



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2016-17 GAME NOTES



2016-17 Schedule/Results

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)/Result
NOV. 11	TEXAS STATE (PonyUp TV)	11:30 a.m.
NOV. 16	at Kansas (Jayhawk TV/ESPN3)	7 P.M.
NOV. 20	at TCU (FrogVision)	2 P.M.
NOV. 22	PRAIRIE VIEW A&M (PonyUp TV)	5:30 P.M.
OMNI HOTEL CLASSIC - BOULDER, COLO.		
NOV. 25	vs. Boston College	6 P.M.
NOV. 26	vs. Colorado/St. Francis	6/8:30 P.M.
NOV. 30	NORTH TEXAS (PonyUp TV)	7 P.M.
DEC. 3	at New Mexico	3 P.M.
DEC. 5	RV/- TEXAS A&M (PonyUp TV)	7 P.M.
WOMEN OF TROY CLASSIC - LOS ANGELES, CALIF.		
DEC. 16	vs. No. 10/11 Mississippi State	10 P.M.
DEC. 18	vs. USC/Grambling	1/3 P.M.
DEC. 19	TEXAS SOUTHERN (PonyUp TV)	4 P.M.
DEC. 21	SEATTLE (PonyUp TV)	1 P.M.
DEC. 31	CINCINNATI* (American Digital)	1 P.M.
JAN. 7	at East Carolina (American Digital)	4 P.M.
JAN. 11	-/RV TULANE* (PonyUp TV)	7 P.M.
JAN. 14	No. 3/1 CONNECTICUT* (SNY/ESPN3)	2 P.M.
JAN. 17	at Cincinnati* (American Digital)	6 P.M.
JAN. 21	at Houston* (American Digital)	2 P.M.
JAN. 25	RV/RV USF* (PonyUp TV)	7 P.M.
JAN. 28	at Tulsa* (ESPN3)	7 P.M.
JAN. 31	MEMPHIS* (American Digital)	7 P.M.
FEB. 4	UCF* (American Digital)	2 P.M.
FEB. 11	at No. 3/1 Connecticut* (SNY/ESPN3)	1 P.M.
FEB. 15	at RV/RV Temple*	6 P.M.
FEB. 18	TULSA* (PonyUp TV)	2 P.M.
FEB. 22	at Memphis*	7 P.M.
FEB. 25	at UCF*	1 P.M.
FEB. 27	HOUSTON* (American Digital)	7 P.M.
MAR. 3-6	The American Championships	Uncasville, Conn.

Home games in BOLD ALL CAPS; *- American game
All dates and times (CT) subject to change.

GAME 1

SMU MUSTANGS (0-0) VS. TEXAS STATE BOBCATS (0-0)
MOODY COLISEUM • DALLAS, TEXAS • FRI., NOV. 11 • 11:30 A.M.
Radio: KAAM 770 AM
Video: PonyUp TV (Online Only)

STORYLINES

First-year head coach Travis Mays begins his tenure at home as the SMU women's basketball team hosts Texas State Friday at 11:30 a.m. The game will feature a Physics of Basketball presentation and physics fair at halftime, led by SMU physics professor Dr. Fred Olness, as the Mustangs welcome around 2,000 elementary and middle school students from the Dallas area to the game.

ABOUT SMU

The Mustangs added four transfers, including three graduate transfers who are eligible to play immediately, to a roster of nine returning letterwinners and four returning starters. McKenzie Adams led the Mustangs in scoring last season, averaging 13.4 points per game, and was named American Athletic Conference Newcomer of the Year. Alicia Froling was named to the all-conference team after finishing the season as one of three players in the league to average a double-double, scoring 12.3 points per game with 10.6 rebounds. SMU went 13-18, finishing seventh in The American with a 7-11 record.

SCOUTING TEXAS STATE

The Bobcats have nine returning letterwinners, including three returning starters, from a team that went 12-19 last season. Kaitlin Walla led the team in scoring with 10.3 points per game, making 109 field goals and 53 3-pointers. The Bobcats lost two of their top four scorers from a team that averaging 61.4 points per game while allowing opponents to score 71.3 points. Texas State ended the season on a seven-game losing streak during which it scored above 60 points just twice.

SERIES HISTORY - TEXAS STATE

SMU is 5-2 all-time against Texas State, with all games happening before the school's name was changed to Texas State. The Mustangs faced the Bobcats for the first time as a varsity women's basketball program in Moody Coliseum Feb. 3, 1977, falling 55-50 in Moody Coliseum. SMU won the next four games in the series. The Mustangs won the last meeting in the series, a 71-57 victory in Moody Coliseum Feb. 1, 1994. SMU is 3-1 all-time against the Bobcats in Moody Coliseum.

SERIES HISTORY

SMU vs. Texas State (5-2)
Home: 3-1 Away: 2-1 Neutral: 0-0

RECENT MEETINGS

02/01/94	Southwest Texas State (Dallas, Texas)	W, 71-57
02/21/92	at Southwest Texas State (San Marcos, Texas)	L, 71-55
01/30/91	at Southwest Texas State (San Marcos, Texas)	W, 60-58
11/27/90	Southwest Texas State (Dallas, Texas)	W, 61-54
01/07/87	at Southwest Texas State (San Marcos, Texas)	W, 79-77

2015-16 STAT COMPARISON

SMU		Texas State
13-18	Record	12-19
NR	Ranking (AP/USA Coaches)	NR
60.1	Points Per Game	61.4
63.8	Points Allowed Per Game	71.3
42.9	Rebounds Per Game	31.1
40.6	Rebounds Allowed Per Game	41.5
.363	Field Goal Percentage	.375
.364	Field Goal Percentage Defense	.446
.715	Free Throw Percentage	.709
.243	3-Point Field Goal Percentage	.341
.292	3-Point Field Goal Defense	.324
18.5	Turnovers Per Game	15.7
6.2	Steals Per Game	7.0
5.9	Blocks Per Game	2.3

UP NEXT - AT KANSAS

The Mustangs play at Kansas in Allen Fieldhouse on Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m. The Jayhawks went 6-25 last season, including a 73-64 loss to SMU in the championship game of the SMU Thanksgiving Classic in Moody Coliseum. Lauren Aldridge, who was the only player scoring more than 10 points with an 11.1 average, transferred to Missouri, but she is the only starter lost. Eight of 12 returning letterwinners played in all 31 games last season.

SERIES HISTORY - KANSAS

SMU is 2-3 all-time against Kansas, losing both games played in Lawrence. The Mustangs first played the Jayhawks Nov. 15, 1996, losing 77-67 at Kansas. It was more than 10 years before the two teams played again, with SMU winning the first game in Moody Coliseum 68-56 Nov. 24, 2007, in the championship game of the SMU Thanksgiving Classic. Kansas won the next two games, played in December 2010 and 2011, before SMU won last season.

SERIES HISTORY

SMU vs. Kansas (2-3)
Home: 2-1 Away: 0-2 Neutral: 0-0

11/28/15	Kansas (Dallas, Texas)	W, 73-64
12/01/11	at Kansas (Lawrence, Kan.)	L, 75-52
12/04/10	Kansas (Dallas, Texas)	L, 73-65
11/24/07	Kansas (Dallas, Texas)	W, 68-56
11/15/96	at Kansas (Lawrence, Kan.)	L, 77-67

LOOKING AHEAD

The game at Kansas starts a stretch of four of five games on the road. SMU plays at TCU, a team that went 18-15 last season, including an 89-79 win at SMU. The Mustangs host Prairie View A&M on Nov. 22, before playing games on Nov. 25 and 26 in the Omni Hotel Classic in Boulder, Colo.

UP NEXT IN SMU BASKETBALL



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SCHOLLMAIER ARENA
FORT WORTH, TEXAS
TV: FROGVISION
(ONLINE ONLY)

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QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	Dallas, Texas
Founded	1911
President	R. Gerald Turner
Director of Athletics	Rick Hart
Senior Woman Administrator	Monique Holland
University Athletic Representative	Paul Rogers
Enrollment	10,981
School Nickname	Mustangs
Mascot	Peruna (a Shetland Pony)
Colors	Red (PMS 186) and Blue (PMS 286)

MUSTANG COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Travis Mays (Texas, '90)
School Record	0-0 (1st season)
Career Record	Same
American Athletic Conference Record	0-0
Assistant Coaches	Mike Brandt (Sterling College, '86) 1st Season Edwina Brown (Texas, '00) 1st Season Amie Smith Bradley (Texas, '97) 1st Season
Director of Operations	Shawna Lavender (SMU, '97) 5th Season
Women's Basketball Office Phone	(214) 768-4040
Athletic Trainer	Kelli Swing

MUSTANG BASKETBALL FACTS

2015-16 Record	13-18
2015-16 Final NCAA ranking	N/A
Conference	American Athletic
2015-16 Conference Record/Place	7-11/7th
Starters Returning/Lost	4-1
SMU All-Time Record (1976-Present)	611-560
American Athletic Conference Record	18-36
Home Arena	Moody Coliseum
Capacity	7,000
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	8/2
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YouTube	SMUMustangsAthletics

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All interviews must be coordinated through the SMU Public Relations staff. Interviews for home games will be available after games via request.

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2016-17 MUSTANGS NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO	PLAYER	HT.	POS	CL.	HOMETOWN (LAST SCHOOL)
0	Kiara Perry	5-10	Guard	JR-2L	Duncanville, Texas (Duncanville)
1	Devri Owens	5-8	Guard	JR-GT	Plano, Texas (Utah)
3	McKenzie Adams	5-9	Guard	JR-1L	Frisco, Texas (Arkansas)
4	Mikayla Reese	5-8	Guard	JR-2L	Colorado Springs, Colo. (Sand Creek)
5	Aurmani DeGar	5-8	Guard	JR-2L	Grand Prairie, Texas (Mansfield Timberview)
10	Alicia Froling	6-3	Forward	JR-2L	Queensland, Australia (Australia Institute of Sport)
11	Kiran Lakhian	6-0	Guard	SR-GT	Plano, Texas (Stanford)
12	Morgan Bolton	5-6	Guard	SR-2L	Duncanville, Texas (UALR)
13	Klara Bradshaw	6-6	Center	JR-SQ	Emory, Texas (TCU)
15	Stephanie Collins	6-5	Forward	JR-2L	Melbourne, Australia (Australia Institute of Sport)
20	Dai'ja Thomas	6-2	Forward	SO-1L	Dallas, Texas (Skyline)
22	Tiara Davenport	6-0	Guard	JR-TR	Dallas, Texas (Louisiana Tech)
24	Kamray Mickens	5-8	Guard	SR-1L	Westlake, Texas (Trinity Valley CC)
25	Amaura Brandt	5-8	Guard	SR-GT	Aiken, S.C. (Limestone College)

COACHES

Travis Mays	Head Coach
Mike Brandt	Assistant Coach
Edwina Brown	Assistant Coach
Amie Smith Bradley	Assistant Coach
Shawna Lavender	Director of Basketball Operations
Erica White	Director of Player Development
Adam Sorensen	Video Coordinator
Yolanda Berryhill	Strength and Conditioning Coach
Akil Simpson	Graduate Assistant
Kelli Swing	Athletic Trainer

PRONUNCIATIONS

Edwina Brown	ed-WEE-nuh
Aurmani DeGar	AR-mah-nee
Alicia Froling	Ah-LEE-sha FROH-leeng
Kiara Perry	KEE-air-uh
Dai'ja Thomas	DAY-juh
Kamray Mickens	KAM-ray
Kiran Lakhian	KEER-in LAH-key-in
Amaura Brandt	AM-er-uh
Devri Owens	DEV-ree

UNDER NEW LEADERSHIP

For the first time since 1991, SMU has a new head coach on the sidelines. Travis Mays was announced as the fourth head coach in program history on April 7, 2016, after the retirement of Rhonda Rompola, who spent 25 seasons as the head coach of the Mustangs. Mays worked for three Hall of Fame coaches during 12 seasons as a collegiate assistant, helping guide teams to eight NCAA Tournament appearances with a trip to the Final Four with LSU in 2008. A 1990 second-round NBA draft pick out of Texas, Mays' staff includes fellow Longhorns Edwina Brown and Amie Smith Bradley, and associate head coach Mike Brandt, who spent 14 seasons as the head coach at USC Aiken.

ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

McKenzie Adams was named American Athletic Conference Newcomer of the Year after leading the Mustangs in scoring with 13.4 points per game during the 2015-16 season. She scored a season-high 24 points against Kansas, and reached double figures in 25 of 31 games, including 17 conference games. Alicia Froling was named to the All-American Athletic Conference Third Team, finishing the year as one of three conference players to average a double-double with 12.3 points and 10.6 rebounds per game. She set a school record with 22 rebounds at Cincinnati, and also scored a career-high 33 points against the Bearcats. Froling was also named to the All-American Athletic Conference Preseason Team.

THE AMERICAN PRESEASON RANKINGS

SMU was picked to finish fifth in the conference by the league's coaches, behind four-time defending national champion Connecticut, Temple, USF and Tulane, respectively. SMU returns two all-conference honorees among nine returning letterwinners.

ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY

As a freshman, Alicia Froling recorded 54 blocks, surpassing Sarah Davis' mark of 53 blocks during the 2005-06 season. After breaking a record that stood for nine seasons, the Australian's name stayed at the top of the list for only one year. Fellow Australian and sophomore Stephanie Collins posted 73 blocks in her first full season. Collins enters the 2016-17 campaign with 98 career blocks, while Froling has 96. The duo would become the first pair of teammates of the same class to each record 100 blocks in program history. The last player to eclipse the century mark was Janielle Dodds who finished with 109 blocks from 2004-08. Sarah Davis holds the school record with 180 blocks from 2003-06.

SMU CAREER BLOCKS

1.	Sarah Davis (2003-06)	180
2.	Karin Kennedy (1996-00)	139
T-3.	Katie Remke (1997-01)	109
T-3.	Janielle Dodds (2004-08)	109
5.	Stephanie Collins (2015-Present)	98
6.	Alicia Froling (2015-Present)	96
7.	Christine Elliott (2008-12)	95

SMU SINGLE-SEASON BLOCKS

1.	184	2015-16
2.	160	2014-15
3.	142	2005-06
4.	129	2002-03
5.	120	2004-05

NATIONALLY RANKED

Stephanie Collins ranked 36th in the nation with 73 blocks last season, setting an SMU single-season record. The sophomore averaged 2.43 blocks per game, 34th in the country. The Australian needs 83 blocks to become the career leader at SMU.



INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Alicia Froling represented Australia at the 2015 FIBA U19 Women's World Championships in Russia, winning a Bronze medal with the team, her second career medal at the World Championships with Australia. A native of Queensland, Australia, Froling averaged 8.1 points per game, reaching double-figures twice, including a tournament-high 19 points during group play. She also averaged 6.9 rebounds, and shot just under 70 percent from the free throw line. Stephanie Collins also represented Australia at the 2012 World University Games.

ALICIA FROLING

Alicia Froling scored 381 points, averaging 12.3 per contest. She was one of three players in the American Athletic Conference to average a double-double, grabbing 10.6 rebounds per game, and set an SMU single-season record with 328 rebounds. As a sophomore, Froling finished with 14 double-doubles, the most since Rhonda Rompola had 13 in the 1981-82 season, and the second most recorded in a season. Froling reached double figures in points 21 times, scoring a career-high 33 points against Cincinnati, becoming the 14th player in SMU history to score 30 points in a game. A Mustang has scored at least 30 points 25 times. She also set an SMU single-game record with 22 rebounds against the Bearcats, the third highest in conference history (24 by UCF's Brittini Montgomery twice).

SMU SINGLE-SEASON REBOUNDS

1.	Alicia Froling (2015-16)	311
2.	Shasta Smothers-Johnson (1984-85)	310
T-3.	Rhonda Rompola (1981-82)	278
T-3.	Kim Nowak (1979-80)	278
5.	Karlin Kennedy (1999-00)	267

SMU SINGLE SEASON DOUBLE-DOUBLES

1.	Shasta Smothers-Johnson (1984-85)	15
2.	Alicia Froling (2015-16)	14
3.	Rhonda Rompola (1981-82)	13
4.	Janielle Dodds (2005-06)	12

MCKENZIE ADAMS

McKenzie Adams led the team and ranked 12th in The American, scoring 13.4 points per game last season, earning conference Newcomer of the Year accolades. She scored a season-high 24 points against Kansas, and reached double figures 25 times, including a streak of 11 straight games. The transfer from Arkansas was 11th in the conference, shooting 78.3 percent from the free throw line, making 94 of 120 attempts. She also had a team-high 76 assists with 28 steals.

STEPHANIE COLLINS

Stephanie Collins was second in The American and 36th in the NCAA with 73 blocks, breaking the SMU single-season record Alicia Froling set with 54 blocks as a freshman in 2014-15. Collins posted 25 blocks in 20 games as a freshman, and with 98 total, is fifth in a career at SMU. She was third on the team in scoring, averaging 8.5 points per game with 5.9 rebounds, second on the team. Collins shot 47.9 percent from the floor, ninth in the league, and scored at least 10 points 17 times with a season-high of 16 points against Northwestern State.

INDIVIDUAL SEASON BLOCK LIST

1.	Stephanie Collins (2015-16)	73
2.	Alicia Froling (2014-15)	54
3.	Sarah Davis (2005-06)	53
4.	Karlin Kennedy (1997-98)	47
5.	Sarah Davis (2003-04)	45

MORGAN BOLTON

Morgan Bolton was second on the team with 62 assists and averaged 5.7 points per game as the starting point guard. She banked in a three as time expired in regulation against East Carolina, helping the Mustangs to an overtime victory. The junior scored at least 10 points seven times, including a career-high 15 points against then-No. 20 USF in the conference tournament.

DAI'JA THOMAS

Dai'ja Thomas averaged 5.0 points with 4.1 rebounds per game as a freshman, averaging 16.4 minutes with action in 30 of 31 contests. She scored 12 points three times, against Northwestern State, at Temple and against UCF in the conference tournament. Thomas had at least five rebounds 10 times, with a season-high nine twice, against Northwestern State and against Memphis.

TRANSFERS AND ROSTER ADDITIONS

SMU adds four transfers to a roster that includes eight 2015-16 letterwinners. Kiara Bradshaw, who sat out last season after transferring from TCU, and Kiara Perry, who missed the season due to injury, give Mays two additional weapons to include in the rotation.

Tiara Davenport, a former Duncanville High School standout, played in 60 games over two seasons at Louisiana Tech. The 6-foot guard was named to the Conference USA All-Freshman Team after shooting 42 percent from the field and averaging 5.9 points and 3.0 rebounds per game. She scored at least 10 points eight times, and led the team in scoring twice. Former Plano West High School teammates Devri Owens, a Utah graduate, and Kiran Lakhian, a Stanford alumna, also join the team. Owens, a 5-8 guard, played in 61 games over three seasons at Utah, but was limited to just the first six games of her second season before suffering a season-ending injury. Owens returned from injury and played in 26 games during the 2015-16 season. Lakhian spent two seasons with the Cardinal, playing in 17 games during her fourth year in Palo Alto. She scored a career-high nine points against Cornell, going 3-for-4 from 3-point range on Dec. 19, 2015.

Amaura Brandt, daughter of associate head coach Mike Brandt, led the NCAA Division II with a 50.9 3-point shooting percentage (89-of-175), leading Limestone College to a third-straight conference championship. She also played two seasons for her father at USC Aiken.

ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL

RANK	SCHOOL (1ST PLACE VOTES)	RECORD
1	NOTRE DAME (14)	0-0
2	BAYLOR (12)	0-0
3	CONNECTICUT (6)	0-0
4	SOUTH CAROLINA (1)	0-0
5	LOUISVILLE	0-0
6	MARYLAND	0-0
7	OHIO STATE	0-0
8	TEXAS	0-0
9	UCLA	0-0
10	MISSISSIPPI STATE	0-0
11	STANFORD	0-0
12	FLORIDA STATE	0-0
13	TENNESSEE	0-0
14	MIAMI	0-0
14	SYRACUSE	0-0
16	OKLAHOMA	0-0
17	WASHINGTON	0-0
18	ARIZONA STATE	0-0
19	KENTUCKY	0-0
20	FLORIDA	0-0
21	DEPAUL	0-0
22	WEST VIRGINIA	0-0
23	INDIANA	0-0
24	MISSOURI	0-0
25	OREGON STATE	0-0

Others receiving votes: Michigan State 78, Auburn 43, Texas A&M 20, Duke 16, Colorado State 10, California 9, Creighton 9, South Florida 8, Temple 6, BYU 6, South Dakota State 5, Belmont 4, UTEP 3, Green Bay 2, Chattanooga 2, NC State 2, Boise State 2, Saint Louis 1, Iowa State 1, Oregon 1

SMU'S RECORD WHEN ...

November	0-0
December	0-0
January	0-0
February	0-0
March	0-0
Sundays	0-0
Mondays	0-0
Tuesdays	0-0
Wednesdays	0-0
Thursdays	0-0
Fridays	0-0
Saturdays	0-0
Overtime	0-0
On Television	0-0
Leading at the half	0-0
Trailing at the half	0-0
Tied at the half	0-0
Out-shooting the opposition	0-0
Out-shot by the opposition	0-0
Shooting the same	0-0
Shooting 50% or higher	0-0
Shooting 45-49.9%	0-0
Shooting 40-44.9%	0-0
Shooting 35-39.9%	0-0
Shooting 34.9% or lower	0-0
Opposition shoots 50% or higher	0-0
Opposition shoots 45-49.9%	0-0
Opposition shoots 40-44.9%	0-0
Opposition shoots 35-39.9%	0-0
Opposition shoots 34.9% or lower	0-0
Out-rebounding the opposition	0-0
Out-rebounded by the opposition	0-0
Rebounds are equal	0-0
Committing more turnovers	0-0
Committing fewer turnovers	0-0
Turnovers are equal	0-0
Scoring 80 or more points	0-0
Scoring 70-79 points	0-0
Scoring 60-69 points	0-0
Scoring 59 points or fewer	0-0
Allowing 80 or more points	0-0
Allowing 70-79 points	0-0
Allowing 60-69 points	0-0
Allowing 59 points or fewer	0-0
vs. Top-25 Opponents	0-0



TRAVIS MAYS

**HEAD COACH
TEXAS, '90
1ST SEASON**

Travis Mays was named the Head Women's Basketball Coach at SMU on April 7, 2016. Mays arrived on the Hilltop after 14 years as an assistant coach, where he served under three Hall of Fame coaches, and 11 years playing professionally.

Mays came to SMU following four seasons as Associate Head Coach at Texas, where he made his mark on the program as a dynamic guard from 1986-90, and where he served a previous three-year stint as an assistant coach for the women's basketball program from 2004-07. He returned to UT in 2012 as Associate Head Coach. His duties at Texas included recruiting, preparing opponent scouting reports, instructing guards on the court and public speaking at various community service and campus events.

Following his playing days, Mays began his coaching career with a two-year stint in the WNBA with the San Antonio Silver Stars (2002-04) and then returned to his alma mater as an assistant to Hall of Fame coach Jody Conradt from 2004-07, where he proved himself as a gifted floor coach and recruiter. Mays moved on to LSU and worked on Hall of Fame coach Van Chancellor's staff from 2007-11. At both UT and LSU, Mays helped ink nationally-acclaimed recruits, and all seven of the recruiting classes Mays assisted in assembling were ranked among the nation's top 25, including five top-five efforts - No. 1 (2005), No. 3 (2008), No. 3 (2016), No. 4 (2014) and No. 5 (2015).

After his time in Baton Rouge, Mays was an assistant coach at the University of Georgia for Hall of Fame coach Andy Landers. The Lady Bulldogs finished the 2011-12 season at 22-9 and advanced to the NCAA Tournament's first round.

A 2002 inductee into UT's Men's Athletics Hall of Fame, Mays is still No. 2 among the Longhorns' career scoring leaders with 2,279 points and was the first player to earn back-to-back Southwest Conference Player of the Year honors in 1989 and 1990. As a senior, Mays was a second-team Associated Press All-American. He averaged 24.1 points per game and led Texas to the "Elite Eight" round of the NCAA Tournament. Included in that NCAA run was a 44-point outburst against Georgia in the first round that still ranks 14th-most all time in "March Madness" history. His 23 free throws made and 27 attempts at the line versus the Bulldogs remain NCAA Tournament records. In 2016, he was inducted into the Southwest Conference Hall of Fame in conjunction with the Texas Sports Hall of Fame.

Mays was drafted by Sacramento with the No. 14 overall pick in the first round of the 1990 NBA Draft, and he was a second-team All-Rookie selection after averaging 14.3 points per game. Mays then played two seasons with the Atlanta Hawks, before rupturing two tendons in his right foot. He recovered and enjoyed a successful eight-season career overseas in Greece, Israel, Turkey and Italy.

A native of Ocala, Fla., he received his bachelor's degree in psychology from Texas in 1990. Mays and his wife, Mirella, have two children -- a daughter, Cherrell, and son, Trevor.



WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT TRAVIS MAYS

GENO AURIEMMA, HALL OF FAME COACH

"Travis has done a great job helping to elevate programs everywhere he has been, and there is no doubt he will do the same thing at SMU."

VAN CHANCELLOR, HALL OF FAME COACH

"I think as a former player at Texas, Travis has name recognition and the ability to recruit that will make him a tremendous hire at SMU. Sometimes during a hire, the Athletic Director is trying to hit a home run, and I think SMU has hit a grand slam. Travis will do a great job and be very successful at SMU."

JODY CONRADT, HALL OF FAME COACH

"Travis was outstanding as a player, very good and passionate about the game. I knew him as a player, and seeing him on the staff of a WNBA team gave me the comfort to hire him at Texas. It told me he had an appreciation for women's basketball and a future in the field. He was a great hire at Texas, eager to learn, and he turned the passion he had as a player into a passion for teaching the game. He was a wonderful assistant with the ability to establish relationships and connects with players very well. He has a great opportunity at a prominent institution in an excellent location, and I'm excited to watch what he does at SMU. I know he will be successful."



SMU PONY PROMISE

The Mission of SMU Athletics is to "prepare students for life." To that end, SMU is reinforcing its long-standing commitment to student-athlete development, well-being and experience with the Pony Promise. The Pony Promise consists of several initiatives that provide for an outstanding student-athlete experience from enrollment through graduation.

1. Student-Athlete Academic Services

Recognizing that varsity athletes commit to representing the University, and thus face the unique challenge of balancing academic and athletic objectives, SMU's Student-Athlete Academic Services team is tasked with providing mentoring and core skills support; help them respond effectively to specific academic challenges; better articulate their educational goals; and succeed in their undergraduate pursuits.

Student-athletes work through either the Altshuler Learning Enhancement Center (A-LEC) or the Center For The Academic Development of Student-Athletes (ADSA) for support.

The mission of the A-LEC is to help student-athletes respond effectively to specific academic challenges, articulate and achieve educational goals, and successfully complete the undergraduate curriculum. Specialists help student-athletes build success from the beginning, through both developmental and accelerated programs designed to maximize learning potential, personal adjustment, and academic performance.

ADSA staff provides services such as academic counseling, mentoring, tutoring and reading/writing assistance. ADSA has six Academic Counselors, three Reading/Writing Specialists, an Administrative Assistant and two interns. Additionally, ADSA works in collaboration with the A-LEC to provide disability services and other various programs.

2. Full Cost of Attendance

SMU provides scholarships up to the full cost-of-attendance for all student-athletes. Each school's financial-aid office, not its athletics department, uses a federal formula to set the cost-of-attendance figure for the school year. Using those guidelines, SMU's Financial Aid Office has set the figure at \$2,676 annually for full-scholarship student-athletes. That figure represents the gap between last year's full scholarship amount and full cost of attendance at SMU. Students may qualify for additional support based upon individual needs. For example, students with significant demonstrated need are eligible for a Pell grant in the amount of \$5,775 per academic year.

These figures do not include or take into account other distributions that SMU student-athletes may receive, such as off-campus stipends, which are provided to upperclassmen who, as the term would indicate, live off-campus after two years of on-campus residency. Those stipends are currently valued at \$15,650 per academic year (fall and spring semesters).

3. Student-Athlete Development & Welfare

Strength & Conditioning

Vic & Gladie Jo Salvino Strength & Conditioning Centers are located in the Paul B. Loyd, Jr. All-Sports Center and the Crum Basketball Center. Both of the state-of-the-art training facilities include functional drill space and Olympic platforms and weights. The Salvino Strength & Conditioning Centers also include aerobic equipment, weight stations and free weights.

Equipment & Apparel

SMU is a proud partner of Nike, who provides SMU gear and apparel. The SMU equipment staff handles all of the ordering and inventory of athletic gear for the SMU Athletic Department and its teams, custom fitting all Mustang student-athletes with all needed equipment.

Sports Medicine

The SMU Sports Medicine Program is housed in the Lindsay & Bobbie Embrey Sports Medicine Complex inside the Loyd All-Sports Center, and offers the outstanding services of leading sports medicine and health care professionals. The SMU Sports Medicine staff works with physicians to design rehabilitation programs for injured student-athletes to minimize the loss of fitness during recuperative time.

Mental Health & Sports Psychology

While intercollegiate athletics has a large focus on the physical demands for the student-athlete, SMU Athletics also understands the importance of providing resources to address the emotional and mental demands associated with being a student-athlete. Because of this, we have developed a two-tiered mental health program. One tier has a focus on the emotional and mental well-being of a student-athlete, while the other tier focuses on finding ways to address mental aspects of sport performance.

Tier 1: Mental Health and Well-Being

Mental Health Resources for Student-Athletes are designed to provide counseling services to meet the student-athletes' needs for achieving emotional well-being necessary for success in college. The life of a student-athlete often comes with pressures, high expectations, and many obligations that can potentially feel stressful or overwhelming. Counseling provides a confidential, supportive, and accepting environment to address issues that may be interfering with a student-athlete's ability to enjoy a fully satisfying life or reach his/her full potential.

Tier 2: Sport Psychology/Peak Performance

There have been a wide variety of written materials about the physical component of the game, yet the emotional and mental side often makes the difference in performance and outcome. One thing the student-athlete has complete control over is his/her thoughts, emotions, and behaviors that make up the main components of the mental skills process. Being keyed into these three areas will influence one's competitive edge. SMU Athletics strives for each student-athlete to take charge of his/her process of the game.

Concussion Protocol

The SMU Sports Medicine Department has established a detailed protocol to manage the risks and concerns of concussions for SMU student-athletes. This management plan follows the guidelines and recommendations set forth by the NATA, NCAA, American Athletic Conference, United Educators and the practicing physicians involved in SMU Athletics. This policy is a living document that is reviewed annually by SMU Risk Management and team physicians. The purpose of this plan is to ensure that standards of care are being met and that overall healthcare and specifically the management of concussions is done in a manner that protects and treats the student-athlete with the highest regard to safety.

The concussion management plan is broken into three major components. The first component is education of concussions. The second is based upon the management and treatment of concussions. The third is the student-athlete's return to activity.

The SMU Concussion Policy has a management plan to help guide student-athletes safely through a return-to-play protocol, as well as a return-to-learn plan. Awareness and communication are key components to the management of our policy, and because of this, we involve key individuals ranging from administrators, coaches, academic advisors, neurologist, psychologist, team physicians and athletic trainers. Our policy also allows us to work within the University and the academic community in a manner in which accommodations can be made to help support the student academically through the recovery phase.

Mike Morton, SMU's Director of Sports Medicine, was hired this year by the NFL to serve as an injury spotter for games held at AT&T Stadium. To obtain this position, Morton completed an NFL training program to review and understand protocols in place to help identify NFL players that may be demonstrating symptoms associated with head and neck injuries.

Sports Dietician

The goal of a sports nutrition program is to ensure student-athletes are well nourished, optimally refueled after exercise to speed up complete recovery and prepared for overall lifelong health. By providing team talks, one-on-one meal plan counseling, grocery store tours, cooking classes and education at the on-campus fueling stations, the sports dietician engages with student-athletes on a daily basis. Other responsibilities include managing the ordering and inventory of the fueling stations, identifying optimal products to stock the fueling stations, developing relationships with vendors to support SMU student-athletes and creating custom educational materials.

Supplemental Meals & Snacks

SMU student-athletes have access to supplemental meals in conjunction with participation in athletic activities.

SMU Athletics has partnered with SMU Dining Services to provide SMU student-athletes with the best in nutritional and dining options. SMU student-athletes are able to access the Arnold Dining Commons to receive supplemental meals and snacks.

SMU student-athletes can also fuel up at the fueling stations located in the Salvino Strength & Conditioning Centers, where pre- and post-workout nutrition is available for student-athletes along with snacks for between classes.

4. Life Skills Programming

SMU is committed to the holistic development of our student-athletes. Life Skills programming cultivates skills that prepare student-athletes for the ultimate competitive challenge - Life.

Our S.T.A.N.G.S. (Student-Athletes Together Achieving the Necessary Goals for Success) program is based on:

Personal Development

SMU supports the development of a well-balanced lifestyle for student-athletes, encouraging emotional well-being, personal growth and decision-making skills.

Community Service

SMU facilitates community outreach opportunities for student-athletes, providing them with an appreciation for the value of service and a chance to show their gratitude to the DFW communities that support them.

Career Development

SMU places a priority on preparing students for life after college. Our program helps give student-athletes a career direction and provides networking opportunities.

Financial Literacy

SMU equips student-athletes with the tools needed to efficiently and effectively manage their resources and build a positive credit history, working to ensure that student-athletes will be prepared to handle post-graduate financial responsibilities.

5. The Student-Athlete Advisory Council

The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) is a partnership of the student-athletes representing all 17 sports at SMU. SAAC provides insight on the student-athlete experience. The SAAC also offers input on the rules, regulations and policies that affect student-athletes' lives on NCAA member institution campuses.

6. Facility Enhancements

Providing championship-caliber facilities gives our student-athletes the best possible environment for success.

SMU opened a renovated and expanded Moody Coliseum and the new Miller Event Center in 2014. In 2015, SMU opened the new SMU Tennis Complex, completed Phase II of the DAC golf practice facility and updated the Salvino Strength and Conditioning Center and the football offices and meeting rooms. SMU is in the process of building other facilities, including a new home for golf and a track and field throws area, while a new aquatic center is close to breaking ground. An athletics facilities master plan is being developed to identify and address future investments in the student-athlete and fan experiences.



THE LAST TIME...

THE LAST TIME A MUSTANG...

SCORING

Scored 40+ points:	Shawn Ford, 42, vs. TCU (1/25/97)
Scored 30-40 points:	Alicia Froling, 33, at Cincinnati (1/27/16)
Scored 20-29 points:	Alicia Froling, 22, vs. East Carolina (2/09/16)
Scored 20+ points in consecutive games:	Keena Mays (25 at UCF, 2/11/14; 34 vs. Houston, 2/15/14; 24 at Memphis, 2/22/14)
Scored 20+ points in three consecutive games:	Keena Mays, 25, 34, 24 (at UCF, vs. Houston, at Memphis 2/11/14-2/22/14)
Scored 20+ in four consecutive games:	N/A
Scored 20+ in five consecutive games:	N/A
Two players scored 20+ points:	Keena Mays, 24, Akil Simpson, 20 at Memphis (2/22/14)
Three players scored 20+ points:	N/A
Five or more players scored in double figures:	K. Mays, 16; K. Perry, 12; A. Simpson, 11; K. Baker, 11; M. Singleton, 10 (vs. Rutgers - 2/8/14)
All participating players (min. 8) scored:	8 at North Texas (12/21/13)
All participating players scored in two consecutive games:	12 vs. Memphis (2/14/08), 11 at UAB (2/17/08)

REBOUNDING

Had 25 rebounds:	N/A
Had 20+ rebounds:	Alicia Froling, 22, at Cincinnati (1/27/16)
Had 15+ rebounds:	Alicia Froling, 22, at Cincinnati (1/27/16)
Had 10+ rebounds:	Alicia Froling, 12, vs. Houston (2/27/16)
Had 10+ rebounds in consecutive games:	Alicia Froling (14 vs. UCF, - 2/06/16; 12 vs. East Carolina - 2/09/16)
Had 10+ rebounds in three consecutive games:	Alicia Froling (14 vs. UCF, - 2/06/16; 12 vs. East Carolina - 2/09/16; 15 at Tulane - 2/14/16)
Had 10+ rebounds in four consecutive games:	Alicia Froling (12/21-15-1/07/16)
Had 10+ rebounds in five consecutive games:	N/A
Two players had 10+ rebounds:	Gabrielle Wilkins, 12, and Stephanie Collins, 10, vs. Tulsa (2/17/16)
Three players had 10+ rebounds:	Brame (13), Hives-McCray (11), A. Froling (10) vs. Florida A&M (11/29/14)
All participating players (min. 8) rebounded:	8 vs. East Carolina (2/09/16)

THREE-POINT SHOOTING

Had five three-point field goals:	Keena Mays, 5, vs. Texas Southern (3/20/14)
Had 10+ three-point attempts:	McKenzie Adams, 10, vs. East Carolina (2/09/16)

ASSISTS

Had 10 assists:	Brittany Gilliam, 11, vs. UTEP (1/15/10)
Had consecutive games with 5+ assists:	Keena Mays (8 vs. Cincinnati - 2/1/14; 5 vs. Temple - 2/1/14)
Had five consecutive games with 5+ assists:	Brittany Gilliam, 9 games (11/13-12/19/09)
Had consecutive games with 10+ assists:	Suzanne McAnally (11 vs. Texas Tech 2/8/92, 11 vs. Texas A&M 2/12/92)

BLOCKS

Had five blocks:	Stephanie Collins, 7, vs. Tulsa (2/17/16)
Had five consecutive games with a blocked shot:	Stephanie Collins - 9 games (1/23/16-2/20/16)

DOUBLE-DOUBLES

Had 10+ double-doubles in a season:	Alicia Froling, 14 (2015-16)
Recorded a double-double:	Alicia Froling (17 pts, 12 rebs) vs. UCF (3/4/16)
Two players had a double-double:	vs. UCF (1/25/15) Alicia Froling (18 pts, 11 rebs) and Destyne Hives-McCray (11 pts, 11 rebs)
Three players had a double-double:	vs. Florida A&M (11/29/14) Hives-McCray (18 pts, 11 rebs), A. Froling (14 pts, 10 rebs), Brame (11 pts, 13 rebs)
Recorded back-to-back double-doubles:	Alicia Froling (16 pts, 14 rebs) vs. UCF (2/06/16); (22 pts, 12 rebs) vs. East Carolina (2/09/16); (10 pts, 15 rebs) at Tulane (2/14/16)
Had three or more consecutive double-doubles:	Alicia Froling (16 pts, 14 rebs) vs. UCF (2/06/16); (22 pts, 12 rebs) vs. East Carolina (2/09/16); (10 pts, 15 rebs) at Tulane (2/14/16)
Had four or more consecutive double-doubles:	N/A
Recorded a triple-double:	N/A

THE LAST TIME SMU...

SCORING

Scored 100 points (home):	104-69 vs. Sam Houston State (11/19/99)
Scored 100 points (road):	127-125 (4 OT) at TCU (1/25/97)
Scored 100 points in an American Athletic Conference game:	N/A

OVERTIME

Won an overtime game:	74-67 (OT) vs. East Carolina (2/09/16)
Won a conference overtime game:	74-67 (OT) vs. East Carolina (2/09/16)(The American)
Lost a conference overtime game:	N/A

TOURNAMENTS

Won a tournament:	SMU Thanksgiving Classic (11/27-11/28/15)
Won a post-season tournament game:	SMU 84, Texas Southern 72, WNIT (3/20/14)
Won a conference tournament:	Conference USA, 2008
Played in a non-conference post-season tournament:	WNIT, 2014, at Minnesota, Second Round
Played in the NCAA tournament:	2008

MISCELLANEOUS

Won 10 consecutive games:	2012-13
Won 5 consecutive games:	2013-14
Won 20 games in a season:	2012-13
Opened the season with a win:	2015-16
Defeated a ranked opponent:	3/9/2008 vs. No. 18 UTEP (W, 73-57)
Faced a ranked opponent:	2/24/16 at No. 1 Connecticut (L, 88-41)



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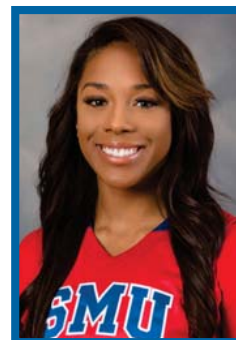
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Grand Prairie, Texas

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**ALICIA
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Queensland, Australia

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**KIRAN
LAKHIAN**G • 6-0 • SR-GT
Plano, Texas

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**MORGAN
BOLTON**G • 5-6 • SR-2L
Duncanville, Texas

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**KLARA
BRADSHAW**C • 6-6 • JR-SQ
Emory, Texas

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**STEPHANIE
COLLINS**F • 6-5 • JR-2L
Melbourne, Australia

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**DAI'JA
THOMAS**F • 6-2 • SO-1L
Dallas, Texas

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**TIARA
DAVENPORT**G • 6-0 • JR-TR
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**KAMRAY
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