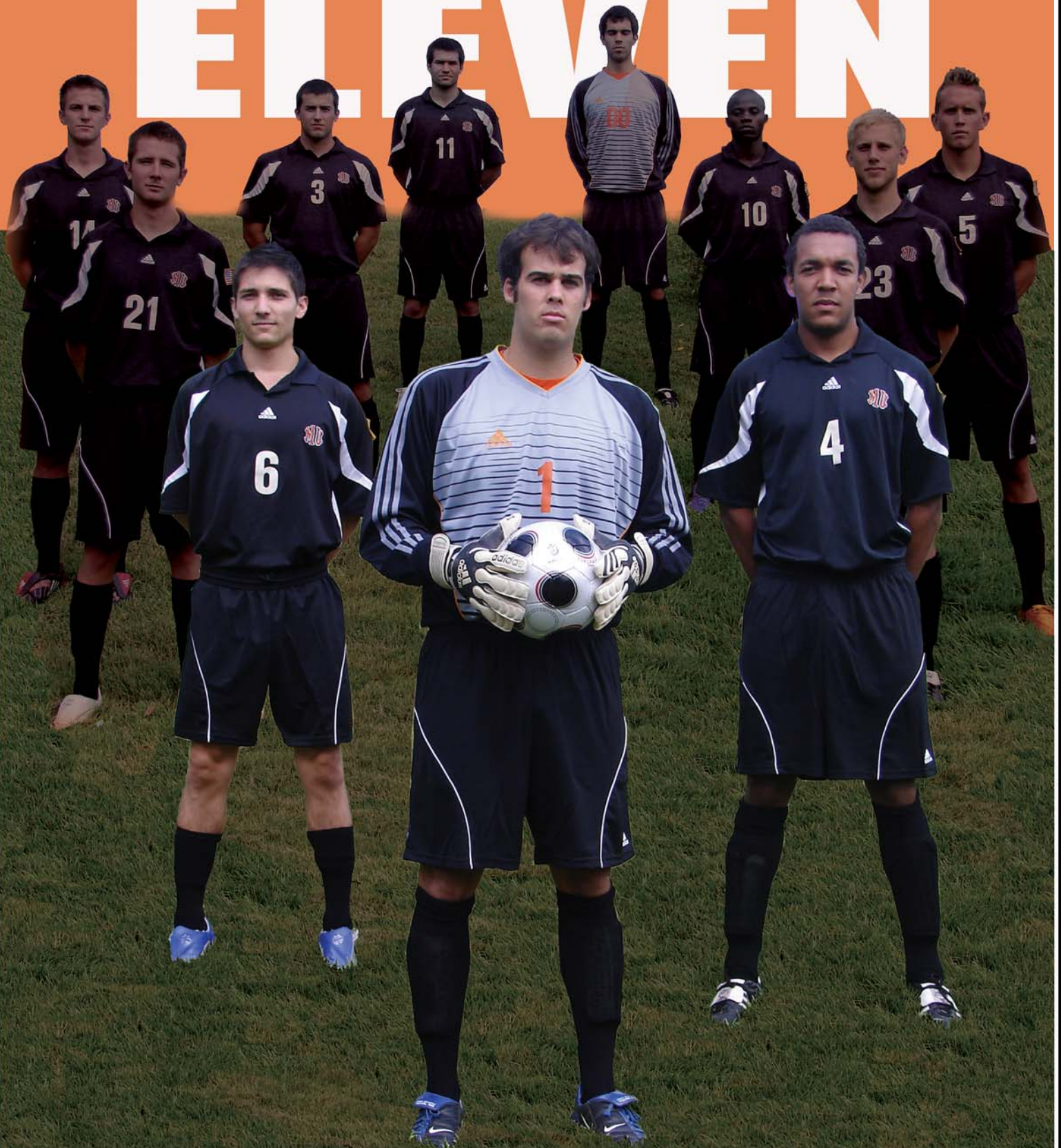


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2008 MERCER MEN'S SOCCER

BUILDING A LEGACY



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2008 Quick Facts

University Information

Location	Macon, Ga.
Enrollment	7,050
Founded	1833
Nickname	Bears
Colors	Orange and Black
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Conference	Atlantic Sun (A-Sun)
Field (Capacity)	Bear Field (500)
President	William D. Underwood
Alma Mater	Oklahoma Baptist (1982)
Athletics Director	Bobby Pope
Alma Mater	College (1970)
Senior Associate A.D./SWA.	Sybil Blalock
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Alma Mater	Cincinnati (1999)
Career Record	First Season
Record at Mercer	First Season
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History

First year of competition	1970
All-time record	231-348-40
Conference Regular Season Titles	3
Conference Tournament Titles	2
Tournament Record	10-8
Last appearance	2006
NCAA Tournament appearances	1
Last appearance	2001, L, Kentucky, 1-0

2007 Results

Overall Record	6-12-1
A-Sun Record/Finish	2-6-1/10th
Home/Road/Neutral	4-3-1/0-8-0/2-1-0
Starters returning/lost	6/5
Letterwinners returning/lost	14/10

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2008 Season Preview

The 2008 season marks a new era in Mercer men's soccer. After consecutive losing seasons, the Bears turn over the reigns to new head coach Brad Ruzzo. With the arrival of Ruzzo comes a fresh start, a new philosophy and a clean slate for the soccer program.

Ruzzo enters a tradition-rich program that has endured struggles in the past two seasons. The Bears established themselves as a perennial Atlantic Sun Conference contender in the late 90s and early in this decade, winning three consecutive A-Sun regular season championships (2000, 2001 and 2002) in addition to A-Sun Tournament Championships in 1999 and 2001. Since the 2002 season, the Bears are 37-51-9. In their stretch from 1999 to 2002, the Bears were a combined 44-30-5. After a 6-12-1 regular season record in 2007 and failing to qualify for the A-Sun Championship for the first time in 10 years, two-time A-Sun Conference Coach of the Year Tom Melville resigned. Ruzzo aims to return the program to the level at which it once was.

"I'm excited to be here," Ruzzo said. "I see a lot of great potential in the Mercer soccer program. Coach Melville put a base to this and had great success in 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002. I'm looking to rekindle that excitement."

Ruzzo has a mixture of experience and youth to help stoke that fire. The Bears return 14 players from last year's squad, including five players who started at least 11 games. Joining the veterans is a host of 13 newcomers who will be looked upon to inject excitement into the group and make their mark on Mercer soccer. No matter what a player's age, Ruzzo has high expectations for his student-athletes.

"The bottom line is that we are going to defend with the 11 guys that are on the field and we are going to attack with the 11 guys that are on the team," Ruzzo said.

2008 Men's Soccer A-Sun Preseason Coaches Poll

#	School (1st Place Votes)	Points
1.	Campbell (7)	95
2.	Jacksonville (2)	88
3.	Stetson (1)	84
4.	UNF	57
5.	Florida Gulf Coast	49
6.	Belmont	48
7.	Lipscomb	47
8.	USC Upstate	28
T9.	ETSU	27
T9.	Mercer	27

Tournament Champion: Jacksonville

with the fewest goals against are the top teams in the conference," Ruzzo said. "We are going to be about keeping the ball out of the net. We are going to be very sound defensively. A team's goals-against and goals against average is the number one key to being competitive."

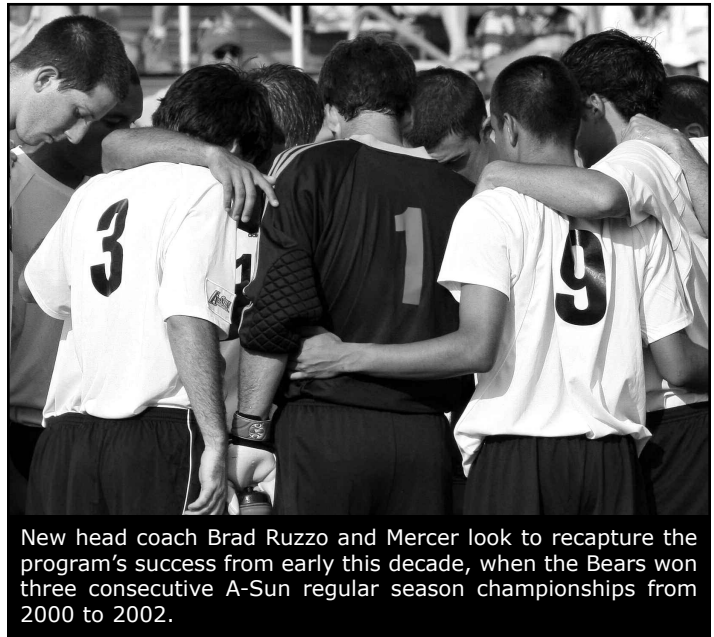
One needs to look no further for proof than at last year's national champion, Wake Forest. The Demon Deacons sported a miniscule 0.52 goals against average, third in the nation.

Besides basing a team identity on defense, Ruzzo wants opposing teams to know four things about the Bears: they have a strong work ethic, they are organized, they are very role-defined and they are a committed team.

"That's not to say that we are the best passing team, the best dribbling team or the best technical team," Ruzzo said. "But if we can instill and understand those four things we will be successful."

Despite the recent struggles, Ruzzo expects nothing less than for his team to compete in 2008.

"I truly expect this team to compete in the conference and make the conference tournament," Ruzzo said. "I feel that once everybody understands the plan, we will be able to compete for a conference title."



New head coach Brad Ruzzo and Mercer look to recapture the program's success from early this decade, when the Bears won three consecutive A-Sun regular season championships from 2000 to 2002.

FORWARDS

Up front the Bears have the tall task of replacing the sixth all-time leading scorer in Mercer history and the leading goal scorer the past two seasons, Vincente Arze. Despite the loss of the four-time All-A-Sun performer, junior **Chrispine Ong'Ango** and a host of newcomers are poised to fill the void. Ong'Ango attempted nine shots in 2007 and dished out one assist while making 11 starts in 15 appearances. The Bears will look to Ong'Ango for much-needed leadership up front in a group dominated by newcomers, as a host of freshmen will vie for playing time.

MIDFIELDERS

Arguably their deepest position, the Bears return a solid core of veterans in the middle. Led by 2007 A-Sun All-Freshman selection **Ian Cameron**, the Bears return eight upperclassmen midfielders. Cameron, a sophomore, is the leading returner in points (8), goals (3), and shots (20). Joining Cameron is an experienced group of three seniors. **Jason Prior** started 11 games in 2007 and tallied 10 shot attempts, providing a steady presence on the field. **Phillip Calderon** came to Mercer after attending SMU and wasted little time getting on the field. Calderon appeared in eight matches, starting four overall and two of the last three. Despite the sparse playing time, Calderon is the second-leading returning scorer on the squad after totaling three points in 2007. No stranger to the program, **James Klingler** did not play in 2007 but appeared in 10 games as a sophomore in 2006. Junior **Thomas Knerr** made 14 starts in 2007, tallying two assists as a sophomore and firing a career-high five shots. Junior **Geoffrey Oliveria** will look to have an increased role in 2007 after seeing time in a pair of games as a sophomore. Sophomore **John Kite** plans to have a bigger impact as well after appearing in seven games in 2006.

DEFENDERS

The backline benefits from some key senior leaders as well. **Bolade Ogunmade** transferred to Mercer from Northern Oklahoma College last year and made an immediate impact, starting all 19 matches as a midfielder. Ogunmade makes the transition from the middle to the back after he tallied one goal in 2007. Fellow senior **Wynn Trice** will split time as a defender and

a midfielder after appearing in 18 games a year ago. **Scott Gordon**, a junior, will join Ogunmade and Trice in the back after making eight starts as a defender in 2007. After sitting out 2007 with a redshirt, **Charles Peterson** will see the first action of his collegiate career as a defender.



Sophomore Ian Cameron is the Bears' leading returning scorer after contributing three goals and two assists in 2007.

GOALKEEPERS

The lead candidate to defend the net for the Bears in 2008 is senior **David Bird**. Last season, Bird split time with Roberto Cronenbold while posting a 1.38 goals against average on the year. Bird was in the goal for four of the Bears' six wins. He also came away with two shutouts on the season and his 3.58 saves per game average was sixth in the A-Sun. Sophomore **Matt Cranford** will challenge Bird for playing time after he didn't see the field as a redshirt freshman in 2007. A pair of talented freshmen in **Diego Gustin** and **Daniel VanValkenburg** also hope to gain some experience in the net in 2008.

SCHEDULE

Following a pair of preseason matches with Emory and Oglethorpe, the Bears dive into a tough three-game road trip to start the 2008 season. First, Mercer travels to Raleigh, N.C. to face Atlantic Coast Conference foe North Carolina State on Aug. 30. The next weekend Mercer travels to Alabama for the Alabama Tournament on Sept. 5-7, when they face Alabama A&M on Friday and UAB on Sunday.

"Going to N.C. State will be an atmosphere for the guys that will be fun," Ruzzo said. "It might be a little intimidating, but hopefully not. Then we are on the road to Alabama A&M and UAB, which is a really tough three-game road stretch to open up the season."

The first regular season home match for the Bears falls on Sept. 13, when Mercer opens the Wingate by Wyndham Classic against Howard. The men finish the weekend on Sunday, Sept. 14 against intra-state rival Georgia State. Mercer swept the Classic last year, defeating UC Riverside and Georgia Southern.

"It's great that we are hosting a tournament again this year," Ruzzo said. "It is great exposure for the university and the soccer program to have four good teams here to play good soccer over a weekend. I'm excited to host that tournament."

The next stop for the men's soccer squad is Philadelphia and the Penn and Temple Tournament. On Sept. 19, the Bears open the tournament with Temple, a member of the Atlantic 10 Conference. After an off day on Saturday, the Bears face the Penn Quakers, who finished tied for fourth in Ivy League play a year ago.

On Oct. 2, Mercer heads back to the friendly confines of Bear Field where they will open the 2008 A-Sun regular season slate against Florida Gulf Coast. The Eagles finished tied for sixth in the A-Sun last season, but brought in a strong recruiting class in the offseason. College Soccer News named FGCU freshmen Kevin Ante and Cristian Raudales as two of the "100 Freshmen to Keep an Eye on

in 2008." Stetson rounds out the first A-Sun home stand on Oct. 4.

"Florida Gulf Coast and Stetson highlight our home schedule, not to say that any conference home game is more or less important than the others," Ruzzo said. "Any conference game is going to be a dog fight."

The Bears take that fight on the road on Oct. 9 when they travel to Jacksonville to face the defending A-Sun Championship runner-up Dolphins, whom the coaches picked to win the 2008 tournament. The Bears don't have to go far following their bout with the Dolphins, as they meet up with UNF on Oct. 11 before making their way back to Macon to host Belmont and Lipscomb on Oct. 16 and Oct. 18, respectively, closing out the home schedule. Despite this being his first year on the sideline for Mercer, Ruzzo saw both Nashville schools while he was with Bradley in 2007. The Braves defeated both the Bruins and the Bisons by a 2-1 margin.

"They are tough teams that played tough games," Ruzzo said.

The Bears end the season on a four-match road trip that has the team going to ETSU on Oct. 23, USC Upstate on Oct. 25, Georgia Southern on Oct. 28 and Campbell on Nov. 1. The concluding game of the regular season pits the Bears with preseason favorite Campbell and preseason player of the year Richard Jata. Last season, the Bears battled with the 2007 A-Sun Tournament Champions through two overtimes before the match ended in a 0-0 tie.

The Nov. 1 match up at Buies Creek, N.C. with Campbell is the last game preceding the 2008 A-Sun Championship on Nov. 12-15, hosted by Campbell.

2008 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time (Eastern)	Location
August			
20	Emory (Exh.)	7 p.m.	Macon, Ga.
23	Oglethorpe (Exh.)	7 p.m.	Macon, Ga.
30	N.C. State	7 p.m.	Raleigh, N.C.
September			
5	¹ Alabama A&M	5 p.m.	Huntsville, Ala.
7	¹ UAB	3 p.m.	Birmingham, Ala.
13	²Howard	7 p.m.	Macon, Ga.
14	²Georgia State	3 p.m.	Macon, Ga.
19	³ Temple	3 p.m.	Philadelphia, Pa.
21	³ Penn	1 p.m.	Philadelphia, Pa.
October			
2	*Florida Gulf Coast	7 p.m.	Macon, Ga.
4	*Stetson	7 p.m.	Macon, Ga.
9	*Jacksonville	7 p.m.	Jacksonville, Fla.
11	*UNF	7 p.m.	Jacksonville, Fla.
16	*Belmont	7 p.m.	Macon, Ga.
18	*Lipscomb	7 p.m.	Macon, Ga.
23	*ETSU	4 p.m.	Johnson City, Tenn.
25	*USC Upstate	2 p.m.	Spartanburg, S.C.
28	Georgia Southern	4 p.m.	Statesboro, Ga.
November			
1	*Campbell	7 p.m.	Buies Creek, N.C.
12	A-Sun Quarterfinals	TBA	Buies Creek, N.C.
13	A-Sun Semifinals	TBA	Buies Creek, N.C.
15	A-Sun Finals	TBA	Buies Creek, N.C.

Home matches in **bold** played at Bear Field

* A-Sun Conference Match

1- Alabama Tournament

2- Mercer University Fall Tournament

3- Penn and Temple Tournament



Brad Ruzzo

HEAD COACH
First Season at Mercer
Cincinnati, 1999

The 2008 season marks the beginning of the Brad Ruzzo era at Mercer. Ruzzo comes to Mercer from Bradley University, where he spent the past eight seasons as the top assistant for the Braves and the last five as the associate head coach.

While at Bradley, Ruzzo and the Braves went to the NCAA Tournament four times, captured three Missouri Valley Conference regular-season championships and won the State Farm MVC Tournament

title in 2007 while compiling a 101-54-25 (.631) record. The 2007 squad enjoyed the best postseason run in the program's history, bowing out in the quarterfinals of the NCAA Men's Soccer Championship. In 2003 Ruzzo claimed the title as one of the nation's top assistant coaches by *College Soccer News*.

Ruzzo's tenure at Bradley saw many student-athletes earn positive recognition. The Braves produced eight All-Americans, six Major League Soccer SuperDraft selections, 37 All-MVC selections, two MVC Defensive Players of the Year, two MVC Freshmen of the Year and one MVC Player of the Year. During the same period, Ruzzo saw Bradley develop eight ESPN the Magazine/CoSIDA Academic All-Americans and NSCAA Scholar All-Americans, 11 CoSIDA District V and NSCAA Region Scholar-Athletes and 25 Valley Scholar Athletes.

While at Bradley, Ruzzo also held the position of co-director for the the Central Illinois Soccer Academy, which



Ruzzo at Bradley

Year	Record	MVC	Finish
2000	15-7-2 (.667)	6-4-1 (.591)	4th
2001	12-7-1 (.625)	6-3-0 (.667)	T-3rd
2002	14-6-4 (.667)	4-3-2 (.556)	5th
2003	11-8-4 (.565)	5-2-2 (.667)	4th
2004	10-6-3 (.604)	5-3-1 (.688)	T-3rd
2005	15-6-1 (.705)	5-1-1 (.786)	1st
2006	8-8-4 (.500)	4-1-1 (.750)	T-1st
2007	16-6-4 (.692)	4-0-2 (.833)	T-1st
Totals	101-54-23 (.632)	39-17-10 (.667)	

works with more than 1,200 youth players throughout the year. In addition to his responsibilities as co-director, Ruzzo also served as the event coordinator for the program's annual Chicagoland Golf Outing and a coach for CISA's U-17, U-18, U-19, and U-23 club teams since 2003.

Prior to joining the staff at Bradley, Ruzzo starred at the University of Cincinnati, where he was a four-year letter-winner as a defenseman for the Bearcats. He started 77 games from 1995 to 1998, and earned a second-team All-Conference USA selection during his senior campaign, in which the team captain and team MVP led Cincinnati on an NCAA Tournament run. He helped the Bearcat defense pitch six shutouts and held opponents to a 0.89 goals-against average during that 1998 season.

Ruzzo replaces Tom Melville, who resigned after the 2007 season as the Bears' head man after 13 years.

Brad Ruzzo at a Glance

EDUCATION

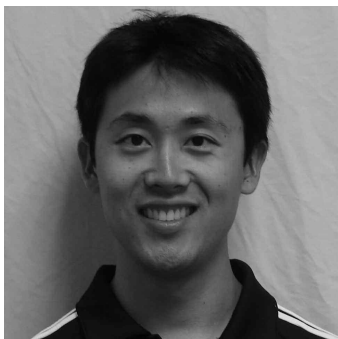
University of Cincinnati, 1999
B.A., Economics

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

1995-98 University of Cincinnati
2nd Team All-Conference USA, '98
1998 NCAA Tourney Appearance

COACHING EXPERIENCE

1996-97 Wyoming (Ohio) H.S.
Assistant Coach
1997-99 Lakota Premier U-16 Boys
Head Coach
1999-00 Club Ohio/Dynamo
U-17 and U-18 Boys
Head Coach
1999-00 Xavier University
Assistant Coach
2000-02 Bradley University
Assistant Coach
2003-07 Central Illinois Soccer Academy
U-17, U-18, U-19 and U-23 Coach
2003-07 Bradley University
Associate Head Coach



Ken Takenaka

**Athletic Trainer
Central Florida 2008**

Ken Takenaka begins his first year with the Mercer Athletics Department as an athletic training graduate assistant. Takenaka will work with the men's soccer, cheer and dance teams while pursuing a master's degree in education at Mercer's Tift College of Education.

As an undergraduate, Takenaka completed his studies at the University of Central Florida in 2008, graduating with honors. He received his Bachelor of Science from Central Florida in health sciences with a concentration in athletic training and a minor in health sciences.

While at Central Florida, Takenaka worked with several Knights athletic squads, including men's and women's tennis, men's and women's soccer, women's track and football. When he wasn't working with collegiate athletes, Takenaka also put in time at a local high school in addition to Amanda Cromwell's Central Florida Soccer Academy.



Paul Bohr

**Head Strength and Conditioning Coach
Central Florida 1989**

Paul Bohr enters his second season as the first full-time strength and conditioning coach at Mercer. Bohr's dedication and attention to detail have immediately paid dividends to the Bears' athletic programs.

Bohr came to Mercer after spending two years as an assistant strength coach at the College of Charleston. While at College of Charleston, Bohr designed and implemented strength and conditioning, along with speed programs for numerous Cougar athletic teams.

The Winter Park, Fla., native began his collegiate career as an assistant strength coach at UC Riverside in August 2004 prior to joining the UCLA athletics program in January 2005. While at UCLA, Bohr worked with the Bruins' football program assisting with speed development while also teaching and monitoring exercise techniques and developing weight management and nutrition training for student-athletes.

Bohr is a certified fitness trainer, sports performance nutritionist and specialist in sports conditioning along with being a member of the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA). Paul has been coaching and working

with athletes since 2000, designing fitness and speed development programs.

A 1989 graduate from UCF with a bachelor's of business administration, Bohr later received his master's degree in physical education from Cal State-Dominguez Hills.



Numerical Roster

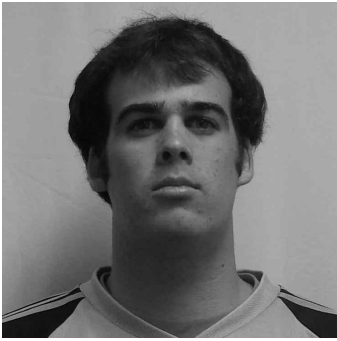
No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School	Major
00	Matt Cranford	GK	6-3	170	So.	Augusta, Ga./Aquinas HS	Industrial Engineering
0	Diego Gustin	GK	6-1	170	Fr.	Lima, Peru/Abraham Lincoln School	Undeclared
1	David Bird	GK	6-2	190	Sr.	Niceville, Fla./Niceville HS	Advertising
2	Charles Peterson	MF	5-8	150	R-Fr.	Newnan, Ga./Newnan HS	English
3	Wynn Trice	MF/D	5-10	165	Sr.	Thomaston, Ga./Upson Lee HS	Finance and Economics
4	Bolade Ogunmade	MF	6-1	170	Sr.	Glasgow, Scotland/Northern Oklahoma College	Economics
5	Scott Gordon	D	6-3	190	Jr.	Boca Raton, Fla./Spanish River HS	Business
6	Phillip Calderon	MF	5-6	145	Sr.	Miami, Fla./SMU	Finance and Management
7	Arkenson Neckles	F/MF	6-4	160	Fr.	St. George's, Grenada/Grenada Boys Secondary	Marketing
8	Philip Thoren	F/MF	6-0	160	Fr.	Vaxholm, Sweden/Danderyds HS	Business
9	Richard Wimsatt	F/MF	5-6	160	Fr.	Warner Robins, Ga./Houston County HS	Business
10	Ian Cameron	MF	5-11	170	So.	Glasgow, Scotland/Nyndland Secondary	Undeclared
11	Thomas Knerr	F	5-9	160	Jr.	Augusta, Ga./Augusta Prep Day School	Industrial Engineering
12	Nick Dankel	D	6-1	180	Fr.	McKinney, Texas/McKinney North HS	Engineering
13	John Kite	MF	5-11	145	So.	New Orleans, La./Coral Springs HS	Business
14	Jason Prior	MF	5-10	165	Sr.	Warner Robins, Ga./Warner Robins HS	Industrial Engineering
16	Chrispine Ong'Ango	F	5-10	165	Jr.	Nairobi, Kenya/St. Mary's HS	Accounting and Finance
19	Fernando Ruth	MF	5-7	140	Fr.	Buenos Aires, Argentina/Asociacion Cultural Pestalozzy	Undeclared
21	Geoffrey Oliveria	MF	5-11	150	Jr.	Lutz, Fla./Tampa Catholic	Mechanical Engineering
22	Daniel VanValkinburg	GK	5-11	170	Fr.	Chattanooga, Tenn./Baylor School	Pre-Med
23	James Klingler	MF	5-10	165	Sr.	Jesup, Ga./Wayne County HS	Electrical Engineering
24	Dominic Stockdale	D	6-0	155	Fr.	Manchester, England/Cardinal Langley R.C. HS	Undeclared
25	Luke Roberston	F/MF	5-10	155	Fr.	Boone, N.C./Watauga HS	Engineering
27	Ryan Young	MF	6-2	160	Fr.	Conyers, Ga./Rockdale County HS	Chemistry

Alphabetical Roster

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10	Ian Cameron	MF	5-11	170	So.	Glasgow, Scotland/Nyndland Secondary	Undeclared
00	Matt Cranford	GK	6-3	170	So.	Augusta, Ga./Aquinas HS	Industrial Engineering
12	Nick Dankel	D	6-1	180	Fr.	McKinney, Texas/McKinney North HS	Engineering
5	Scott Gordon	D	6-3	190	Jr.	Boca Raton, Fla./Spanish River HS	Business
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13	John Kite	MF	5-11	145	So.	New Orleans, La./Coral Springs HS	Business
23	James Klingler	MF	5-10	165	Sr.	Jesup, Ga./Wayne County HS	Electrical Engineering
11	Thomas Knerr	F	5-9	160	Jr.	Augusta, Ga./Augusta Prep Day School	Industrial Engineering
7	Arkenson Neckles	F/MF	6-4	160	Fr.	St. George's, Grenada/Grenada Boys Secondary	Marketing
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16	Chrispine Ong'Ango	F	5-10	165	Jr.	Nairobi, Kenya/St. Mary's HS	Accounting and Finance
2	Charles Peterson	MF	5-8	150	R-Fr.	Newnan, Ga./Newnan HS	English
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24	Dominic Stockdale	D	6-0	155	Fr.	Manchester, England/Cardinal Langley R.C. HS	Undeclared
8	Philip Thoren	F/MF	6-0	160	Fr.	Vaxholm, Sweden/Danderyds HS	Business
3	Wynn Trice	MF/D	5-10	165	Sr.	Thomaston, Ga./Upson Lee HS	Finance and Economics
22	Daniel VanValkinburg	GK	5-11	170	Fr.	Chattanooga, Tenn./Baylor School	Pre-Med
9	Richard Wimsatt	F/MF	5-6	160	Fr.	Warner Robins, Ga./Houston County HS	Business
27	Ryan Young	MF	6-2	160	Fr.	Conyers, Ga./Rockdale County HS	Chemistry

Pronunciation Guide

6	Phillip Calderon	Call-der-own
12	Nick Dankel	Dan-kle
11	Thomas Knerr	K-ner
4	Bolade Ogun Made	Oh-gun Mah-dee
21	Geoffrey Oliveria	Ah-liv-era
10	Chrispine Ong'Ango	Ong-nge-oh
8	Philip Thoren	Thor-ein



David Bird

1

Goalkeeper

6-2 • 190 • Sr.

Niceville, Fla.
Niceville HS

2007

Appeared in 12 games as a junior, starting eight ... finished the season tied for ninth in the A-Sun in total saves (43) and sixth in saves per game (3.58) ... posted two shutouts, tying him for ninth in the conference ... owned the fifth-best goals against average in the league (1.38) ... recorded a career-high seven saves in a 2-1 victory against Alabama A&M on Sept. 14 ... came away with two shutouts on the season, the first coming against Presbyterian on Sept. 2 while the second came against Georgia Southern on Sept. 9.

2006

Appeared in eight games for the Bears, starting five ... posted 21 saves on the season ... notched a season-high five saves twice, against Stetson (Oct. 14) and at Jacksonville (Oct. 20) ... picked up a win after holding Birmingham Southern scoreless for a half on Sept. 3.

2005

Started seven matches, appearing in a total of eight during freshman campaign ... picked up three wins against five losses for the Bears ... sported a save percentage of .683 ... earned first career victory at Berry College on Sept. 21, a 3-1 Mercer victory.

High School

Named FHSAA and FASA All-State ... also named to the All-Area team ... four-time letterwinner for the Eagles ... two-time state AAU Champion.

Personal

Son of Dave and Rhett Bird ... born 9/1/86 ... has two brothers, Griffin (20) and Edward (14) ... majoring in advertising.

Bird's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Sv.	GA	GAA	ShO.
2007	12/8	43	16	1.38	1
2006	8/5	21	10	1.40	2
2005	8/7	28	13	1.72	0
Totals	28/20	92	39	1.48	3



Phillip Calderon

6

Midfielder

5-6 • 145 • Sr.

Miami, Fla.
SMU

2007

Appeared in eight games, starting four ... named to the A-Sun All-Academic team ... took two shots and scored first career goal as a Bear against USC Upstate on Oct. 18 ... goal against USC Upstate was also a game-winner ... tallied an assist in the season finale versus Western Kentucky.

2006

Attended SMU.

2005

Attended SMU.

High School

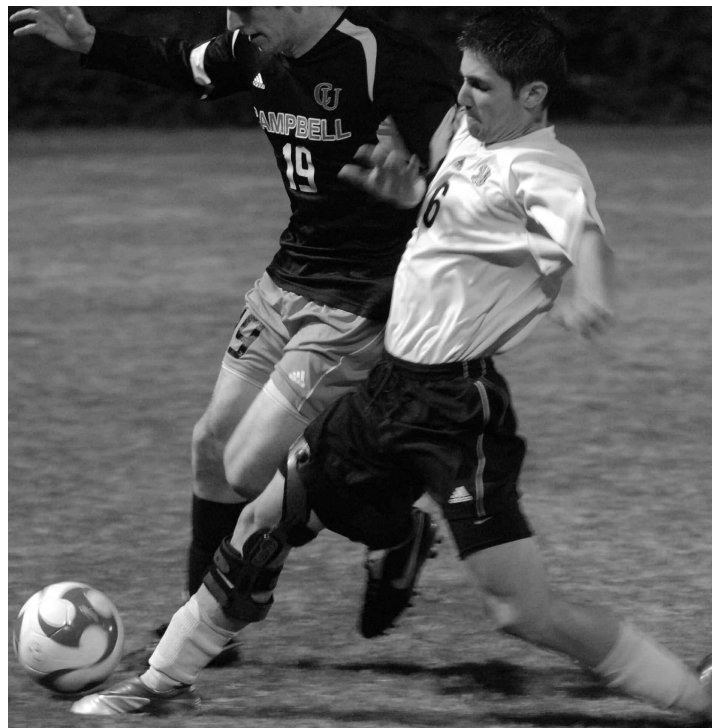
Participated in soccer all four years at Gulliver Preparatory ... named an All-American twice for coach Jorge Deipa and the Raiders ... earned all-state honors as a senior ... earned a spot on the All-Dade County team three times ... registered 12 goals and 15 assists as a senior.

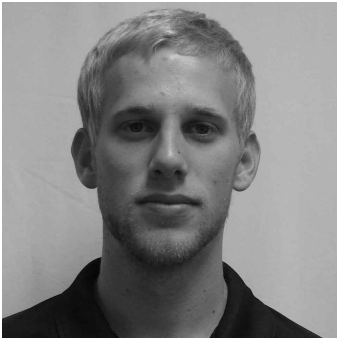
Personal

Son of Manuel Calderon and Ana Guithiel ... born on 6/17/86 ... has three siblings, Paula, Michelle and Monique ... transferred to Mercer from SMU ... majoring in finance and management.

Calderon's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	8/4	5	1	1	3
2006	Attended SMU				
2005	Attended SMU				
Totals	8/4	5	1	1	3





James Klingler ²³

Midfielder

5-10 • 165 • Sr.

Jesup, Ga.
Wayne County HS

2007
Sat out with a redshirt.

2006
Started six of the 10 matches in which he appeared ... attempted a career-high two shots against Gardner-Webb on Sept. 28 ... an A-Sun All-Academic selection.

2005
Did not see playing time as a freshman ... landed a spot on the A-Sun All-Academic team ... joined the team as a non-scholarship player.

High School
Named Wayne County High School's Best Defender in 2005 ... twice led the team in assists (2003 and 2004).

Personal
Son of Henry and Janet Klingler ... born on 8/19/86 ... an electrical engineering major.

Klingler's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	DNP				
2006	10/6	2	0	0	0
2005	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	10/6	2	0	0	0



Bolade Ogunmade ⁴

Defender

6-1 • 170 • Sr.

Glasgow, Scotland
Northern Oklahoma College

2007
Started in all 19 games as a junior ... attempted seven shots, two on goal, and compiled a shots-on-goal percentage of 28.6 ... scored his lone goal of the season off a corner kick against USC Upstate in a 3-0 victory on Oct. 18, which was his only shot attempt that game.

2006
Earned All-American, all-district and all-regional honors at Northern Oklahoma College.

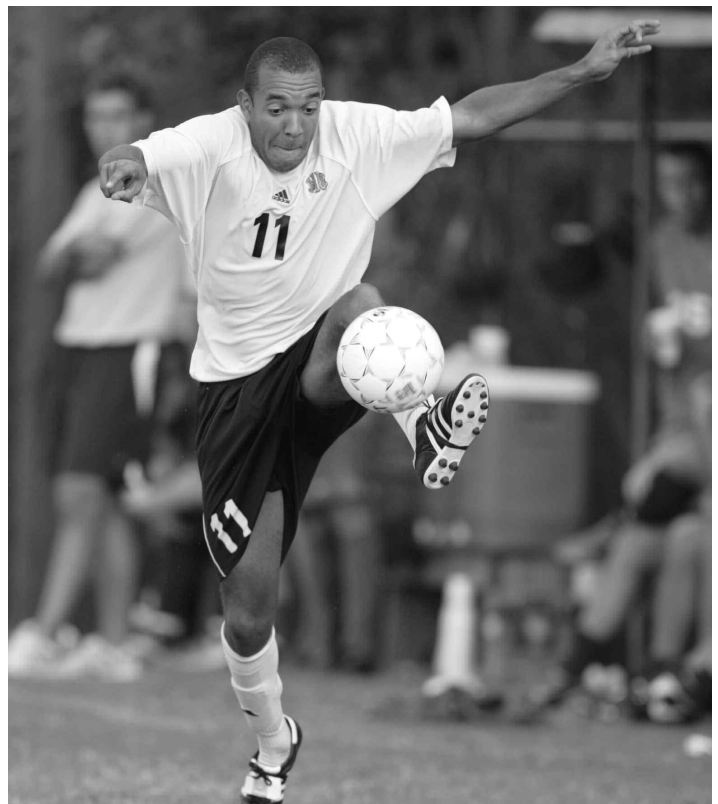
2005
Attended Northern Oklahoma College.

High School
Led St. Ambrose High School to a league championship as a senior ... named a finalist for the Lanarkshire Cup.

Personal
Son of Mageret Ogunmade ... attended St. Ambrose High School ... majoring in economics.

Ogunmade's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	19/19	7	1	0	2
2006	Northern Oklahoma College				
2005	Northern Oklahoma College				
Totals	19/19	7	1	0	2





Jason 14 Prior

Midfielder

5-10 • 165 • Sr.

Warner Robins, Ga.
Warner Robins HS

2007

Started 11 of the 17 games in which he played ... attempted 10 shots during his junior season ... put three shots on goal ... recorded a season-high three shots at Memphis on Sept. 23 ... had one shot on goal each against UAB (Sept. 16), Memphis (Sept. 23) and UNF (Oct. 4) ... named to the A-Sun All-Academic team.

2006

Appeared in 10 games, making his first career start at Winthrop on Sept. 16 ... earned first career point with an assist in a Sept. 3 matchup against UAB ... attempted first career shot against Appalachian State on Oct. 17.

2005

Did not appear in a game as a freshman.

High School

Lettered four years in both soccer and cross country ... played under high school coach Andy Bailey ... named to the all-region team in 2005 ... earned all-county honors in 2004 and 2005 ... tallied 16 goals and six assists as a senior.

Personal

Son of Thomas and Mary Prior ... born on 3/1/87 in Nebraska ... has one brother, Ryan (18) ... majoring in industrial engineering.

Prior's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	17/11	10	0	0	0
2006	10/1	1	0	1	1
Totals	27/12	11	0	1	1



Wynn 3 Trice

Mid/Defender

5-10 • 165 • Sr.

Thomaston, Ga.
Upson Lee HS

2007

Saw action in each of Mercer's 19 games, getting the starting nod in five ... attempted three shots on the year ... recorded only shot on goal against UNF on Oct. 4 ... honored as an A-Sun All-Academic selection.

2006

Made four starts in 11 appearances ... landed a spot on the A-Sun All-Academic team.

2005

Started all 20 of Mercer's matches ... named to A-Sun All-Freshman team.

High School

Named to the all-region team in 2005 ... also named to team MVP in 2005.

Personal

Son of Neal and Beth Trice ... born on 8/12/86 ... has one sister, Tori (20) ... a finance and economics major.

Trice's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	18/5	3	0	0	0
2006	11/4	0	0	0	0
2005	20/20	0	0	1	1
Totals	49/29	3	0	1	1





Scott Gordon

5

Defender

6-3 • 190 • Jr.

Boca Raton, Fla.
Spanish River HS

2007

Appeared in 10 games as a sophomore, getting the starting nod in eight ... attempted eight shots on the season ... attempted a season-high three shots against USC Upstate on Oct. 18 ... fired three shots on goal throughout the season ... helped the Mercer defense post five shutouts in 2007, tied for third in the conference ... earned A-Sun All-Academic honors.

2006

Started in all 18 matches for the Bears ... landed a spot on the A-Sun All-Freshman Team and the A-Sun All-Academic squad ... notched a season-high two shot attempts versus Berry College on Sept. 20.

High School

Lettered four years in soccer, three in football and one in volleyball for the Sharks ... earned all-state honors for coach Jason Versage's squad ... three times named to the all-county team ... held the title of team captain for two years ... helped team to a district championship in 2005 ... garnered all-county honors twice in football as a wide receiver and kicker and once in volleyball ... member of the 2006 state champion volleyball team.

Personal

Son of Joe and Joanne Gordon ... has one sister, Kelly (23) ... born on 4/6/1988 ... uncle Jordan Hultberg played basketball at LSU ... majoring in business.

Gordon's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	10/8	8	0	0	0
2006	18/18	7	0	0	0
Totals	28/26	15	0	0	0



Thomas Knerr

11

Forward

5-9 • 160 • Jr.

Augusta, Ga.
Augusta Prep Day School

2007

Appeared in 16 games, starting 14 ... recorded an assist versus Alabama A&M on Sept. 14 ... attempted a shot and assisted on the Bears' only goal in a 3-1 loss at Evansville on Sept. 21.

2006

Saw action in seven games ... fired a shot against Furman on Sept. 23.

High School

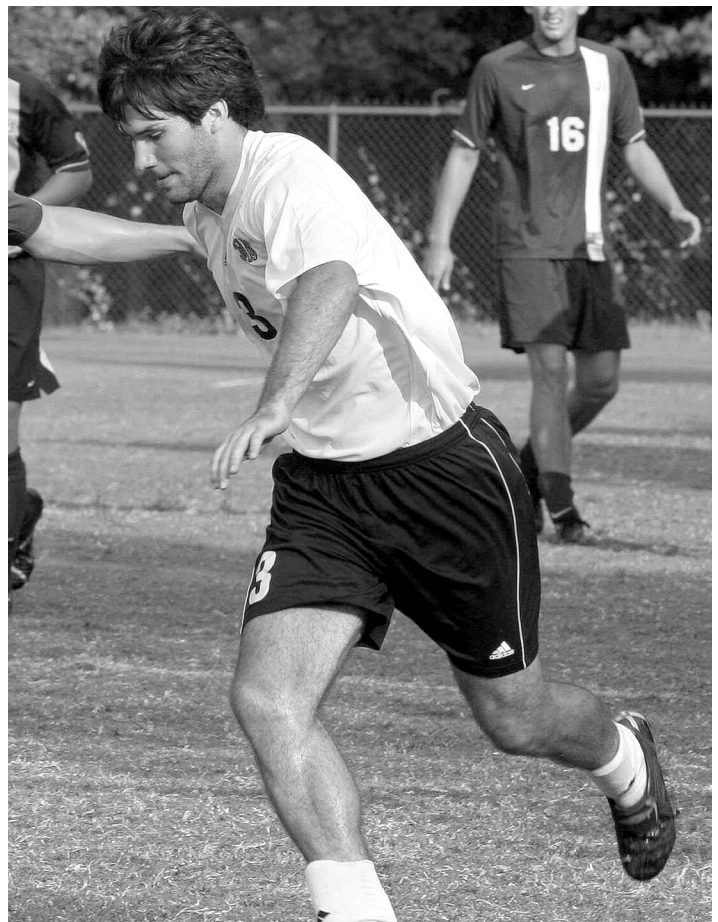
Named all-state twice as a member of the Augustana Prep Day School squad ... three times earned a position on the all-region team.

Personal

Son of James and Alma Knerr ... majoring in industrial engineering.

Knerr's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	16/14	5	0	2	2
2006	7/0	1	0	0	0
Totals	23/14	6	0	2	2





Geoffrey Oliveria

Midfielder

5-11 • 150 • Jr.

Lutz, Fla.
Tampa Catholic HS

2007

Saw action in two games as a sophomore ... earned a spot on the A-Sun All-Academic team.

2006

Appeared in six of Mercer's 18 games.

2005

Sat out as a redshirt.

High School

Four-time letterwinner in soccer, track, swimming, and cross country ... received all-county honors in each of the four sports in which he participated ... earned all-state honors in soccer ... led the team in goals as a senior ... played AAU soccer for HCU and Blackwatch.

Personal

Son of David and Denise Oliveria ... born on 3/23/87 in Honolulu, Hawaii ... has one sister, Laura (26) ... member of the honor roll and the Spanish Honor Society in high school ... a mechanical engineering major.

Oliveria's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	2/0	0	0	0	0
2006	6/0	0	0	0	0
Totals	8/0	0	0	0	0



Crispine Ong'Ango

Forward

5-10 • 160 • Jr.

Nairobi, Kenya
St. Mary's HS

2007

Started 11 games and appeared in 15 ... registered an assist and attempted two shots at Memphis on Sept. 23 ... attempted two shots on two more occasions, against UNF on Oct. 4 and Gardner-Webb on Oct. 20 ... named to the A-Sun All-Academic team.

2006

Appeared in 10 matches and started five contests ... registered a season-high two shots on three occasions, including matches at FAU (Sept. 8), against Berry (Sept. 20) and at Lipscomb (Oct. 6) ... notched at least one shot in all 10 appearances ... earned a place on the A-Sun All-Academic squad.

High School

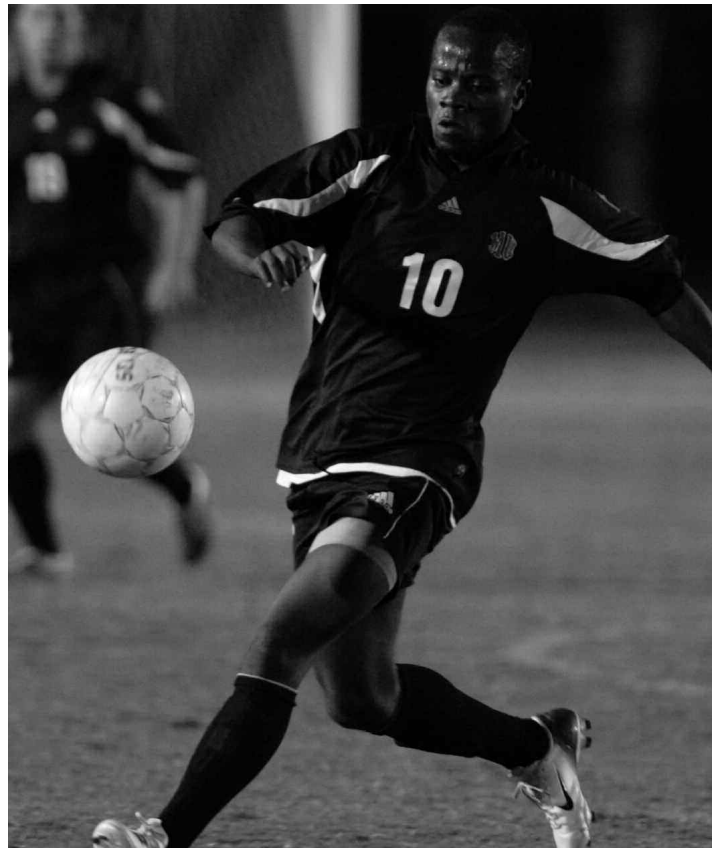
Attended St. Mary's High School.

Personal

Son of Reuben and Sylvia Oduor ... born 8/15/86 in Nairobi, Kenya ... has one brother, Erick Oduor (28) ... majoring in accounting and finance.

Ong'Ango's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	15/11	9	0	1	1
2006	10/5	13	0	0	0
Totals	25/16	22	0	1	1





Ian Cameron

Midfielder

5-11 • 170 • So.

Glasgow, Scotland
Nyndland Secondary

2007

Started all 19 games for the Bears in 2007 ... landed a spot on the A-Sun All-Freshman team ... tied for second on the team with eight points ... third on the team with three goals ... tied for second with two assists ... attempted a career-high five shots against UNF on Oct. 4 ... first career goal was a game-winner at Alabama A&M on Sept. 14 ... 16 of 20 shots were on-goal.

High School

Attended Nyndland Secondary HS.

Personal

Son of Ian and Wendy Cameron ... born 5/23/88 ... has one sister, Kayleigh (23) ... represented Scotland National Team at U-16, U-17 and U-18 levels.

Cameron's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	19/19	20	3	2	8
Totals	19/19	20	3	2	8



Matt Cranford

Goalkeeper

6-3 • 170 • So.

Augusta, Ga.
Aquinas HS

2007

Did not see playing time in first active season.

2006

Redshirted as a freshman.

High School

Lettered in soccer all four years for the Fighting Irish ... started in the net for four seasons ... named Freshman of the Year in 2002 ... awarded Defensive MVP in 2005 ... helped Aquinas capture the 2005 AAA State Title ... won a state AAU Championship with the Concorde Fire and coach Tony Annan in 2006.

Personal

Son of Stephen and Tricia Cranford ... born on 2/8/88 ... has two brothers, Adam (28) and Jeremy (32) ... both of his brothers golfed collegiately ... Adam competed for Georgia Tech and Jeremy for Florida State ... majoring in industrial engineering.

Cranford's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Sv.	GA	GAA	ShO.
2007	0/0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0/0	0	0	0	0



John Kite

Midfielder

5-11 • 145 • So.

New Orleans, La.
Coral Springs HS

2007

Made one start in seven appearances as a freshman ... made first career start on Nov. 3 against Western Kentucky ... attempted his only shot, a shot on goal in that game against Western Kentucky ... saw time in three Mercer victories, a 1-0 versus Presbyterian, a 1-0 win over UNF, and a 3-0 triumph against USC Upstate.

High School

Played soccer at Coral Springs High School ... played AAU soccer for NOSA, IMG and Boca Juniors.

Personal

Son of John O. and Mikki Kite ... born on 6/15/89 ... has one sister, Kristina (23) ... majoring in business.

Kite's Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2007	7/1	1	0	0	0
Totals	7/1	1	0	0	0



Nick Dankel

Defender

6-1 • 180 • Fr.

McKinney, Texas
McKinney North HS

High School

Lettered four years in soccer for the Bulldogs ... named first team all-district three times ... played AAU soccer for Solar and coach Kevin Smith.

Personal

Son of Roger and Amy Dankel ... born on 2/16/90 ... has one sister, Stephanie (16) ... an engineering major.



Charles Peterson

Defender

5-8 • 150 • R-Fr.

Newnan, Ga.
Newnan HS

2007

Sat out the season with a redshirt.

High School

Lettered four years in soccer ... awarded Woodsman of the Year ... named Senior Varsity MVP as a senior.

Personal

Son of Robert and Laura Peterson ... born in Denver, Colo. ... has one brother, Cory ... majoring in English.



Diego Gustin

Goalkeeper

6-1 • 170 • Fr.

Lima, Peru
Abraham Lincoln School

High School

Lettered in soccer five times ... played for coach Martin Gayoso ... awarded ADCA MVP three times (2003, 2005, 2006) ... helped Abraham Lincoln to a national championship in 2006 ... voted as the best goalkeeper in the ADCA in 2006 ... notched 807 career saves and scored 10 goals from 2000 to 2006.

Personal

Son of Jose Gustin and Irma Terrones ... born on 4/16/89 ... has one brother, Jose (21).



Fernando Ruth

Midfielder

5-9 • 140 • Fr.

Buenos Aires, Argentina
Asociacion Culltural Pestalozzy

High School

Played soccer for Asociacion Culltural Pestalozzy

Personal

Son of Fernando Jose Ruth and Vivian Ruth DeRubertis ... born 2/18/88 ... has four siblings, Vivian, Micaela, Emiliano and Ricardo.



Arkenson Neckles

Forward/Mid

6-4 • 165 • Fr.

St. George's, Grenada
Grenada Boys Secondary

High School

Named MVP and Player of the Year in 2005 for Grenada Boys Secondary School ... scored 21 goals and distributed 12 assists in 2005.

Personal

Son of Carl Chase and Sandra Neckles ... born on 3/15/85 in Grenada ... majoring in marketing.



Philip Thoren

Forward/Mid

6-0 • 160 • Fr.

Vaxholm, Sweden
Danderyds HS

High School

Played AAU Soccer for the Vallentuna BK and coach Christer Mattiasson ... voted Talent of the Year in the Soccer Association in 2004.

Personal

Son of Lars and Monica Thoren ... born 5/14/87 in Vallentuna, Sweden ... has one sister, Madeleine (30) ... majoring in business.



Luke Robertson

Forward/Mid

5-10 • 155 • Fr.

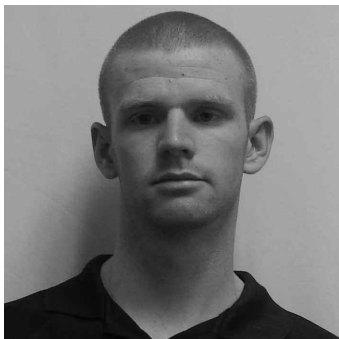
Boone, N.C.
Watauga HS

High School

Four-year letterwinner in soccer ... played for the Pioneers and coach Doug Kidd ... named all-conference on two occasions ... earned All-Region 12 honors in 2006 and 2007 ... connected on 41 career goals ... holds school record for most goals (4) and assists (3) in a game ... helped team to a first place finish in the conference in 2007 ... played club soccer for the High Country Soccer Association ... played AAU soccer for Avalanche '88 and coach Calvin Dixon.

Personal

Son of Dan and Susan Robertson ... born 7/18/89 ... has two siblings, Anna (20) and Ben (17) ... achieved a high school weighted GPA of 4.5 ... majoring in engineering.



Dominic Stockdale

Defender

6-0 • 155 • Fr.

Manchester, England
Cardinal Langley R.C. HS

High School

Played soccer for Great Britain Catholic Schools.

Personal

Son of Peter and Anne-Marie Stockdale ... born on 1/20/89 in Manchester ... has three siblings, Anthony (21), Michael (14) and Mairead (16).



Daniel Van Valkinburg

Goalkeeper

5-11 • 170 • Fr.

Chattanooga, Tenn.
Baylor School

High School

Four-year letterwinner in soccer and three-year letterwinner in football ... member of the TWSA All-State team in 2007 and 2008 ... named to the TSSAA Coaches All-State team in 2007 ... helped Baylor to a state title in 2007 ... played AAU soccer for Chattanooga Futbol Club ... a 2008 Scholar Athlete ... placed on the 2007 Army Preseason All-Academic squad in 2007.

Personal

Son of Pete and Patty VanValkinburg ... born 9/12/89 in Mission Viejo, Calif. ... has one sister, Katie (16) ... a Pre-Med major.



Richard Wimsatt

Forward/Mid

5-6 • 150 • Fr.

Warner Robins, Ga.
Houston County HS

High School

Lettered and started all four years in soccer and lettered twice in cross country ... awarded team MVP as a senior ... landed spots as a first team member of the all-county, all-region and All-Middle Georgia squads ... earned a first team all-state selection ... owns the Houston County HS career record for assists (64) ... played club soccer for Atlanta Fire United and AAU ball for ODP State.

Personal

Son of Ricky and Freclia Wimsatt ... born 1/26/90 ... has two sisters, Amber (21) and Ashley (23) ... majoring in business.



Ryan Young

Midfielder

6-2 • 160 • Fr.

Conyers, Ga.
Rockdale County HS

High School

Three-year letterwinner in soccer, football, and swimming ... played for coach Brian Travis ... named the team's Attacker of the Year ... landed a spot on the all-area and all-region teams ... team's leading goal-scorer and winner of the Don Jenkins Award ... tallied 48 goals and 33 assists throughout career.

Personal

Son of Randy and Trish Young ... born 10/20/89 ... has two siblings, Paul (11) and Nicole (16) ... chemistry major.

Roster Breakdown

By State/Country

Georgia	11
Florida	4
Scotland	2
Argentina	1
England	1
Grenada	1
Kenya	1
Louisiana	1
North Carolina	1
Peru	1
Sweden	1
Tennessee	1
Texas	1

By Position

Midfielder	16
Forward	7
Defender	6
Goalkeeper	4

*Six players are F/MF and one is an MF/D

By Class

Freshman	13
Senior	6
Junior	4
Sophomore	3
R-Freshman	1



Bolade Ogunmade is one of two players on the Mercer roster hailing from Glasgow, Scotland.

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Boosters may attend a prospect's contest on their own initiative, but they may not have any contact with the prospect, his/her coach, principal, or counselor to evaluate the prospect and may not visit a prospect's educational institution to pick up film/video-tape or transcripts pertaining to the evaluation of the prospect.

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Boosters may not bring prospects to BearBacker functions, including chapter meetings.

Boosters may not have contact at any time with a prospect or his/her parents when the prospect is on the Mercer campus for an official or an unofficial visit, be it in the locker room after a game, at a tailgate party, or at an off-campus location.

Boosters may not provide prospects with any goods or services, including any type of special discount or payment arrangement.

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Please contact the Compliance Office at (478) 301-2729 if you have any questions regarding these regulations. The Mercer University Department of Athletics appreciates your efforts to comply with NCAA rules.

A Look Back at 2007

The 2007 campaign was a trying one for the Mercer Bears. In Tom Melville's final season at the helm, the Bears posted a record of 6-12-1 overall and 2-6-1 in Atlantic Sun Conference play. Of the 12 losses Mercer suffered, nine were by a single goal. As the regular season came to a close, the Bears found themselves outside of the six-team A-Sun Championship field for the first time in 10 years. Mercer fielded impressive performances against UNF and Campbell in conference play, posting a 1-0 win over the Ospreys and battling to a 0-0 tie with the preseason favorite Camels.

After starting the season with a tough 1-0 loss against College of Charleston, the Bears rattled off a four-game winning streak. During the four-game stretch, Mercer defeated Presbyterian College 1-0 in the second game of the Saturn of Charleston Classic before chalking up a pair of one-goal, overtime victories at Mercer's own Wingate Inn Classic against UC Riverside and Georgia Southern. The winning streak reached its peak at the UAB Classic on Sept. 14, when Mercer defeated Alabama A&M 2-1.

Following the 4-1 start, the Bears struggled through a five-game losing streak to close out the month of September. With a 4-6 record, Mercer welcomed UNF to Bear Field on Oct. 4. Knotted in a scoreless tie, Olivier Brutus netted a shot from 15 yards out for a 1-0 victory. The second conference victory of the season came on October 18, as the Bears put together a total team effort to cruise to a 3-0 win against the Spartans of USC Upstate. The defense played lights-out, holding the Spartans to seven shots and only one shot on goal for the contest. Phillip Calderon, Bolade Dan Ogunmade and Vicente Arze contributed goals for the Bears in the season's highest-scoring match. On Oct. 27, Mercer played one of its best games all season in a 0-0 tie with the highest scoring team in the league, Campbell.

At season's end, senior forward Vicente Arze earned a spot on the All-Atlantic Sun Second Team after leading the team in goals (5) and assists (7) for a team-high 17 points, which put him in a tie for eighth in the conference. Arze landed an all-conference selection for the fourth time in his career; after being named first-team all-conference in 2004 and 2005, Arze garnered second-team selections in 2006 and 2007. Arze made his mark on Mercer's record books, ending his four years second in career assists (19), sixth in career points (63), and seventh in career goals (22).

After a stellar freshman campaign, Ian Cameron found himself on the Atlantic Sun All-Freshman team. Cameron started all 19 games for the Bears in 2007, netting three goals and dishing out two assists. He was second on the team with 16 shots on goal and contributed one game-winner on the year.



Senior goalkeeper David Bird posted a 4-8 record for the Bears in the net last season.

Individual Statistics

No.	Name	GP	G	A	Pts.	Sh	Shot%	SOG	SOG%	GW	PK-AT
8	ARZE, Vicente	19	5	7	17	55	.091	25	.455	0	0-1
9	VILLACIS, Jaime	17	4	0	8	24	.167	14	.583	2	0-0
16	CAMERON, Ian	19	3	2	8	20	.150	16	.800	1	0-0
6	CALDERON, Phillip	8	1	1	3	5	.200	2	.400	1	0-0
11	OGUNMADE, Bolade Dan	19	1	0	2	7	.143	2	.286	0	0-0
24	BRUTUS, Olivier	10	1	0	2	5	.200	2	.400	1	0-0
2	CONCEPCION, Daniel	17	1	0	2	1	1.000	1	1.000	1	0-0
3	KNERR, Thomas	16	0	2	2	5	.000	1	.200	0	0-0
10	ONG'ANGO, Chris	15	0	1	1	9	.000	5	.556	0	0-0
22	KAMBACK, Charles	2	0	1	1	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0-0
14	PRIOR, Jason	17	0	0	0	10	.000	3	.300	0	0-0
12	CALVO, Jose	13	0	0	0	9	.000	3	.333	0	0-0
7	DUBAY, Shane	17	0	0	0	8	.000	2	.250	0	0-0
5	GORDON, Scott	10	0	0	0	8	.000	3	.375	0	0-0
15	TRICE, Wynn	18	0	0	0	3	.000	1	.333	0	0-0
4	PERDOMO, Richard	18	0	0	0	2	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
20	BRUNET, Chris	6	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
13	KITE, John	7	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0-0
21	OLIVERIA, Geoffrey	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
18	KATZ, Phillip	8	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
1	BIRD, David	12	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
0	CRONENBOLD, Roberto	8	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
TOTAL		19	16	14	46	174	.092	82	.471	6	0-1
Opponents		19	28	26	82	197	.142	101	.513	12	2-4

No.	Goalkeeper	GP	Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho
1	BIRD, David	12	1047:10	16	1.38	43	.729	4	8	0	2
0	CRONENBOLD, Roberto	8	695:00	12	1.55	27	.692	2	4	1	3
TOTAL		19	1742:10	28	1.45	73	.723	6	12	1	5
Opponents		19	1742:10	16	0.83	66	.805	10	6	1	7

2007 at a Glance

Atlantic Sun Standings

	Conference					Overall				
	W	L	T	Pts	Pct	W	L	T	Pts	Pct
Jacksonville	7	2	0	21	.778	11	7	2	35	.600
Stetson	6	2	1	19	.722	11	5	2	35	.667
Campbell	5	2	2	17	.667	13	6	3	42	.659
UNF	5	4	0	15	.556	8	9	0	24	.471
Lipscomb	4	3	2	14	.556	6	12	3	21	.357
Florida Gulf Coast	3	5	1	10	.389	8	10	1	25	.447
Belmont	3	5	1	10	.389	7	10	2	23	.421
USC Upstate	3	6	0	9	.333	3	14	0	9	.176
Gardner-Webb	3	6	0	9	.333	3	16	1	10	.175
Mercer	2	6	1	7	.278	6	12	1	19	.342

Results 6-12-1, 2-6-1 A-Sun

AUGUST

22	at Emory (Exh.)	L 0-1
31	at College of Charleston (1)	L 0-1

SEPTEMBER

2	Presbyterian College (1)	W 1-0
7	UC RIVERSIDE (2)	W 2-1 (OT)
9	GEORGIA SOUTHERN (2)	W 1-0 (OT)
14	vs Alabama A&M (3)	W 2-1
16	at UAB (3)	L 0-1 (OT)
21	at Evansville (4)	L 1-3
23	vs Memphis (4)	L 1-2
27	at Stetson*	L 1-2
29	at Florida Gulf Coast*	L 0-1

OCTOBER

4	NORTH FLORIDA*	W 1-0
6	JACKSONVILLE*	L 1-2
11	at Lipscomb*	L 1-2
13	at Belmont*	L 0-2
18	USC UPSTATE*	W 3-0
20	GARDNER-WEBB*	L 0-1
27	CAMPBELL*	T 0-0 (OT)
30	at No. 18 Virginia	L 0-4

NOVEMBER

3	WESTERN KENTUCKY	L 1-5
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Home matches are in ALL CAPS, played at Bear Field in Macon, Ga.

1- Saturn of Charleston Classic (Charleston, S.C.)

2- Wingate Inn Classic (Macon, Ga.)

3- UAB Classic (Birmingham, Ala.)

4- ProRehab Aces Classic (Evansville, Ind.)

*- Atlantic Sun Conference Match

Overall Statistics

	Mercer	Opponents
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	16-174	28-197
Goals scored average	0.83	1.45
Shot pct	.092	.142
Shots on goal-Attempts	82-174	101-197
SOG pct	.471	.513
Shots/Game	9.2	10.4
Assists	14	26
CORNER KICKS		
	63	86
PENALTY KICKS		
	0-1	2-4
OFFSIDES		
	51	68
PENALTIES		
Fouls	323	259
Yellow cards	40	34
Red cards	1	3
ATTENDANCE		
Total	2248	4034
Dates/Avg Per Date	8/281	8/504
Neutral Site #/Avg	3/189	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Mercer	5	9	2	0	16
Opponents	15	12	1	0	28

SHOTS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Mercer	71	95	5	3	174
Opponents	94	100	2	1	197

SAVES BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Mercer	36	35	1	1	73
Opponents	30	33	2	1	66

Conference Statistics

	Mercer	Opponents
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	7-99	10-82
Goals scored average	0.76	1.08
Shot pct.	.071	.122
Shots on goal-Attempts	46-99	36-82
SOG pct.	.465	.439
Shots/Game	11.0	9.1
Assists	5	7
CORNER KICKS		
	30	34
PENALTY KICKS		
	0-0	1-1
PENALTIES		
Yellow cards	17	20
Red cards	0	2
ATTENDANCE		
Total	1609	872
Dates/Avg Per Date	5/322	4/218
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Mercer	2	5	0	0	7
Opponents	6	4	0	0	10

SHOTS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Mercer	36	58	2	3	99
Opponents	41	39	1	1	82

SAVES BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Mercer	15	9	1	1	26
Opponents	15	21	2	1	39



Senior Phillip Calderon notched one goal and one assist for the Bears in 2007.

N.C. STATE wolfpack

Aug. 30, 7 p.m. at Raleigh, N.C.

Location	Raleigh, N.C.	Head Coach	George Tarantini
Enrollment	29,416	Overall Record (Years)	202-173-38 (22 years)
Colors	Red and White	Record at N.C. State (Years)	Same
Conference	Atlantic Coast	2007 Overall Record	6-9-3
Chancellor	Dr. James Oblinger	2007 ACC Record (Finish)	1-6-1 (9th)
Athletics Director	Lee Fowler	Web site	www.GoPack.com

ALABAMA A&M bulldogs

Sept. 5, 5 p.m. at Huntsville, Ala. for the Alabama Tournament

Location	Huntsville, Ala.	Head Coach	Salah Yousif
Enrollment	6,000	Overall Record (Years)	273-111-21 (24)
Colors	Maroon and White	Record at Alabama A&M (Years)	225-104-20 (20)
Conference	Independent	2007 Overall Record	8-8-1
Interim President	Dr. Beverly Edmund	Web site	www.AAMUSports.com
Athletics Director	Betty K. Austin		

UAB blazers

Sept. 7, 3 p.m. at Birmingham, Ala. for the Alabama Tournament

Location	Birmingham, Ala.	Head Coach	Mike Getman
Enrollment	17,330	Overall Record (Years)	226-136-32 (21)
Colors	Forest Green and Old Gold	Record at UAB (Years)	184-110-23 (16)
Conference	USA	2007 Overall Record	7-11-1
President	Dr. Carol Z. Garrison	2007 C-USA Record (Finish)	2-6-0 (T-7th)
Athletics Director	Brian Mackin	Web site	www.UABSports.com

HOWARD bison

Sept. 13, 7 p.m. at Macon, Ga. for Wingate by Wyndham Classic

Location	Washington, D.C.	Head Coach	Michael Lawrence
Enrollment	10,500	Overall Record (Years)	First Season
Colors	Navy Blue, Red and White	Record at Howard (Years)	Same
Conference	Atlantic Soccer	2007 Overall Record	3-8-5
President	Dr. Sidney A. Ribeau	2007 ASC Record (Finish)	1-3-1 (6th)
Athletics Director	Dwight Datcher	Web site	www.Howard-Bison.com

GEORGIA STATE panthers

Sept. 14, 3 p.m. at Macon, Ga. for Wingate by Wyndham Classic

Location	Atlanta, Ga.	Head Coach	Kerem Daser
Enrollment	27,100	Overall Record (Years)	57-81-5 (8)
Colors	Blue and White	Record at Georgia State (Years)	Same
Conference	Colonial Athletic Association	2007 Overall Record	4-13-1
President	Dr. Carl V. Patton	2007 CAAC Record (Finish)	1-10 (12th)
Athletics Director	Mary McElroy	Web site	www.GeorgiaStateSports.com

TEMPLE owls

Sept. 19, 3 p.m. at Philadelphia, Pa. for Penn and Temple Tournament

Location	Philadelphia, Pa.	Head Coach	David MacWilliams
Enrollment	34,000	Overall Record (Years)	53-86-12 (8)
Colors	Cherry and White	Record at Temple (Years)	Same
Conference	Atlantic 10	2007 Overall Record	5-11-2
President	Ann Weaver Hart	2007 A-10 Record (Finish)	1-7-1 (13th)
Athletics Director	Bill Bradshaw	Web site	www.OwlsSports.com

PENN quakers Sept. 21, 1 p.m. at Philadelphia, Pa. for Penn and Temple Tournament

Location	Philadelphia, Pa.	Head Coach	Brian "Rudy" Fuller
Enrollment	10,422	Overall Record (Years)	69-81-16 (10)
Colors	Red and Blue	Record at Penn (Years)	Same
Conference	Ivy League	2007 Overall Record	6-9-2
President	Dr. Amy Gutmann	2007 Ivy League Record (Finish)	3-4-0 (T-4th)
Athletics Director	Steve Bilsky	Web site	www.PennAthletics.com

FLORIDA GULF COAST eagles Oct. 2, 7 p.m. at Macon, Ga.

Location	Fort Myers, Fla.	Head Coach	Bob Butehorn
Enrollment	9,400	Overall Record (Years)	42-42-5 (5)
Colors	Cobalt Blue and Emerald Green	Record at Florida Gulf Coast (Years)	8-10-1 (1)
Conference	Atlantic Sun	2007 Overall Record	8-10-1
President	Dr. Wilson G. Bradshaw	2007 A-Sun Record (Finish)	3-5-1 (T-6th)
Athletics Director	Carl McAloose	Web site	www.FGCUAthletics.com

STETSON hatters Oct. 4, 7 p.m. at Macon, Ga.

Location	DeLand, Fla.	Head Coach	T. Logan Fleck
Enrollment	2,492	Overall Record (Years)	68-36-10
Colors	Hunter Green and White	Record at Stetson (Years)	11-5-2 (1)
Conference	Atlantic Sun	2007 Overall Record	11-5-2
President	Dr. Douglas Lee	2007 A-Sun Record (Finish)	6-2-1 (2nd)
Athletics Director	Jeff Altier	Web site	www.GoHatters.com

JACKSONVILLE dolphins Oct. 9, 7 p.m. at Jacksonville, Fla.

Location	Jacksonville, Fla.	Head Coach	Mike Johnson
Enrollment	3,436	Overall Record (Years)	113-83-14 (9)
Colors	Green and Gold	Record at Jacksonville (Years)	38-42-12 (5)
Conference	Atlantic Sun	2007 Overall Record	11-7-2
President	Dr. Kerry Romesburg	2007 A-Sun Record (Finish)	7-2 (1st)
Athletics Director	Alan Verlander	Web site	www.JUDolphins.com

UNF ospreys Oct. 11, 7 p.m. at Jacksonville, Fla.

Location	Jacksonville, Fla.	Head Coach	Ray Bunch
Enrollment	17,000	Overall Record (Years)	140-128-21 (18)
Colors	Navy Blue and Gray	Record at UNF (Years)	Same
Conference	Atlantic Sun	2007 Overall Record	8-9-0
President	John Delaney	2007 A-Sun Record (Finish)	5-4-0 (4th)
Athletics Director	Dr. Richard Gropper	Web site	www.UNFOspreys.com

BELMONT bruins Oct. 16, 7 p.m. at Macon, Ga.

Location	Nashville, Tenn.	Head Coach	Earle Davidson
Enrollment	4,765	Overall Record (Years)	58-124-11 (11)
Colors	Navy, Red and White	Record at Belmont (Years)	Same
Conference	Atlantic Sun	2007 Overall Record	7-10-2
President	Dr. Robert C. Fisher	2007 UAA Record (Finish)	3-5-1 (T-6th)
Athletics Director	Mike Strickland	Web site	www.BelmontBruins.com

LIPSCOMB bisons

Oct. 18, 7 p.m. at Macon, Ga.

Location	Nashville, Tenn.	Head Coach	Charles Morrow
Enrollment	2,744	Overall Record (Years)	16-34-6 (3)
Colors	Purple and Gold	Record at Lipscomb (Years)	Same
Conference	Atlantic Sun	2007 Overall Record	6-12-3
President	Dr. Randolph Lowry III	2007 A-Sun Record (Finish)	4-3-2 (5th)
Athletics Director	Dr. Lin Garner	Web site	www.LipscombSports.com

ETSU buccaneers

Oct. 23, 4 p.m. at Johnson City Tenn.

Location	Johnson City, Tenn.	Head Coach	Scott Calabrese
Enrollment	13,389	Overall Record (Years)	First Season
Colors	Navy Blue and Old Gold	Record at ETSU (Years)	Same
Conference	Atlantic Sun	2007 Overall Record	Program's First Season
President	Dr. Paul E. Stanton, Jr.	2007 A-Sun Record (Finish)	N/A
Athletics Director	Dave Mullins	Web site	www.ETSUBucs.com

USC UPSTATE spartans

Oct. 25, 2 p.m. at Spartanburg, S.C.

Location	Spartanburg, S.C.	Head Coach	Greg Hooks
Enrollment	5,000	Overall Record (Years)	276-87-23 (20)
Colors	Dark Green, White and Black	Record at USC Upstate (Years)	186-57-17 (13)
Conference	Atlantic Sun	2007 Overall Record	3-14-0
Chancellor	John C. Stockwell, Ph.D.	2007 A-Sun Record (Finish)	3-6-0 (T-8th)
Athletics Director	Mike Hall	Web site	www.UpstateSpartans.com

GEORGIA SOUTHERN panthers

Oct. 28, 4 p.m. at Statesboro, Ga.

Location	Statesboro, Ga.	Head Coach	Kevin Kennedy
Enrollment	16,841	Overall Record (Years)	16-18-3 (2)
Colors	Blue and White	Record at Georgia Southern (Years)	Same
Conference	Southern	2007 Overall Record	6-12-0
President	Dr. Bruce Grube	2007 SoCon Record (Finish)	2-5 (7th)
Athletics Director	Sam Baker	Web site	www.GeorgiaSouthernEagles.com

CAMPBELL fighting camels

Nov. 1, 7 p.m. at Buiess Creek, N.C.

Location	Buiess Creek, N.C.	Head Coach	Doug Hess
Enrollment	6,654	Overall Record (Years)	52-54-8 (6)
Colors	Orange and Black	Record at Campbell (Years)	Same
Conference	Atlantic Sun	2007 Overall Record	13-6-3
President	Dr. Jerry M. Wallace	2007 A-Sun Record (Finish)	5-2-2 (3rd)
Athletics Director	Stan Williamson	Web site	www.GoCamels.com

Career

Goals

1.	Stacy Noske	48	1982-85
2.	Neil Zarac	44	1998-01
3.	Del Olaoye	31	2002-05
4.	Ramiro Canovas	27	2000-03
5.	Vince Dattilo	26	1991-92
6.	Dean Blain	23	1995-98
7.	Vicente Arze	22	2004-07
8.	Buster Franklin	20	1989-92
T9.	Hunter Goff	17	1992-95
T9.	Patrick Horacius	17	1995-98

Assists

1.	Maxwell Rooke	22	1998-01
2.	Vicente Arze	19	2004-07
3.	Vince Dattilo	17	1991-92
T4.	Patrick Horacius	16	1995-98
T4.	David Henager	16	1998-01
T6.	Dean Blain	15	1995-98
T6.	Neil Zarac	15	1998-01
8.	Dave Dresbach	14	1983-85
9.	Ramiro Canovas	13	2000-03
T10.	Payman Roshan	12	1985-88
T10.	Hunter Goff	12	1992-95



One of only three Bears ever named the A-Sun Player of the Year (2001), Rooke is Mercer's all-time leader in assists (22).

Points

1.	Stacy Noske	105	1982-85
2.	Neil Zarac	103	1998-02
3.	Del Olaoye	73	2002-05
4.	Vince Dattilo	69	1991-92
5.	Ramiro Canovas	67	2000-03
6.	Vicente Arze	63	2004-07
7.	Dean Blain	61	1995-98
8.	Patrick Horacius	50	1995-98
9.	Maxwell Rooke	48	1998-01
10.	Hunter Goff	45	1992-95

Goals Against Average

1.	Lucio Filho	1.22	2000-01
2.	Andr. Castrichini	1.49	1998-02
3.	David Jetton	1.68	1996-99
4.	Mike Potier	1.73	1989-92
5.	Jonathan Riley	1.79	2001-03

Saves

1.	Mike Potier	442	1989-92
2.	Ron Keller	427	1981-84
3.	David Jetton	317	1996-99
4.	Todd Bramble	299	1985-88

5.	Jonathan Riley	126	2001-03
6.	Paul Slovisky	125	1994-95

Shutouts

1.	Ron Keller	14.5	1981-84
2.	David Jetton	12	1996-99

Single Season

Goals

1.	Stacy Noske	16	1982
T2.	Neil Zarac	15	1999
T2.	Vince Dattilo	15	1992
T4.	Neil Zarac	13	2000
T4.	Oral Campbell	13	1983
T6.	Neil Zarac	12	2001
T6.	Stacy Noske	12	1984
T8.	Del Olaoye	11	2002
T8.	Vince Dattilo	11	1991
T8.	Buster Franklin	11	1989
T8.	Stacy Noske	11	1985

Assists

1.	Vince Dattilo	11	1992
2.	Max Rooke	9	1999
T3.	Dave Dresbach	8	1985
T3.	Jeb Smith	8	1985
T3.	Marshall Eckford	8	1981
T7.	Vicente Arze	7	2007
T6.	Vicente Arze	7	2004
T6.	Neil Zarac	7	2001
T6.	David Henager	7	1999
T6.	Patrick Horacius	7	1996
T6.	Patrick Horacius	7	1995
T6.	Jeff Marshall	7	1992
T6.	Vince Dattilo	7	1991
T6.	Dave Dresbach	7	1985
T6.	Stacy Noske	7	1984

Points

1.	Vince Dattilo	41	1992
2.	Stacy Noske	33	1982
3.	Neil Zarac	32	1999
T4.	Neil Zarac	31	2001
T4.	Neil Zarac	31	2000
T4.	Stacy Noske	31	1984
7.	Oral Campbell	30	1983
T8.	Vince Dattilo	28	1991
T8.	Dave Dresbach	28	1985
T10.	Ramiro Canovas	24	2002
T10.	Del Olaoye	24	2002

Goals Against Average

1.	Kerr McGowan	1.12	2004
2.	Rob Cronenbold	1.15	2006
3.	David Jetton	1.19	1999
4.	Martin Walker	1.30	2004
5.	Andr. Castrichini	1.35	2001
6.	Lucio Filho	1.36	2000
7.	David Bird	1.38	2007

Saves

1.	Ron Keller	168	1984
2.	Mike Potier	136	1990
3.	Todd Bramble	122	1988
4.	Mike Potier	112	1989
5.	David Jetton	111	1997

Shutouts

1.	David Jetton	6	1999
T2.	Ron Keller	5	1984
T2.	Aldo Balsano	5	2005
4.	Ron Keller	4	1982

Current Players in **Bold**

T5.	Lucio Fiho	3.5	2000
T5.	Lucio Filho	3.5	2001
T7.	Andr. Castrichini	3	2001
T7.	Jonathan Riley	3	2003
T7.	Rob. Cronenbold	3	2006

Single Game

Individual

Shots	13
	Jon L. Morrison
	vs. Valdosta State, 1981

Goals	6(Twice)
	Leo Assimacopoulos
	vs. Emory, 1970
	Manas Pantilides
	vs. Emory, 1970

Assists	4
	Marshall Eckford
	vs. Georgia Southwestern, 1981

Points	14
	Leo Assimacopoulos
	vs. Emory, 1970

Saves	24
	Ron Keller
	vs. Georgia State, 1981

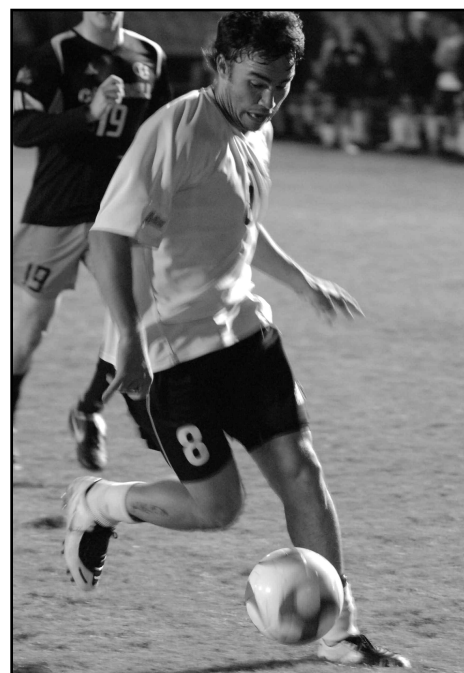
Team

Goals	17
	vs. Emory, 1970

Assists	9
	vs. Columbus State, 1981

Points	40
	vs. Emory, 1970

Saves	24
	vs. Georgia State, 1981



Four-time All-Atlantic Sun selection Vicente Arze ranks seventh in Mercer history in goals (22), second in assists (19) and sixth in points (63).

Mercer vs:

School	Record
ABAC	0-1
Alabama A&M	4-12
UAB	0-9-2
UAH	1-1
Andrew J.C.	1-0
Appalachian State	1-2
Armstrong Atlantic State	2-0
Auburn-Montgomery	0-1
Augusta	5-3
Belmont	5-6
Berry	11-10-2
Birmingham Southern	1-0
Cal Poly	0-1
UCF	4-7-2
UC Riverside	1-0
Campbell	6-16-2
Centenary	11-8
Charleston Southern	8-7-3
The Citadel	2-2-1
Clark-Atlanta	1-0
Clemson	0-8
Coastal Carolina	0-7
College of Charleston	6-8
Columbus St.	5-0
Creighton	0-1
Davidson	0-1
Dekalb South	0-2
Detroit-Mercy	1-0
Drake	0-1
Duke	0-4
Eckerd	0-3
Elon	0-2
Emory	6-14
Erskine	0-9
Evansville	0-2

Fairleigh Dickinson	0-1
Flagler	0-2
Florida	0-1
Florida Atlantic	10-6-2
Florida Gulf Coast	0-1
Florida International	1-5-1
Florida Southern	0-0-1
Florida State	0-0-1
Florida Tech	1-0
Furman	3-1
Gardner-Webb	6-2
Georgia College	7-15-2
Georgia Southern	18-23
Georgia SW	5-0
Georgia State	13-31-3
Georgia Tech	2-0-1
Hardin-Simmons	0-2
Hartford	1-0
Hartwick	0-1
High Point	3-1
Houston Baptist	0-2
Howard	0-0
Huntingdon	3-2
Jacksonville	5-11-3
Kennesaw St.	1-0
Kentucky	0-1
LaGrange	1-0
Life University	0-2
Lipscomb	5-1-1
Louisiana-Monroe	0-3
Longwood	1-0-1
Maryville	0-1
UMass	0-1
Memphis	0-2
Mercer-Atlanta	5-4-3
Middle Georgia	1-1
Navy	0-1
North Carolina	0-1

N.C. State	0-6
UNC-Asheville	4-0
UNC-Greensboro	0-3
UNC-Wilmington	1-2
North Georgia	2-5-1
North Florida	2-0-1
New Orleans	0-1
Oneonta State	0-1
Oglethorpe	3-7-1
Oral Roberts	2-0
Penn	0-0
Presbyterian	1-0
Radford	0-2
Rhode Island	0-2
Rollins	0-1
Saint Leo	6-0
Samford	3-0
South Alabama	2-3-1
South Carolina	0-6
USC-Aiken	2-0
USC Upstate	1-0
South Florida	0-3
SMU	0-2
Southern Tech	1-0-1
Stetson	10-17-1
Tampa	0-1
Tenn.-Temple	1-0
Temple	0-0
Thomas	1-0
Toccoa Falls	3-3-1
Towson State	0-1
Vanderbilt	2-4-1
Valdosta State	2-2
Virginia	0-2
Virginia Tech	0-1
Western Kentucky	0-1
Winthrop	1-2
Wofford	1-2

Year-by-Year Results

Year	Overall	Conference	Conf. Finish	Head Coach
1970	2-2	-	-	Jerry Stone
1971	5-4-2	-	-	Jerry Stone
1972	4-1-1	-	-	David Sonsonby
1973	4-4-2	-	-	Brady Siegler
1974	7-6	-	-	Barry Myers
1975	3-9-1	-	-	Barry Myers
1976	2-6-2	-	-	Barry Myers
1977	1-11-1	-	-	Tur-Rojas
1978	0-5-2	-	-	Tom Sakaratana
1979	3-10	-	-	Tom Sakaratana
1980	2-14	-	-	Dana Robinson
1981	7-12	-	-	Dana Robinson
1982	7-10-2	-	-	#Dana Robinson
1983	10-8-1	-	-	Dana Robinson
1984	8-10-1	-	3rd/East	Dana Robinson
1985	10-9-1	-	3rd/East	Dana Robinson
1986	3-16-1	-	4th/East	Dana Robinson
1987	6-11-1	-	4th/East	Dana Robinson
1988	3-15	-	4th/East	Dana Robinson
1989	3-13	0-6	4th/East	Dana Robinson
1990	4-13-1	1-4-1	4th/East	Dana Robinson
1991	9-8-2	4-2-2	2nd/East	Dana Robinson
1992	9-6-2	5-0	1st	#Dana Robinson
1993	9-7-1	4-3	4th	Dana Robinson
1994	3-12	1-7	5th/West	Dana Robinson
1995	8-9-1	3-4-1	3rd/West	Tom Melville
1996	8-10-1	3-5	4th/West	Tom Melville
1997	3-15	1-7	5th/West	Tom Melville
1998	7-11	2-5	6th	Tom Melville
1999	*12-7-2	4-2	2nd	#Tom Melville
2000	9-8-2	3-1-2	1st	Tom Melville
2001	*13-8	5-2	1st	Tom Melville
2002	10-7-1	6-1-1	1st	#Tom Melville
2003	8-9-2	5-3-1	4th	Tom Melville
2004	11-9-1	7-4-1	3rd	Tom Melville
2005	9-9-2	4-2-2	3rd	Tom Melville
2006	3-12-3	1-4-2	6th	Tom Melville
2007	6-12-1	2-6-1	10th	Tom Melville

* - Won A-Sun Tournament
- A-Sun "Coach of the Year"

Coaching Records

Coach	Years	Overall
Jerry Stone	1970-71	7-6-2
David Ponsonby	1972	4-1-1
Brady Siegler	1973	4-4-2
Barry Myers	1974-76	12-21-3
Tur-Rojas	1977	1-11-1
Tom Sakaratana	1978-79	3-15-2
Dana Robinson	1980-94	93-164-13
Tom Melville	1995-2007	107-126-16
Totals		231-348-40



Tom Melville led the Bears to two A-Sun Championship titles and earned two A-Sun Coach of the Year awards (1999, 2002).

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For 30 years the Atlantic Sun Conference has stood for achievement with integrity in both the academic and athletic arenas, with a focus on the balance between the two for its student-athletes. The A-Sun consists of a blend of the Southeast's most dynamic and prestigious private universities and public institutions in the region, the conference commits itself to Building Winners for Life.

The experience for a student-athlete in the A-Sun is supported by the entire university community, from coaches to faculty, and from the CEOs to the athletic and academic support staff. With All-America selections, National All-Academic honorees, teams and individuals qualifying for and advancing in NCAA Championship play, Atlantic Sun student-athletes achieve at the highest levels of collegiate athletics.



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

For the second straight year, all 11 institutions placed at least 50 percent of its student-athletes on the All-Academic Team. The membership also established a new overall record of 59 percent of all student-athletes earning All-Academic status during the 2007-08 academic year.

Belmont proved to be the class of the conference in capturing the All-Academic Trophy for the sixth time in seven years with 70.3% of the student-athletes earning All-Academic status. Justin Hare, one of the most celebrated Bruin student-athletes, earned the conference's male Scholar Athlete of the Year for the second straight year, in addition to multiple national scholar honors.

Hare was far from alone when it came to national honors, as Jacksonville's Anton Axelsson, the conference Player of the Year in men's soccer earned CoSIDA's Academic All-America of the Year. Overall, 25 student-athletes earned places on the 2007-08 CoSIDA/ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District Teams.

ATHLETIC SUCCESS

Men's basketball garnered unprecedented attention with upsets of nationally-ranked Kentucky and Southern Cal, plus a win at Cincinnati in a four-day span. The feats earned a full-page feature from USA Today, as well as notoriety from ESPN.com, The Sporting News and Rivals.com. The league added wins against SEC foes Georgia and Alabama during the course of the year. Belmont captured the A-Sun Tournament title for the third straight season, becoming the first A-Sun school to ever do so and enters 2008-09 as one of just six schools in the country to have won its league's championship in each of the previous three seasons. Among the company Belmont keeps in this achievement are the two finalists from the NCAA Tournament, Kansas and Memphis.

Lipscomb, Belmont's Nashville rival, provided a pair of memorable moments on the baseball diamond. The Bisons secured

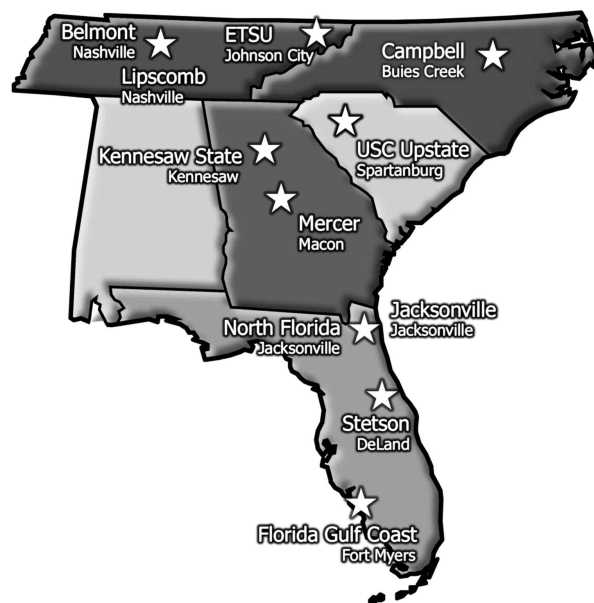
their first NCAA Tournament appearance by defeating Gardner-Webb in the A-Sun Championship game 9-8 in a 15-inning marathon, the longest conference title game in Division I history. Then, they drew Georgia for their opening NCAA Championship game, and despite allowing four runs in the first inning, came back to stun the eventual national runner-up Bulldogs 10-7.

The league's four newest members, Kennesaw State, North Florida, Florida Gulf Coast and South Carolina Upstate all enjoyed successes in 2007-08. Kennesaw State captured its first women's soccer tournament championship and advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the first time in school history. The Owls also added titles in men's indoor and outdoor track and field. North Florida won its first A-Sun title of any kind, erasing a nine-stroke deficit in the final two days to dethrone East Tennessee State in men's golf.

Florida Gulf Coast and South Carolina Upstate each made its first year in the conference memorable, combining to win three outright regular-season titles and sharing in two others. The Eagles finished atop the standings in volleyball, baseball and tied for the softball title. The women's hoops team, one year removed from the Division II national title game, won 22 games including an opening round game in the WNIT, the first post-season win for an A-Sun school in ten years. The Spartans turned in an unblemished women's tennis campaign for their first-ever A-Sun title in any sport.

East Tennessee State featured two top individual efforts as golfer Gareth Shaw made the cut at the NCAA Championship and helped Europe win the Palmer Cup, a Ryder Cup-style event featuring the top collegiate golfers. He garnered All-America status for both his play and his academic achievement. Buccaneer tennis star Enrique Olivares won two matches at the NCAA men's singles championship, joining his coach, Yaser Zaatini, as the only two in school history to make the Sweet 16 and earn All-America honors.

Jacksonville's dynamic duo of Natasha Harvey and Shaquania Lundy carried the Dolphins to indoor and outdoor track and field titles. They finished one-two in five events at the two championships, and finished first and second at the NCAA East Regional in the long jump. Harvey earned All-America honors in both indoor and outdoor track, finishing in the top three at both championships. The two competed for the chance to represent their country at the 2008 Olympic Trials. Harvey would don the team USA colors at the North American Central American and Caribbean under 23 championships, taking second in the long jump.



To the Media

The 2008 Mercer University Men's Soccer Media Guide is intended to provide you with general information about the Mercer men's soccer team. This information should assist you in your coverage of the team throughout the season. Should you need additional information or assistance, please contact Graduate Assistant Bryan Geelan, at (478) 301-5218 with any requests. He can also be reached via e-mail at geelan_bd@mercer.edu or via fax at (478) 301-5350.

Credential Requests

The Sports Information Office will issue credentials to working press only. All credential requests should be made in writing at least 24 hours in advance of the scheduled game.

Practices

As a general rule, all practices are open to the media and the public. There may be instances, however, when all or part of a practice session is closed. Please contact the Sports Information Office in advance if you plan on attending a practice session so an escort can be made available.

Interview Policy

Media interviews of players and coaches are encouraged, and every effort will be made to accommodate media requests. In-person interviews are preferred, but telephone interviews can be arranged through the Mercer Sports Information Office. Under no circumstances will student-athletes' residence numbers be supplied to the media.

Interviews

All interviews with Mercer student-athletes should be coordinated through the Sports Information Office. Players are generally available for interviews up to 30 minutes prior to the start of practice and directly afterward. Head Coach Brad Ruzzo is generally available in the afternoon.

Post-game Interviews

Following a 10-minute "cooling off" period, coaches and players from both teams will be made available to media members outside each team's respective locker room. The Sports Information Office will poll the media prior to the end of the game to determine any player requests.

Fax & E-mail Service

Media outlets may request to be included on the broadcast fax and e-mail lists to receive updates regarding Mercer men's soccer. The Mercer Sports Information Office fax number is (478) 301-5350. To be added, submit a request to geelan_bd@mercer.edu.

Sports Information Office

The Mercer Sports Information Office is located in Suite 135 on the first floor of the University Center.

On the Internet

Additional information on the Mercer Athletics program can be found online. News releases, player and coach biographies, historical data, live audio streaming, results and statistics on all 14 athletic programs can be found online at www.mercerbears.com.

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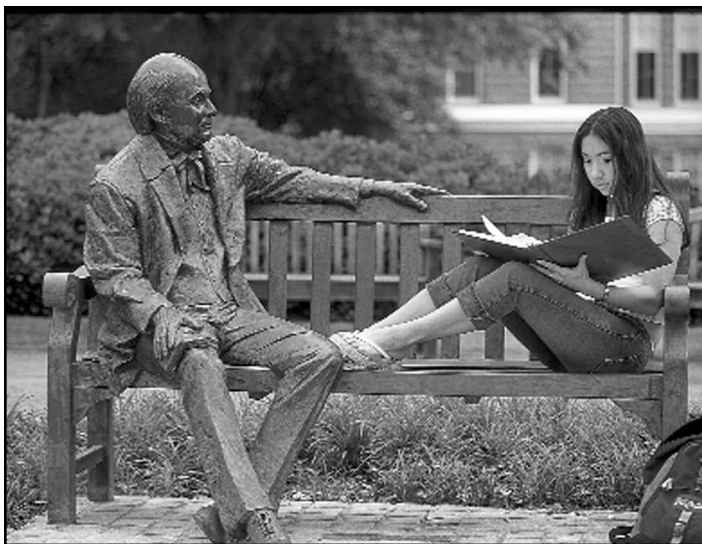
MEN'S SPORTS: BASEBALL, BASKETBALL, CROSS COUNTRY, SOFTBALL, RIFLE, SOCCER, TENNIS

WOMEN'S SPORTS: BASKETBALL, CROSS COUNTRY, RIFLE

SPORT LINKS: ROSTER, COACHES, SCHEDULE, STATISTICS, CLUB FACTS, CAMPS, PROSPECT QUESTIONNAIRE, ARCHIVED STORIES

UPCOMING EVENTS: SOCCER, November 2007

The Madness is Official
MADNESS IS ON - The team kicked off the 2007-08 season with Mercer Madness Friday night at the University Center. The volleyball team started the night with a 3-0 victory over Georgia Tech.



What distinguishes a good university from a great university extends far beyond the boundaries of its curriculum and its campus.

The competence and character of an institution's graduates are, more often than not, the hallmarks by which its reputation is both earned and measured.

As a private, co-educational institution, Mercer University has emerged as one of the premier universities in the Southeast and the nation.

Mercer is truly a dynamic and comprehensive center of undergraduate, graduate and professional education. Mercer's outstanding faculty take students beyond the rigors of academic programs to explore the challenges of reason, responsibility, compassion and character.

Through learning, living and leading, Mercer students are prepared not only to confront, but also to embrace the challenges of their future.

Under the leadership of prominent Georgia Baptist leader Jesse Mercer, Mercer University was founded in Penfield, Ga., in 1833 and later moved to Macon in 1871. From its humble beginnings as a small liberal arts college, Mercer now offers programs in 11 schools and colleges.

Conveniently located in the middle of the state, Macon serves as the educational, medical, cultural and commercial hub of central Georgia. Located just one hour from Atlanta - one of the nation's most popular international cities - and two hours

from the Atlantic coast, Macon is easily accessible from two interstate highways - I-75 and I-16.

Consistently ranked by U.S. News & World Report and The Princeton Review among the nation's leading universities, Mercer considers one of its strengths to be its superior faculty, who "teach from the heart."

At Mercer, students benefit from learning experiences guided by caring faculty, not teaching assistants found at many universities as is the case at many universities. The Higher Education Research Institute at UCLA recently named Mercer as a "highly selective" university, and The Princeton Review has placed Mercer among the Best 351 Colleges in North America.

The University is comprised of the College of Liberal Arts, the Walter F. George School of Law, the School of Pharmacy and Health Services, the School of Medicine, the Eugene W. Stetson School of Business and Economics, the School of Engineering, the James and Carolyn McAfee School of Theology, the Tift College of Education, the Georgia Baptist College of Nursing, the College of Continuing and Professional Studies, and the Townsend School of Music. The University also operates the Mercer University Press in Macon and the Mercer Engineering Research Center in Warner Robins.

Mercer's enrollment is nearly 7,400 students. While many students come from the Southeast, more than 38 states and 30 countries are represented among the student body. The average class size at Mercer is 21, with a student/faculty ratio of 13:1 - unusually low for a major university.

Campus Life

Even with its picturesque setting, the spirit of Mercer is not in the grandeur of its buildings, but in the graciousness of its people - a friendly, family-like community of faculty, staff and students who strive for excellence in all that they do.

The University offers a wealth of fascinating experiences and activities both in and outside the classroom. From academic clubs and honor societies, to performing arts and special interest groups, to 16 national fraternities and sororities on campus, students can choose from more than 80 on-campus organizations to discover new talents and interests and to gain important leadership skills they will need for life after college.

Residence Life

The benefits of campus living are numerous - the development of life-long friendships, a sense of community, enhancing campus involvement and higher academic performance.

For many new students, this is the first time they have lived away from home, and the community that develops on campus and in residence halls becomes a second family.

All freshman and sophomores (first-year and/or transfer students) are required to live on campus, with the exception of married students, students above the age of 21, students with children and/or students who live at home with a parent or guardian within reasonable commuting distance.

In each of Mercer's residence halls, safety comes first and foremost. The exterior doors are locked at all times, and students use their identification cards to gain access into their residence hall.

Undergraduate Degrees

- African American Studies
- Art
- Biology
- Business (M.A.P.S. program)
- Chemistry
- Christianity
- Communication and Theatre Arts
- Computer Science
- Economics
- Education
- Engineering
- English
- Environmental Science
- French
- German
- History
- Information Science and Technology
- Journalism
- Latin
- Mathematics
- Media Studies
- Music
- Music Education
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Theater
- Women's and Gender Studies

Graduate Degrees

- Business Administration (MBA)
- Community Counseling
- Engineering
- Education
- Family Service
- Family Therapy
- Nursing
- Public Health

Professional Degrees

- Law
- Medical



Locker Rooms

Each of Mercer's team sports has a state-of-the-art locker room in the University Center. Attached to each locker room is a player lounge, complete with a big-screen TV, sound system and comfortable seating.



Bear Field

The home field of the Mercer men's and women's soccer teams. With a capacity of over 500, Bear Field has hosted four Atlantic Sun Championships and a NCAA Tournament game in 1999.



Sports Medicine

A comprehensive therapeutic setting that provides medical coverage for all student-athletes. Staffed by two full-time employees and five graduate assistants who are licensed and certified to practice.



Weight Room

Another state-of-the-art addition to Mercer, the weight room is home to three power lifting stations, abundant free weights and state-of-the-art cardio equipment.



Heritage Hall

When walking into the U.C. for the first time, you get a look at Mercer's historic past with a glimpse of the future. Heritage Hall is home to memorabilia from Mercer's historic athletic achievements as well as the athletic Hall of Fame.



Indoor Pool

The indoor pool at the University Center is a collegiate size lap pool that is utilized for aqua-therapy for rehabilitation of student-athletes.

President William D. Underwood

William D. Underwood was selected to serve as the 18th president of Mercer University beginning July 1, 2006. Prior to joining Mercer, Underwood served at Baylor University as interim president and held the prestigious Leon Jaworski Chair at the Baylor School of Law, having joined the law faculty in 1990 after practicing law with a large firm in Dallas. He also took a leave of absence from the Law School from 1997-98 to serve as Baylor's general counsel.

Underwood is an accomplished educator and scholar. He was designated a Master Teacher at Baylor in

recognition of extraordinary classroom teaching and was named an Outstanding University Professor in 2005. He is an elected member of the American Law Institute and the American Bar Foundation.

He has published extensively on a range of topics and has presented a number of papers on how faith relates to higher education, especially at universities that share the historical and theological commitment of Baptists to intellectual and religious freedom and respect for religious diversity.

Underwood is a summa cum laude graduate of the University of Illinois College of Law, which awarded him

the juris doctor degree. He graduated as class salutatorian and was an editor of the University of Illinois Law Review. Following graduation, he clerked for the Honorable Sam D. Johnson of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

He also holds a bachelor's degree from Oklahoma Baptist University, where he met his wife Lesli. They have two teenage children, Jessica and William.



Athletics Director Bobby Pope

The dean of Atlantic Sun Conference athletics directors, Bobby Pope is in his 20th year at the helm of Mercer athletics.

During his tenure, he has seen the growth of the program to 14 sports, as well as the addition of the first full-time coaches for men's and women's golf, men's and women's tennis and cross country.

Facility upgrades have been a priority since he became athletics director, as evidenced by the state-of-the-art University Center, home to the men's and women's basketball teams as well as volleyball. The \$40-million facility opened in January 2004. The building houses offices for all coaches as well as locker rooms for all teams.

Claude Smith Field, the home field for baseball, received a facelift in the fall of 2003. In addition, Sikes Field, the home field for softball was completely renovated in the summer of 2006. A practice facility for the golf teams is also on the drawing board.

Pope is also very active in the Atlantic Sun, having served two years as president in the late 1990s. He is currently a member of the tournament committee. Additionally, Pope serves as the athletics director liaison for the basketball coaches advisory committee.

He is also very active in the community, serving as treasurer of the Macon Touchdown Club as well as serving on the Mayor's Recreation Master Plan Committee and the

Georgia Sports Hall of Fame Authority.

Pope's involvement with Mercer athletics began in 1970 when he was the "Voice of the Bears." In recognition of his contributions to sports in Middle Georgia, Pope was inducted into the Macon Sports Hall of Fame on April 18, 2006.

A native of Thomaston, Ga., Pope graduated from Georgia College in 1970. He and his wife Carol have two children, Andy, a 1998 graduate of Georgia and Kristen, a 2001 Mercer graduate.



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Craig Gibson
Head Coach
Baseball



Gary Guyer
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Women's Golf



Bob Hoffman
Head Coach
Men's Basketball



Janell Jones
Head Coach
Women's Basketball



Mickey Pearce
Head Coach
Rifle



Mike Raynor
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Softball



Noelle Rooke
Head Coach
Volleyball



Grant Serafy
Head Coach
Women's Soccer



Nick Stutsman
Head Coach
Tennis



Andrew Treadway
Head Coach
Men's Golf

MEN'S SOCCER 2008



(L to R)

Back Row: JAMES KLINGLER, JASON PRIOR, SCOTT GORDON, RYAN YOUNG, ELIAS HALL, BOLADE OGUNMADE

2nd Row From Back: JOHN KITE, WYNN TRICE, NICK DANKEL, DOMINIC STOCKDALE, GEOFFREY OLIVERIA

3rd Row From Back: BEN ASCARI, PHILIP THOREN, THOMAS KNERR, IAN CAMERON, LUKE ROBERTSON

Front Row Standing: PHILLIP CALDERON, EDWARD FISCHER, CHRISPINE ONG'ANG'O, CHARLES PETERSON, RICHARD WIMSATT, COACH BRAD RUZZO

Front Row Crouching: DAVID BIRD, MATT CRANFORD, DIEGO GUSTIN, DANIEL VANVALKINBURG

Not Pictured: FERNANDO RUTH

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SCHEDULE

August

20	7:00 PM	VS EMORY (EXH.)
23	7:00 PM	VS OGLETHORPE (EXH.)
30	7:00 PM	AT NC STATE - RALEIGH, NC

September

5	5:00 PM	AT ALABAMA A&M - HUNTSVILLE, AL
7	3:00 PM	AT UAB - BIRMINGHAM, AL
13	7:00 PM	VS HOWARD
14	3:00 PM	VS GEORGIA STATE
19	3:00 PM	AT TEMPLE - PHILDELPHIA, PA
21	1:00 PM	AT PENN - PHILADELPHIA, PA

October

2	7:00 PM	* VS FLORIDA GULF COAST
4	7:00 PM	* VS STETSON
9	7:00 PM	* AT JACKSONVILLE - JACKSONVILLE, FL
11	7:00 PM	* AT UNF - JACKSONVILLE, FL
16	7:00 PM	* VS BELMONT
18	7:00 PM	* VS LIPSCOMB
23	4:00 PM	* AT ETSU - JOHNSON CITY, TN
25	2:00 PM	* AT USC UPSTATE - SPARTANBURG, SC
28	4:00 PM	AT GEORGIA SOUTHERN - STATESBORO, GA

November

1	7:00 PM	* AT CAMPBELL - BUIES CREEK, NC
12	TBA	ATLANTIC SUN QUARTERFINALS - BUIES CREEK, NC
13	TBA	ATLANTIC SUN SEMIFINALS - BUIES CREEK, NC
15	TBA	ATLANTIC SUN FINALS - BUIES CREEK, NC

All Times Eastern ♦ Schedule is subject to change

* - Atlantic Sun Conference match ♦ Home Match at Bear Field

