



The Southern Conference, which began its 88th season of intercollegiate competition in 2008, is a national leader in emphasizing the development of the student-athlete and in helping to build lifelong leaders and role models.

The Southern Conference has been on the forefront of innovation and originality in developing creative solutions to address issues facing intercollegiate athletics. From establishing the first conference basketball tournament (1921), tackling the issue of freshmen eligibility (1922), developing women's championships (1984) and becoming the first conference to install the three-point goal in basketball (1980), the Southern Conference has been a pioneer.

The Southern Conference is the nation's fifth-oldest NCAA Division I collegiate athletic association. Only the Big Ten (1896), the Missouri Valley (1907), the Pacific 10 (1915) and the Southwestern Athletic (1920) conferences are older in terms of origination.

Academic excellence has been a major part of the Southern Conference's tradition. Hundreds of Southern Conference student-athletes have been recognized on ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Academic All-America and all-district teams. A total of 19 Rhodes Scholarship winners have been selected from conference institutions.

The Conference currently consists of 12 members in five states throughout the Southeast and sponsors 19 varsity sports and championships that produce participants for NCAA Division I Championships.

The Southern Conference offices are located in the historic Beaumont Mill in Spartanburg, S.C. A textile mill that was in operation from 1880 until 1999, Beaumont Mill was renovated in 2004 and today offers the league first class meeting areas and offices as well as a spacious library for storage of the conference's historical documents.

Membership History

On Feb. 25, 1921, representatives from 14 of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association's (SIAA) 30 members met at Atlanta's Piedmont Hotel to establish the Southern

Intercollegiate Conference. On hand at the inaugural meeting were officials from Alabama, Alabama Polytechnic Institute (Auburn), Clemson, Georgia, Georgia School of Technology (Georgia Tech), Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi A&M (Mississippi State), North Carolina, North Carolina State, Tennessee, Virginia, Virginia Polytechnic Institute (Virginia Tech) and Washington & Lee.

Dr. S.V. Sanford of Georgia was chosen as acting chairman and N.W. Dougherty of Tennessee was named secretary. The decision to form a new athletic conference was motivated by the desire to have a workable number of conference games for each league member. With 30 schools in the SIAA by the early 1920s, it was impossible to play every school at least once during the regular season and many



schools went several years between playing some conference members. In addition, in 1920, the SIAA voted down proposed rules that an athlete must be in a college a year before playing on its teams and refused to abolish a rule permitting athletes to play summer baseball for money.

Play began in the fall of 1921 and a year later, six more schools joined the fledgling league including Tulane (which had attended the inaugural meeting but had elected not to join), Florida, Louisiana (LSU), Mississippi, South Carolina and Vanderbilt. VMI joined in 1925 and Duke was added in 1929.

By the 1930s, membership in the Southern Conference had reached 23 schools. C.P. "Sally" Miles of Virginia Tech, president of the Southern Conference, called the annual league meeting to order on Dec. 9, 1932 at the

Farragut Hotel in Knoxville, Tenn. Georgia's Dr. Sanford announced that 13 institutions west and south of the Appalachian Mountains were reorganizing as the Southeastern Conference. Members of the new league included Alabama, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Florida, Georgia, Georgia School of Technology, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Mississippi A&M, University of the South, Tennessee, Tulane and Vanderbilt.

According to the minutes of the meeting, Dr. Sanford stated that the division was made along geographical lines. Florida's Dr. J.J. Tigert, acting as spokesman for the withdrawing group, regretted the move but believed it was necessary as the Southern Conference had grown too large. The resignations were accepted and the withdrawing schools formed the new league which began play in 1932.

The Southern Conference continued with membership of 10 institutions including Clemson, Duke, Maryland, North Carolina, North Carolina State, South Carolina, Virginia, VMI, Virginia Tech and Washington & Lee.

The second major shift occurred some 20 years later. By 1952, the Southern Conference included 17 colleges and universities. Another split occurred when seven schools including Clemson, Duke, Maryland, North Carolina, North

Carolina State, South Carolina and Wake Forest departed to form the Atlantic Coast Conference which began play in 1953. The revamped Southern Conference included members The Citadel, Davidson, Furman, George Washington, Richmond, VMI, Virginia Tech, Washington & Lee, West Virginia and William & Mary.

Today, the league continues to thrive with a membership that includes 12 institutions and a footprint that spans five states: Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama and Georgia. Current league members are Appalachian State, College of Charleston, The Citadel, Davidson, Elon, Furman, Georgia Southern, UNC Greensboro, Samford, Chattanooga, Western Carolina and Wofford.

ROGER BROWN



CHANCELLOR



Dr. Roger G. Brown, a proven academic leader and native Tennessean, is the fifteenth head of The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. His appointment as Chancellor was celebrated by the campus in February of 2006.

Under Brown's leadership, the campus has experienced record enrollment growth at all levels, and projections point to an enrollment of more than 10,000 students in 2009. Since taking the helm of the Chattanooga campus, he has promoted UTC's mission as a metropolitan university with special emphasis in the fields of science, mathematics, and technology. Brown has pledged the campus' commitment to teacher preparation, health-care professions, business and commerce, and cultural appreciation.

UTC recently completed a strategic planning initiative that focuses campus efforts on the power of partnerships, especially relationships within the learning laboratory of Chattanooga. In 2008, UT Chattanooga earned the Community Engagement designation by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching in recognition of its many successful partnerships in the community.

Brown came to Chattanooga from the Uni-

versity of North Carolina at Pembroke, where he served as Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs since 2000. Previously, he had served since 1991 in various academic and administrative capacities with the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. Brown left UNC Charlotte in 2000 as Senior Associate Provost and Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

A political scientist with particular academic emphasis in American government, Brown earned bachelor's and master's degrees in Political Science from the University of Tennessee and the Ph.D. in Political Science from The Johns Hopkins University. He began his teaching career at Iowa State University in 1983 before joining the UNC Charlotte faculty in 1985.

In 2002, Brown was appointed to the inaugural delegation of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities Sino-American Leadership Development Training for Higher Education Leaders in China. He has traveled on assignment for the U.S. Department of State to Syria, Jordan, and Israel. He also helped establish international exchanges with universities in Germany, France, South Korea, and South Africa.

In Chattanooga, Brown is a member of Rotary International and has also been named to the United Way of Greater Chattanooga Board of Directors, the RiverCity Company Board, and the Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. He is a commissioner of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and has been appointed to the Southeast Tennessee PreK-16 Education Council.

Thompson, is also a committed community activist. In addition to her involvement and support of the university, she currently serves on the boards of the Community Foundation of Greater Chattanooga, Allied Arts of Chattanooga, Chattanooga Symphony and Opera, WTCL, Good Shepherd Church School and College Access.

The couple has two children, Caroline and Austin. Roger and Carolyn also share custody of "Madeline Albright," a rescued husky mix with diplomatic immunity.



Brown's wife and partner, Dr. Carolyn **Dr. Brown and his wife Dr. Carolyn Thompson**



Dr. Richard Brown
Vice Chancellor
Finance & Ops



Chuck Cantrell
Assistant Vice Chancellor
University Relations



Dr. John Delaney
Vice Chancellor
Student Development



Terry Denniston
Executive Assistant
to the Chancellor



Bob Lyon
Vice Chancellor
University Advancement



Dr. Phil Oldham
Vice Chancellor
Provost of Academic Affairs



RICK HART



DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS



When Rick Hart came to the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, he brought with him a vision and plan for the future of the Mocs. Since his hiring on May 23, 2006, Hart has changed the landscape of the UTC Athletics Department with his leadership, organizational skills and innovative ideas on how to fulfill the Mocs' mission of preparing students for productive and meaningful lives. Entering his fourth season as the Director of Athletics, Hart's efforts have made a tremendous impact on the Mocs student-athletes' quest for comprehensive excellence – academically, athletically and socially.

Academically

- Added staff to both the Compliance and Academic Services departments to help student-athletes progress toward the ultimate goal of earning a college degree.
- Placed at least 90 student-athletes on the Athletic Director's honor roll each semester.
- Shown continuous improvement in the overall grade-point-averages for student-athletes - highlighted by a 2.77 g.p.a. in the spring of 2009, the highest semester mark for the Mocs since Hart's arrival.
- Developed and implemented an ambitious APR improvement plan that is working to increase the APR scores of all Mocs athletics programs.

Athletically

- Captured 11 regular season and 14 tournament championships in the Southern Conference over the last three seasons, more than any other SoCon school during that time.
- In 2008-09, Chattanooga posted school records with five teams competing in the NCAA Championships and 10 squads represented in the postseason.
- Set a school record with a 99th place finish in the NACDA Learfield Director's Cup that measures the overall success of all Division I athletic programs. Three of the Mocs' top-5 all time finishes in the NACDA Director's Cup have come in Hart's tenure.
- Captured UTC's first Germann Cup in 2007-08, signifying the best all-around women's sports program in the Southern Conference; and finished second in both

the Germann Cup and Commissioner's Cup standings in 2008-09.

- 12 student-athletes selected as SoCon Athletes of the Year while two Mocs have been named the SoCon Female Athletes of the Year.

Socially

- Encouraged Chattanooga student-athletes in their involvement with many local community projects and charity work and has personally served as a member of the Chattanooga Rotary, the Grand Marshal of the 2007 Region 4 Special Olympics and is a sought-after speaker among the area's many civic organizations.
- Cultivated and maintained relationships with local and national press that has led to unequalled media attention for a program of this size.
- During the men's basketball NCAA Tournament run in 2009, the NBC's "Late Show with Jimmy Fallon" adopted the Mocs as its team of the tournament. The week-long exposure brought in an estimated \$500,000 of advertising and national exposure for UTC.
- Expanded educational programming (diversity, gambling prevention, etc.) for student-athletes, coaches and staff as part of a commitment to learning and personal and professional development.
- Focused attention on strengthening the relationship between Mocs Athletics and the UTC campus community.

Hart has also been very successful in the traditional roles as UTC Athletics Director. In an effort to ensure efficient and effective management of all elements of the athletics program, and to better align athletics with the academic mission of the institution, Hart developed and installed the Strategic Plan for UTC Athletics. A focus on the student-athlete experience has resulted in increased ticket sales and fundraising, innovative partnerships, improved athletics facilities and the addition of quality coaches.

Revenue Generation/Fundraising/Attendance

- Signed an exclusive, long-term marketing rights deal with Learfield Sports that guarantees record revenues from advertising and marketing with UTC Athletics.
- Restructured the UTC Mocs Club with two full-time staff, resulting in nearly a 20% increase in the number of individuals donating over the last year.
- Secured three major gifts from UTC benefactors that totaled nearly \$2 million in the past year.
- Excluding these three major gifts, the Mocs Club capped the \$1 million mark for the first time in 2008-09.
- Implemented a donor program for football season ticket sales.
- Overall ticket revenues have increased nearly 35% since Hart's first year.
- Women's basketball led the SoCon in attendance in 2008-09 after increasing their season ticket sales by 40% over the previous year.
- Men's basketball was second in average attendance in the SoCon in 2008-09.
- Attendance at softball games nearly doubled from 2008 to 2009.

Facilities

- Completed the state-of-the-art Brenda Lawson Student-Athlete Success Center which includes the Wolford Family Strength and Conditioning and Chatterm Basketball Practice Facilities.
- Received funding from Renee Haugerud and John Murphy in support of major improvements to Scrapy Moore Field, the Mocs' football practice facility.
- Partnered with the City of Chattanooga and The First Tee to construct a unique practice facility for the Mocs' golf teams.
- Enhanced the Football Locker Room, Visiting Team Basketball Locker Rooms, Academic Computer Lab and Administrative Offices
- Installed video boards in McKenzie Arena
- Acquired land needed to develop plans and a funding model for an on-campus facility for Track & Field and Women's Soccer.

Coaches

- Ignited fans everywhere with the hiring of Russ Huesman, a former Moc letter winner, in December 2008 to "Restore the Glory" to Chattanooga Football.
- Hired Chris Bono in 2006 to take over the wrestling program. Bono guided UTC to three-straight SoCon titles. After his departure, added UTC alum Heath Eslinger as the program's 11th mentor.
- Orchestrated Jeff Clark's return to the head coaching position of the women's tennis program in 2007.

Managing finite resources in collegiate athletics is widely known as a difficult task. Hart made fiscal stewardship a priority for the department since his arrival. With diligent leadership and a commitment from each and every member of the department, UTC Athletics has made significant strides towards reducing the financial burden on the institution – including a balanced budget two of the last three years.

Hart arrived on the UTC campus after serving seven years at the University of Oklahoma in various athletics administrative capacities. Hart's career with the Sooners began in 1999 as the Director of Marketing and Licensing. He became Assistant Athletics Director for Marketing and Licensing in 2001, and developed and implemented marketing campaigns which generated annual ticket revenues in excess of \$19.5 million. Hart was promoted to Associate Athletics Director for Program Advancement and Branding in 2003 and Senior Associate Athletics Director in 2006.

Hart has also worked in athletics for the University of North Carolina and East Carolina University and has served with the U.S. Olympic Committee. A 1994 graduate of UNC, Hart earned a bachelor's degree in Physical Education, Health and Sport Science. Hart and his wife, Allison, also a graduate of North Carolina, have a son, Trevor, 10, and a daughter, Caroline, 7.

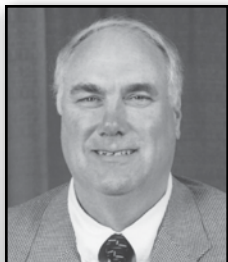
A third-generation athletics administrator, Hart's father, Dave, currently serves as Executive Director of Athletics at the University of Alabama, and his late grandfather, Dave Sr., served in a variety of roles within collegiate athletics including a stint as the Commissioner of the Southern Conference from 1987-91.



Matt Pope
Assoc. Athletics Director
Internal/Finance/Marketing



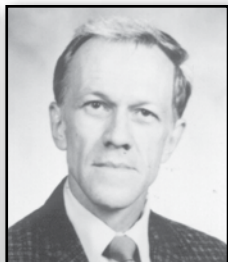
Laura Herron
Assoc. Athletics Director
SWA



Mike Royster
Asst. Athletics Director
Equipment/Facilities



Andrew Horton
Assoc. Athletics Director
External Operations



Dr. Mike Jones
Faculty Athletics
Representative



2008-09 SPORT-BY-SPORT RECAP

The 2008-09 athletics season at Chattanooga was one for the history books. The Mocs sent a school record five teams to the NCAA Championships while 10 sports were represented in the postseason overall. UTC won six SoCon titles last season and had four SoCon Athletes of the Year, four SoCon Freshmen of the Year and three SoCon Coaches of the Year. Chattanooga also set a school record by finishing 99th in the Learfield Director's Cup which measures a school's success in all NCAA Division I programs.

Men's Basketball (John Shulman, head coach)

18-17, 11-9/T1st SoCon North (Tournament Champs) • NCAA 1st Rd

- Chattanooga won the SoCon North and SoCon Tournament Championships. The two titles make it a league-high 27 since the Mocs joined the SoCon in 1977-78.
- It was the 10th NCAA Tournament appearance for the Mocs, the most by a SoCon team during UTC's 31 seasons in the league. It also ties the league's all-time appearance mark with West Virginia and Davidson.
- Senior Stephen McDowell was named the SoCon Tournament's Most Outstanding Player. He led the SoCon in 3-pt FGs made per game, tying for third nationally. McDowell broke school records for three-pointers made in a career (243) and season (135), while tying the game record with nine on Dec. 30 against Niagara. He also set a new mark for three-point attempts in a career (611) and season (318).
- Senior forward Nicchaeus Doaks now holds the career rebounds mark at 818 and season record with 302. Doaks was a first team all-conference selection and graduated in the spring of 2009.
- The Mocs received national notoriety as "Late Night with Jimmy Fallon" named them its team of the NCAA Tournament. Fallon featured Chattanooga each night during tournament week and brought the seniors to New York for an appearance on his show following the tournament.

Women's Basketball (Wes Moore, head coach)

22-10, 17-3 SoCon/1st • WNIT First Round

- The Lady Mocs celebrated "A Decade of Dominance, Moore in McKenzie" by winning an unprecedented 10th consecutive SoCon regular season title, the team's 15th overall. The Lady Mocs posted a 20-win season for the 10th consecutive year and made its 10th straight appearance in the postseason.
- Junior Shanara Hollinquest was named the SoCon Player of the Year, leading the league in scoring and field goal percentage and ranked second in rebounding.
- Senior Erin Ogan earned All-SoCon after finishing third on the team in scoring and rebounding. She finished her career ranked fourth all-time at UTC for blocked shots.
- Junior Jenaya Wade-Fray was named to the SoCon Coaches All-Conference Team. She was second on the team in scoring and led the team in 3-pointers made climbing to fourth on the career charts at UTC.
- Junior Tagan Hatchett was named to the SoCon All-Tournament First Team. She drained a career-best six 3-pointers against Appalachian State in the first round for a career-high 18 points.

Cross Country (Bill Gautier, head coach)

Men (2nd SoCon/11th NCAA Regionals) • Women (1st SoCon/13th NCAA Regionals)

- The women's cross country team claimed a third straight Southern Conference title. All five scoring runners finished in the top 20, led by sophomore Tara Gietema in fifth place. Head Coach Bill Gautier was named the SoCon Coach of the Year.
- The men's cross country team finished second in the SoCon Championships. The Mocs placed two in the top three, including SoCon champ Emmanuel Kirwa.
- Sophomore transfer Emmanuel Kirwa claimed individual honors in the event and was named SoCon Male Runner of the Year. He placed 16th at the NCAA South Region Meet and was named to the NCAA All-Region Team.
- The Mocs took two of the three first team All-SoCon spots with Emmanuel Kirwa and Chris Berry with Joshue Vasquez on the second team. The women were represented on the first team by Tara Gietema while Katie Williams and Sabrina Lefort were named to the second team team.
- Freshman Joshue Vasquez placed 12th overall at the SoCon Championships and

was named the SoCon Male Freshman of the Year. He, along with Matt Baltimore and Meredith White, was named to the league's All-Freshman Team.

- Both the Mocs and Lady Mocs were named All-Academic Teams by the United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association. The Lady Mocs posted an overall GPA of 3.416 and was one of 162 teams to make the list. The Mocs posted an overall GPA of 3.275 and was one of 110 teams to make the list.

Football (Rodney Allison, head coach) • 1-11, 0-8 SoCon/9th

- The 2008 campaign ended with a 30-7 loss against Samford at Finley Stadium on Nov. 22, 2008. The loss dropped the Mocs to 1-11 on the season and marked the end of the Rodney Allison era of Chattanooga Football.
- In nine of the Mocs' 12 games there was a block either for or against Chattanooga... be it a punt, field goal or PAT.
- After transferring from Central Michigan prior to the 2006 season, Raeshon Ball went on to total 93 tackles in 23 games at UTC. He also picked off three passes in his career.
- Senior William Giles and junior Steven Smigelsky both earned a spot on the Southern Conference All-Academic team.
- Former Moc Russ Huesman was named head coach on Dec. 22, 2008.

Men's Golf (Mark Guhne, head coach) • 1st SoCon • 18th NCAAs

- UTC competed in its third straight NCAA Regional as the No. 5 seed in the South Central at Karsten Creek Golf Club in Stillwater, Okla. The Mocs finished third to advance to their first NCAA Finals appearance.
- Chattanooga won its third straight SoCon Championship in exciting fashion, overcoming a three-shot deficit in the final two holes to win by two over Georgia Southern.
- Chattanooga was ranked No. 1 in the country in the fall. It is the only team in the Mocs DI history to reach No. 1 in the national rankings.
- The Mocs won three tournaments on the season opening the fall with wins at the Aldila Scenic City Invitational and the Carpet Capital Collegiate Classic while ending the regular season winning the SoCon Championship.
- Three Chattanooga golfers were named to the All-SoCon squad in Derek Rende, Ben Rickett and Stephan Jaeger. Jaeger earned SoCon Freshman of the Year honors. Heading into the NCAA Regionals, the Mocs boasted two players ranked in the Golfstat top 100 with Rende at No. 91 and Ben Rickett at No. 94. Rende was No. 87 in the Golfweek/Sagarin Ratings Index.

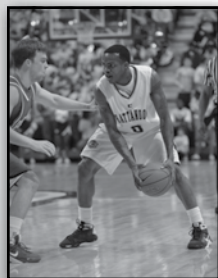
Women's Golf (Colette Murray, head coach) • 2nd SoCon • 21st NCAAs

- In just the second year of the program, head coach Colette Murray led the Lady Mocs to the NCAA Finals with an eighth-place finish at the NCAA Central Regional on the Scarlet Course at Ohio State...UTC finished 21st at the NCAAs.
- The Lady Mocs ranked in the top 50 all year, reaching as high as No. 33.
- Maria Salinas was named SoCon Freshman of the Year. Salinas and Emma de Groot earned All-SoCon honors, while Maju Loza was SoCon All-Freshman.
- Chattanooga won twice in 2008-09, defending their Chris Banister Gamecocks Classic title in September and the JMU/Eagle Landing Invitational in March. The Lady Mocs set a new school record with a 5-under, 283 in the final round at JMU/Eagle.
- Emma de Groot won twice to bring her career total to four in two seasons. She has 13 top-10s and 16 top-20s in 23 career tournaments.

Softball (Frank Reed, head coach)

30-25, 15-5 SoCon/1st (Tournament Champs) • NCAA Regionals

- The Chattanooga softball team had another banner year in the SoCon, claiming the program's 11th regular season title and 10th SoCon Tournament crown. The Lady Mocs finished the season with a 30-25 record and a 15-5 mark in league play.
- The Lady Mocs were well represented on the all-conference squads. Sophomores Tiffany Baker, Lyndsey Stiles and Michelle Fuzzard each garnered first team honors while Brittany Eason and Kaiti Kelley were tabbed to the second team. Fuzzard was named to the first team as a first baseman and also made the second team as a pitcher. Jenni Martin was selected to the all-freshman team.



Stephen McDowell



Shanara Hollinquest



Emmanuel Kirwa



Derek Rende



Emma de Groot



Toni Hutchison

2008-09 SPORT-BY-SPORT RECAP

- Head coach Frank Reed earned his second straight, and third overall, SoCon Coach of the Year Award.
- In addition to her all-conference honors, Tiffany Baker was named to the All-South Region team by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association, one of only four SoCon players to earn that distinction.
- The team's lone senior, Toni Hutchison, finished her career with the most assists in program history. In a 3-2 win over Samford on May 8, the third baseman surpassed Leah Tucker's previous record of 508. She finished with 520 for her career.

Women's Soccer (J.D. Kyzer, head coach) • 5-14-1, 2-9 SoCon/11th

- The Lady Mocs extended their win streak over The Citadel to 6-0.
- Freshman D.K. Henry was named All-Conference Second Team. She entered the Lady Mocs' Top 10 charts for points in a season with 18 and is tied for sixth on the goals list with eight in a season.
- Freshman keeper Allie Preston was ranked 24th in the nation by the NCAA for saves per game with an average 6.40. She recorded four shutouts and is tied for third in a season and is third all-time at UTC. She is fifth on the season saves list with 128 and ranked fourth on the all-time charts. She is tied for fourth on the career charts with a 2.41 goals-against average.
- Junior Chelsea Hurst climbed into the career charts at UTC for scoring, goals, assists and shots.

Women's Tennis (Jeff Clark, head coach) • 8-15, 2-8 SoCon/9th

- The Lady Mocs defeated Appalachian State to advance to the second round of the 2009 Southern Conference Championships.
- Senior Beata Knizat received the Dayle May Award for the UTC Female Senior Student-Athlete with the highest GPA.
- Freshman Shaina Singh was named to the Southern Conference All-Freshman team. She was named the women's tennis Athlete of the Week in February.
- Freshman Emily Hangstefer was named to the Southern Conference All-Freshman team. She won the B1 Singles consolation bracket at the UTC Baras Fall Classic
- Freshman Brianna Wishing won the C2 Singles consolation bracket at the UTC Baras Fall Classic. She, along with teammate Annie Green advanced to the finals of the B1 Flight doubles bracket, falling 9-8 in a tiebreak to the top seeded team.

Men's Tennis (Carlos Garcia, head coach) • 2-16, 0-10 SoCon/11th

- Senior Peter Sauska was named to the Southern Conference First Team in singles and second team in doubles.
- Senior Pavel Vostrikov was named to the SoCon Second Team in doubles.
- Sauska won the consolation bracket of the men's A1 Flight singles at the UTC Baras Fall Classic.

Track and Field (Bill Gautier, head coach)

Men (4th-In/6th-Out SoCon) • Women (6th-In/5th-Out SoCon)

- Sophomore Chris Berry won the men's 5000M at the SoCon Indoor Championships. He followed that up with a first place finish in the same event at the league's Outdoor Championships and earned an automatic qualification to the NCAA Region meet.
- Junior Michael Danehy won the men's 800M at the SoCon Indoor Championships. He followed that up with a first place finish in the same event at the league's Outdoor Championships and earned an automatic qualification to the NCAA Region meet.
- Transfer Anneli Uys broke the school record in the women's 800 meter event in the preliminaries at the SoCon Outdoor Championships. She went on to claim the individual title in both the 800 meter and 1500 meter events and earned an automatic qualification to the NCAA Region meet. She also qualified for both based on time.
- UTC placed 12 athletes on the All-Conference Team while Joshue Vasquez and Allen Thurman were both named to the inaugural All-Freshman Team.
- The women's 4x800 meter relay team comprised of Lauren Anderson, Shelley Taylor, Anneli Uys and Emily Wood, set a school record in the event with a time of 8:59.70 at the Sea Ray Relays hosted by the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. The team bested the record set in 1997 by more than seven seconds.

Volleyball (Lisa Rhodes, head coach) • 17-16, 12-6 SoCon/T3rd-North

- The Chattanooga volleyball team finished another successful season in the SoCon with a 12-6 mark in the league, good for third place in the North Division.
- Lara Newberry continued her excellence on the court, breaking the NCAA record for digs in a career on Oct. 8 against Samford, finishing her career with 3,176 digs.
- Her 777 digs in 2008 led the nation for the second straight season. She averaged 6.76 digs per set, which was also tops in the country. On Oct. 11 she set a school record for digs in a game with 51 against Wofford.
- Newberry was named the SoCon Libero of the Year for the second year in a row, as well as Collegiate Volleyball Update's National Libero of the Year.
- Senior Michaela Huff finished her career with 1,581 assists and 93 service aces. She ends her career eighth in school history in assists and ninth in aces.

Wrestling (Chris Bono, head coach)

21-10, 5-0 SoCon/1st (Tourn. Champs) • T52nd NAAs

- Wrestling captured the program's 24th Southern Conference title. UTC won both the SoCon regular season and tournament trophies for the fifth year in a row. The Mocs posted a 21-10 overall record and went 5-0 in conference action.
- Junior Cody Cleveland was named the 2008-09 SoCon co-Wrestler of the Year and the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the SoCon Tournament.
- Head coach Chris Bono was named the 2009 SoCon Coach of the Year. He has earned the title of the top coach in the league in all three of his seasons at UTC. He is 15-0 in SoCon matches in his three-year career at Chattanooga.
- UTC freshman Jason McCroskey was named the 2009 SoCon Freshman of the Year. McCroskey went 5-0 in league matches and won the league title at 174.
- Chattanooga dominated the All-SoCon team, taking half of the league's honors. Senior Seth Garvin earned his second-straight honor at 165 while junior Cody Cleveland was also a two-time selection at 141. Junior Joey Knox earned All-SoCon honors at 157 while freshman Jason McCroskey (174) and Dan Waddell (148) got the nod in their respective weight classes.

2008-09 CHATTANOOGA ACCOLADES

SoCon Champions (6)

- Women's Cross Country
- Women's Basketball^R
- Men's Basketball^T
- Wrestling^{RT}
- Softball^{RT}
- Men's Golf

R-Regular Season • T-Tournament

Represented in the Postseason (10)

- Men's Cross Country
- Women's Cross Country
- Men's Basketball
- Women's Basketball
- Men's Golf
- Women's Golf
- Wrestling
- Softball
- Men's Outdoor Track & Field
- Women's Outdoor Track & Field

SoCon Athletes of the Year (4)

- Shanara Hollinquest - Women's Basketball
- Emmanuel Kirwa - Men's Cross Country
- Lara Newberry - Volleyball
- Libero of the Year
- Cody Cleveland - Wrestling

National Honors (1)

- Lara Newberry - Volleyball
- National Libero of the Year

SoCon Tournament Champ/MVP (14)

- Stephen McDowell - Men's Basketball
- Emmanuel Kirwa - Men's Cross Country
- Chris Berry - 5000M Indoor
- Chris Berry - 5000M Outdoor
- Michael Danehy - 800M Indoor
- Michael Danehy - 800M Outdoor
- Anneli Uys - 800M Outdoor
- Anneli Uys - 1500M Indoor
- Cody Cleveland - Wrestling^{(141)MVP}
- Seth Garvin - Wrestling⁽¹⁶⁵⁾
- Demetrius Johnson - Wrestling⁽¹²⁵⁾
- Joey Knox - Wrestling⁽¹⁵⁷⁾
- Jason McCroskey - Wrestling⁽¹⁸⁴⁾
- Dan Waddell - Wrestling⁽¹⁴⁹⁾

SoCon Freshmen of the Year (4)

- Joshue Vasquez - Men's Cross Country
- Stephan Jaeger - Men's Golf
- Maria Salinas - Women's Golf
- Jason McCroskey - Wrestling

SoCon Coach of the Year (3)

- Bill Gautier - Women's Cross Country
- Frank Reed - Softball
- Chris Bono - Wrestling



D.K. Henry



Peter Sauska



Shaina Singh



Anneli Uys



Lara Newberry



Cody Cleveland

MOCS MISSION



& CORE VALUES

OUR MISSION

We guide, encourage and support our student-athletes in their quest for comprehensive excellence - academically, athletically and socially. Above all else, we prepare students for meaningful and productive lives.

CORE VALUES

Six core values guide and govern our actions at all times.

Integrity: *We can be counted upon to 'do the right thing.'*

Respect: *We treat ourselves and others with dignity and respect.*

Positive Attitude: *We expect the best of ourselves and others.*

Premier Service: *We work together to take care of people.*

Accountability: *We are an important part of a great team.*

Continuous Improvement: *We are always learning and seeking a 'better way.'*

ACADEMICALLY

- 18 student-athletes had a 4.0 grade-point-average in the Spring of 2009.
- 102 student-athletes made the Dean's List for the 2009 Spring Semester.
- Six teams had a 3.0+ grade-point-average in the spring 2009, including women's basketball, men's cross country & track & field, women's cross country & track & field, women's golf, men's tennis, women's tennis and softball.

ATHLETICALLY

- Six teams won SoCon titles in 2008-09, including women's cross country, men's basketball, women's basketball, wrestling, men's golf and softball.
- 11 Mocs won 14 individual SoCon titles in 2008-09. Emmanuel Kirwa (Cross Country), Cody Cleveland, (Wrestling) and Shanara Hollinquest (Women's Basketball) were all named SoCon Athletes of the Year while Cleveland and Stephen McDowell (Men's Basketball) earned SoCon Tournament Most Outstanding Player recognition.
- Bill Gautier (Women's Cross Country), Frank Reed (Softball) and Chris Bono (Wrestling) were all named SoCon Coach of the Year in 2008-09.

SOCIALLY

- The Mocs volunteered at numerous community events throughout the year, including Bloodanooga, Special Olympics, Race for the Cure, Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Breast Cancer Awareness Day and many more.
- The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) has been established to encourage and develop student leadership.

FOR ALL FANS OF MOCS ATHLETICS AND MOCS CLUB MEMBERS

The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Athletics Department considers total compliance with NCAA and Southern Conference rules to be one of the highest priorities of our institution.

We sincerely appreciate your support of Mocs Athletics and are committed to educating our fans and boosters about the rules that regulate your relationships with our student-athletes as even the best-intentioned action on your part may be a violation of NCAA rules.

Basic "do's" and "don'ts" can be found in the Compliance section of our website, www.gomocs.com. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Marquita Turner, Director for Compliance, at (423) 425-5577. Thank you for your support and GO MOCS!