as the league's Player, Hitter and Freshman of the Year in the same season.

McNeese posted a .968 fielding percentage that season to rank 36th in the nation. The Cowgirls finished the season ranked fourth in the league with 61 doubles that year as they finished with a 38-15 overall record and a conference championship mark of 19-5.

In 2014, the Cowgirls repeated as conference champions with a 20-6 league record and 40-17 mark overall.

McNeese led the league in stolen bases three consecutive years and ranked in the top 10 in the nation for two seasons while he was an assistant.

In 2014, the Cowgirls topped the conference and ranked 19th in the nation with 86 doubles and led the league with a .435 slugging percentage while setting single-season school records in runs scored and on-base percentage while tying records in triples and hit-by-pitches.

Landreneau coached and developed Alanna DiVittorio who broke a combined nine McNeese and Southland Conference records her senior season and was named the league's player and hitter of the year for 2014.

DiVittorio also earned CoSIDA Academic All-America honors that season to become just the second softball player in school history to earn the prestigious award.

The native of Mamou, La. resides in Lake Charles with his two children, Aubrey and Jaxon.

LANDRENEAU AT McNEESE (as of Feb. 11, 2024)

CAREER RECORD: 262-142; SLC CAREER RECORD: 118-35

YEAR	OVERALL		SLC		SLC Tourn.		CONF. FINISH	POSTSEASON
	W	L	W	L	W	L		
2017	43	18	24	3	3	0	1st/SLC Champs/SLC Tourn. Champs	NCAA Regional
2018	41	21	18	9	4	0	T-2nd/SLC Tourn. Champs	NCAA Regional
2019	33	32	19	8	2	2	3rd/SLC Tourn.	NISC (National Inv. SB Championship)
*2020	19	7	3	0	-	-	SLC Tourn. Canceled Due To COVID	
2021	35	26	18	9	4	0	3rd/SLC Tourn. Champs	NCAA Regional
2022	40	21	15	3	3	0	1st/SLC Tourn. Champs	NCAA Regional Finals
2023	41	14	21	3	3	0	1st/SLC Champs/SLC Tourn. Champs	NCAA Regional
2024	4	1	0	0	0	0		

*-Season was canceled due to COVID

LANDRENEAU'S FILE

Overall Record: 262-142

SLC Record: 118-35

12th overall (8th as head coach)

Four 40 win seasons, two 30 win season

Five NCAA Tourn. Appearances

One NISC Appearance

COACHING CAREER

Head Coach, McNeese, 2017-present

Assistant Coach, McNeese, 2014-16

COACHING HIGHLIGHTS

TEAM

- Three SLC regular season title (2017, 2022, 2023)
- Five SLC Tournament title (2017, 18, 21, 22, 23)
 - Five NCAA Tourn. (2017, 18, 21, 22, 23)
 - One NISC Regional Tourn. (2019)
- Two SLC Coach of the Year (2022, 2017)
- One Louisiana Coach of the Year (2022)

INDIVIDUALS

- Four SLC Players of the Year
 - Erika Piancastelli (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)
- Four SLC Hitters of the Year
 - Erika Piancastelli (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)
- Two SLC Pitcher of the Year
 - Ashley Vallejo (2022)
 - Rachel Smith (2017)
- Two SLC Newcomer of the Year
 - Kendall Talley (2022)
 - Jenna Edwards (2021)
- Three SLC Tournament MVP's
 - Reese Reyna (2023)
 - Crislyne Moreno (2022)
 - Whitney Tate (2021)
- Two SLC Student Athletes of the Year
 - Erika Piancastelli (2017, 2018)
 - 42 All-SLC selections
 - 12 All-Louisiana Selections
 - One Louisiana Hitter of the Year
 - Erika Piancastelli (2018)
 - Six All-Region Selections
 - several SLC All-Academic honorees

NCAA Tournament History

Years In NCAA Tourn.: 9

NCAA Tournament Record 10-18

Record vs. Opp. In NCAA's

Arizona State	1-1
Baylor	1-1
Centenary	1-0
Fairfield	1-0
George Washington	1-0
LSU	0-4
Minnesota	2-0
Northwestern	0-2
Notre Dame	2-0
Penn State	0-1
Princeton	0-1
Texas A&M	0-3
UL-Lafayette	0-3
Washington	1-2

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

Lafayette, LA. (1): 1994

College Station, TX. (2): 2005, 2018

Baton Rouge, LA. (4): 2010, 2016, 2017, 2021

Evanston, IL. (1): 2022

Seattle, WA. (1): 2023

REGIONAL FINALS

2022, 2023

McNEESE

NCAA REGIONAL SEEDING

No. 1 seed (0)

No. 2 seed (1): (2016)

No. 3 seed (4): 2017, 2018, 2022, 2023

No. 4 seed (4): 1994, 2005, 2010, 2021

SLC Champions (8)

2023, 2022, 2017, 2016, 2014, 2013

1994 (co-champs), 1983

SLC Tournament Titles (9)

2023, 2022, 2021, 2018, 2017, 2016,
2010, 2005, 1983

NCAA HISTORY

Years in NCAA Tourn. (9th)

Record: 10-18

1994 (Lafayette, LA.)

lost to UL-Lafayette 3-0
lost to Princeton 2-0

2005 (College Station, TX.)

lost to No. 5 Texas A&M 6-3
def. Centenary 5-2
lost to Penn State 2-1

2010 (Baton Rouge, LA.)

lost to No. 17 LSU 6-0
lost to No. 20 Texas A&M 2-0

2016 (Baton Rouge, LA.)

def. Arizona State 5-2
lost to No. 10 LSU 4-1
lost to Arizona State 3-2 (14 inn.)

2017 (Baton Rouge, LA.)

lost to #14 UL-Lafayette 6-0
def. Fairfield 6-2
lost to #18 LSU 10-1 (5 inn.)

2018 (College Station, TX.)

def. #18 Baylor 11-10
lost 10-1 to #14 Texas A&M (6 inn.)
lost 6-0 to #18 Baylor

2021 (Baton Rouge, LA.)

lost 10-2 to #16 LSU (6 inn.)
def. George Washington (12-0 (5 inn.)
lost 4-0 to #15 UL-Lafayette

2022 (Evanston, IL.)

def. #21 Notre Dame 11-1 (5 inn.)
lost 17-3 (5 inn.) to #10 Northwestern
def. #21 Notre Dame 3-1
lost 10-2 (5 inn.) to Northwestern

2023 (Seattle, WA.)

def. Minnesota (5-4/13 inn.)
lost 3-1 to #7 Washington
def. Minnesota 1-0
def. #7 Washington 1-0
lost 7-6 to #7 Washington

Record vs. NCAA Tourn. Teams

Arizona State (1-1)
Baylor (1-1)
Centenary (1-0)
Fairfield (1-0)
George Washington (1-0)
LSU (0-4)
Minnesota (2-0)
Northwestern (0-2)
Notre Dame (2-0)
Penn State (0-1)
Princeton (0-1)
Texas A&M (0-3)
UL-Lafayette (0-3)
Washington (1-2)

McNeese Record Watch (as of Jan. 30, 2024)

PITCHING

WINS

1. 68- Jamie Allred, 2013-16
2. 67- Meagan Bond, 2010-13
3. 49- Alessandra Flores, 2017-2020
4. 48- Whitney Tate, 2020-23
5. 46- Jessica Denham, 2003-06
6. **45- Ashley Vallejo, 2021-present**
- 45- Rachel Smith, 2014-17
8. 36- Emily Vincent, 2013-16
9. 30- Bethany Stefinsky, 2008-09
10. 29- Kayla Shepherd, 2010-11

SAVES

1. 9- Emily Vincent, 2013-16
2. 6- Saleen Flores- 2019-2021
- 6- Jamie Allred, 2013-16
4. 5- Whitney Tate, 2020-2023
- 5- Alessandra Flores, 2017-2020
- 5- Jessica Denham, 2003-06
7. 4- Jenna Edwards, 2021
- 4- Meagan Bond, 2010-13
- 10. 3- Shaelyn Sanders, 2022-present**
- 2- Ashley Vallejo, 2021-present**
- 2- Ashley Koncir, 2018-2020
- 2- Rachel Smith, 2014-17
- 2- Behthany Stefinsky, 2008-09

APPEARANCES

1. 134- Jessica Denham, 2003-06
2. 132- Jamie Allred, 2013-16
3. 128- Meagan Bond, 2010-13
4. 112- Alessandra Flores, 2017-2020
5. 109- Whitney Tate, 2020-23
6. **100- Ashley Vallejo, 2021-present**
- 93- Rachel Smith, 2014-17
8. 85- Emily Vincent, 2013-16
9. 73- Jana Jones, 2004-07
10. 72- Michelle LaVoie, 2006-09

COMPLETE GAMES

1. 74 - Jessica Denham, 2004-06
2. 65 - Meagan Bond, 2010-13
3. 54 - Jamie Allred, 2013-16
4. 38 - Bethany Stefinsky, 2008-09
5. 37 - Kayla Shepherd, 2010-11
6. 35 - Alessandra Flores, 2017-20
- 7. 34 - Ashley Vallejo, 2021-present**
8. 32 - Whitney Tate, 2020-23
9. 31 - Rachel Smith, 2014-17
10. 27 - Rachel Hodlik, 2006-07

SHUTOUTS

1. 22 - Meagan Bond, 2010-13
2. 20 - Jamie Allred, 2013-16
3. 16 - Whitney Tate, 2020-23
- 16 - Ashley Vallejo, 2021-present**
- 14 - Rachel Smith, 2014-17
- 14 - Jessica Denham, 2004-06
7. 9 - Alessandra Flores, 2017-20
8. 8 - Emily Vincent, 2013-16
9. 7 - Kayla Shepherd, 2010-11
10. 5 - Jana Jones, 2004-07
- 5 - Tiffany Denham, 2009-12
- 5 - Bethany Stefinsky, 2008-09

INNINGS PITCHED

1. 652.2 - Meagan Bond, 2010-13
2. 633.2 - Jessica Denham, 2004-06
3. 614.1 - Jamie Allred, 2013-16
4. 483.1 - Whitney Tate, 2020-23
5. 478.2 - Alessandra Flores, 2017-20
- 6. 416.2 - Ashley Vallejo, 2021-present**
7. 407.1 - Rachel Smith, 2014-17
8. 378.2 - Bethany Stefinsky, 2008-09
9. 367.0 - Kayla Shepherd, 2010-11
10. 354.2 - Jana Jones, 2004-07

STRIKEOUTS

1. 687- Corrie Hale, 2001-04
2. 677- Meagan Bond, 2010-13
3. 530- Jessica Denham, 2003-06
4. 529- Jamie Allred, 2013-16
5. 434- Bethany Stefinsky, 2008-09
6. 312- Emily Vincent, 2013-16
- 7. 306- Ashley Vallejo, 2021-present**
8. 288- Rachel Smith, 2014-17
9. 268- Kayla Shepherd, 2010-11
- 268- Jana Jones, 2004-07

CAREER One-Hitters

ASHLEY VALLEJO (3)

2023

- March 1 vs. Grambling (W 8-0/5 inn.)
March 7 vs. NW State (W 4-0/G1 of DH)
March 7 vs. NW State (W 2-0/ G2 of DH)

HITTING

RUNS SCORED

1. 228 - Erika Piancastelli, 2015-18
2. 177 - Alanna DiVittorio, 2011-14
3. 160 - Justyce McClain, 2016-19
4. 142 - Hailey Drew, 2015-18
5. 134 - Lauren Langner, 2012-15
- 134 - Molly Guidry, 2008-11
7. 125- Alayis Seneca, 2019-23
8. 122 - Emily Vincent, 2013-16
9. 121 - Jenny Clay, 2005-08
10. 118 - Lindsey Langner, 2008-11
- 64 - Reese Reyna, 2022-present**

HITS

1. 278 - Justyce McClain, 2016-19
2. 253 - Erika Piancastelli, 2015-18
3. 230 - Lauren Langner, 2012-15
4. 208 - Molly Guidry, 2008-11
5. 201 - Emily Vincent, 2013-16
6. 199- Alayis Seneca, 2019-23
- 199 - Lindsey Langner, 2008-11
8. 196 - Alanna DiVittorio, 2011-14
9. 195 - Jenny Clay, 2005-08
10. 180 - Liz Morvant, 2007-10
- 92 - Reese Reyna, 2022-present**
- 89 - Crislyne Moreno, 2022-present**

DOUBLES

1. 62 - Erika Piancastelli, 2015-18
2. 47 - Jenny Clay, 2005-08
3. 44 - Molly Guidry, 2008-11
4. 43 - Emily Vincent, 2013-16
5. 42- Kaylee Lopez, 2019-23
- 42- Jana Jones, 2004-07
7. 38 - Brooke Brodhead, 2005-07
8. 37 - Lauren Langner, 2012-15
9. 33 - Hailey Drew, 2015-18
- 33 - Alanna DiVittorio, 2011-14
- 19 - Crislyne Moreno, 2022-present**

RUNS BATTED IN

1. 212 - Erika Piancastelli, 2015-18
2. 157 - Morgan Catron, 2015-18
3. 141 - Emily Vincent, 2013-16
4. 132 - Molly Guidry, 2008-11
5. 113 - Alanna DiVittorio, 2011-14
6. 111 - Jenny Clay, 2005-08
7. 108 - Hailey Drew, 2015-18
8. 103 - Tori Yanitor, 2014-17
9. 100 - Ashley Modzelewski, 2012-14
10. 99 - Alexandria Saldivar, 2017-21
- 68- Crislyne Moreno, 2022-present**

STOLEN BASES

1. 96 - Jaime Manuel, 1999-2002
2. 93 - Justyce McClain, 2016-19
- 93 - Alanna DiVittorio, 2011-14
4. 83 - Liz Morvant, 2007-10
5. 70- Alayis Seneca, 2019-23
- 70 - Erika Piancastelli, 2015-18
- 70 - Claire Terracina, 2009-11
8. 68 - Cori McCrary, 2019-21
9. 66 - Toni Perrin, 2018-21
- 66 - Molly Guidry, 2008-11
- 41 - Reese Reyna, 2022-present**

WALKS

1. 229 - Erika Piancastelli, 2015-18
2. 158 - Alanna DiVittorio, 2011-14
3. 102 - Hailey Drew, 2015-18
4. 92 - Lindsey Langner, 2008-11
5. 84 - Jenny Clay, 2005-08
6. 80 - Dani Price, 2009-12
7. 78 - Emily Vincent, 2013-16
8. 74 - Molly Guidry, 2008-11
9. 72 - Claire Terracina, 2009-11
10. 71 - Morgan Catron, 2015-18

McNEESE PROBABLE STARTER NOTES

#1, Jada Munoz, DP (So.)

-batting .333 with three hits in 9 at bats...has three RBI and one walk

#32, Rylie Bouvier, 3B (Jr.)

-second on the team with seven runs scored and five walks...third on the team with a .364 batting average...preseason All-SLC second team

#19, Corine Poncho, 1B (So.)

-leads the team with four home runs and nine runs scored...has hit a homerun in four of the five games this season including the last three games...has hit safely in all five games...leads the team with a 1.583 slugging percent...tied for a team high with a .500 batting average, and a .625 on base percent...tied for third on the team with five RBI

#34, Emily Phillips, C (Sr.)

-tied for a team high with a .500 batting average, a .625 on base percent, six hits and two doubles...second on the team with a .917 slugging percent...tied for third on the team with five RBI

#27, Samantha Mundine, RF (Fr.)

-tied for a team high with six RBI...has a .600 batting average with three hits in five at bats

#2, Brooke Otto, LF (So.)

-has a .182 batting average with two hits, 1 RBI, and has scored three runs

#17, Delaney Dunham, CF (So.)

-batting .200 on the season...leads the team with six walks and four stolen bases

#4, Mariana Torres, 2B (Sr.)

-fourth on the team with a .357 batting average...third on the team with five hits...tied for a team high with two doubles...preseason All-SLC second team

#22, Reese Reyna, SS (Jr.)

-has four walks and has scored four runs in 10 at bats...preseason first team All-SLC

PITCHERS

#3, Ashley Vallejo, RHP (Sr.)

Is 1-0 on the season with a 4.20 ERA in 5.0 innings with two strikeouts ...preseason All-SLC first team

#9, Lindsay Davis, RHP (So.)

Is 1-0 on the season...has the second best ERA on the team (1.83)...picked up her first career win against Tarleton on Feb. 11, 2024.

#11, Ryann Schexnayder, LHP (So.)

Is 1-0 on the season with a staff low 1.17 ERA...picked up her first career win with a 12-4 run-rule win over New Mexico (Feb. 9, 2024)...has allowed one earned run with two strikeouts in 6.0 innings

#15, Alexis Dibbley, RHP/OF (Fr.)

Made her collegiate pitching debut against New Mexico (Feb. 9, 2024)...has a 5.25 ERA in 2.2 innings and two strikeouts

#24, Shaelyn Sanders, LHP (Sr.)

Is 1-1 on the year...has a 2.42 ERA with a team high 10 strikeouts in 8.2 innings...has one shutout on the season...preseason All-SLC second team