

SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

2016 BULLDOG SOCCER WEEKLY NOTES • OCT. 31 - NOV. 6 (POSTSEASON)



2016 SCHEDULE (12-4-2)

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Sept. 1	#5 Central Missouri	L 3-0
Sept. 3	Southwest Baptist	W 4-0
Sept. 7	Randall University	W 11-0
Sept. 9	Southwestern Christian	W 11-0
Sept. 11	Central Oklahoma	T 2-2 (2OT)
Sept. 15	West Texas A&M	Cancelled
Sept. 20	*Northwestern Okla.	W 6-1
Sept. 25	*East Central	W 4-0
Sept. 29	*Ouachita Baptist	W 2-1
Oct. 1	*Harding	L 2-0
Oct. 6	*Southern Nazarene	W 2-0
Oct. 8	*Oklahoma Baptist	W 3-2 (OT)
Oct. 11	*Northwestern Okla.	W 3-1
Oct. 13	*East Central	W 3-1
Oct. 20	*Harding	L 3-1
Oct. 22	*Ouachita Baptist	W 7-2
Oct. 27	*Oklahoma Baptist	W 4-0
Oct. 29	*Southern Nazarene	L 2-0
Nov. 3	+Southern Nazarene	T 3-3 (PKS)
Nov. 5	+Harding	11:00 AM

Home Matches in Bold

* GAC Contest

+ GAC Post-Season Tournament

NSCAA Top 25 Poll (Oct. 25)

#	School (First-Place)	Prev.	Rec.
1	Western Washington	1	-
2	Grand Valley State	2	-
3	West Chester	3	-
4	Central Missouri	4	-
5	Columbus State	5	-
6	Adelphi	7	-
7	St. Edwards	8	-
8	California San-Diego	9	-
9	Nova Southeastern	14	-
10	Colorado School of Mines	10	-
11	Minot State	11	-
12	Rollins College	6	-
13	Bridgeport	15	-
14	Kutztown	22	-
15	Rockhurst	16	-
16	Limestone	18	-
17	West Florida	17	-
18	Truman State	19	-
19	North Georgia	12	-
20	Sonoma State	20	-
21	Fort Hays State	23	-
22	LIU Post	25	-
23	Edinboro	RV	-
24	Colorado State-Pueblo	NR	-
25	Notre Dame College	NR	-

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Harding Lady Bisons
11-6-1

**Last Game: GAC Semifinal
vs Ouachita (W 1-0)**



SWOSU Bulldogs
12-4-2

Last Game: GAC Semifinal vs SNU
(T 3-3; Advanced 4-2 on PKs)

Setting the Scene:

- SWOSU Soccer (12-4-2) hosts Harding in the Great American Conference Tournament Championship on Saturday at 11 am out at the Athletic Complex
- The Bulldogs will play the Lady Bisons in the final round of the tournament for the second-consecutive year looking to redeem last year's 5-3 defeat to HU
- In 2016, SWOSU lost both contests to Harding falling to them 2-0 on October 1 and 3-1 on October 20

The Coaches:

- SWOSU:** Mark Persson (80-59-14; 8th season)
- Since taking over the program in 2009, Persson has amassed an 80-59-14 record, becoming the all-time winningest coach in program history
 - Persson also led the Bulldogs to back-to-back GAC Championships in 2012 and 2013
 - A two time All-Conference Coach of the Year, Persson holds a 37-24-7 record in GAC play
 - He has coached one All-American, 12 All-Region players, and numerous All-Conference players during his time in Weatherford

Harding: Greg Harris (115-133-20; 16th season)

- Coach Harris took over Harding Soccer in 2001, where he coached the women and men's team up until 2010 when he was chosen to continue only coaching the Lady Bisons
- A four-time Gulf South Conference Coach of the Year honoree, Harris garnered his first Great American Conference Coach of the Year honor in 2013 and again in 2015
- Each summer, Harris works several prestigious soccer camps, including Duke, Texas A&M, UT Chattanooga, and Vanderbilt

The Opponent

Harding Lady Bisons (11-6-1)

- HU comes into the championship game after beating Ouachita Baptist 1-0 in the semifinal round on Thursday
- The Lady Bisons carry a five match unbeaten streak heading into the match on Saturday, with four wins and a tie since losing to Oklahoma Baptist back on October 14
- Bethany Sutherland leads the HU attack with 13 goals scored on the season and assisting on four others
- Goalkeeper Jessica Woessner has guarded the goal in all 17 matches for Harding in 2016, collecting 80 saves and being a part of eight shutouts while allowing 20 goals
- Sandra Nabweteme, who ranks fifth in Division II, now has 20 goals on the season becoming the Bulldogs second player to score at least 20 times this season, a feat that hasn't been accomplished by a D2 team since West Florida's Hakira Duncan (31) and Jodi-Ann Robinson (20) back in 2010
- The Bulldog offensive attack ranks tied for fourth in Division II averaging 3.67 goals per game
- Ashlyn Collier is SWOSU's third best scorer having scored eight goals this season and dishing out four assists
- Courtney Flores and the Dawg defense has shutout six opponents this season

Bulldog Facts

- SWOSU looks to win the GAC Tournament for the first time since winning back-to-back titles in 2012 and 2013
- With Sarah Wilson's game-tying score on Thursday, she becomes the 11th Bulldog to net a goal this season
- Alimata Rabo ranks fourth in NCAA Division II with her 22 goals scored this season

Looking Ahead

- The winner of the GAC Tournament receives an automatic invitation for the NCAA Central Region Tournament
- The Regional Tournament starts next Friday, November 11 at host campus sites

2016 SWOSU Soccer Roster

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Steffi Silvera	GK	5-7	Jr.	Luque, Paraguay
1	Courtney Flores	GK	5-11	Sr.	Plano, Texas (Plano West HS)
2	Lauren Williams	D	5-6	Jr.	Coseley, England (The Coseley School)
4	Alexis Fowler	D	5-4	Fr.	Norman, Okla. (Norman HS)
5	Erica Brunet	D	5-7	So.	Ontario, Canada (St. Roch Catholic SS)
6	Lydia Rife	D	5-7	R-Fr.	Granbury, Texas (Granbury HS)
8	Jasmine Heffley	MF	5-7	Jr.	Denton, Texas (Guyer HS)
9	Kendall Harris	MF	5-4	Jr.	Burleson, Texas (Hill Junior College)
11	Alimata Rabo	F	5-7	R-Fr.	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso (SW Christian)
12	Kirstyn Eustace	MF	5-2	So.	Weatherford, Okla. (Weatherford HS)
13	Olivia Butler	MF	5-5	Jr.	Oklahoma City, Okla. (Putnam City West HS)
14	Lauren Tonkovich	MF	5-4	R-So.	Plano, Texas (John Brown University)
15	Shelley Mueller	MF	5-5	Jr.	Enid, Okla. (Enid HS)
16	Sandra Nabweteme	F	5-3	Fr.	Kampala, Uganda (Kawempe Muslim SS)
18	Kylee Bertrand	MF	5-4	So.	Ontario, Canada (St. Augustine SS)
20	Dajhane Turner	D	5-9	So.	Yukon, Okla. (Yukon HS)
21	Veronica Lopez	MF	5-1	Fr.	Santa Ana, Costa Rica (Cariari HS)
22	Ashlyn Collier	F/MF	5-2	So.	Yukon, Okla. (Yukon HS)
23	Megan Moonen	D	5-1	Fr.	Claremore, Okla. (Claremore HS)
24	Kodi Holloway	F	5-3	So.	Noble, Okla. (Bethel College)
25	Kaitlyn Keeler	MF	5-3	Fr.	El Reno, Okla. (El Reno HS)
27	Sarah Wilson	MF	5-6	So.	Cleveland, Okla. (Yukon HS)
29	Mikah Stroh	MF	5-2	R-Fr.	Moore, Okla. (Moore HS)
30	Regan Coil	MF	5-7	So.	Mustang, Okla. (Mustang HS)

Head Coach: Mark Persson

Assistant Coaches: Kira Bertrand, Ellen Trotter



HEAD COACH MARK PERSSON

Mark Persson has built the SWOSU Women's Soccer program into a consistent contender since taking over the program in 2009 and he enters his eighth season with the Bulldogs in 2016. Persson is the winningest coach in program history, bringing a 68-55-12 (.548) record into this season.

Persson is a two-time conference Coach of the Year with the Bulldogs, earning the honor for the Lone Star Conference in 2009 and again from the GAC in SWOSU's record-setting 2012 campaign. His teams won back-to-back GAC regular season and tournament championships in 2012 and 2013 with a record of 16-1-2 against conference foes during that time.

In seven seasons at the helm of the SWOSU Soccer program, Persson has seen several players earn post-season accolades including 12 All-Region selections, 43 All-Conference (Lone Star & Great American) picks and nine GAC specialty award winners, including three-time Defensive Player of the Year Kira Bertrand and two-time Goalkeeper of the Year Courtney Flores.

Flores.

The Bulldogs had a bounce-back season in 2015, reaching the 10-win plateau for the third time in the past four seasons. SWOSU finished 13-6-1 overall, including a third-place finish in the GAC regular season standings with a mark of 8-3-1. In the conference tournament, SWOSU defeated No. 2-seed Ouachita Baptist to advance to their third GAC Championship game in four seasons, where they were defeated by tournament-host Harding.

SWOSU had a program-record 10 players selected to the All-GAC teams in 2015, led by Goalkeeper of the Year Courtney Flores, who was one of four players to earn First Team All-GAC honors. Also earning a selection to the first team were Cori Kelly, Samantha Nunez and Kylee Bertrand while Nunez (Second Team) and Bertrand (Third Team) were also selected to the All-Central Region team by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA).

A youthful Bulldog squad in 2014 was limited to two wins and missed the GAC Tournament for the first time, but his group had four players earn All-Great American Conference honors while defender Charlotte Eastman was named a Second Team All-Central Region choice by Daktronics. Her selection gives the Bulldogs an all-region selection in each of the past three seasons after not having a player earn all-region honors in the first 14 years of the programs existence.

The 2013 squad repeated as GAC Champions by finishing the regular season 7-1-1, three points ahead of second-place Ouachita Baptist. The Bulldogs then cruised through the conference tournament, defeating East Central and Harding by a combined score of 7-0 to claim a second straight tournament championship. SWOSU just missed out on a second straight bid to the NCAA Division II national tournament after they qualified in 2012.

With the success of the team came several more postseason accolades. Kira Bertrand was named the GAC Defender of the Year for the second consecutive season while Courtney Flores earned both Goalkeeper and Freshman of the Year honors following a standout freshman campaign at SWOSU. The Bulldogs placed four on the All-GAC First and two more on the second team. In addition to those honors, Bertrand was named to the NSCAA All-Central Region First Team for the second straight season while Carbonara and Visor both earned second team all-region honors.

Persson's 2012 team became the first in school history to advance to the NCAA Division II Tournament, where they defeated Minot State 3-0 before falling to host Central Missouri by the same score in the second round of the Central Regional. The Bulldogs were the only team in NCAA Division II to complete the regular season without a loss, ending the season with a record of 20-1-1.

For their efforts in 2012, the Bulldogs received several postseason awards including a very impressive sweep of the Great American Conference specialty awards: Josie Price was named the Offensive Player of the Year, Kira Bertrand won Defensive Player of the Year for the second consecutive year, Corey LaMoureux was the Goalkeeper of the Year and Ashlee Beitingner earned Freshman of the Year. Persson completed the sweep with his Coach of the Year Award.

Persson vs. Opponents

Team	Record	Last
Abilene Christian	1-1	2010
Angelo State	0-3	2014
Central Missouri.....	0-2	2016
Central Oklahoma.....	2-7-1	2016
Concordia St. Paul.....	1-0	2015
Dallas Baptist.....	1-1	2014
East Central.....	10-3-1	2016
Eastern New Mexico.....	0-3	2011
Emporia State.....	1-0-1	2012
Harding	7-6-2	2016
Incarnate Word	0-1	2010
Mid America Christian.....	1-0	2009
Midwestern State.....	1-4	2014
Minnesota State - Mankato.....	0-2	2015
Minot State	1-0-1	2014
Missouri Southern.....	2-0	2013
Missouri Western.....	1-2	2012
Nebraska-Kearney.....	1-0	2013
Newman	3-0-1	2015
N.M. Highlands	1-0	2010
Northeastern State	1-0-1	2011
NW Missouri State.....	0-1	2009
Northwestern Okla.....	11-1-2	2016
Oklahoma Baptist	4-1	2016
Oklahoma Christian	2-1	2015
Oklahoma City.....	0-3	2011
Oral Roberts	0-1	2013
Ouachita Baptist	12-3-1	2016
Southern Nazarene	7-7	2016
St. Gregory's.....	1-0	2009
St. Mary's.....	0-2	2010
Texas A&M Comm.....	1-0-1	2010
Texas A&M International.....	0-1	2010
Texas Women's	1-0-1	2010
Wayland Baptist.....	1-0	2013
Western State.....	1-0	2012
West Texas A&M	0-3-1	2015

Beyond that, Price was named a First Team All-Central Region and First Team All-American selection, becoming the first NSCAA All-American in SWOSU soccer history. Bertrand (first team) and LaMoureaux (third team) joined Price on the All-Central Region team.

Persson took over a program that had combined to win three games in the two seasons prior to his arrival. His teams won at least six games in each of his first three seasons before breaking through with the 20-1-1 record in 2012.

Before coming to SWOSU, Persson had spent 12 years as a high school and college coach, the last eight of which were spent at Southern Nazarene University. At SNU, he initially served as the men's head coach and posted a 100-33-14 in eight-plus years. His teams made five consecutive trips to the NAIA National Tournament and advanced to in the National Final 4 in 2005. He then served in the dual capacity as both the men's and women's head coach in the 2006 and 2007 before only coaching the women in 2008.

In the 2008 season at SNU, his team finished with a 14-2-3 record and were ranked as high as No. 13 in the final NAIA poll. The SNU women went 32-19-7 in three years under his guidance, included back-to-back winning seasons in 2007 and 2008.

A native of Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, Persson is a 1996 graduate of SNU where he was a two-time NAIA All-American for the school. He then went on to play semi-professionally with the Oklahoma City Slickers before taking over the men's and women's coaching duties at Phillips University in 1997.

He led the Phillips men to the 1997 Sooner Athletic Conference championship and was voted the league's coach of the year, the first of now seven times that he received such an award. He remained in Enid after Phillips shuttered its doors in 1998 coaching both at Enid High School and later Northern Oklahoma College-Enid. Persson then moved to Bethany in 2001 when he joined the SNU coaching staff on a full-time basis.

He and his wife Sheila, have three young children.

Persson at SWOSU

Year	Won	Lost	Tied	%	Won	Lost	Tied	%	Result	Postseason
2009	7	10	2	.421	4	5	1	.450	7th LSC	None
2010	7	10	1	.472	3	7	1	.318	9th LSC	None
2011	6	11	2	.368	4	2	0	.667	2nd GAC	L, GAC Semifinals
2012	20	1	1	.932	9	0	1	.950	1st GAC	L, NCAA II 2nd Round
2013	13	4	2	.737	7	1	1	.833	1st GAC	W, GAC Tournament
2014	2	13	3	.194	2	6	2	.300	6th GAC	None
2015	13	6	1	.675	8	3	1	.708	3rd GAC	L, GAC Tournament
2016	12	4	2	.735	9	3	0	.750	1st GAC	?
8 years	80	59	14	.550	46	27	7	.620	3 GAC Titles	1 NCAA Tournament App.

2016 GAC Standings

Team	Conf.	Conf. %	Ove.	%
(1) SWOSU	9-3	0.750	12-4-1	0.735
(2) Ouachita Baptist	8-3-1	0.708	8-7-2	0.529
(3) Harding	7-4-1	0.625	10-6-1	0.618
(+) Oklahoma Baptist	7-4-1	0.625	10-5-1	0.656
(4) Southern Nazarene	6-6	0.500	7-11	0.389
East Central	3-8-1	0.292	3-12-2	0.235
Northwestern Okla.	St.0-12	0.000	0-0	0.000

(#) Indicates seed for GAC Tournament
(+) Not eligible for post-season play

2016 BULLDOG ACCOLADES

Week	Offense	Defense
1 (Sept. 7)	Sandra Nabweteme (GAC)	Erica Brunet (GAC)
2 (Sept. 13)	Alimata Rabo (GAC) (NSCAA Player of the Week)	Erica Brunet (GAC)
3 (Sept. 20)		
4 (Sept. 27)	Alimata Rabo (GAC)	
5 (Oct. 4)		
6 (Oct. 11)	Sandra Nabweteme (GAC)	
7 (Oct. 18)	Alimata Rabo (GAC)	
8 (Oct. 27)		Erica Brunet (CoSIDA Academic All-District)
9 (Nov. 3)		

2016 SWOSU Soccer
Southwestern Okla. Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 04, 2016)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	12-4-2	8-2-1	4-2-1	0-0
CONFERENCE	9-3	5-1	4-2	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	3-1-2	3-1-1	0-0-1	0-0

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.	#	Player	gp	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	gw	pk-att
Sep 01	CENTRAL MO.	L	0-3	77	11	Alimata Rabo	18	22	9	53	137	.16	58	.42	6	0-0
Sep 03	SOUTHWEST BAPTIST	W	4-0	68	16	Sandra Nabweteme	18	20	9	49	95	.21	47	.49	4	5-5
Sep 07	RANDALL	W	11-0	73	22	Ashlyn Collier	18	8	4	20	29	.27	17	.58	1	0-0
Sep 09	SOUTHWESTERN CHRIST.	W	11-0	71	9	Kendall Harris	17	3	2	8	24	.12	13	.54	0	0-0
Sep 11	at Central Oklahoma	To2	2-2	175	27	Sarah Wilson	18	1	2	4	19	.05	13	.68	0	0-0
* Sep 20	at Northwestern Okla.	W	6-1	135	5	Erica Brunet	18	1	2	4	19	.05	5	.26	0	1-2
* Sep 25	EAST CENTRAL	W	4-0	64	15	Shelley Mueller	17	3	1	7	17	.17	7	.41	1	0-0
* Sep 29	at Ouachita	W	2-1	113	13	Olivia Butler	11	3	4	10	12	.25	10	.83	0	0-0
* Oct 01	at Harding	L	0-2	260	2	Lauren Williams	18	1	1	3	12	.08	7	.58	0	0-0
* Oct 06	SOUTHERN NAZARENE	W	2-0	132	29	Mikah Stroh	13	3	0	6	12	.25	7	.58	0	0-0
* Oct 08	OKLA. BAPTIST	Wot	3-2	131	24	Kodi Holloway	11	1	0	2	12	.08	5	.41	0	0-0
* Oct 11	NORTHWESTERN OKLA.	W	3-1	79	12	Kirstyn Eustace	16	0	1	1	7	.00	3	.42	0	0-0
* Oct 13	at East Central	W	3-1	106	14	Lauren Tonkovich	18	0	0	0	7	.00	2	.28	0	0-0
* Oct 20	HARDING	L	1-3	0	20	Dajhane Turner	9	0	0	0	2	.00	0	.00	0	0-0
* Oct 22	OUACHITA BAPTIST	W	7-2	83	4	Alexis Fowler	17	0	1	1	1	.00	0	.00	0	0-0
* Oct 27	at Okla. Baptist	W	4-0	187	30	Regan Coil	14	0	1	1	1	.00	0	.00	0	0-0
* Oct 29	at Southern Nazarene	L	0-2	345	6	Lydia Rife	7	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0
Nov 03	SOUTHERN NAZARENE	To3	3-3	291	25	Kaitlin Keeler	2	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0
					1	Courtney Flores	18	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0
					23	Megan Moonen	9	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0
						Total	18	66	37	169	406	.16	194	.47	12	6-7
						Opponents	18	23	13	59	184	.12	94	.51	4	0-1

TEAM STATISTICS	SWOSU	OPP
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SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	66-406	23-184
Goals scored per game	3.67	1.28
Shot pct.	.163	.125
Shots on goal-Attempts	194-406	94-184
SOG pct.	.478	.511
Shots/Game	22.6	10.2
CORNER KICKS	70	55
PENALTY KICKS	6-7	0-1
PENALTIES		
Fouls	127	153
Yellow cards	4	8
Red cards	0	1
ATTENDANCE		
Total	1069	1321
Dates/Avg Per Date	11/97	7/189
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	

#	Goalie	GP	Min.	GA	GAAvg	Save	Pct	W-L-T	Sho
1	Courtney Flores	18	1672:06	23	1.24	71	.755	12-4-2	6/0
	Total	18	1672:06	23	1.24	71	.755	12-4-2	6
	Opponents	18	1672:06	66	3.55	128	.660	4-12-2	3

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	OT3	Total
Southwestern Okla.	30	35	1	0	0	66
Opponents	11	12	0	0	0	23

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	OT3	Total
Southwestern Okla.	193	197	7	9	0	406
Opponents	81	102	1	0	0	184

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	OT3	Total
Southwestern Okla.	31	40	0	0	0	71
Opponents	64	58	2	4	0	128

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	OT3	Total
Southwestern Okla.	31	36	1	2	0	70
Opponents	16	39	0	0	0	55

Fouls by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	OT3	Total
Southwestern Okla.	60	63	3	1	0	127
Opponents	60	88	2	3	0	153

ALL-AMERICANS/POSTSEASON HISTORY



Midfielder Josie Price
2012
NSCAA All-American (1st)

All-Tournament Team Selections

- 2015: Kylee Bertrand, Freshman, Midfielder
Cori Kelly, Senior, Forward
Samantha Nunez, Senior, Forward
- 2013: Alexis Russell, Sophomore, Midfielder (MVP)
Kira Bertrand, Senior, Defender
Jessica Carbonara, Senior, Midfielder
Natalie Crosslin, Senior, Defender
Kelsey Visor, Senior, Forward
- 2012: Jessica Carbonara, Junior, Midfielder (MVP)
Kira Bertrand, Junior, Defender
Natalie Crosslin, Junior, Defender
Josie Price, Senior, Midfielder
Kelsey Visor, Junior, Forward
- 2011: Ashley McMahon, Sophomore, Midfielder
Kelsey Visor, Sophomore, Forward

SWOSU at GAC Tournament

- 2011: November 4-6; Ada, Okla.
Nov. 4: (2) SWOSU lost to (3) Ouachita Baptist 1-0
- 2012: November 2-4; Weatherford, Okla.
Nov. 2: (1) SWOSU def. (4) Harding 4-0
Nov. 4: (1) SWOSU def. (3) Ouachita Baptist 2-1
- 2013: November 8-10; Weatherford, Okla.
Nov. 8: (1) SWOSU def. (4) East Central 5-0
Nov. 10: (1) SWOSU def. (3) Harding 2-0
- 2015: November 5-7; Searcy, Ark.
Nov. 5: (3) SWOSU def. (2) Ouachita Baptist 2-1
Nov. 7: (3) SWOSU lost to (1) Harding 3-5



2016 GAC WOMEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

THURSDAY & SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 & 5, 2016 / SWOSU ATHLETIC COMPLEX / WEATHERFORD, OKLAHOMA

(2) OUACHITA

Game A / Thursday Nov. 3 / Noon

(3) HARDING

Game C / Saturday Nov. 5 / 11 a.m.

(1) SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE

Game B / Thursday Nov. 3 / 3 p.m.

(4) SOUTHERN NAZARENE

CONFERENCE CHAMPION