



27 ALL-AMERICAN HONORS | 18 NCAA REGIONAL APPEARANCES | 38 ALL-SEC HONORS

2025 SCHEDULE

RECORD	9-1
SEC:	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE:	9-1
HOME:	5-0
AWAY:	0-0
NEUTRAL:	4-1


DATE	OPPONENT	TV	TIME/RESULT
Feb. 7	vs. #13/10 Texas Tech ¹	Gamechanger	W, 3-1 (8)
	vs. #7/8 Duke ¹	Gamechanger	L, 0-8 (5)
Feb. 8	vs. Bethune-Cookman ¹	Gamechanger	W, 3-2
	vs. Penn State ¹	Gamechanger	W, 6-1
Feb. 9	vs. #19/16 Nebraska ¹	Gamechanger	W, 3-0
Feb. 13	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS ²	SEC Network+	W, 10-3
Feb. 14	NORTH TEXAS ²	SEC Network+	W, 14-5 (5)
	BRADLEY ²	SEC Network+	W, 5-3
Feb. 15	BRADLEY ²	SEC Network+	W, 12-3 (5)
Feb. 16	GEORGIA TECH ²	SEC Network+	W, 11-3 (5)
Feb. 18	SAMFORD	SEC Network+	4 p.m.
Feb. 21	vs. Jacksonville State ³	FloCollege	7 p.m.
Feb. 22	vs. Louisiana Tech ³	FloCollege	1 p.m.
	vs. North Alabama ³	FloCollege	7 p.m.
Feb. 23	vs. Miami (Ohio) ³	FloCollege	10 a.m.
Feb. 26	UAB	SEC Network+	4 p.m.
Feb. 28	ALABAMA STATE ⁴	SEC Network+	3 p.m.
	NEW MEXICO ⁴	SEC Network+	5:30 p.m.
Mar. 1	NORTHWESTERN ST. ⁴	SEC Network+	12:30 p.m.
	NEW MEXICO ⁴	SEC Network+	3 p.m.
Mar. 2	NORTHWESTERN ST. ⁴	SEC Network+	12:30 p.m.
Mar. 5	LOUISIANA	SEC Network+	6 p.m.
Mar. 8	#20/18 AUBURN*	SEC Network+	5 p.m.
Mar. 9	#20/18 AUBURN*	SEC Network	5:30 p.m.
Mar. 10	#20/18 AUBURN*	SEC Network	7 p.m.
Mar. 12	MIDDLE TENNESSEE	SEC Network+	3 p.m.
Mar. 14	at #23/21 Alabama*	SEC Network+	6 p.m.
Mar. 15	at #23/21 Alabama*	SEC Network+	2 p.m.
Mar. 16	at #23/21 Alabama*	SEC Network+	1:30 p.m.
Mar. 19	at UAB	TBA	5 p.m.
Mar. 21	at Northwestern	B1G Network	2:30 p.m.
Mar. 22	at Northwestern	B1G+	1 p.m.
	at Northwestern	B1G+	3:30 p.m.
Mar. 26	at Southern Miss	TBA	6 p.m.
Mar. 28	#1/1 TEXAS*	SEC Network+	6 p.m.
Mar. 29	#1/1 TEXAS*	SEC Network+	2 p.m.
Mar. 30	#1/1 TEXAS*	SEC Network+	1 p.m.
Apr. 1	CENTRAL ARKANSAS	SEC Network+	5 p.m.
Apr. 4	at #5/7 Tennessee*	SEC Network	5 p.m.
Apr. 5	at #5/7 Tennessee*	SEC Network	3 p.m.
Apr. 6	at #5/7 Tennessee*	SEC Network+	12:30 p.m.
Apr. 11	#22/22 MISSOURI*	SEC Network+	6 p.m.
Apr. 12	#22/22 MISSOURI*	SEC Network+	2 p.m.
Apr. 13	#22/22 MISSOURI*	SEC Network+	1 p.m.
Apr. 18	vs. #2/2 Oklahoma* ⁵	SEC Network+	6:30 p.m.
Apr. 19	at #2/2 Oklahoma*	SEC Network	1 p.m.
Apr. 20	at #2/2 Oklahoma*	SEC Network+	1 p.m.
Apr. 25	at #24/RV Kentucky*	SEC Network	5 p.m.
Apr. 26	at #24/RV Kentucky*	SEC Network+	3:30 p.m.
Apr. 27	at #24/RV Kentucky*	SEC Network+	12 p.m.
May 1	OLE MISS*	SEC Network+	6 p.m.
May 2	OLE MISS*	SEC Network+	4 p.m.
May 3	OLE MISS*	SEC Network	5 p.m.
May 6-10	SEC Tournament ⁶	SEC Network	TBD

* Southeastern Conference game | **BOLD** denotes home games | All times CT


¹NFCA Leadoff Classic (Clearwater, Fla.)
²The Snowman: Alex Wilcox Memorial (Starkville, Miss.)
³Rocket City Softball Showcase (Madison, Ala.)
⁴Bulldog Invitational (Starkville, Miss.)
⁵Oklahoma City, Okla.
⁶SEC Tournament (Athens, Ga.)

SAMFORD (6-2, 0-0 SOCON) AT MISSISSIPPI STATE (9-1, 0-0 SEC)

FEBRUARY 18 | STARKVILLE, MISS. | NUSZ PARK



HEAD COACH: Samantha Ricketts
RECORD AT MSU: 168-101 (6th Year)
CAREER RECORD: 168-101 (6th Year)
STREAK: Won 8
LAST 10 GAMES: 6-4
RANKINGS:
NFCA Coaches - 17 | USA Softball - 16
D1Softball - 17 | Softball America - 16



HEAD COACH: Megan Curry
RECORD AT SAM: 6-2 (1st Year)
CAREER RECORD: 57-63 (4th Year)
STREAK: Won 5
LAST 10 GAMES: 7-3
RANKINGS:
NFCA Coaches - NR | USA Softball - NR
D1Softball - NR | Softball America - NR

	AVG	R/G	H/G	SLG	OBP	RBI	SB-ATT	ERA	K/7	K:BB	OPP	FLD
#17/19 Mississippi State	.318	6.70	7.60	.506	.417	63	17-19	2.60	7.11	3.00	.234	.961
Samford	.344	7.13	9.00	.455	.409	48	17-20	3.63	3.77	0.90	.256	.946

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Samford at #19/19 Mississippi State | 4 p.m. CT

TV: SEC Network+ (Anthony Craven, Madisyn Farmer)

SERIES HISTORY

OVERALL: 24-3 | **CURRENT STREAK:** Lost 1 | **HOME:** 16-1 | **AWAY:** 6-2 | **NEUTRAL:** 2-0
LAST SERIES: Mar. 3 & Apr. 24, 2024; Series split. (G1: MSU, 11-1 [5] in Starkville, Miss. | G2: SAM, 3-2 in Birmingham, Ala.)

OPPONENT NOTABLES

Samford returns its top seven hitters from last year's lineup that ranked second in the Southern Conference in scoring and batting average. However, in the circle, Samford is looking to replace 140-plus innings from pitchers who did not return this season. The other Bulldogs are led by first-year head coach Megan Curry who played at Samford for four years and was named SoCon Player of the Year in 2016. Katie Campbell recorded a school-record 56 RBIs last season. Samford also returns SoCon Freshman of the Year, Olivia Shaw who ranked fourth on the team in hits and second in OPS last spring.

LEADING OFF

VETERANS ON ARRIVAL: A trio of everyday starters (**Morgan Bernard-nini**, **Kiarra Sells** and **Lexi Sosa**) had just 50 career at-bats combined entering this season. All three are currently batting above .340. Sells has a hit in every game, and Bernardini has already posted a seven-game hitting streak this year while Sosa leads the team in RBIs (15).

ROCKIN' AND RAE LIN: Raelin Chaffin has won each of her first six appearances at State, which is the longest winning streak to start a pitcher's MSU career in the program's modern era (since 1997). Chaffin's 25.0 straight innings without allowing an earned run are also the longest streak to start an MSU career in the program's modern era.

TAKING OUR FREEBIES: Sierra Sacco and Jessie Blaine are averaging 1.00 walk per game, which ranks sixth in the SEC. Meanwhile, **Kiarra Sells** ranks 12th nationally with four hit-by-pitches.

SIERRA SETS THE TABLE: MSU is 37-7 when **Sierra Sacco** scores a run since she arrived in 2024. She currently leads the team in batting average (.481), hits (13) and doubles (4) and is second in RBIs (10) and slugging percentage (.704).

SLUGGING THROUGH THE SNOW: Mississippi State went 5-0 at The Snowman with three run-rule victories. The Bulldogs had a home run and a stolen base in every game of the tournament. MSU's .681 slugging percentage ranked 10th nationally in Week 2 of the season.

LOVE SOSA: Lexi Sosa kissed pitches goodbye during Valentine's weekend. She hit an impressive four homers while driving in 14 runs at The Snowman. She had just 10 career RBIs and one homer prior to the weekend. Her RBIs were fourth-most in the nation last week, and her homers ranked seventh.

PINCH-HIT PAIGE: Paige Ernstes has opened her college career in style. After singling in her first pinch-hitting appearance on Opening Weekend, Ernstes homered on the first pitch she saw as a pinch hitter in Nusz Park. She later made her first career start and delivered a double. Ernstes is batting .714 this season.

MAGIC NUMBER: The Bulldogs have scored five or more runs in 56 of State's 71 wins (78.9 percent) over the past two seasons. The Bulldogs are 126-15 under **Samantha Ricketts** when scoring at least five.

PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP

#	NAME	POS.	YR.	B/T	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	OBP
29	Sierra Sacco	CF	Sr.	L/R	.481	27	11	13	4	1	0	10	19	.704	.622
10	Nadia Barbary	RF	Jr.	R/R	.273	33	9	9	1	0	1	3	13	.394	.314
9	Kiarra Sells	RF	Jr.	R/R	.435	23	10	10	3	0	1	8	16	.696	.629
20	Jessie Blaine	C	Sr.	R/R	.350	20	6	7	2	1	0	8	11	.550	.531
7	Lexi Sosa	DP	Gr.	R/R	.360	25	6	9	1	0	4	15	22	.880	.452
13	Morgan Bernardini	LF	Jr.	R/R	.346	26	6	9	1	0	0	3	10	.385	.333
67	Kylee Edwards	SS	So.	R/R	.172	29	3	5	2	0	1	9	10	.345	.219
4	Riley Hull	1B	Sr.	L/R	.250	24	5	6	2	0	0	3	8	.333	.321
24	Morgan Stiles	2B	Fr.	R/R	.133	15	3	2	0	0	0	1	2	.133	.188
#	PITCHERS	R/L	YR.	ERA	W-L	G-SS	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	B/AVG
25	Raelin Chaffin	RHP	Sr.	1.29	6-0	6-5	4	0	32.2	25	9	6	8	32	.208
7	Lexi Sosa	RHP	Gr.	3.60	2-0	3-1	0	0	11.2	15	6	6	2	13	.306
55	Josey Marron	RHP	Jr.	5.12	1-1	4-4	0	0	13.2	13	13	10	10	14	.236

LAST 10 GAMES (9-1)

HITTING LEADERS						
TEAM	AVG	AB	R	H	XBH	RBI
Sierra Sacco	.481	27	11	13	5	10
Kiarra Sells	.435	23	10	10	4	8
Lexi Sosa	.360	25	6	9	5	15
Jessie Blaine	.350	20	6	7	3	8
Morgan Bernardini	.346	26	6	9	1	3
Paige Ernstes	.714	7	2	5	2	3

PITCHING LEADERS						
TEAM	ERA	IP	H	R	SO	BB
Delainey Everett	0.00	1.2	1	0	2	0
Raelin Chaffin	1.29	32.2	25	9	32	8
Sara Phillips	3.00	2.1	2	1	2	1
Lexi Sosa	3.60	11.2	15	6	13	2

MEDIA INFORMATION

SOFTBALL MEDIA PORTAL

Mississippi State has created an online portal for media members covering the Bulldogs' softball program. To access the portal, visit hailst.at/SBMedia. The Softball Press Box Page of HailState.com includes links to credential request forms, media guides, quick facts, game notes, box scores, recaps and team and staff headshots.

CREDENTIALS

Working media must apply for single-game credentials at least 24 hours in advance by visiting hailst.at/SBCreds. Seats will be assigned to credentialed media members. Space is limited inside the Nusz Park press box. Indoor seating priority will be given to team staff, broadcast personnel, production staff and those media members who regularly cover the program. Auxillary seating is located at the top of Section 104.

PHOTOGRAPHERS/VIDEOGRAPHERS

Photographers and videographers are permitted to shoot around Nusz Park in approved areas. Those wishing to shoot a game should meet with Brian Ogden in the press box before the game to be granted field access.

PRESS BOX SERVICES

A complete NCAA box score and pertinent game facts are available to members of the working media following the conclusion of each game. Media members also have access to game notes, statistics, lineups and rosters prior to the start of each game upon request. A pregame meal is also served in the press box approximately one hour prior to each game.

The press box is divided into four separate work areas, with each equipped with high-speed internet and telephone access. It is also set up to accommodate television and team video personnel.

RADIO BROADCASTS

The Nusz Park press box houses radio lines to support home and visitor radio broadcasts. For more information on the phone lines, please contact Brian Ogden in the Communications office.

NUSZ PARK

FAST FACTS

- » Since 2016, MSU is 188-76 in Nusz Park (.712).
- » Opening game at the MSU Softball Field came on Feb. 26, 1997, with the Bulldogs sweeping Samford in a doubleheader.
- » Nusz Park, a \$6 million project, includes 1,000 maroon chairback seats, in addition to an expanded concourse that includes new restrooms and concession stands.
- » The Bulldogs' first action in the new digs came against Georgia Southern, a 6-0 victory on Feb. 11, 2016.
- » MSU opened play at Nusz Park with six-straight victories, including a sweep of the Bulldog Kickoff.
- » State captured its first SEC win at Nusz with a 6-3 win against eventual WCWS finalists and third-ranked Auburn on March 19.
- » Nusz hosted the 2016 SEC Softball Tournament. The four-day event hosted 12 teams and a total of 11 games and drew praise from coaches across the league to ESPN and SEC Network officials.
- » On May 27, 2022 the largest college softball crowd in the history of the state of Mississippi descended on Nusz Park for the Bulldogs' Super Regional with Arizona (2,209). The next day the record was again broken (2,299) where it now stands today.
- » State broke the single-season attendance record in 2024 with 22,349 fans.

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POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

Requested MSU players, along with head coach Samantha Ricketts, will be available for interviews approximately 10 minutes after all games in the film room of the Softball Fieldhouse. In the event of a doubleheader, coaches and student-athletes will be available following their final game of the day.

The Mississippi State locker room and field dugouts are off-limits to the media. Media members must be escorted by a member of the MSU Athletics Communications staff while inside the Softball Fieldhouse.

MSU PLAYER/COACH AVAILABILITY

Players and coaches will be made available to the media upon request. Those wishing to set up an interview must contact Brian Ogden via phone or e-mail. On gameday, players and coaches are only available postgame.

For post-practice interviews, media members should contact Brian Ogden no later than 10 p.m. the night before. In most cases, players will be available for a brief time before and after practices. A weekly schedule is available in each set of game notes.

Telephone interviews can also be scheduled with players on a call-back basis during the week with arrangements made through Brian Ogden.

Media members are NOT permitted to contact student-athletes on their own at any time. This includes phone, Email, text or through social media platforms. Student-athletes' contact information will not be given out.

TOP 15 CROWDS

ATT.	DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT
2,299	May 28, 2022	Arizona	L, 1-7
2,209	May 27, 2022	Arizona	L, 2-3
1,612	April 16, 2016	LSU	L, 2-5 (12)
1,577	April 12, 2014	Alabama	W, 4-2
1,572	Apr. 13, 2024	Tennessee	L, 1-6
1,562	April 21, 2018	Florida	L, 2-6
1,553	April 12, 2013	Ole Miss	W, 5-1
1,547	April 25, 1998	Ole Miss	W, 11-0 (5); W, 4-3
1,520	April 19, 1997	Alabama	L, 2-5; W, 2-1
1,474	April 2, 2016	Ole Miss	L, 3-4
1,439	Apr. 14, 2024	Tennessee	L, 3-7
1,427	April 15, 2023	Alabama	L, 0-6
1,413	April 8, 2017	South Carolina	W, 6-4
1,362	April 18, 2015	Tennessee	L, 3-5
1,302	March 30, 2024	Florida	L, 6-7

Bold denotes a ticketed game

QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY

Location	Starkville, Miss. (Pop. 24,657)
Founded	1878
Enrollment	23,150
Nickname	Bulldogs
Colors	Maroon and White
Mascot	Bully
Shortened Conference	MSU or State Southeastern
President	Dr. Mark Keenum
Athletic Director	Zac Selmon
Sr. Associate AD/SWA	Ann Carr
Faculty Representative	Brent J. Fountain

NUSZ PARK

Opened	1997
Renovated	2016
Capacity	1,400
Dimensions	L-200, C-220, R-200
All-Time Home Record	527-263 (.667)

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Samantha Ricketts
Alma Mater	Oklahoma, 2005
MSU Record	168-101 (6th Year, 11th at MSU)
MSU SEC Record	37-57 (6th Year)
Career Record	168-101 (6th Year)
Career SEC Record	37-57 (6th Year)
Associate Head Coach	Tyler Bratton (12th Year)
Assistant Coach	Taryne Mowatt-McKinney (2nd Year)
Assistant Coach	Zac Shaw (3rd Year)
Player Development Coordinator	Alyssa Loza (4th Year)
Director of Operations	Jamie Desporte (4th Year)
Certified Athletic Trainer	Macy Simoneaux (7th Year)
Strength Coach	Marci Hoppa (2nd Year; 7th at MSU)
Athletic Academics Counselor	Lindsey Race
Sport Administrators	Maryann Baker / Spencer McAnnally

TEAM INFORMATION

2024 Record	34-20
2024 SEC Record / Finish	12-12 / 6th
Final Rankings (NFCA / USA / D1 / SA)	21 / 22 / NR / NR
Letterwinners Returning / Lost	12 / 13
Position Starters Returning / Lost	5 / 4
Pitchers Returning / Lost	4 / 2
Newcomers	10

PROGRAM HISTORY

Program Years	1982-86, 1997-present
Overall Record (33rd season)	1,032-778 (.570)
Overall SEC Record (27th season*)	294-423 (.410)
SEC Tournament Appearances	22
SEC Tournament Record	15-30 (.333)
NCAA Tournament Appearances	18
NCAA Tournament Record	23-37 (.383)
NFCA All-American Selections	17
Easton All-American Selections	9
NFCA All-Region Selections	53
All-SEC Selections	38
Freshman All-SEC / All-Newcomer Selections	15
SEC All-Defense Selections	2
NFCA All-America Scholar-Athletes	164
CoSIDA Academic All-American Selections	11



2025 BULLDOG ROSTER

NUMERICAL

#	NAME	POS.	B/T	HT.	YR.	EXP.	HOMETOWN / HS / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
1	Gretta Grassel	OF	L/R	5-7	Fr.	HS	Boscobel, Wisc. / Boscobel HS
2	Abby Grace Richardson	C/INF	R/R	5-9	Jr.	JC	Brookhaven, Miss. / Brookhaven Academy / Copiah-Lincoln CC
4	Riley Hull	INF	L/R	5-5	Sr.	3L	Somerset, Ky. / Pulaski County HS
7	Lexi Sosa	P	R/R	5-10	Gr.	1L	San Diego, Calif. / Mater Dei Catholic HS / UCLA
9	Kiarra Sells	OF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	2L	Jasper, Texas / Jasper HS
10	Nadia Barbary	INF	R/R	5-7	Jr.	2L	Douglasville, Ga. / Chapel Hill HS
11	Abigail Stevens	P	R/R	6-0	Fr.	HS	Braxton, Miss. / East Rankin Academy
12	Paige Ernstes	C/INF	R/R	5-6	Fr.	HS	New Palestine, Ind. / New Palestine HS
13	Morgan Bernardini	OF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	2L	Elkville, Ill. / Elverado HS
20	Sara Phillips	P	R/R	5-10	Fr.	HS	Trussville, Ala. / Hewitt-Trussville HS
22	Jessie Blaine	C/OF	R/R	5-10	Sr.	1L	Pike Road, Ala. / Saint Dominic HS / Auburn
24	Morgan Stiles	INF	R/R	5-7	Fr.	HS	Athens, Ala. / Athens HS
25	Raelin Chaffin	P	R/R	5-6	Sr.	TR	Bossier City, La. / Airline HS / LSU
29	Sierra Sacco	OF	L/R	5-8	Sr.	1L	Marrero, La. / John Curtis Christian HS / Louisiana Tech
41	Taylor Troutman	OF	L/R	5-10	Fr.	HS	Henderson, Ky. / Henderson County HS
42	Kalani Sells	OF	R/R	5-4	Fr.	HS	Jasper, Texas / Jasper HS
43	Hosanna Lindblade	P	R/R	6-0	So.	1L	Waller, Texas / Homeschooled
48	Delainey Everett	P	L/L	5-5	So.	1L	Oakdale, Calif. / Oakdale HS
55	Josey Marron	P	R/R	5-8	Jr.	2L	Grimes, Iowa / Northwest HS
67	Kylee Edwards	INF	R/R	5-6	So.	1L	Waldron, Ind. / Shelbyville HS
74	Ella Wesolowski	C/OF	R/R	5-7	So.	1L	Williamsville, N.Y. / Williamsville East HS
83	Xiane Romero	INF	R/R	5-4	Fr.	HS	Lake Elsinore, Calif. / Temescal Canyon HS

ALPHABETICAL

#	NAME	POS.	B/T	HT.	YR.	EXP.	HOMETOWN / HS / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
10	Nadia Barbary	INF	R/R	5-7	Jr.	2L	Douglasville, Ga. / Chapel Hill HS
13	Morgan Bernardini	OF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	2L	Elkville, Ill. / Elverado HS
22	Jessie Blaine	C/OF	R/R	5-10	Sr.	1L	Pike Road, Ala. / Saint Dominic HS / Auburn
25	Raelin Chaffin	P	R/R	5-6	Sr.	TR	Bossier City, La. / Airline HS / LSU
67	Kylee Edwards	INF	R/R	5-6	So.	1L	Waldron, Ind. / Shelbyville HS
12	Paige Ernstes	C/INF	R/R	5-6	Fr.	HS	New Palestine, Ind. / New Palestine HS
48	Delainey Everett	P	L/L	5-5	So.	1L	Oakdale, Calif. / Oakdale HS
1	Gretta Grassel	OF	L/R	5-7	Fr.	HS	Boscobel, Wisc. / Boscobel HS
4	Riley Hull	INF	L/R	5-5	Sr.	3L	Somerset, Ky. / Pulaski County HS
43	Hosanna Lindblade	P	R/R	6-0	So.	1L	Waller, Texas / Homeschooled
55	Josey Marron	P	R/R	5-8	Jr.	2L	Grimes, Iowa / Northwest HS
20	Sara Phillips	P	R/R	5-10	Fr.	HS	Trussville, Ala. / Hewitt-Trussville HS
2	Abby Grace Richardson	C/INF	R/R	5-9	Jr.	JC	Brookhaven, Miss. / Brookhaven Academy / Copiah-Lincoln CC
83	Xiane Romero	INF	R/R	5-4	Fr.	HS	Lake Elsinore, Calif. / Temescal Canyon HS
29	Sierra Sacco	OF	L/R	5-8	Sr.	1L	Marrero, La. / John Curtis Christian HS / Louisiana Tech
42	Kalani Sells	OF	R/R	5-4	Fr.	HS	Jasper, Texas / Jasper HS
9	Kiarra Sells	OF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	2L	Jasper, Texas / Jasper HS
7	Lexi Sosa	P	R/R	5-10	Gr.	1L	San Diego, Calif. / Mater Dei Catholic HS / UCLA
11	Abigail Stevens	P	R/R	6-0	Fr.	HS	Braxton, Miss. / East Rankin Academy
24	Morgan Stiles	INF	R/R	5-7	Fr.	HS	Athens, Ala. / Athens HS
41	Taylor Troutman	OF	L/R	5-10	Fr.	HS	Henderson, Ky. / Henderson County HS
74	Ella Wesolowski	C/OF	R/R	5-7	So.	1L	Williamsville, N.Y. / Williamsville East HS

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Samantha Ricketts, Sixth season (11th at MSU)
Associate Head Coach: Tyler Bratton, 12th season
Assistant Coach: Taryne Mowatt-McKinney, Second season
Assistant Coach: Zac Shaw, Third Season
Director of Operations: Jamie Desporte, Fourth season
Player Development Coordinator: Alyssa Loza, Fourth season
Graduate Assistant: Matalasi Faapito, First season

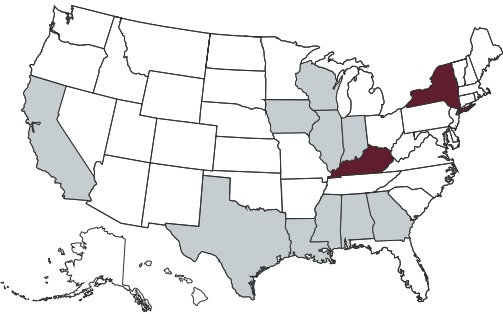
ROSTER BREAKDOWN

BY CLASS	
Graduates (1):	Lexi Sosa
Seniors (4):	Jessie Blaine, Raelin Chaffin, Riley Hull, Sierra Sacco
Juniors (5):	Nadia Barbary, Morgan Bernardini, Josey Marron, Abby Grace Richardson, Kiarra Sells
Sophomores (4):	Kylee Edwards, Delainey Everett, Hosanna Lindblade, Ella Wesolowski
Freshman (8):	Paige Ernstes, Gretta Grassel, Sara Phillips, Xiane Romero, Kalani Sells, Abigail Stevens, Morgan Stiles, Taylor Troutman

RETURNERS (12)	
Nadia Barbary, Morgan Bernardini, Jessie Blaine, Kylee Edwards, Delainey Everett, Riley Hull, Hosanna Lindblade, Josey Marron, Sierra Sacco, Kiarra Sells, Lexi Sosa, Ella Wesolowski	

NEWCOMERS (10)	
Raelin Chaffin, Paige Ernstes, Gretta Grassel, Sara Phillips, Abby Grace Richardson, Xiane Romero, Kalani Sells, Abigail Stevens, Morgan Stiles, Taylor Troutman	

BY HOME STATE	
Alabama (3):	Jessie Blaine, Sara Phillips, Morgan Stiles
California (3):	Delainey Everett, Xiane Romero, Lexi Sosa
Texas (3):	Hosanna Lindblade, Kiarra Sells, Kalani Sells
Indiana (2):	Kylee Edwards, Paige Ernstes
Kentucky (2):	Riley Hull, Taylor Troutman
Louisiana (2):	Raelin Chaffin, Sierra Sacco
Mississippi (2):	Abby Grace Richardson, Abigail Stevens
Georgia (1):	Nadia Barbary
Illinois (1):	Morgan Bernardini
Iowa (1):	Josey Marron
New York (1):	Ella Wesolowski
Wisconsin (1):	Gretta Grassel



■ Indicates a current Bulldog's home state
■ Indicates a player is the first in program history from the state

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE	
Nadia Barbary	bahr-buh-ree
Raelin Chaffin	ray-lin chafe-in
Paige Ernstes	earn-stess
Delainey Everett	de-lainey
Josey Marron	mare-uhn
Xiane Romero	zie-ann (sigh with a Z)
Sierra Sacco	sack-OH
Ella Wesolowski	wes-OH-lau-skee
Jamie Desporte	des-sport
Matalasi Faapito	mah-TAH-lah-see fah-AH-pee-toh
Taryne Mowatt-McKinney	mow-it (like you mow your lawn)

BULLDOGS BY THE NUMBERS

6

CONSECUTIVE WINS: Raelin Chaffin has won each of her first six appearances at State, which is the longest winning streak to start a pitcher's MSU career in the program's modern era (since 1997).

36

TAKING DOWN TOP TEAMS: Samantha Ricketts now boasts 36 victories against NFCA-ranked opponents in her coaching career, which moved her into second place all-time at Mississippi State.

14

SOSA SLUGS THE SNOWMAN: Lexi Sosa hit four home runs at The Snowman, driving in 14 runs. She had just 10 RBIs previously in her career entering that tournament and just one home run since 2020.

TEAM NOTES

QUICK HITTERS

- » More than a third of Mississippi State's hits (27-of-76) have gone for extra bases this season.
- » The Bulldogs had a home run and a stolen base in every game of The Snowman last weekend.
- » **Lexi Sosa** hit four home runs and drove in 14 RBIs at The Snowman.
- » A trio of everyday starters (**Morgan Bernardini**, **Kiarra Sells** and **Lexi Sosa**) had just 50 career at-bats combined entering this season. All three are currently batting above .340.
- » **Sierra Sacco** and **Jessie Blaine** are averaging 1.00 walk per game, which ranks sixth in the SEC. Meanwhile, **Kiarra Sells** ranks 12th nationally with four hit-by-pitches.
- » **Raelin Chaffin** leads the nation in wins (6) and ranks second in complete games (4), eighth in starts (5) and 20th in both innings pitched (32.2) and strikeouts (32).
- » State's six sacrifice flies rank 10th nationally.

LET'S GO STREAKING!

- » **Kiarra Sells** (10 games) is riding a career-long hitting streak. Meanwhile, **Morgan Bernardini** (7 games) also has posted a career-long streak this season.
- » **Sierra Sacco** has started 179 consecutive games, dating back to her time at Louisiana Tech, which includes every game her teams have played during her college career.
- » **Raelin Chaffin** has won each of her first six appearances at State. That stands as the longest winning streak to start a pitcher's MSU career in the program's modern era (since 1997).
- » Chaffin also went 25.0 innings before allowing her first earned run as a Bulldog. That's the longest streak to start an MSU career in the program's modern era.

KI CONTRIBUTIONS

- » Kiarra Sells' first career hit came in the most crucial situation. She delivered a go-ahead RBI single in the eighth inning to break a scoreless tie and send MSU on to a 3-1 victory over No. 13 Texas Tech.
- » The following day, Sells produced the walk-off RBI single against Bethune-Cookman.
- » She has a hit in every game this season, and is riding a career-long 10-game hitting streak.
- » Sells has successfully advanced a runner in 15-of-21 (71.4 percent) opportunities this season.

ROCKIN' AND RAE LIN

- » **Raelin Chaffin** became the first Bulldog in program history to win NFCA National Pitcher of the Week honors on Feb. 11.
- » Her first week in Maroon and White saw Chaffin pick up four victories, including two complete-game wins against ranked teams. She tossed 22.2 innings without allowing an earned run while striking out 20.
- » It was without a doubt the best start to a pitcher's career at MSU on record. In the program's modern era (since 1997), no pitcher - freshman or transfer - has won more consecutive appearances or gone longer without allowing an earned run to begin their tenure as a Bulldog.

LONGEST MSU DEBUT STREAKS WITHOUT ALLOWING AN EARNED RUN (SINCE 2003)

1.	Raelin Chaffin	2025	25.0 IP
2.	Cori Cooper	2016	21.2 IP
3.	Makenzie Toler	2014-15	18.0 IP
4.	Annie Willis	2020	17.2 IP

LONGEST MSU DEBUT WIN STREAKS (SINCE 2003)

1.	Raelin Chaffin	2025	6 appearances
2.	Josey Marron	2023	4 appearances
3.	Holly Ward	2015	3 appearances

SIERRA SETS THE TABLE

- » MSU is 37-7 when **Sierra Sacco** scores a run since she arrived in 2024.
- » She currently leads the team in batting average (.481), hits (13) and doubles (4) and is second in RBIs (10) and slugging percentage (.704).
- » Sacco also led the team last year in batting average, on-base percentage and multi-hit games.
- » She ranks fifth nationally and second in the SEC among active players with 89 career stolen bases.
- » Sacco posted top-10 single-season totals in MSU history in both walks (43) and runs (54) last spring. She averaged 0.80 walks per game, which was third nationally, and ranked fourth in the SEC in walk rate (21.4%).

SLUGGING SACCO

- » **Sierra Sacco** made the decision to cease slapping and stand in at the plate this season, and the early results have been positive.
- » Five of Sacco's 13 hits this year have gone for extra bases, and she is second the team with a .704 slugging percentage.
- » She is a team-leading 6-for-9 with runners in scoring position and has collected five two-out RBIs.

FIRST WEEKEND FIRSTS

- » **Kiarra Sells** and **Paige Ernstes** recorded their first career hits at the NFCA Leadoff Classic.
- » **Sara Phillips** made her collegiate debut, tossing 1.0 inning against Penn State (Feb. 8) and striking out one batter to end the game.
- » **Raelin Chaffin** has won the first four appearances of her Mississippi State career.
- » **Morgan Stiles**, **Xiane Romero** and **Kalani Sells** all saw time in the field as freshmen on opening weekend. Stiles and Romero both started at second base, and all three posted a perfect fielding percentage with at least five putouts.
- » **Abby Grace Richardson** and **Gretta Grassel** made their debuts as pinch runners and scored.

PACKED PARK

- » State saw its highest three-game series attendance on record against No. 4 Tennessee (Apr. 12-14, 2024) with 4,042 combined fans. The Saturday game's 1,572 fans were No. 5 in school history.
- » The Bulldogs broke the single-season attendance record in 2024, welcoming 22,349 fans. The previous record was 19,302 in 2016 when Nusz Park opened.

SPREADING THE NUSZ

- » The Bulldogs were 19-8 at home last year and outscored opponents, 194-83, in those games. This season, they are already 5-0 while outscoring teams, 52-17.
- » Bulldog pitchers tossed an average of just 6.07 innings in each game last year as State had 11 run-rule victories in Nusz Park. They've run-rule the opponent in 3-of-5 home games and averaged just 5.80 innings in 2025.

DEEP DIVE BEHIND THE DISH

- » **Ella Wesolowski** caught every pitch in two of State's three no-hitters in 2024 including the Bulldogs' first in SEC play since 2013.
- » She was the first Bulldog to catch multiple no-hitters in one season since Sam Lenahan in 2013 and just the fourth in program history (Blair Hewett, 2006; Blaire Brown, 2002).
- » Wesolowski also caught two runners stealing and picked off three in her freshman season, including two throw-outs in the NCAA Tournament. The three pickoffs were tied for third in MSU single-season history.

DEFENSIVE DETAILS

- » The Bulldogs turned 19 double plays last year, their highest total since turning 19 in 2017. Their .962 team fielding percentage was the program's highest since the shortened 2020 season (.967) and the 2017 season (.965) before that.
- » **Sierra Sacco** turned in the first errorless season by a Bulldog outfielder with at least 50 chances (68 chances) since 2014 (Loryn Nichols, 64 chances, and Julia Echols, 51 chances). Hers is the sixth such season by an MSU outfielder since 2001.
- » Sacco has not made an error in 151 straight chances. Her last error came on March 25, 2023, while playing for Louisiana Tech.
- » **Kylee Edwards** turned 10 double plays last year, which was the most by an MSU shortstop in a season since 2008 and ranks third among all MSU shortstops since 2001. The last Bulldog with double-digit double plays in season that was not a first baseman was Emily Heimberger, who had a hand in 11 at second base in 2019.
- » Edwards is sixth all-time among Bulldog shortstops with 12 double plays turned.

NO HULLS IN THIS GLOVE!

- » **Riley Hull** has been one of the most-reliable defenders in program history. Her career .991 fielding percentage is tied for the school record.
- » Hull is one of five players in program history to put together an errorless streak of 200 or more consecutive chances, going a career-best 297 chances error-free from April 10, 2022-March 5, 2023.

LONGEST MSU ERRORLESS STREAKS

1.	Blair Hewett	312 chances	Mar. 5, 2005-Mar. 12, 2006
2.	Riley Hull	297 chances	Apr. 10, 2022-Mar. 5, 2023
	Sam Lenahan	297 chances	Mar. 1, 2014-May 17, 2014
4.	Kate Jaspers	284 chances	Feb. 9, 2003-Apr. 5, 2003
5.	Chelsea Bramlett	253 chances	Mar. 1, 2008-Feb. 25, 2009

TAKING DOWN TOP TEAMS

- » Mississippi State claimed multiple ranked wins on opening weekend, defeating No. 13 Texas Tech and No. 19 Nebraska, for the only the second time in program history and first time since 2002 (vs. No. 17 Texas Tech, 8-1; vs. No. 1 Arizona, 7-1).
- » Samantha Ricketts moved into second place among all Bulldog head coaches in program history with her 36th ranked win that weekend.
- » Mississippi State was 14-13 against ranked teams last year, including a 9-6 mark in road or neutral meetings. The 14 ranked wins were a school record.
- » State played 11 NFCA-ranked teams in 25 games last year, which was a program record in the regular season.

MSU HEAD COACHES' CAREER NFCA-RANKED WINS

1.	Vann Stuedeman	2012-19	44
2.	Samantha Ricketts	2020-p	36
3.	Jay Miller	2003-11	35
4.	Kathy Arendsen	1997-02	21

FRESH FACES

- » Five Bulldogs have been tabbed to Softball America's Freshman Watch List, which was tied for the most in the nation.
- » A pair of freshmen are expected to play significant roles this year and have been battling for the starting second base spot since the fall.
- » **Morgan Stiles** was considered the No. 15 prospect in the class and the No. 10 middle infielder by Extra Inning Softball when she signed. She holds Athens High School records for single-season (23) and career (69) homers.
- » **Xiane Romero** was considered the No. 10 prospect in the class by Extra Innings Softball and the No. 7 middle infielder in 2022. She hit .417 (5-for-12) in fall ball with a pair of doubles and three walks.
- » **Sara Phillips** was named to both Softball America's list and the D1Softball D100 Freshmen.
- » Phillips was State's most-used pitcher in fall ball, making five appearances and throwing 16.0 innings. She struck out 15 batters while walking four in the fall and posted a 1.69 ERA.

TEAM NOTES

THE TARYNE TREATMENT

- » Pitching coach **Taryne Mowatt-McKinney** has transformed the Bulldog staff in just over a year.
- » The Bulldogs have thrown 28 complete games since she arrived. State totaled 28 over the prior three seasons (2021-23).
- » **Raelin Chaffin** was named the NFCA National Pitcher of the Week and D1Softball Pitcher of the Week on Feb. 11. Combined with Aspen Wesley's two NCAA.com National Pitcher of the Week honors last year, Mowatt-McKinney has coached State pitchers to four national weekly honors. Prior to her arrival, MSU had seen just one pitcher bring home a national weekly honor (Alison Owen, 2013).
- » Mowatt-McKinney has seen a pitcher win a national award in three of her 15 season weeks on staff.
- » She has coached players to three SEC Pitcher of the Week awards in her short tenure, which is as many as the Bulldogs had won in the eight years prior to her arrival.

SCHEDULE SNIPPETS

- » After a lengthy hiatus, State and **North Texas** will resume their all-time series on **Feb. 14**. It's the first meeting since April 19, 1986, and stands as MSU's 11th-longest gap in a series with a school that still fields a Division I softball team. Nationwide, only Texas A&M's resumption of its series with Idaho State (last meeting in 1982) is a longer gap scheduled to close this season.
- » Additionally, MSU will host **New Mexico** on **Feb. 28** for the first time since March 15, 1997, it's 14th-longest gap in a series.
- » State is scheduled to face a former Bulldog player or coach in seven consecutive games over nine days from **March 8-16**.
- » The Bulldogs' **April 18** matchup at **Oklahoma** will be held in Oklahoma City at **Devon Park**, home of the Women's College World Series.

HISTORIC SEC SEASON

- » Mississippi State finished with a .500 record in league play in 2024 for the first time since going 14-14 in 2007. The 12 wins were also State's highest overall win total since going 12-16 in 2012.
- » State earned the No. 6 seed in the SEC Tournament, its highest finish since the shift to the current 24-game conference schedule.
- » The Bulldogs were among the top five in the conference in batting average, on-base percentage, slugging percentage, hits, runs and doubles in league play.
- » The Bulldogs won three road series for the first time since the SEC switched to the current 24-game schedule in 2013.

SWEET NOTHINGS

- » State saw three pitchers throw no-hitters in 2024, including two during its opening weekend. That trailed only 2006 - when three pitchers tossed four no-hitters - for the most in a season in school history.
- » **Josey Marron** and Matalasi Faapito threw consecutive no-hitters, shutting down IUPUI on Feb. 9-10.
- » It was the first time State had no-hitters on consecutive days since the first two in school history on March 1-2, 1997, and it was the first time ever the Bulldogs have done so in consecutive games.
- » Aspen Wesley no-hit Ole Miss on Mar. 9, marking her first career no-hitter and State's first against an SEC team since Stephanie Becker no-hit the Rebels on April 14, 2013. It was only the third no-hitter in conference play in program history.

EVERYBODY UP!

- » State batted around in 10 innings in 2024.
- » The Bulldogs scored a single-inning season-high 12 runs in the first against Memphis (4/16/24) while sending 17 batters to the plate. They also scored 12 in the fourth inning against ULM (3/13/24).
- » MSU had a school-record 15 run-rule victories last year.

MSU SINGLE-SEASON RUN-RULE VICTORIES

1.	15	2024
2.	13	2008
3.	12	2004
--	3	2025

THE #RICKETTSEFFECT

- » In nine full seasons since Ricketts arrived (2015), the Bulldogs have broken the school record for home runs four times, and each of the top five marks in school history came under her watch.
- » State most-recently broke the record in 2022 with 73, which gave Ricketts a hand in all three 70-homer seasons in school history.
- » Under Ricketts, State has homered in 54.8 percent of its games (305 of 557) and gone 222-83 in such contests.

NEVER OUT OF IT

- » Since **Samantha Ricketts** took charge of the program, no lead has been safe for State's opponents.
- » In the program's modern era (since 1997), there have been just 10 comeback victories after trailing by five or more runs, and Ricketts has led five of those.
- » Prior to the Ricketts Era, State's last five-run comeback victory was against Ole Miss on March 20, 2015 (trailed 6-1, won 8-6).
- » Against No. 10 Florida (3/28/24), Ricketts led the Bulldogs to a 13-12 victory after trailing, 12-6, in the bottom of the sixth inning. That marked the largest comeback in program history since trailing, 7-1, at North Alabama (4/3/21) before winning, 9-7.
- » The North Alabama game had previously stood as the largest comeback in program history since 2004.

SEC COACHES' 5+ RUN COMEBACK WINS AT CURRENT SCHOOL

1.	Patty Gasso	Oklahoma	6*
	Larissa Anderson	Missouri	6
3.	Samantha Ricketts	Mississippi State	5
	Patrick Murphy	Alabama	5
	Rachel Lawson	Kentucky	5
6.	Jamie Trachsel	Ole Miss	4

* dating back to 1999; there are five potential games across 1996-98 with box scores unavailable to confirm maximum deficit

OUR STATE

- » The Bulldogs are 27-5 against teams from the state of Mississippi under **Samantha Ricketts**. MSU has outscored in-state foes, 242-76, in her tenure.
- » State won six straight against Ole Miss, between the 2024 series win back to the 2021 SEC Tournament.
- » MSU won the 2024 series by taking the first two games, including a no-hitter in the clinching matchup.
- » The Bulldogs outscored the Rebels, 22-11, in the 2022 series, and capped the three-game set with a shutout in the finale.

RECRUITING ON THE RISE

- » **Samantha Ricketts** has signed three top-20 recruiting classes, since the fall of 2021.
- » The current Bulldog sophomores were tabbed the No. 10 recruiting class in the country in 2023. Ricketts has signed three top-10 classes (No. 4 in 2017, No. 7 in 2019) at MSU dating back to her time as a primary recruiter when she was an assistant for State.
- » Additionally, under Ricketts, State has signed the first Bulldog in program history from six new states.

AWARDS AND HONORS

NFCA NATIONAL PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Raelin Chaffin (Feb. 11)

D1SOFTBALL NATIONAL PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Raelin Chaffin (Feb. 11)

SOFTBALL AMERICA STARS OF THE WEEK

Raelin Chaffin (Feb. 11)

SEC PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Raelin Chaffin (Feb. 11)

SOFTBALL AMERICA PRESEASON TOP 100

Sierra Sacco (No. 76)

D1SOFTBALL D100 FRESHMEN TO WATCH

Sara Phillips

SOFTBALL AMERICA FRESHMAN WATCH LIST

Gretta Grassel

Sara Phillips

Xiane Romero

Kalani Sells

Morgan Stiles

TEAM USA MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM

Zac Shaw (assistant coach)

#STATETOTHELEAGUE

- » 26 Mississippi State student-athletes have gone on to play professionally. Of those, 13 have been selected in a professional draft.
- » Samantha Ricketts has coached 14 pros and seven draftees while at MSU.
- » Five former Bulldogs were active in the professional ranks in the summer of 2024:
 - Mia Davidson - Athletes Unlimited / Team USA / JDL (Densio Bright Pegasus)
 - Madisyn Kennedy - AFP (Florida Vibe)
 - Chloe Malau'ulu - AFP (Oklahoma City Spark)
 - Brylie St. Clair - WPF (Texas Monarchs)
 - Aspen Wesley - WPF (Texas Monarchs)
- » Davidson was drafted by the Bandits in the inaugural AUSL Draft in January. She was taken in the fifth round with the No. 17 pick.

NCAA ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS (TOP 50)

SIERRA SACCO	VALUE	RANK
Games Played	179	36
At-Bats	532	29
Batting Average	.383	40
Runs	159	5
Hits	204	8
Stolen Bases	89	5
Walks	130	2
JESSIE BLAINE	VALUE	RANK
Walks	80	27

DAWG TALK - PROGRAM STORYLINES

PLANTING THE FLAG



- » The Bulldogs will wear the flags of their home states on the back of their batting helmets in 2025.
- » Due to her father's military service, **Jessie Blaine** moved 12 times before graduating high school. Rather than pick a single state to represent on her helmet, she will instead wear the flag of the United States' Marine Corps.
- » **Samantha Ricketts** has expanded the Bulldogs' recruiting reach in recent years. She is responsible for recruiting the first softball student-athletes in MSU history from the states of Arkansas, Kentucky, Maryland, New Jersey, New York and West Virginia.
- » **Riley Hull** (Kentucky) and **Ella Wesolowski** (New York) are the first in program history from their respective states. **Taylor Troutman** joins Hull this year in representing Kentucky.
- » **Kylee Edwards** is only the second Bulldog from Indiana and the first since Kayla Calvert (1999). She is joined in 2025 by **Paige Ernstes**.
- » **Gretta Grassel** is the second Bulldog from Wisconsin and first since 2012.
- » **Josey Marron** is the first from the state of Iowa since 2018. All four players from Iowa in program history have been pitchers.

NATIONAL TEAM NOTES



- » Mississippi State has been well-represented by USA Softball National Teams in recent years.
- » Assistant coach **Zac Shaw** captained the U.S. Men's National Team at the 2024 WBSC Men's World Cup Group Stage, and he is expected to be on the squad for 2025's WBSC World Cup Final Stage.
- » Shaw won bronze at the 2023 WBSC World Cup (New Zealand).
- » Former Bulldog Mia Davidson (2018-22) won a silver medal at the 2024 WBSC Women's World Cup Final. Davidson has played with the U.S. Women's National Team since the 2022 Pan American Championships (Guatemala), competing at that event along with 2023 WBSC World Cup Group Stage (Ireland) and 2023 Pan American Games (Chile).
- » MSU alum Iyhia McMichael (2001-04) is currently serving as an assistant coach on the U.S. U-15 Girls' National Team where she's guided the team to the 2023 Utsugi Cup championship and a gold medal at the 2023 WBSC Americas Qualifier. In her playing days, McMichael won the 2003 Canada Cup with Team USA.
- » Additionally, graduate **Raelin Chaffin** was a member of the 2021 U.S. U-18 National Team that won the WBSC U-18 World Cup in Peru, and senior **Jessie Blaine** played with the 2019 U17 U.S. National Team at the Pan American Games in Colombia.

FROM BEHIND THE PLATE TO BEHIND THE KEYS

- » **Jessie Blaine** spent the fall semester as an intern in Mississippi State's athletics communications office.
- » She assisted in writing bios for the 2026 signing class, writing final bios for herself and her teammates in 2024, researching previous recruiting class rankings, updating the record book and working at MSU football games.
- » The highlight of Blaine's internship was brainstorming, creating and posting all social media content on the softball team's accounts for one week in November.
- » More on Blaine's internship from HailState.com »

[From Behind the Plate To Behind The Scenes](#)

LINDBLADE LIFTS OFF WITH ATHLETE ENGINEERING



- » Throughout the summer, pitcher **Hosanna Lindblade** and student manager **Rachel Barber** interned with the athlete engineering institute on Mississippi State's campus and developed a hitting platform that integrates force plates to capture data in real-time while a batter is working on their swing in the cages.
- » Designed, developed and constructed by Lindblade, Barber and their supervisors across campus, the product was delivered in January and is already being used in the Bulldogs' practices and workouts.
- » Engineered to the exact measurements of the batter's box and home plate, the platform was made out of honeycomb core filler used in rockets covered by aircraft skin, making it incredibly durable yet light enough that one person can move the three pieces by themselves.
- » MSU's athlete engineering institute is a first-of-its-kind collaboration between campus researchers and athletic department staff and coaches. The multidisciplinary department brings together engineers, kinesiology researchers, strength and conditioning coaches, athletic trainers and nutritionists to create groundbreaking research methods and wearable technology.
- » More on the project from HailState.com »

[MSU Athlete, Manager Design And Develop Innovative Force Plate Platform](#)

DAWG DIAGNOSES

- » A number of Mississippi State athletes have faced medical challenges in their careers while having the support of the program.
- » Most recently, **Raelin Chaffin** was diagnosed with thyroid cancer in August 2024 and underwent surgery and treatment this fall.
- » Chaffin did not participate in any of MSU's fall scrimmages due to treatment, but returned to the mound for State's Fall World Series.
- » More on Chaffin's recovery from D1Softball.com »
- » **Bulldog Batter: Chaffin Takes Cancer Diagnosis Head-On**
- » **Leilani Pulemau** was sidelined and ultimately forced to medically retire after being diagnosed with keratoconus, a rare degenerative eye disease. She had surgery to repair the condition in 2024.
- » Pulemau played in just five games off the bench in her career, but filled a key role off the field, charting opposing pitchers over the last three years. She will serve as a student coach this season.
- » **Kiarra Sells** now plays with hearing aids after beginning her collegiate career without them. She hopes to be an advocate for athletes with hearing loss and break the stigma around hearing aids in sports.

FAMILIAR FOES

- » With the shifting landscape of college sports, Mississippi State will cross paths with a number of familiar faces in new places this year.
- » On **Feb. 7**, State will face Duke and UCLA transfer Thessa Malau'ulu, the younger sister of former Bulldog Chloe Malau'ulu (2019-23) who now plays professionally for the OKC Spark.
- » **Feb. 22** will be the first time that **Sierra Sacco** faces her former team when State meets another set of Bulldogs in Louisiana Tech.
- » State is scheduled to face a former Bulldog player or coach in seven consecutive games over nine days from **March 8-16**.
- » DJ Sanders was the volunteer assistant coach on State's 2022 Super Regional team and now serves as an assistant at Auburn (**March 8-10**). This year will be Sanders' second return to Starkville after making the trip with Memphis in 2023.
- » Former Bulldog Jackie McKenna now serves as an assistant coach for Middle Tennessee, and will return to Nusz Park on **March 12**.
- » Salen Hawkins and Alabama will host the Bulldogs on **March 14-16**.
- » **Samantha Ricketts** will face her former head coach, Patty Gasso, for the fifth year in a row on April 18-20. Ricketts is seeking to become the first former Gasso player to defeat her as a head coach. (Ricketts, 0-5; Kristin Vesely (HOU), 0-11; Melyssa Lombardi (ORE), 0-2).

ALL FOR ALEX



- » **Alex Wilcox** was a member of the Bulldogs' 2018 team who inspired the nation with her courageous fight against ovarian cancer. That fight ultimately took her life that summer at the age of 18.
- » MSU immortalized Wilcox by retiring her No. 8 jersey on Sept. 15, 2018, making Wilcox the first female student-athlete in MSU history to have her jersey retired.
- » State's annual February Freezer tournament was rebranded in 2019 as **The Snowman: Alex Wilcox Memorial**.
- » The **All For Alex** campaign was started in 2021 as a joint effort of LSU head coach **Beth Torina** and MSU head coach **Samantha Ricketts**.
- » All 15 SEC schools unite to wear teal or teal accents for one day each year to recognize her impact on the softball community and raise awareness of the disease. All For Alex Weekend is **March 29, 2025**.

PLANNED PROMOS



- » Mississippi State will hold its fourth annual First Responder Home Run Derby between the Starkville Fire and Starkville Police Departments on **March 5** following the Bulldogs' contest with Louisiana. The firefighters have won each of the last three years.
- » A number of players have first responders in their families including **Ella Wesolowski**, **Morgan Stiles** and **Delainey Everett**.
- » Everett's father passed away suddenly and unexpectedly two weeks before the start of the 2025 season. The Bulldog hitters will wear his badge number on their batting helmets, and it has been embroidered on Everett's pitching towel.
- » State's Salute to Service game on **March 10** will mean a little bit more to **Jessie Blaine** and **Nadia Barbary**.
- » Blaine's father is an active duty colonel in the Marine Corps, and she wears No. 22 in honor of the veteran's suicide awareness organization, One Tribe Foundation, formerly known as 22Kill.
- » Barbary's parents both served in the Air Force, and she was born on Lackland Air Force Base.
- » State's annual Bark in the Park game will be **March 28** against Texas. Traditionally, each player's headshot on the videoboard is replaced with their own submitted photos of their pets.
- » The Bulldogs' Think Pink game is scheduled for **April 12** against Missouri. Riley Hull's grandmother is a breast cancer survivor, and she has worn pink ribbons and put a pink ribbon on her glove each year in Nana's honor.



BULLDOG BITES: OFF THE FIELD PROFILES

NADIA BARBARY **WALKUP SONG:** Lifestyle (Rich Gang, Young Thug and Rich Homie Quan)

Earliest commit in MSU's 2022 class ... Spades is her card game of choice ... superstitiously must step on third base at the end of every inning before returning to the dugout ... collects shoes ... had a pet bearded dragon as a kid ... hopes to become a dermatologist or pursue a medical profession ... born at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas ... both parents served in the Air Force ... also competed in gymnastics as a child ... majoring in biological sciences.

MORGAN BERNARDINI **WALKUP SONG:** That's My King (Cece Winans)

High school team never had more than 13 players ... wants to be a pre-k teacher ... has "Be Still" tattooed on her wrist to help her stay calm in games ... owns a black lab/Chesapeake Bay retriever mix ... graduated from a high school with 120 total students in a class of 21 ... majoring in human development and family science.

JESSIE BLAINE **WALKUP SONG:** Save A Horse, Ride A Cowboy (Big & Rich)

Wears No. 22 to bring awareness to the One Tribe Foundation formerly known as 22Kill, a veteran's suicide prevention organization ... father is an active member of the U.S. Marine Corps ... moved 12 times before graduating high school ... sister, Emma, plays volleyball at Troy ... mother played softball and basketball at Missouri-St. Louis ... also played basketball in high school ... traveled to Colombia in 2019 with the U.S. U-17 National Team ... majoring in communication ... accepted into Tennessee law school for the fall 2025 semester.

RAELIN CHAFFIN **WALKUP SONG:** Honey In The Rock (Brooke Ligertwood and Brandon Lake)

Cancer survivor after being diagnosed and treated for thyroid cancer in the fall of 2024 ... got engaged over winter break ... sister, Makenzie, played softball at Northwestern State ... has a cat named Mister ... father taught her to pitch beginning when she was 12 ... traveled to Peru in 2021 with the U.S. U-18 National Team where she won gold at the WBSC U-18 World Cup ... majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

KYLEE EDWARDS **WALKUP SONG:** Kick It In The Sticks (Brantley Gilbert)

First wore No. 67 as a tryout bib number ... second-ever player in program history from the state of Indiana and the first since 1999 ... used to barrel race and show pigs ... mother is a former professional rodeo barrel racer ... was a 1,000-point scorer in basketball and holds her high school's scoring record ... played basketball from the age of six until she graduated high school ... father taught her to field on their concrete driveway ... enjoys hunting and fishing ... majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

PAIGE ERNSTES **WALKUP SONG:** Loud & Heavy (Cody Jinks)

Third player in program history from the state of Indiana joining Kylee Edwards, who was the first since 1999 ... grew up with fellow Bulldog Sara Phillips ... favorite food is chicken ... family has a retired police K-9 officer for a pet ... major is undeclared.

DELAINEY EVERETT **WALKUP SONG:** Business (Eminem)

Wears No. 48 as a nod to her uncle, Josh Parry, who played football at San Jose State before playing three NFL seasons ... also chose the number because her favorite MLB player, Pablo Sandoval, wore it with the San Francisco Giants ... has three younger sisters ... loves boating and family time ... majoring in kinesiology.

GRETTA GRASSEL **WALKUP SONG:** Big Poppa (2007 Remaster) (The Notorious B.I.G.)

Second-ever player in program history from the state of Wisconsin and first since 2012 ... only female athlete from her high school to play a Division I sport ... favorite food is anything with cheese in it ... used to be a pitcher during her high school career ... father played minor league hockey for the Madison Monsters and collegiately at Minnesota State-Mankato ... has never had a pet in her life ... majoring in marketing.

RILEY HULL **WALKUP SONG:** Hard Fought Hallelujah (Brandon Lake)

Older sister, Lex, played SEC softball at South Carolina ... collects vinyl records ... first player in program history from the state of Kentucky ... also enjoys driving four-wheelers at her grandparents' house ... favorite movies are the Twilight series ... owns an English bulldog named "Bubba" ... first player from her hometown to earn Gatorade Player of the Year ... majoring in business administration.

HOSANNA LINDBLADE **WALKUP SONGS:** Yeshua (Jesus Image)

Has only ever broken one bone and it wasn't hers, but her catcher's nose ... prefers to eat dinner food for breakfast ... loves drawing and calligraphy ... enjoys stargazing and watching the night sky ... built and flew model rockets growing up ... works with MSU's athlete engineering department and has been developing new hitting mats that incorporate forceplates since the summer of 2024 ... has also helped start a project programming drones for motion capture camera research ... majoring in aerospace engineering.

JOSEY MARRON **WALKUP SONG:** Let's Go (Key Glock)

Father played basketball at Buena Vista ... aunts played soccer at Florida and hockey and softball at St. Kate's ... wants to become a sports psychologist for high school students ... recently got a bulldog puppy she named Bolt ... fourth player in program history from the state of Iowa and all four have been pitchers ... majoring in psychology.

SARA PHILLIPS **WALKUP SONG:** She's Country (Jason Aldean)

Family owns a farm with 30 head of cattle ... likes to deer hunt and cook ... favorite meal is steak and eggs ... father played baseball and basketball at Southern Union Community College ... mother was a professional horse trainer and barrel racer ... one of two brothers and two of three sisters played college sports ... uncles played basketball at Jacksonville State and Alabama ... wants to be a body builder after college ... majoring in food science, nutrition and health promotion.

ABBY GRACE RICHARDSON **WALKUP SONG:** Where I Come From (Alan Jackson)

Hates bread ... is double-jointed ... has a dog named Chloe ... won a NJCAA National Championship ... was a CSC First Team Academic All-American while in junior college ... mother played softball at Copiah-Lincoln CC ... has a brother, Hunter, who also played baseball at Copiah-Lincoln CC and Jones College ... majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

XIANE ROMERO **WALKUP SONG:** Game Winner (BossMan Dlow)

Is the middle child of five ... does lashes for some of her fellow freshmen ... was involved in gymnastics and tumbling until she was 12 and can do an aerial ... enjoys watching sunsets and stargazing ... favorite food is steak and seafood ... wants to be an ultrasound technician when she graduates ... major is undeclared.

SIERRA SACCO **WALKUP SONG:** Fireball (Pitbull)

Favorite breakfast is Nutella toast with strawberries ... can juggle ... first college athlete in her family ... enjoys reading on the bus ... named her dog Cody Johnson after the country music singer ... majoring in business administration.

KALANI SELLS **WALKUP SONG:** Do My Thing (Common Kings and Royal Blu)

Loves to go running ... was in the high school choir for three years ... is the middle child of five ... older sister, Kiarra, is also on the team ... majoring in psychology.

KIARRA SELLS **WALKUP SONG:** SPECIALZ (King Gnu)

From a small town in Texas and was not heavily recruited ... late commit in her senior year ... actually didn't realize she was being offered at MSU at first until Coach Ricketts said it a second time ... younger sister, Kalani, is also on the team ... wears hearing aids and hopes to break stigma around them for athletes ... favorite food is pizza rolls ... majoring in psychology.

LEXI SOSA **WALKUP SONG:** Love Sosa (Chief Keef)

Was the youngest verbal commit in UCLA history ... threw the 18th perfect game in UCLA history ... was born in Texas but raised in California ... loves to travel and intends to backpack around the world after graduation ... favorite travel destination was Ensenada, Mexico ... drove cross-country from California to Starkville on her own ... graduated from UCLA with her degree in sociology ... pursuing a graduate degree in workforce education leadership.

ABIGAIL STEVENS **WALKUP SONG:** Swag Surfin' (F.L.Y.)

Father played baseball at MSU under legendary coach Ron Polk and uncle played football at State ... was the valedictorian of her high school ... grew up on a cattle farm ... also played basketball and was her high school team's MVP as a sophomore ... once scored 39 points in a basketball game ... father gave her the nickname "Gina" in tee ball when he would yell at her to pay attention but didn't want other spectators to know who he was talking to ... likes to eat sushi ... major is undeclared.

MORGAN STILES **WALKUP SONG:** The Way You Move (Outkast)

Loves to read and ride bikes ... played soccer until she got to high school and played volleyball for two years in high school ... has two dogs and a cat ... mother played softball and basketball at North Alabama ... cousin, Jacob McNairy, played baseball at Alabama and was drafted in 2022 by the Seattle Mariners ... majoring in biological sciences with a pre-dental concentration.

TAYLOR TROUTMAN **WALKUP SONG:** Praise (Elevation Worship)

Second-ever player in program history from Kentucky along with Riley Hull ... father played baseball and mother ran cross country at Oakland City University ... father coached her high school team ... sister, Jordan, plays volleyball at Southern Indiana ... can juggle ... has never had coffee, tea or caffeine ... loves to read ... majoring in elementary education.

ELLA WESOLOWSKI **WALKUP SONG:** Lil Demon (Future)

Wears No. 74 because she recorded a 74 mph overhand velocity at an MSU camp ... first player in program history from the state of New York ... father was drafted by the Florida Marlins in 1996 ... father is now a New York state trooper ... majoring in kinesiology.

MSU RECORD WHEN

	OVERALL	SEC
BY GAME		
Day games (Before 5 p.m.)	6-0	0-0
Night games (After 5 p.m.)	3-1	0-0
In Extra Innings	1-0	0-0
vs. Ranked opponents	2-1	0-0
vs. Top-10 opponents	0-1	0-0
BY OPPOSING PITCHER		
vs. Left-handed Starter	1-0	0-0
vs. Right-handed Starter	8-1	0-0
BY MSU PITCHER		
Starter receives decision	7-1	0-0
Reliever receives decision	2-0	0-0
Starter goes 5.0+ inn.	7-0	0-0
Starter goes less than 5.0 inn.	2-1	0-0
BY SCORING / MARGIN		
Scoring first	8-0	0-0
Trailing first	1-1	0-0
In one-run games	1-0	0-0
In two-run games	2-0	0-0
Scoring 0-2 runs	0-1	0-0
Scoring 3-5 runs	4-0	0-0
Scoring 6-9 runs	1-0	0-0
Scoring 10+ runs	4-0	0-0
Allowing 0-2 runs	4-0	0-0
Allowing 3-5 runs	5-0	0-0
Allowing 6-9 runs	0-1	0-0
Allowing 10+ runs	0-0	0-0
BY THE STATS		
Collecting 0-3 hits	0-0	0-0
Collecting 4-6 hits	4-1	0-0
Collecting 7-9 hits	3-0	0-0
Collecting 10+ hits	2-0	0-0
Out-hit opponent	8-0	0-0
Out-hit by opponent	0-1	0-0
Hits are equal	1-0	0-0
Without hitting a home run	3-1	0-0
Hitting a home run	6-0	0-0
Opponent doesn't hit a home run	8-0	0-0
Opponent hits a home run	1-1	0-0
Errorless	3-1	0-0
Committing one error	5-0	0-0
Committing 2+ errors	1-0	0-0
Opponent is errorless	2-1	0-0
BY SCHEDULE		
February	9-1	0-0
March	0-0	0-0
April	0-0	0-0
May	0-0	0-0
Sunday	2-0	0-0
Monday	0-0	0-0
Tuesday	0-0	0-0
Wednesday	0-0	0-0
Thursday	1-0	0-0
Friday	3-1	0-0
Saturday	3-0	0-0
Game 1 of Season Series	8-1	0-0
Game 2 of Season Series	1-0	0-0
Game 3 of Season Series	0-0	0-0

BY CONFERENCE	
SEC	0-0
Alabama	0-0
Auburn	0-0
Kentucky	0-0
Missouri	0-0
Oklahoma	0-0
Ole Miss	0-0
Texas	0-0
Tennessee	0-0
ACC	1-1
Duke	0-1
Georgia Tech	1-0
AMERICAN	1-0
Memphis	0-0
North Texas	1-0
UAB	0-0
ASUN	0-0
Central Arkansas	0-0
North Alabama	0-0
BIG 12	1-0
Texas Tech	1-0
BIG TEN	2-0
Nebraska	1-0
Northwestern	0-0
Penn State	1-0
CONFERENCE USA	0-0
Jacksonville State	0-0
Louisiana Tech	0-0
Middle Tennessee	0-0
MID-AMERICAN	0-0
Miami (Ohio)	0-0
MISSOURI VALLEY	3-0
Bradley	2-0
Southern Illinois	1-0
MOUNTAIN WEST	0-0
New Mexico	0-0
SOUTHERN	0-0
Samford	0-0
SOUTHLAND	0-0
Northwestern State	0-0
SUN BELT	0-0
Louisiana	0-0
Southern Miss	0-0
SWAC	1-0
Alabama State	0-0
Alcorn State	0-0
Bethune-Cookman	1-0

LEADING AFTER						
INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6
W-L	5-0	7-0	7-0	8-0	4-0	4-0
TRAILING AFTER						
INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6
W-L	1-1	1-1	0-1	0-1	1-0	1-0
TIED AFTER						
INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6
W-L	3-0	1-0	2-0	1-0	1-0	1-0
COME FROM BEHIND WINS						
DATE	OPPONENT	DEFICIT	FINAL			
Feb. 8	vs. Bethune-Cookman	1-2 (BOT 7)	W, 3-2			
Feb. 13	Southern Illinois	3-0 (BOT 1)	W, 10-3			
Feb. 14	Bradley	2-3 (BOT 2)	W, 5-3			
LAST AT-BAT WINS						
DATE	OPPONENT	DEFICIT	FINAL			
Feb. 8	vs. Bethune-Cookman	1-2 (BOT 7)	W, 3-2			
WALK-OFF WINS						
DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	FINAL			
Feb. 8	vs. Bethune-Cookman	1-2 (BOT 7)	W, 3-2			
Feb. 14	North Texas	11-5 (BOT 5)	W, 14-5 (5)			
Feb. 16	Georgia Tech	10-3 (BOT 5)	W, 11-3 (5)			

MISC. HITTING STATS

MULTI-HIT GAMES					
PLAYER	2	3	4	5+	TOTAL
Sierra Sacco	1	2	--	--	3
Morgan Bernardini	2	--	--	--	2
Lexi Sosa	2	--	--	--	2
Kylee Edwards	1	--	--	--	1
Riley Hull	1	--	--	--	1
Nadia Barbary	1	--	--	--	1
Paige Ernstes	1	--	--	--	1
TOTAL	9	2	0	0	11

MULTI-RBI GAMES					
PLAYER	2	3	4	5+	TOTAL
Jessie Blaine	3	--	--	--	3
Kylee Edwards	2	1	--	--	3
Sierra Sacco	2	1	--	--	3
Lexi Sosa	1	--	--	2	3
Kiarra Sells	2	--	--	--	2
Riley Hull	1	--	--	--	1
Paige Ernstes	--	1	--	--	1
TOTAL	11	3	0	2	16

HITTING STREAKS*			
PLAYER	CURRENT	2025	CAREER
Kiarra Sells	10	10	10
Nadia Barbary	5	5	7
Jessie Blaine*	3	3	8
Lexi Sosa	2	2	3
Paige Ernstes	2	2	2
Riley Hull	2	2	4
Xiane Romero	1	1	1
Morgan Stiles	1	1	1
Sierra Sacco	--	7^	12
Morgan Bernardini	--	7	7
Kylee Edwards	--	2	4
Ella Wesolowski	--	--	6

ON-BASE STREAKS*			
PLAYER	CURRENT	2025	CAREER
Kiarra Sells	10	10	10
Sierra Sacco*	8	8^	35*
Jessie Blaine*	6	6	13
Lexi Sosa*	5	5	5
Nadia Barbary	5	5	9
Riley Hull	4	4	7
Kylee Edwards	3	3	6
Paige Ernstes	2	2	2
Xiane Romero	1	1	1
Morgan Stiles	1	1	1
Morgan Bernardini	--	7	7
Ella Wesolowski	--	--	10

* includes transfer stats | ^ streak carried over from prior season

HOME RUN LOG

NO.	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE	RUNS	INNING	OUTS	COUNT	SCORE	FINAL	ANGLE	VELD.	DIST.
1	Kylee Edwards	Bethune-Cookman	Feb. 8	1	2	1	1-2	0-0	W, 3-2	--	--	--
2	Nadia Barbary	Southern Illinois	Feb. 13	1	1	1	0-1	0-3	W, 5-3	23	76	260
3	Paige Ernstes	North Texas	Feb. 14	3	4	2	0-0	7-5	W, 14-5 (5)	35	65	221
4	Lexi Sosa	North Texas	Feb. 14	3	5	1	0-0	11-5	W, 14-5 (5)	32	79	247
5	Kiarra Sells	Bradley	Feb. 14	2	4	1	3-1	3-3	W, 5-3	46	74	242
6	Lexi Sosa	Bradley	Feb. 15	2	1	2	3-1	1-0	W, 12-3 (5)	21	80	252
7	Lexi Sosa	Georgia Tech	Feb. 16	2	1	2	1-1	1-0	W, 11-3 (5)	24	74	246
8	Lexi Sosa	Georgia Tech	Feb. 16	4	4	0	1-2	6-2	W, 11-3 (5)	23	81	276

*Launch angle, exit velocity and estimated distance provided by Yakkertech and available only for games in Nusz Park.

HOME RUN BREAKDOWN

TOTAL	8	SEASON	SOLO	2R	3R	GS	TOTAL	CAREER	SOLO	2R	3R	GS	TOTAL
Home	7	Lexi Sosa	--	2	1	1	4	Jessie Blaine*	7	4	5	1	17
Road	0	Nadia Barbary	1	--	--	--	1	Nadia Barbary	4	2	2	1	9
Neutral	1	Kylee Edwards	1	--	--	--	1	Kylee Edwards	3	2	--	1	6
vs. LHP	1	Paige Ernstes	--	--	1	--	1	Lexi Sosa*	1	2	1	1	4
vs. RHP	7	Kiarra Sells	--	1	--	--	1	Ella Wesolowski	--	1	1	1	3
With 0 Outs	1							Sierra Sacco	1	--	1	--	2
With 1 Out	4							Paige Ernstes	--	--	1	--	1
With 2 Outs	3							Kiarra Sells	--	1	--	--	1
Solo	2							*includes transfer stats					
Two-Run	3												
Three-Run	2												
Grand Slam	1												
Back-to-Back	0												
Pinch-Hit	1												
Walk-Off	1												
Consecutive Games with HR (Season Long)	5 (5)												
Consecutive Games without HR (Season Long)	0 (2)												

SPECIALTY STATS

OFFENSE BREAKDOWN

MONTH																		
	GP	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBP	SB	ATT
February	10	.218	239	67	76	17	2	8	63	121	.506	41	4	31	2	.417	17	19
March	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
April	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
May	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
LOCATION																		
	GP	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBP	SB	ATT
Home	5	.397	116	52	46	8	2	7	48	79	.681	35	2	9	0	.525	13	14
Away	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Neutral	5	.244	123	15	30	9	0	1	15	42	.341	6	2	22	2	.288	4	5
SERIES																		
	GP	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBP	SB	ATT
NFCA Leadoff Classic	5	.244	123	15	30	9	0	1	15	42	.341	6	2	22	2	.288	4	5
The Snowman	5	.397	116	52	46	8	2	7	48	79	.681	35	2	9	0	.525	13	14
Rocket City Softball Showcase	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bulldog Invitational	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Auburn	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Alabama	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Northwestern	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Texas	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Tennessee	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Missouri	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Oklahoma	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Kentucky	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ole Miss	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SEC Tournament	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

ACTIVE HITTING STREAKS (MIN. 3 GAMES)

	GM	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBP	SB	ATT
Kiarra Sells	10	.435	23	10	10	3	0	1	8	16	.696	8	4	1	0	.629	2	2
Nadia Barbary	5	.353	17	8	6	0	0	1	2	9	.529	2	0	1	0	.421	0	0

ACTIVE ON-BASE STREAKS (MIN. 7 GAMES)

	GM	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBP	SB	ATT
Kiarra Sells	10	.435	23	10	10	3	0	1	8	16	.696	8	4	1	0	.629	2	2
Sierra Sacco	8	.571	21	11	12	4	1	0	9	18	.857	10	0	1	0	.710	6	7

PITCHING BREAKDOWN

MONTH																		
	GP	ERA	W-L	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	B/AVG	WP	HP
February	10	2.60	8-1	4	1	1	62.0	56	29	23	21	63	11	1	2	.234	5	3
March	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
April	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
May	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
LOCATION																		
	GP	ERA	W-L	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	B/AVG	WP	HP
Home	5	3.38	5-0	2	0	1	29.0	30	17	14	11	32	5	0	1	.256	3	0
Away	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Neutral	5	1.91	4-1	2	1	0	33.0	26	12	9	10	31	6	1	1	.213	2	3
SERIES																		
	GP	ERA	W-L	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	B/AVG	WP	HP
NFCA Leadoff Classic	5	1.91	4-1	2	1	0	33.0	26	12	9	10	31	6	1	1	.213	2	3
The Snowman	5	3.38	5-0	2	0	1	29.0	30	17	14	11	32	5	0	1	.256	3	0
Rocket City Softball Showcase	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bulldog Invitational	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Auburn	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Alabama	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Northwestern	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Texas	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Tennessee	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Missouri	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Oklahoma	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Kentucky	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ole Miss	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SEC Tournament	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

PINCH HITTING

2025	AVG	AB	H	FP*	XBH	RBI
TEAM	.500	8	4	0	2	3
Lexi Sosa	1.000	1	1	0	1	0
Paige Ernestes	.750	4	3	0	1	3
Abby Grace Richardson	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Kalani Sells	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Morgan Stiles	.000	1	0	0	0	0
CAREER	AVG	AB	H	FP*	XBH	RBI
UNDER RICKETTS	.253	265	67	60	20	54
Riley Hull	1.000	1	1	1	0	1
Elta Wesolowski	1.000	1	1	0	1	2
Paige Ernestes	.750	4	3	0	1	3
Lexi Sosa [‡]	.353	17	6	4	2	5
Jessie Blaine [‡]	.320	25	8	0	2	4
Morgan Bernardini	.167	6	1	2	0	0
Nadia Barbary	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Abby Grace Richardson	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Kalani Sells	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Kiarra Sells	.000	5	0	4	0	0
Morgan Stiles	.000	1	0	0	0	0

[^] Free Passes include walks and hit-by-pitches

SCORELESS INNINGS

START TO FINISH INNINGS		2025	CAREER
Raelin Chaffin [‡]		27	173
Josey Marron		9	143
Lexi Sosa [‡]		6	66
Delainey Everett		1	23
Sara Phillips		1	1
Hosanna Lindblade		0	0
Abigail Stevens		0	0
STREAKS	ACTIVE	2025	CAREER
Delainey Everett	11.0*	11.0*	11.0*
Josey Marron	5.1	5.1	18.0
Raelin Chaffin [‡]	2.1	17.0	19.1
Lexi Sosa [‡]	1.2	7.2	20.0
Sara Phillips	1.2	1.2	1.2
Hosanna Lindblade	0.1	0.1*	1.0
Abigail Stevens	--	--	--

INHERITED RUNNERS

2025	PCT.	IR	RS
TEAM	0.0	9	0
Lexi Sosa	0.0	4	0
Raelin Chaffin	0.0	3	0
Sara Phillips	0.0	2	0
Delainey Everett	--	0	0
Hosanna Lindblade	--	0	0
Josey Marron	--	0	0
Abigail Stevens	--	0	0
CAREER	PCT.	IR	RS
UNDER MOWATT-MCKINNEY	28.1	32	9
Josey Marron	0.0	7	0
Sara Phillips	0.0	2	0
Lexi Sosa [‡]	11.1	9	1
Raelin Chaffin [‡]	18.5	27	5
Delainey Everett	50.0	8	4
Hosanna Lindblade	--	0	0
Abigail Stevens	--	0	0

ERRORLESS STREAKS

STREAKS	ACTIVE	2025	CAREER
Sierra Sacco [‡]	160* ²⁰²³	160* ²⁰²³	160* ²⁰²³
Jessie Blaine	80*	80*	80*
Riley Hull	62*	62*	297
Elta Wesolowski	58*	58*	60
Raelin Chaffin [‡]	14* [‡]	14* [‡]	19
Kiarra Sells	14* ²⁰²³	14* ²⁰²³	14* ²⁰²³
Xiane Romero	11	11	11
Morgan Bernardini	8*	8*	8*
Nadia Barbary	6	9*	45
Delainey Everett	6*	6*	6
Kalani Sells	6	6	6
Morgan Stiles	5	13	13
Lexi Sosa	4*	4*	7
Josey Marron	3	7*	14
Hosanna Lindblade	1*	1*	1
Kylee Edwards	--	12*	51

^{*} includes 2024 stats | [‡] includes transfer stats

THE SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE (THROUGH GAMES FEB. 16)



STANDINGS

	CONF	PCT.	GB	ALL	PCT.	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	VS. USA T25
Auburn	0-0	.000	---	11-0	1.000	5-0	0-0	6-0	1-0
Texas	0-0	.000	---	11-0	1.000	5-0	3-0	3-0	2-0
Arkansas	0-0	.000	---	10-0	1.000	0-0	2-0	8-0	0-0
LSU	0-0	.000	---	10-0	1.000	10-0	0-0	0-0	4-0
Oklahoma	0-0	.000	---	10-0	1.000	0-0	6-0	4-0	2-0
South Carolina	0-0	.000	---	10-0	1.000	10-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Georgia	0-0	.000	---	9-0	1.000	4-0	1-0	4-0	0-0
Florida	0-0	.000	---	13-1	.929	8-1	1-0	4-0	2-1
Tennessee	0-0	.000	---	10-1	.909	0-0	3-0	7-1	1-1
Texas A&M	0-0	.000	---	10-1	.909	6-0	0-0	4-1	1-1
Mississippi State	0-0	.000	---	9-1	.900	5-0	0-0	4-1	2-1
Ole Miss	0-0	.000	---	8-3	.727	0-0	1-3	7-0	1-0
Kentucky	0-0	.000	---	6-4	.600	0-0	0-0	6-4	0-3
Missouri	0-0	.000	---	6-5	.545	0-0	0-1	6-4	2-1
Alabama	0-0	.000	---	5-5	.500	0-0	0-1	5-4	2-3

AROUND THE LEAGUE (ALL TIMES CT)

#23/21 Alabama:	2/18 vs. Jacksonville State, 6:30 p.m.
#10/10 Arkansas:	2/20-22 at Mary Nutter Classic (Cathedral City, Calif.) Rutgers, Cal St. Fullerton, LMU, Baylor, #4/4 UCLA
#20/18 Auburn:	2/21-23 at Rocket City Showcase (Huntsville, Ala.) Louisiana Tech, James Madison, North Alabama, Miami (Ohio), Jacksonville St.
#3/3 Florida:	2/19 at North Florida, 5 p.m.
#9/9 Georgia:	2/20-23 hosting Georgia Classic Buffalo, App State, Syracuse, Utah Valley
#24/RV Kentucky:	2/21-23 at I-75 Tournament (Kennesaw, Ga.) Coastal Carolina, Georgia Tech, Memphis, Kennesaw State
#6/5 LSU:	2/21-23 hosting LSU Invitational Penn State, Southern Miss, Nicholls,
#22/22 Missouri:	2/20-22 at Mary Nutter Classic (Cathedral City, Calif.) Rutgers, #4/4 UCLA, Baylor, Minnesota, #19 Oregon
#2/2 Oklahoma:	2/22-24 hosting Norman Tournament Abilene Christian, Bowling Green, Wichita State, Tulsa
Ole Miss:	2/21-23 at Rocket City Showcase (Huntsville, Ala.) ETSU, North Alabama, Miami (Ohio), Louisiana Tech, James Madison
#21/24 South Carolina:	2/21-23 hosting Garnet & Black Invitational Boston U., Fordham, UNLV
#5/7 Tennessee:	2/20-22 at Mary Nutter Classic (Cathedral City, Calif.) #19/19 Oregon, Oregon State, Rutgers, #4/4 UCLA, Minnesota
#1/1 Texas:	2/19 vs. Akron, 6 p.m.
#7/6 Texas A&M:	2/21-23 at JoAnne Graf Classic (Tallahassee, Fla.) Florida A&M, #8/8 Florida State, SE Louisiana

MSU AROUND THE NATION (THROUGH GAMES FEB. 16)

TEAM STAT RANKINGS (TOP 50)	VALUE	RANK
Doubles	17	33
Doubles / Game	1.70	45
Home Runs	8	47
On-Base Pct.	.417	41
Runs Batted In / Game	6.30	33
Runs Batted In	63	29
Scoring	6.70	44
Slugging Pct.	.506	43
Strikeout-Walk Ratio	3.00	29
Strikeouts / 7 Inn.	7.11	26
Total Runs	67	34
Sacrifice Flies	6	10
Stolen Bases	17	39
Walks (Batting)	41	23
Winning Pct.	.800	37

INDIVIDUAL STAT RANKINGS (TOP 75)

JESSIE BLAINE	VALUE	RANK
Sacrifice Flies	2	9
Walks / Game	1.00	24
RAELIN CHAFFIN	VALUE	RANK
Complete Games	4	2
Games Started	5	8
Innings Pitched	32.2	20
Shutouts	1	27
Strikeouts	32	20
Wins	6	1
DELAINEY EVERETT	VALUE	RANK
Saves	1	17
JOSEY MARRON	VALUE	RANK
Games Started	4	74
Strikeouts / 7 Inn.	9.0	55
SIERRA SACCO	VALUE	RANK
Doubles	4	39
On-Base Pct.	.622	45
Stolen Bases	6	27
Stolen Bases / Game	0.60	69
Walks / Game	1.00	24
KIARRA SELLS	VALUE	RANK
Hit-By-Pitches	4	12
Hit-By-Pitch / Game	0.40	37
On-Base Pct.	.629	39
LEXI SOSA	VALUE	RANK
Home Runs	4	18
Home Runs / Game	0.40	40
Runs Batted In	15	21
Runs Batted In / Game	1.50	32
Slugging Pct.	.880	70
Strikeout-Walk Ratio	6.50	58

TEAM STAT RANKINGS

CATEGORY	ALL GAMES	SEC GAMES
Batting Avg.	.318 10th	-- --
Slugging Pct.	.506 10th	-- --
On-Base Pct.	.417 9th	-- --
Hits	76 T-13th	-- --
Runs Scored	67 11th	-- --
Doubles	17 8th	-- --
Triples	2 12th	-- --
Home Runs	8 T-10th	-- --
Total Bases	121 14th	-- --
At Bats	239 12th	-- --
Walks	41 10th	-- --
Stolen Bases	17 7th	-- --
Earned Run Avg.	2.60 12th	-- --
Opp. Batting Avg.	.234 12th	-- --
Innings Pitched	62.0 11th	-- --
Strikeouts	63 9th	-- --
Strikeouts Looking	22 4th	-- --
Walks Allowed	21 8th	-- --
Hits Allowed	56 9th	-- --
Runs Allowed	29 11th	-- --
Fielding Pct.	.961 11th	-- --

INDIVIDUAL STAT RANKINGS (TOP 10)

JESSIE BLAINE	VALUE	RANK
Sacrifice Flies	2	3
Walks / Game	1.00	6
RAELIN CHAFFIN	VALUE	RANK
Complete Games	4	2
Games Started	5	3
Innings Pitched	32.2	4
Appearances	6	8
Shutouts	1	7
Strikeouts	32	5
Wins	6	1
DELAINEY EVERETT	VALUE	RANK
Saves	1	4
JOSEY MARRON	VALUE	RANK
Games Started	4	7
Strikeouts / 7 Inn.	9.0	55
SIERRA SACCO	VALUE	RANK
Batting Avg.	.481	10
Doubles	4	8
Doubles / Game	0.40	10
On-Base Pct.	.622	8
Stolen Bases	6	7
Stolen Bases / Game	0.60	6
Walks / Game	1.00	6
KIARRA SELLS	VALUE	RANK
Hit-By-Pitches	4	3
Hit-By-Pitch / Game	0.40	4
On-Base Pct.	.629	7
LEXI SOSA	VALUE	RANK
Home Runs	4	5
Home Runs / Game	0.40	6
Runs Batted In	15	9
Runs Batted In / Game	1.50	7
Slugging Pct.	.880	10
MORGAN STILES	VALUE	RANK
Sacrifice Bunts / Game	0.22	3

MSU IN THE POLLS

NFCA COACHES' POLL

TEAM	RECORD	PREV
1. Texas (30)	11-0	1
2. Oklahoma (1)	10-0	3
3. Florida	13-1	2
4. UCLA	9-1	4
5. Tennessee	10-1	6
6. LSU	10-0	7
7. Texas A&M	9-1	5
8. Florida State	8-1	8
9. Georgia	9-0	10
10. Arkansas	10-0	13
11. Duke	7-3	12
12. Texas Tech	8-3	11
13. Arizona	10-1	15
14. Oklahoma State	5-4	9
15. Virginia Tech	8-2	17
16. Nebraska	8-2	18
17. Mississippi State	9-1	19
18. Stanford	9-0	20
19. Oregon	10-1	21
20. Auburn	11-0	NR
21. South Carolina	10-0	RV
22. Missouri	6-5	16
23. Alabama	5-6	14
24. Kentucky	6-4	23
25. San Diego State	8-2	NR

RECEIVING VOTES: Florida Atlantic (34), Baylor (32), Liberty (27), Virginia (24), Northwestern (23), Omaha (15), Indiana (13), Grand Canyon (8), California (7), Clemson (6), Washington (5), BYU (4), Ole Miss (2).

DISOFTBALL.COM

TEAM	RECORD	PREV
1. Texas	11-0	2
2. Oklahoma	10-0	4
3. Florida	13-1	1
4. Florida State	8-1	6
5. LSU	10-0	8
6. Tennessee	10-1	5
7. UCLA	9-1	3
8. Texas A&M	10-1	7
9. Arkansas	10-0	13
10. Arizona	10-1	10
11. Oklahoma State	5-4	9
12. Georgia	9-0	12
13. Duke	7-3	14
14. Texas Tech	8-3	11
15. Nebraska	8-2	19
16. Virginia Tech	8-2	16
17. Mississippi State	9-1	17
18. Auburn	11-0	NR
19. San Diego State	8-2	NR
20. Stanford	9-0	23
21. Missouri	6-5	15
22. Liberty	8-3	24
23. Oregon	10-1	21
24. South Carolina	10-0	NR
25. Florida Atlantic	9-2	18

ESPN/USA SOFTBALL

TEAM	RECORD	PREV
1. Texas (25)	11-0	1
2. Oklahoma	10-0	3
3. Florida	13-1	2
4. UCLA	9-1	4
5. LSU	10-0	7
6. Texas A&M	10-1	5
7. Tennessee	10-1	6
8. Florida State	8-1	9
9. Georgia	9-0	11
10. Arkansas	10-0	13
11. Arizona	10-1	15
12. Texas Tech	8-3	8
13. Oklahoma State	5-4	10
14. Duke	7-3	14
15. Nebraska	8-2	17
16. Mississippi State	9-1	19
17. Virginia Tech	8-2	18
18. Auburn	11-0	RV
19. Oregon	10-1	20
20. Stanford	9-0	22
21. Alabama	5-5	12
22. Missouri	6-5	16
23. San Diego State	8-2	NR
24. South Carolina	10-0	RV
25. Liberty	8-3	RV

RECEIVING VOTES: Baylor (33), Kentucky (32), Northwestern (24), Florida Atlantic (18), Indiana (16), Virginia (15), Ole Miss (5), UCF (2).

SOFTBALL AMERICA

TEAM	RECORD	PREV
1. Texas	11-0	2
2. Oklahoma	10-0	3
3. Florida	13-1	1
4. UCLA	9-1	4
5. Florida State	8-1	7
6. LSU	10-0	10
7. Tennessee	10-1	6
8. Texas A&M	10-1	5
9. Arizona	10-1	11
10. Arkansas	10-0	13
11. Georgia	9-0	14
12. Oklahoma State	5-4	9
13. Texas Tech	8-3	8
14. Nebraska	8-2	17
15. Duke	8-3	16
16. Mississippi State	9-1	21
17. Auburn	11-0	NR
18. San Diego State	8-2	NR
19. Virginia Tech	8-2	18
20. Liberty	8-3	20
21. Oregon	10-1	22
22. South Carolina	10-0	25
23. Alabama	5-5	12
24. Missouri	6-5	15
25. FAU	9-2	19

MSU WEEK-BY-WEEK

	NFCA	USA	D1	SA	DSR	RPI	RECORD
Preseason	24	25	NR	NR	--	--	0-0
Week 1	19	19	17	21	--	--	4-1
Week 2	17	16	17	16	--	--	9-1
Week 3							
Week 4							
Week 5							
Week 6							
Week 7							
Week 8							
Week 9							
Week 10							
Week 11							
Week 12							
Week 13							
Week 14							
Final							

VS. RANKED OPPONENTS

DATE	OPP.	NFCA RANK	RESULT
Feb. 7	Texas Tech	13	W, 3-1 (8)
Feb. 7	Duke	7	L, 0-8 (5)
Feb. 9	Nebraska	19	W, 3-0

RECORD: 2-1

ALL-TIME RECORD VS. RANKED OPPONENTS*

RANKING	RECORD	RANKING	RECORD
1	2-15	14	7-21
2	2-17	15	4-25
3	5-26	16	4-16
4	6-34	17	9-19
5	1-19	18	6-11
6	3-11	19	8-9
7	8-26	20	8-11
8	4-12	21	8-19
9	4-13	22	10-8
10	9-30	23	6-7
11	6-15	24	6-12
12	1-16	25	5-5
13	5-17	TOTAL	137-414

*The NFCA/USA Today Coaches' Poll is considered the poll of record by Mississippi State.

MSU RANKING HISTORY

NFCA/USA Today	USA Softball	DISoftball.com	Softball America
Highest: 15 (Week 3, 2008)	Highest: 15 (Week 5, 2008)	Highest: 15 (3x, last, Wk 13, 2024)	Highest: 11 (Week 9, 2024)
First Top 5: N/A	First Top 5: N/A	First Top 5: N/A	First Top 5: N/A
First Top 10: N/A	First Top 10: N/A	First Top 10: N/A	First Top 10: N/A
First Top 25: Week 3, 2000 (24)	First Top 25: Week 4, 2006 (24)	First Top 25: Preseason, 2021 (15)	First Top 25: Week 4, 2020 (25)
Last Top 25: Week 2, 2025 (17)	Last Top 25: Week 1, 2025 (19)	Last Top 25: Week 2, 2025 (17)	Last Top 25: Week 2, 2025 (16)

RESULTS



2025 Mississippi State Softball
Game Results for Mississippi State (as of Feb 16, 2025)
(All games)



Date	Opponent		Score	Inns	Overall	SEC	Pitcher of record	Attend	Time
1 Feb 07, 2025	vs #13 Texas Tech	w	3-1	(8)	1-0-0	0-0-0	R. Chaffin (W 1-0)	1327	2:17
1 Feb 07, 2025	vs #7 Duke	L	0-8	5	1-1-0	0-0-0	J. Marron (L 0-1)	1327	1:22
1 Feb 08, 2025	vs Bethune-Cookman	w	3-2	7	2-1-0	0-0-0	R. Chaffin (W 2-0)	1549	2:33
1 Feb 08, 2025	vs Penn State	w	6-1	7	3-1-0	0-0-0	R. Chaffin (W 3-0)	1549	1:54
1 Feb 09, 2025	vs #19 Nebraska	w	3-0	7	4-1-0	0-0-0	R. Chaffin (W 4-0)	968	1:54
2 Feb 13, 2025	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS	w	10-3	7	5-1-0	0-0-0	L. Sosa (W 1-0)	398	2:39
2 Feb 14, 2025	NORTH TEXAS	w	14-5	5	6-1-0	0-0-0	R. Chaffin (W 5-0)	415	2:01
2 Feb 14, 2025	BRADLEY	w	5-3	7	7-1-0	0-0-0	J. Marron (W 1-1)	415	2:22
2 Feb 15, 2025	BRADLEY	w	12-3	5	8-1-0	0-0-0	L. Sosa (W 2-0)	481	1:50
2 Feb 16, 2025	GEORGIA TECH	w	11-3	5	9-1-0	0-0-0	R. Chaffin (W 6-0)	412	1:49

* = Conference game

1 = NFCA Leadoff Classic (Clearwater, Fla.)

2 = The Snowman: Alex Wilcox Memorial (Starkville, Miss.)

() extra inning game

WINNING PLAY LOG

DATE	GM	RECORD	OPPONENT	FINAL	BATTER	INNING	OUTS	SCORE AT TIME	PLAY	WINNING RUN
Feb. 7	1	1-0	vs. Texas Tech	W, 3-1 (8)	Bernardini	8	1	1-0	Sacrifice fly to RF	Ki. Sells
Feb. 7	2	1-1	vs. Duke	L, 0-8 (5)	--	--	--	--	--	--
Feb. 8	3	2-1	vs. Bethune-Cookman	W, 3-2	Ki. Sells	7	2	2-2	Single through the left side	Sacco
Feb. 8	4	3-1	vs. Penn State	W, 6-1	Edwards	1	2	1-0	Two-run double to LF	Ki. Sells
Feb. 9	5	4-1	vs. Nebraska	W, 3-0	Sacco	2	2	0-0	Three-run double to LF	Grassel
Feb. 13	6	5-1	Southern Illinois	W, 10-3	Blaine	2	2	3-3	Single up the middle	Sacco
Feb. 14	7	6-1	North Texas	W, 14-5 (5)	Sosa	2	2	4-0	Two-run single to CF	Ki. Sells
Feb. 14	8	7-1	Bradley	W, 5-3	Ki. Sells	4	1	3-3	Two-run home run to LF	Sacco
Feb. 15	9	8-1	Bradley	W, 12-3 (5)	Hull	1	2	3-0	Two-run single to LF	Bernardini
Feb. 16	10	9-1	Georgia Tech	W, 11-3 (5)	Bernardini	3	0	3-2	Fielder's choice to SS	Ki. Sells
Feb. 18	11		Samford							
Feb. 20	12		vs. North Alabama							
Feb. 21	13		vs. Jacksonville State							
Feb. 22	14		vs. Louisiana Tech							
Feb. 23	15		vs. Miami (Ohio)							
Feb. 26	16		UAB							
Feb. 28	17		Alabama State							
Feb. 28	18		New Mexico							
Mar. 1	19		Northwestern State							
Mar. 1	20		New Mexico							
Mar. 2	21		Northwestern State							
Mar. 5	22		Louisiana							
Mar. 8	23		Auburn*							
Mar. 9	24		Auburn*							
Mar. 10	25		Auburn*							
Mar. 12	26		Middle Tennessee							
Mar. 14	27		at Alabama*							
Mar. 15	28		at Alabama*							
Mar. 16	29		at Alabama*							
Mar. 19	30		at UAB							
Mar. 21	31		at Northwestern							
Mar. 22	32		at Northwestern							
Mar. 22	33		at Northwestern							
Mar. 26	34		at Southern Miss							
Mar. 28	35		Texas*							
Mar. 29	36		Texas*							
Mar. 30	37		Texas*							
Apr. 1	38		Central Arkansas							
Apr. 4	39		at Tennessee*							
Apr. 5	40		at Tennessee*							
Apr. 6	41		at Tennessee*							
Apr. 11	42		Missouri*							
Apr. 12	43		Missouri*							
Apr. 13	44		Missouri*							
Apr. 18	45		vs. Oklahoma*							
Apr. 19	46		at Oklahoma*							
Apr. 20	47		at Oklahoma*							
Apr. 25	48		at Kentucky*							
Apr. 26	49		at Kentucky*							
Apr. 27	50		at Kentucky*							
May 1	51		Ole Miss*							
May 2	52		Ole Miss*							
May 3	53		Ole Miss*							

GAME-WINNING RBI: Bernardini (2), Ki. Sells (2), Blaine (1), Edwards (1), Hull (1), Sacco (1), Sosa (1)
GAME-WINNING RUN: Ki. Sells (4), Sacco (3), Bernardini (1), Grassel (1)

BOLD denotes walk-off winning play (run-rule games not included)

GAME-CHANGING PLAY LOG

*Data courtesy of 6-4-3 Charts

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	INNING	OUTS	BASES	WIN% PRIOR	WIN% AFTER	CHANGE	PLAY	FINAL
Feb. 7	vs. Texas Tech	0-0	8	1	2nd	50.97	79.50	28.53	Ki. Sells RBI single through the right side	W, 3-1 (8)
Feb. 7	vs. Duke	0-0	1	0	1st & 2nd	23.41	31.66	8.25	(Def.) Hull catches foul out to first base	L, 0-8 (5)
Feb. 8	vs. Bethune-Cookman	1-2	7	2	2nd	31.39	73.18	41.79	Sacco RBI single to CF	W, 3-2
Feb. 8	vs. Penn State	1-0	1	2	1st & 3rd	55.44	78.01	22.57	Edwards two-run double to LF	W, 6-1
Feb. 9	vs. Nebraska	0-0	2	2	Loaded	63.03	88.95	25.92	Sacco three-run double to LF	W, 3-0
Feb. 13	Southern Illinois	3-3	2	2	1st & 2nd	63.21	79.75	16.54	Blaine RBI single up the middle	W, 10-3
Feb. 14	North Texas	0-0	1	1	2nd	69.65	82.12	12.47	Ki. Sells RBI double to LF	W, 14-5 (5)
Feb. 14	Bradley	3-3	4	1	2nd	66.72	87.31	20.59	Ki. Sells two-run homer to LF	W, 5-3
Feb. 15	Bradley	1-0	1	2	3rd	81.87	91.90	10.03	Sosa two-run homer to RC	W, 12-3 (5)
Feb. 16	Georgia Tech	0-0	1	2	2nd	61.79	75.60	13.81	Blaine RBI double to LC	W, 11-3 (5)
Feb. 18	Samford									
Feb. 20	vs. North Alabama									
Feb. 21	vs. Jacksonville State									
Feb. 22	vs. Louisiana Tech									
Feb. 23	vs. Miami (Ohio)									
Feb. 26	UAB									
Feb. 28	Alabama State									
Feb. 28	New Mexico									
Mar. 1	Northwestern State									
Mar. 1	New Mexico									
Mar. 2	Northwestern State									
Mar. 5	Louisiana									
Mar. 8	Auburn*									
Mar. 9	Auburn*									
Mar. 10	Auburn*									
Mar. 12	Middle Tennessee									
Mar. 14	at Alabama*									
Mar. 15	at Alabama*									
Mar. 16	at Alabama*									
Mar. 19	at UAB									
Mar. 21	at Northwestern									
Mar. 22	at Northwestern									
Mar. 22	at Northwestern									
Mar. 26	at Southern Miss									
Mar. 28	Texas*									
Mar. 29	Texas*									
Mar. 30	Texas*									
Apr. 1	Central Arkansas									
Apr. 4	at Tennessee*									
Apr. 5	at Tennessee*									
Apr. 6	at Tennessee*									
Apr. 11	Missouri*									
Apr. 12	Missouri*									
Apr. 13	Missouri*									
Apr. 18	vs. Oklahoma*									
Apr. 19	at Oklahoma*									
Apr. 20	at Oklahoma*									
Apr. 25	at Kentucky*									
Apr. 26	at Kentucky*									
Apr. 27	at Kentucky*									
May 1	Ole Miss*									
May 2	Ole Miss*									
May 3	Ole Miss*									

OFFENSIVE GAME-CHANGING PLAYS:

DEFENSIVE GAME-CHANGING PLAYS:

Ki. Sells (3), Blaine (2), Sacco (2), Edwards (1), Sosa (1)

Hull (1)

STATE'S LARGEST GAME CHANGING PLAYS OF THE SEASON

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	INNING	OUTS	BASES	WIN% PRIOR	WIN% AFTER	CHANGE	PLAY	FINAL
Feb. 8	vs. Bethune-Cookman	1-2	7	2	2nd	31.39	73.18	41.79	Sacco RBI single to CF	W, 3-2
Feb. 8	vs. Bethune-Cookman	2-2	7	2	3rd	66.92	100.00	33.08	Ki. Sells RBI single through the left side	W, 3-2
Feb. 7	vs. Texas Tech	0-0	2	1	Empty	56.86	74.29	28.53	Ki. Sells RBI single through the right side	W, 3-1 (8)
Feb. 9	vs. Nebraska	0-0	2	2	Loaded	63.03	88.95	25.92	Sacco three-run double to LF	W, 3-0
Feb. 8	vs. Penn State	1-0	1	2	1st & 3rd	55.44	78.01	22.57	Edwards two-run double to LF	W, 6-1
Feb. 14	Bradley	3-3	4	1	2nd	66.72	87.31	20.59	Ki. Sells two-run homer to LF	W, 5-3
Feb. 8	vs. Bethune-Cookman	2-2	7	2	3rd	66.92	100.00	17.43	Edwards home run to LF	W, 3-2
Feb. 7	vs. Texas Tech	3-0	8	2	Loaded	82.61	100.00	17.39	(Def.) Barbary catches foul out to third base	W, 3-1 (8)

GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS (BATTING ORDER)

DATE	NO.	RECORD	OPPONENT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Feb. 7	1	1-0	vs. Texas Tech	Sacco	Barbary	Wesolowski	Blaine	Edwards	Stiles	Ki. Sells	Hull	Bernardini
Feb. 7	2	0-1	vs. Duke	Sacco	Barbary	Sosa	Blaine	Edwards	Ki. Sells	Stiles	Hull	Bernardini
Feb. 8	3	1-0	vs. Bethune-Cookman	Sacco	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Sosa	Blaine	Edwards	Hull	Bernardini	Romero
Feb. 8	4	1-0	vs. Penn State	Sacco	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Sosa	Blaine	Edwards	Hull	Bernardini	Stiles
Feb. 9	4	2-0	vs. Nebraska	Sacco	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Sosa	Blaine	Edwards	Hull	Bernardini	Stiles
Feb. 13	5	1-0	Southern Illinois	Sacco	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Blaine	Sosa	Edwards	Hull	Bernardini	Stiles
Feb. 14	6	1-0	North Texas	Sacco	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Blaine	Sosa	Edwards	Bernardini	Hull	Stiles
Feb. 14	7	1-0	Bradley	Sacco	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Blaine	Sosa	Edwards	Bernardini	Hull	Romero
Feb. 15	8	1-0	Bradley	Sacco	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Blaine	Sosa	Bernardini	Ernstes	Hull	Edwards
Feb. 16	9	1-0	Georgia Tech	Sacco	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Blaine	Sosa	Bernardini	Edwards	Hull	Stiles
Feb. 18			Samford									
Feb. 20			vs. North Alabama									
Feb. 21			vs. Jacksonville State									
Feb. 22			vs. Louisiana Tech									
Feb. 23			vs. Miami (Ohio)									
Feb. 26			UAB									
Feb. 28			Alabama State									
Feb. 28			New Mexico									
Mar. 1			Northwestern State									
Mar. 1			New Mexico									
Mar. 2			Northwestern State									
Mar. 5			Louisiana									
Mar. 8			Auburn*									
Mar. 9			Auburn*									
Mar. 10			Auburn*									
Mar. 12			Middle Tennessee									
Mar. 14			at Alabama*									
Mar. 15			at Alabama*									
Mar. 16			at Alabama*									
Mar. 19			at UAB									
Mar. 21			at Northwestern									
Mar. 22			at Northwestern									
Mar. 22			at Northwestern									
Mar. 26			at Southern Miss									
Mar. 28			Texas*									
Mar. 29			Texas*									
Mar. 30			Texas*									
Apr. 1			Central Arkansas									
Apr. 4			at Tennessee*									
Apr. 5			at Tennessee*									
Apr. 6			at Tennessee*									
Apr. 11			Missouri*									
Apr. 12			Missouri*									
Apr. 13			Missouri*									
Apr. 18			vs. Oklahoma*									
Apr. 19			at Oklahoma*									
Apr. 20			at Oklahoma*									
Apr. 25			at Kentucky*									
Apr. 26			at Kentucky*									
Apr. 27			at Kentucky*									
May 1			Ole Miss*									
May 2			Ole Miss*									
May 3			Ole Miss*									

LEADOFF: Sacco (10)
2ND: Barbary (10)
3RD: Ki. Sells (8), Sosa (1), Wesolowski (1)
CLEANUP: Blaine (7), Sosa (3)
5TH: Sosa (5), Blaine (3), Edwards (2)
6TH: Edwards (6), Bernardini (2), Ki. Sells (1), Stiles (1)
7TH: Hull (4), Bernardini (2), Edwards (1), Ernstes (1), Stiles (1), Ki. Sells (1)
8TH: Hull (6), Bernardini (4)
9TH: Stiles (5), Bernardini (2), Romero (2), Edwards (1)

GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS (DEFENSIVE POSITIONS)

DATE	NO.	RECORD	OPPONENT	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DP
Feb. 7	1	1-0	vs. Texas Tech	Wesolowski	Hull	Stiles	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Blaine
Feb. 7	2	0-1	vs. Duke	Blaine	Hull	Stiles	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Sosa
Feb. 8	3	1-0	vs. Bethune-Cookman	Blaine	Hull	Romero	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Sosa
Feb. 8	2	1-1	vs. Penn State	Blaine	Hull	Stiles	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Sosa
Feb. 9	2	2-1	vs. Nebraska	Blaine	Hull	Stiles	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Sosa
Feb. 13	2	3-1	Southern Illinois	Blaine	Hull	Stiles	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Sosa
Feb. 14	2	4-1	North Texas	Blaine	Hull	Stiles	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Sosa
Feb. 14	3	2-0	Bradley	Blaine	Hull	Romero	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Sosa
Feb. 15	4	1-0	Bradley	Blaine	Hull	Romero	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Ernstes
Feb. 16	2	5-1	Georgia Tech	Blaine	Hull	Stiles	Barbary	Edwards	Bernardini	Sacco	Ki. Sells	Sosa
Feb. 18			Samford									
Feb. 20			vs. North Alabama									
Feb. 21			vs. Jacksonville State									
Feb. 22			vs. Louisiana Tech									
Feb. 23			vs. Miami (Ohio)									
Feb. 26			UAB									
Feb. 28			Alabama State									
Feb. 28			New Mexico									
Mar. 1			Northwestern State									
Mar. 1			New Mexico									
Mar. 2			Northwestern State									
Mar. 5			Louisiana									
Mar. 8			Auburn*									
Mar. 9			Auburn*									
Mar. 10			Auburn*									
Mar. 12			Middle Tennessee									
Mar. 14			at Alabama*									
Mar. 15			at Alabama*									
Mar. 16			at Alabama*									
Mar. 19			at UAB									
Mar. 21			at Northwestern									
Mar. 22			at Northwestern									
Mar. 22			at Northwestern									
Mar. 26			at Southern Miss									
Mar. 28			Texas*									
Mar. 29			Texas*									
Mar. 30			Texas*									
Apr. 1			Central Arkansas									
Apr. 4			at Tennessee*									
Apr. 5			at Tennessee*									
Apr. 6			at Tennessee*									
Apr. 11			Missouri*									
Apr. 12			Missouri*									
Apr. 13			Missouri*									
Apr. 18			vs. Oklahoma*									
Apr. 19			at Oklahoma*									
Apr. 20			at Oklahoma*									
Apr. 25			at Kentucky*									
Apr. 26			at Kentucky*									
Apr. 27			at Kentucky*									
May 1			Ole Miss*									
May 2			Ole Miss*									
May 3			Ole Miss*									

- P:** Chaffin (5), Marron (4), Sosa (1)
- C:** Blaine (9), Wesolowski (1)
- 1B:** Hull (10)
- 2B:** Stiles (7), Romero (3)
- 3B:** Barbary (10)
- SS:** Edwards (10)
- LF:** Bernardini (10)
- CF:** Sacco (10)
- RF:** Ki. Sells (10)
- DP:** Sosa (8), Blaine (1), Ernstes (1)

THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

MISSISSIPPI STATE

TEAM OFFENSE

Had 10+ hits	12 vs. Bradley	Feb. 15, 2025
Had 15+ hits	17 at Middle Tennessee	Mar. 30, 2022
Scored 5+ runs	12 vs. Bradley	Feb. 15, 2025
Scored 10+ runs	12 vs. Bradley	Feb. 15, 2025
Scored 15+ runs	16 vs. Memphis	Apr. 16, 2024
Hit 2+ home runs	2 vs. North Texas	Feb. 14, 2025
Hit 3+ home runs	3 vs. Florida	Mar. 28, 2024
Stole 4+ bases	4 vs. Bradley	Feb. 14, 2025
Left 10 runners on base	11 vs. Bradley	Feb. 14, 2025

INDIVIDUAL OFFENSE

Had 3+ hits	Sierra Sacco (3)	vs. Nebraska, Feb. 9, 2025
Had 4+ hits	Sierra Sacco (4)	vs. UCF, Feb. 22, 2024
Scored 3+ runs	Sierra Sacco (3)	vs. North Texas, Feb. 14, 2025
Scored 4+ runs	Sierra Sacco (4)	at Arkansas, Mar. 24, 2024
Drove in 3+ RBIs	Lexi Sosa (5)	vs. North Texas, Feb. 14, 2025
	Paige Ernestes (3)	vs. North Texas, Feb. 14, 2025
Drove in 4+ RBIs	Lexi Sosa (5)	vs. North Texas, Feb. 14, 2025
Drove in 5+ RBIs	Lexi Sosa (5)	vs. North Texas, Feb. 14, 2025
Drove in 6+ RBIs	Madisyn Kennedy (7)	vs. ULM, Mar. 13, 2024
Hit 2+ doubles	Sierra Sacco (3)	vs. Nebraska, Feb. 9, 2025
Hit a triple	Sierra Sacco	at Alabama State, Mar. 20, 2024
Hit 2+ triples	Kat Moore (2)	vs. Tennessee, Apr. 5, 2018
Hit 2+ home runs	Madisyn Kennedy (2)	vs. ULM, Mar. 13, 2024
Hit a walk-off, game-winning HR	Chloe Malau'ulu	vs. Murray State, Mar. 5, 2023
Hit a grand slam	Ella Wesolowski	at Arkansas, Mar. 24, 2024
Led off 1st inn. with HR	Mia Davidson	vs. Middle Tennessee, Feb. 8, 2019
Stole 3+ bases	Seirra Sacco (3)	vs. Tennessee, Apr. 12, 2024
Stole home	Morgan Bernadini (4th inn.)	vs. Alcorn State, Mar. 2, 2024
Drew 3+ walks	Jessie Blaine (3)	vs. North Texas, Feb. 14, 2025
	Sierra Sacco (3)	
Drew 4+ walks	Katie Cooley (4)	vs. LSU, Mar. 30, 2005

TEAM PITCHING

Threw a no-hitter	at Ole Miss	Mar. 9, 2024
Threw a shutout	vs. Nebraska	Feb. 9, 2025
Recorded 10+ strikeouts	10 vs. Bethune-Cookman	Feb. 8, 2025
Recorded 15+ strikeouts	15 at North Alabama (G1)	Apr. 3, 2021

INDIVIDUAL PITCHING

Threw a no-hitter	Aspen Wesley	at Ole Miss, Mar. 9, 2024
Threw a shutout	Raelin Chaffin	vs. Nebraska, Feb. 9, 2025
Recorded 10+ strikeouts	Reis Beuerlein (14)	vs. Purdue, Mar. 15, 2023
Recorded 15+ strikeouts	Annie Willis (19)	vs. Mississippi Valley State, Mar. 6, 2020
Gave up 10+ hits	Josey Marron (10)	vs. Tennessee, Apr. 14, 2024
Walked 5+ batters	Josey Marron (5)	vs. Southern Illinois, Feb. 13, 2025
Struck out the side	Raelin Chaffin	vs. Georgia Tech (1st inn.), Feb. 16, 2025

TEAM DEFENSE

Did not commit an error	vs. Bradley	Feb. 15, 2025
Committed 2+ errors	5 vs. Bethune-Cookman	Feb. 8, 2025
Committed 4+ errors	4 at Auburn	May 6, 2023
Turned a double play	vs. Bradley	Feb. 14, 2025
Turned a triple play	vs. Auburn	May 4, 1997
Threw a runner out at the plate	at Arkansas (BOT 6, 0-2)	Mar. 23, 2024

INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE

Recorded 10+ putouts	Jessie Blaine (10)	vs. Bethune-Cookman, Feb. 8, 2025
Recorded 15+ putouts	Mia Davidson (15)	at North Alabama (G1), Apr. 3, 2021
Recorded 5+ assists	Nadia Barbary (5)	vs. Bradley, Feb. 14, 2025
Committed 2+ errors	Nadia Barbary (2)	vs. Bethune-Cookman, Feb. 8, 2025
	Kylee Edwards (2)	

MISCELLANEOUS

Won in extra innings	5-4 (9 inn.) at Auburn	May 6, 2023
Won by 8-run rule	12-3 (5 inn.) vs. Bradley	Feb. 15, 2025
Scored 8+ runs in an inning	12 (1st inn.) vs. Memphis	Apr. 16, 2024
Had 7+ hits in an inning	7 (1st inn.) vs. Bradley	Feb. 15, 2025
Hit back-to-back home runs	2nd inning vs. UAB	Feb. 9, 2024
Drew 4+ walks in an inning	4 (1st inn.) vs. Memphis	Apr. 16, 2024

OPPONENT

TEAM OFFENSE

Had 10+ hits	10 vs. Duke	Feb. 7, 2025
Had 15+ hits	15 at LSU	Apr. 22, 2023
Scored 5+ runs	5 vs. North Texas	Feb. 14, 2025
Scored 10+ runs	12 vs. Florida	Mar. 28, 2024
Scored 15+ runs	21 vs. Ole Miss	Apr. 19, 2019
Hit 2+ home runs	3 vs. Tennessee	Apr. 14, 2024
Hit 3+ home runs	3 vs. Tennessee	Apr. 14, 2024
Stole 4+ bases	5 at Auburn	May 5, 2023
Left 10 runners on base	11 at Auburn	May 5, 2023

INDIVIDUAL OFFENSE

Had 3+ hits	Denver Bryan (4)	vs. South Carolina, May 8, 2024
Had 4+ hits	Denver Bryan (4)	vs. South Carolina, May 8, 2024
Scored 3+ runs	D'Auna Jennings (3)	vs. Duke, Feb. 7, 2025
Scored 4+ runs	Koko Wooley (4)	vs. Texas A&M (G2), Mar. 16, 2024
Drove in 3+ RBIs	Lauren DeRolf (3)	vs. Bradley, Feb. 15, 2025

Drove in 4+ RBIs	Colby McClinton (4)	vs. Cal State Fullerton, May 18, 2024
Drove in 5+ RBIs	Jocelyn Erickson (5)	vs. Florida, Mar. 29, 2024
Drove in 6+ RBIs	Emma Broadfoot (7)	at North Alabama (G1), Apr. 3, 2021
Hit 2+ doubles	Jade Berry (2)	at Stanford, May 18, 2024
Hit a triple	Natalie Lieto	vs. Penn State, Feb. 8, 2020
Hit 2+ triples	Rachel Anderson (2)	vs. SE Missouri, Mar. 8, 2025
Hit 2+ home runs	Zaida Puni (2)	vs. Tennessee, Apr. 14, 2024
Hit a walk-off, game-winning HR	Lexie Brady	at Ole Miss, Mar. 10, 2024
Hit a grand slam	Colby McClinton	vs. Cal State Fullerton, May 18, 2024
Led off 1st inn. with HR	Jayda Kearney	at Georgia, Mar. 25, 2023
Stole 3+ bases	Koko Wooley (3)	vs. Texas A&M (G2), Mar. 16, 2024
Stole home	Mackenzie Brasher	vs. South Alabama, Apr. 17, 2024
Drew 3+ walks	Lair Beataue (3)	vs. Tennessee, May 12, 2022

Drew 4+ walks	Bailey Castro (4)	vs. Florida, Mar. 29, 2015
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TEAM PITCHING

Threw a no-hitter	at Georgia	Mar. 25, 2023
Threw a shutout	vs. Duke	Feb. 7, 2025
Recorded 10+ strikeouts	12 vs. Texas Tech	Feb. 7, 2025
Recorded 15+ strikeouts	16 at Alabama	Mar. 3, 2021

INDIVIDUAL PITCHING

Threw a no-hitter	Shelby Walters	at Georgia, Mar. 25, 2023
Threw a shutout	Dani Drogemuller	vs. Duke, Feb. 7, 2025
Recorded 10+ strikeouts	NiJaree Canady (12)	vs. Texas Tech, Feb. 7, 2025
Recorded 15+ strikeouts	Montana Fouts (16)	at Alabama, Mar. 3, 2021
Gave up 10+ hits	Morgan Leinstock (10)	at Arkansas, Mar. 22, 2024
Walked 5+ batters	Sydney Kennedy (9)	vs. Bradley, Feb. 14, 2025
Struck out the side	NiJaree Canady	vs. Texas Tech (6th inn.), May 18, 2024

TEAM DEFENSE

Did not commit an error	vs. Duke	Feb. 7, 2025
Committed 2+ errors	2 vs. Bradley	Feb. 15, 2025
Committed 4+ errors	4 vs. Clemson	Feb. 17, 2024
Turned a double play	vs. Bradley	Feb. 15, 2025
Turned a triple play	vs. Troy	Mar. 3, 2024
Threw a runner out at the plate	vs. Bradley (BOT 4, 12-3)	Feb. 15, 2025

INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE

Recorded 10+ putouts	Aly Kaneshiro (14)	at Stanford, May 18, 2024
Recorded 15+ putouts	Jen Cummings (16)	vs. South Carolina, Mar. 17, 2023
Recorded 5+ assists	Cylie Halvorson (5)	at Arkansas, Mar. 23, 2024
Committed 2+ errors	Jenna Laird (2)	at Missouri, Apr. 29, 2024

MISCELLANEOUS

Won in extra innings	9-10 (8 inn.) at Ole Miss	Mar. 10, 2024
Won by 8-run rule	0-8 (5 inn.) vs. Duke	Feb. 7, 2025
Scored 8+ runs in an inning	9 (2nd inn.) vs. Oklahoma	Mar. 11, 2023
Had 7+ hits in an inning	9 (2nd inn.) vs. Oklahoma	Mar. 11, 2023
Hit back-to-back home runs	6th inning at LSU	Apr. 23, 2023
Drew 4+ walks in an inning	5 (1st inn.) vs. Southern Illinois	Feb. 13, 2025

LATEST MSU COMEBACK VICTORIES

2+ run deficit	Southern Illinois	Feb. 13, 2025	Trailed 0-3 in Bottom 1st	W, 10-3	Winning play: Jessie Blaine single up the middle (MSU leads 4-3 in Bottom 2nd)
3+ run deficit	Southern Illinois	Feb. 13, 2025	Trailed 0-3 in Bottom 1st	W, 10-3	Winning play: Jessie Blaine single up the middle (MSU leads 4-3 in Bottom 2nd)
4+ run deficit	Florida	Mar. 28, 2024	Trailed 6-12 in Bottom 6th	Won 13-12	Winning play: Paige Cook 2-run home run to center (MSU leads 13-12 in Bottom 6th)
5+ run deficit	Florida	Mar. 28, 2024	Trailed 6-12 in Bottom 6th	Won 13-12	Winning play: Paige Cook 2-run home run to center (MSU leads 13-12 in Bottom 6th)
6+ run deficit	Florida	Mar. 28, 2024	Trailed 6-12 in Bottom 6th	Won 13-12	Winning play: Paige Cook 2-run home run to center (MSU leads 13-12 in Bottom 6th)

RECORD WATCH

INDIVIDUAL CAREER

BATTING AVERAGE (MIN. 200 AB)			
1.	.461	Chelsea Bramlett	2007-10
10.	.332	Michelle Gates	1997-00
--	.367	Sierra Sacco*	2024-Pr.
<small>*23 AB shy of minimum required</small>			

ON-BASE PERCENTAGE (MIN. 200 AB)			
1.	.544	Kellie Wilkerson	1999-02
T10.	.439	Sam Lenahan	2011-14
	.439	Keri McCallum	1997-00
--	.513	Sierra Sacco*	2024-Pr.
<small>*23 AB shy of minimum required</small>			

OPS (MIN. 200 AB)			
1.	1.257	Kellie Wilkerson	1999-02
10.	.937	Reggie Harrison	2017-18
--	1.016	Sierra Sacco*	2024-Pr.
<small>*23 AB shy of minimum required</small>			

PUTOUTS			
1.	1557	Mia Davidson	2018-22
10.	760	Keri McCallum	1997-00
11.	745	Riley Hull	2022-Pr.

FIELDING PCT. (MIN. 300 CHANCES)			
T1.	.991	Riley Hull	2022-Pr.
	.991	Lindsay Hunley	2005-08

FEWEST ERRORS (MIN. 300 CHANCES)			
1.	4	Morgan Bell	2015-18
2.	6	Fa Leilua	2019-21
3.	7	Riley Hull	2022-Pr.
4.	8	Lindsay Hunley	2005-08

DOUBLE PLAYS BY A SHORTSTOP			
1.	38	Courtney Bures	2005-08
T2.	22	Madisyn Kennedy	2020-24
	22	Kayla Winkfield	2013-16
4.	14	Erin Nesbit	2010-13
T5.	12	Kylee Edwards	2024-Pr.
	12	Reggie Harrison	2017-18

INDIVIDUAL SEASON

TEAM SEASON

COACHING STAFF



SAMANTHA RICKETTS

THE RICKETTS FILE

Hometown	San Jose, Calif.
Education	University of Oklahoma, 2009 University of Oklahoma, 2011
Twitter	@Coach_Ricketts
Birthday	December 29

COACHING CAREER

SEASON	SCHOOL	POSITION
2019-Present	Mississippi State	Head Coach
2018-19	Mississippi State	Associate Head Coach
2015-18	Mississippi State	Assistant Coach
2012-14	Wichita State	Assistant Coach
2009-11	Oklahoma	Graduate Assistant

RICKETTS' PLAYERS BY THE NUMBERS

13	All-America Honors
29	All-Region Honors
25	All-Conference Honors
2	Conference Players of the Year
1	Conference Freshman of the Year
2	Conference All-Defensive Team Selections
1	Conference Tournament MVP
7	Conference Tournament Team Selections
8	National Players of the Week
30	Conference Players of the Week
1	CoSIDA/CSC Academic All-American
13	CoSIDA/CSC Academic All-District Selections
93	All-Conference Academic Honors

CAREER RECORD

SEASON	SCHOOL	W-L	PCT.
2020	Mississippi State	25-3	.893
2021	Mississippi State	35-25	.583
2022	Mississippi State	37-27	.578
2023	Mississippi State	28-25	.528
2024	Mississippi State	34-20	.630
2025	Mississippi State	9-1	.900
TOTAL		168-101	.625

CONFERENCE RECORD

SEASON	SCHOOL	W-L	PCT.
2020	Mississippi State	0-0	--
2021	Mississippi State	8-15	.348
2022	Mississippi State	10-14	.417
2023	Mississippi State	7-16	.304
2024	Mississippi State	12-12	.500
2025	Mississippi State	--	--
TOTAL		37-57	.394

MAROON AND WHITE

- » Named the sixth head softball coach in program history on July 22, 2019, and became the fastest head coach in program history to reach 20 wins, doing so in 23 games. Started 9-1, marking the best 10-game start by a head coach in program history.
- » Became the first first-year head coach to lead the nation in wins (25 in 2020) since at least 1989.
- » Is the only coach in program history to have her team nationally ranked at some point during her first year and led MSU to its highest final ranking in program history (No. 20).
- » Earned first career coaching victory in first career game on Feb. 7, 2020, against Missouri State (5-0).
- » In her second season, led MSU to its 16th NCAA Regional and third consecutive Regional Championship game.
- » Led State to its first Super Regional appearance in 2022, upsetting No. 2 Florida State twice in Tallahassee to advance.
- » Guided MSU to its highest final ranking on record (No. 19) in 2022.
- » Won 66 of her first 100 games, the best total of any Bulldog head coach and third among active SEC coaches in their first 100 contests.
- » Has coached 14 Bulldogs who went on to professional careers, seven of whom were selected in a professional draft. Six of her proteges are currently playing professionally (Mia Davidson, Madysyn Kennedy, Fa Leilua, Chloe Malau'ulu, Brylie St. Clair and Aspen Wesley).
- » Has coached multiple players to All-Region honors in each of the last six seasons.
- » Served as an assistant coach from 2015-18 focusing on hitting and recruiting before being promoted to associate head coach.
- » Has been a part of one Women's College World Series appearance, seven NCAA Regional berths and two NCAA Super Regional appearances during her coaching career.
- » In 2019, MSU was one of two teams in the nation (Arizona) to boast multiple hitters with 20 or more home runs.
- » The Bulldogs shattered the school record for home runs (72) and posted the second-highest slugging percentage in school history (.484) in 2019.
- » For the first time since 2008, State produced multiple NFCA All-Americans in 2019 (Fa Leilua and Mia Davidson).
- » Davidson was the lone player in the conference to record at least 60 RBIs, 60 hits and 50 runs scored in 2019.
- » Davidson then broke Rafael Palmeiro's mark for the most home runs in a career by a Bulldog baseball or softball player in 2021 and entered the 2022 season just two long balls shy of the SEC softball career record.
- » Each of the top five single-season home run totals in program history have come under Ricketts' watch, and the Bulldogs have broken the season record four times.
- » Since Ricketts arrived as an assistant, MSU has hit at least one home run in 54.7 percent of its games (299-of-547) through the end of 2024.
- » In 2017, Ricketts produced five starters that hit .300 or better to help lead the Bulldogs to an NCAA Regional and Caroline Seitz became the first Bulldog to earn First Team All-SEC honors since Chelsea Bramlett in 2010.
- » During the 2016 season, she led Kayla Winkfield to an SEC-leading six triples, which ranked among the nation's top 10.
- » In her first season of 2015, the Bulldogs set new single-season records for home runs (54), batting average (.312), slugging percentage (.495), RBI (294) and on-base percentage (.416).

MSU COACHING HIGHLIGHTS

NCAA Super Regional Appearances	1
NCAA Regional Appearances	7
NFCA All-South Region Selections	26
First Team All-SEC Selections	7
SEC All-Defensive Team Selections	2
Top 10 Finalist for Schutt Sports/NFCA Freshman of the Year	2018
SEC Freshman of the Year	2018
Top 10 Finalist for USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year	2019
NFCA Catcher of the Year	2022

WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY

- » Served as assistant coach at Wichita State from 2012-14, working with the team's hitters and consistently improving their production.
- » Her last spring at WSU saw the Shockers increase their overall win total by 15 from 2013 to 2014 and win the program's first regular-season conference title.
- » Part of the 2014 MVC Coaching Staff of the Year, helping to improve the Shockers from the ninth place in 2012, to eighth place in 2013, to MVC champs in 2014.
- » Produced five starters who each hit better than .300 in 2014 after the squad did not have a batter hit over .300 in 2013.
- » The Shockers scored 138 more runs, smashed 26 more home runs, hit 11 more doubles and added seven more triples from the previous season.
- » Overall, the 2014 team established program single-season records for batting average, slugging percentage, on-base percentage, runs scored, hits, doubles, home runs, runs batted in and total bases.
- » Led Cacy Williams to an NFCA All-Midwest Region First Team selection in 2014 as well as MVC Player of the Year and Newcomer of the Year, becoming the first student-athlete in MVC history to receive both in the same year.
- » Williams broke the Wichita State single-season records for batting average (.424), slugging percentage (.812), on-base percentage (.531), total bases (138), runs scored (57), home runs (16) and RBIs (47).

ADDITIONAL COACHING EXPERIENCE

- » Served as assistant coach for the USSSA Florida Pride of the NPF as the team claimed the regular season championship, and the staff was recognized as Coaching Staff of the Year.
- » Began coaching career as a graduate assistant coach at Oklahoma in 2010 and 2011.
- » The Sooners won the Big 12 Tournament and advanced to the Women's College World Series in 2011.

PLAYING CAREER

- » Four-year letterwinner at Oklahoma (2006-09)
- » Closed her career as the school record holder in career home runs (48) and runs batted in (239) while ranking third in extra-base hits (97), total bases (444), slugging percentage (.645) and on-base percentage (.461).
- » Started 192 consecutive games and ended her career as the Big 12 career RBI leader.
- » Four-time All-Big 12 selection and two-time NFCA All-American.
- » Top 10 Finalist for the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award.
- » Top 3 Finalist for USA Softball's Collegiate Player of the Year Award in 2007, first in Oklahoma history.
- » Selected 12th overall by the Akron Racers in the 2009 NPF Draft.

ASSISTANT COACHES (CLICK NAMES TO VIEW BIOS)



OVERALL STATS



2025 Mississippi State Softball
Overall Statistics for Mississippi State (as of Feb 16, 2025)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)



Record: 9-1 Home: 5-0 Away: 0-0 Neutral: 4-1 SEC: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%
29 Sierra Sacco	.481	10-10	27	11	13	4	1	0	10	19	.704	10	0	3	0	.622	0	0	6-8	18	1	0	1.000
9 Kiarra Sells	.435	10-10	23	10	10	3	0	1	8	16	.696	8	4	1	0	.629	0	0	2-2	7	1	0	1.000
7 Lexi Sosa	.360	10-9	25	6	9	1	0	4	15	22	.880	5	0	3	1	.452	1	0	0-0	1	1	0	1.000
22 Jessie Blaine	.350	10-10	20	6	7	2	1	0	8	11	.550	10	0	3	0	.531	2	0	0-0	62	6	0	1.000
13 Morgan Bernardini	.346	10-10	26	6	9	1	0	0	3	10	.385	0	0	4	0	.333	1	0	1-1	7	0	0	1.000
10 Nadia Barbary	.273	10-10	33	9	9	1	0	1	3	13	.394	2	0	3	0	.314	0	0	1-1	8	15	4	.852
4 Riley Hull	.250	10-10	24	5	6	2	0	0	3	8	.333	3	0	3	0	.321	1	0	3-3	50	2	0	1.000
67 Kylee Edwards	.172	10-10	29	3	5	2	0	1	9	10	.345	2	0	4	1	.219	1	0	2-2	8	15	4	.852

12 Paige Ernstes	.714	5-1	7	2	5	1	0	1	3	9	1.286	0	0	1	0	.714	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
83 Xiane Romero	.200	7-3	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	0	0	1	0	.200	0	1	1-1	7	4	0	1.000
24 Morgan Stiles	.133	9-7	15	3	2	0	0	0	1	2	.133	1	0	2	0	.188	0	2	0-0	8	10	1	.947
42 Kalani Sells	.000	10-0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	1-1	6	0	0	1.000
74 Ella Wesolowski	.000	1-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
2 Abby G. Richardson	.000	2-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
1 Gretta Grassel	.000	7-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	.318	10	239	67	76	17	2	8	63	121	.506	41	4	31	2	.417	6	3	17-19	186	62	10	.961
Opponents	.234	10	239	29	56	11	1	2	24	75	.314	21	3	63	1	.304	0	5	6-7	171	59	9	.962

LOB - Team (56), Opp (54). DPs turned - Team (3), Opp (4).

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
25 Raelin Chaffin	1.29	6-0	6	5	4	1/0	0	32.2	25	9	6	8	32	7	0	0	.208	1	2	0	0	2
7 Lexi Sosa	3.60	2-0	3	1	0	0/0	0	11.2	15	6	6	2	13	2	0	0	.306	1	0	0	0	0
55 Josey Marron	5.12	1-1	4	4	0	0/0	0	13.2	13	13	10	10	14	2	0	2	.236	3	1	0	0	3

48 Delainey Everett	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	1	1.2	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	.167	0	0	0	0	0
20 Sara Phillips	3.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	2.1	2	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	.222	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	2.60	9-1	10	10	4	1/0	1	62.0	56	29	23	21	63	11	1	2	.234	5	3	0	0	5
Opponents	6.88	1-9	10	10	3	1/0	0	57.0	76	67	56	41	31	17	2	8	.318	5	4	0	6	3

PB - Team (2), J. Blaine 2, Opp (2). Pickoffs - Team (1), J. Blaine 1. SBA/ATT - J. Blaine (6-7), R. Chaffin (2-3), J. Marron (3-3), L. Sosa (1-1).



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GRETTA GRASSELFR. | OF | L/R | 5-7
BOSCOBEL, WISC.

2

ABBY GRACE RICHARDSONJR. | C/INF | R/R | 5-9
BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

4

RILEY HULLSR. | INF | L/R | 5-5
SOMERSET, KY.

7

LEXI SOSAGR. | P | R/R | 5-10
SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

9

KIARRA SELLSJR. | OF | R/R | 5-6
JASPER, TEXAS

10

NADIA BARBARYJR. | INF | R/R | 5-7
DOUGLASVILLE, GA.

11

ABIGAIL STEVENSFR. | P | R/R | 6-0
BRAXTON, MISS.

12

PAIGE ERNESTESFR. | C/INF | R/R | 5-6
NEW PALESTINE, IND.

13

MORGAN BERNARDINIJR. | OF | R/R | 5-6
ELKVILLE, ILL.

20

SARA PHILLIPSFR. | P | R/R | 5-10
TRUSSVILLE, ALA.

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JESSIE BLAINESR. | C/OF | R/R | 5-10
PIKE ROAD, ALA.

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MORGAN STILESFR. | INF | R/R | 5-7
ATHENS, ALA.

25

RAELIN CHAFFINSR. | P | R/R | 5-6
BOSSIER CITY, LA.

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SIERRA SACCOSR. | OF | L/R | 5-8
MARRERO, LA.

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TAYLOR TROUTMANFR. | OF | L/R | 5-10
HENDERSON, KY.

42

KALANI SELLSFR. | OF | R/R | 5-4
JASPER, TEXAS

43

HOSANNA LINDBLADESO. | P | R/R | 6-0
WALLER, TEXAS

48

DELAINEY EVERETTSO. | P | L/R | 5-5
OAKDALE, CALIF.

55

JOSEY MARRONJR. | P | R/R | 5-8
GRIMES, IOWA

67

KYLEE EDWARDSSO. | INF | R/R | 5-6
WALDRON, IND.

74

ELLA WESOLOWSKISO. | C/OF | R/R | 5-7
WILLIAMSVILLE, N.Y.

83

XIANE ROMEROFR. | INF | R/R | 5-4
LAKE ELSINORE, CALIF.

HC

SAMANTHA RICKETTSHEAD COACH | IN DUGOUT
6TH SEASON (11TH AT MSU)

AC

TYLER BRATTONASSOC. HEAD COACH | THIRD BASE
12TH SEASON

AC

TARYNE MOWATT-MCKINNEYASST. COACH | CALLS PITCHES
2ND SEASON

AC

ZAC SHAWASST. COACH | 1ST BASE
3RD SEASON

PD

ALYSSA LOZAPLAYER DEVELOPMENT COORD.
4TH SEASON

DO

JAMIE DESPORTEDIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
4TH SEASON

GA

MATALASI FAAPITOGRADUATE ASSISTANT
1ST SEASON