



32 ALL-AMERICAN HONORS | 19 NCAA REGIONAL APPEARANCES | 41 ALL-SEC HONORS

2026 SCHEDULE

<b>RECORD</b>	<b>24-2</b>
SEC:	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE:	24-2
HOME:	10-1
AWAY:	6-1
NEUTRAL:	8-0

DATE	OPPONENT	TV	TIME/RESULT
Feb. 5	at Baylor <sup>1</sup>	ESPN+	W, 10-0 (5)
Feb. 6	vs. Northwestern State <sup>1</sup>	ESPN+	W, 9-3
	vs. Wichita State <sup>1</sup>	ESPN+	W, 5-2 (8)
Feb. 7	vs. New Mexico <sup>1</sup>	ESPN+	W, 8-1
Feb. 10	<b>SOUTHERN MISS</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 5-0</b>
Feb. 13	<b>MURRAY STATE<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 9-1 (5)</b>
	<b>RUTGERS<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 8-0 (6)</b>
Feb. 14	<b>RUTGERS<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 7-2</b>
	<b>NORTH TEXAS<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 3-1</b>
Feb. 15	<b>NORTH TEXAS<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 10-2 (5)</b>
Feb. 18	<b>MEMPHIS</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 8-4</b>
Feb. 20	<b>BELMONT<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>L, 0-1</b>
	<b>SAMFORD<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 6-2</b>
Feb. 21	<b>BELMONT<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 4-1</b>
	<b>DELAWARE STATE<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>W, 19-1 (5)</b>
Feb. 22	<b>DELAWARE STATE<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>Canceled</b>
Feb. 25	at Georgia Tech	ACC Network Xtra	W, 8-3
Feb. 27	vs. Wofford <sup>4</sup>		W, 9-1 (6)
Feb. 28	vs. Georgia Southern <sup>4</sup>		W, 8-0 (5)
	at #25/RV Clemson <sup>4</sup>	ACC Network Xtra	L, 0-3
Mar. 1	at #25/RV Clemson <sup>4</sup>	ACC Network Xtra	W, 9-1 (6)
Mar. 4	at UAB	ESPN+	W, 6-1
Mar. 6	vs. New Mexico <sup>5</sup>		W, 1-0
	at South Alabama <sup>5</sup>	ESPN+	W, 3-1
Mar. 7	vs. New Mexico <sup>5</sup>		W, 4-0
	vs. Samford <sup>5</sup>		W, 9-1 (5)
Mar. 8	at South Alabama <sup>5</sup>	ESPN+	W, 4-2
Mar. 10	<b>SOUTHEAST MISSOURI</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
	<b>SOUTHEAST MISSOURI</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>5 p.m.</b>
Mar. 13	<b>#1/1 TENNESSEE*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
Mar. 14	<b>#1/1 TENNESSEE*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Mar. 15	<b>#1/1 TENNESSEE*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
Mar. 18	<b>UAB</b>	<b>SEC Network</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
Mar. 20	at #15/12 Georgia*	SEC Network	5 p.m.
Mar. 21	at #15/12 Georgia*	SEC Network+	1 p.m.
Mar. 22	at #15/12 Georgia*	SEC Network+	1 p.m.
Mar. 25	<b>UT MARTIN</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>5 p.m.</b>
Mar. 28	<b>#23/24 SOUTH CAROLINA*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Mar. 29	<b>#23/24 SOUTH CAROLINA*</b>	<b>SEC Network</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
Mar. 30	<b>#23/24 SOUTH CAROLINA*</b>	<b>SEC Network</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
Apr. 3	at #5/8 Florida*	SEC Network+	5 p.m.
Apr. 4	at #5/8 Florida*	SEC Network	10:30 a.m.
Apr. 5	at #5/8 Florida*	SEC Network+	12 p.m.
Apr. 10	<b>#7/9 ARKANSAS*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>5 p.m.</b>
Apr. 11	<b>#7/9 ARKANSAS*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Apr. 12	<b>#7/9 ARKANSAS*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
Apr. 17	at #14/15 Texas A&M*	SEC Network	7:30 p.m.
Apr. 18	at #14/15 Texas A&M*	SEC Network+	4 p.m.
Apr. 19	at #14/15 Texas A&M*	SEC Network+	1 p.m.
Apr. 24	<b>#17/16 LSU*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>5 p.m.</b>
Apr. 25	<b>#17/16 LSU*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Apr. 26	<b>#17/16 LSU*</b>	<b>SEC Network+</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
Apr. 30	at Ole Miss*	SEC Network+	6 p.m.
May 1	at Ole Miss*	SEC Network+	6 p.m.
May 2	at Ole Miss*	SEC Network	2 p.m.
May 5-9	SEC Tournament <sup>6</sup>	SEC Network	TBD

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

<sup>1</sup> Gettnerman Classic (Waco, Texas)  
<sup>2</sup> The Snowman: Alex Wilcox Memorial (Starkville, Miss.)  
<sup>3</sup> Bulldog Invitational (Starkville, Miss.)  
<sup>4</sup> Tiger Invitational (Clemson, S.C.)  
<sup>5</sup> Jaguar Invitational (Mobile, Ala.)  
<sup>6</sup> SEC Tournament (Athens, Ga.)

**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI (6-13, 0-0 OVC) AT 12/17 MISSISSIPPI STATE (24-2, 0-0 SEC)**

MARCH 10 | STARKVILLE, MISS. | NUSZ PARK



**HEAD COACH:** Samantha Ricketts  
**RECORD AT MSU:** 222-121 (7th Year)  
**CAREER RECORD:** 222-121 (7th Year)  
**STREAK:** Won 7  
**LAST 10 GAMES:** 9-1  
**RANKINGS:**  
 NFCA Coaches - 12 | USA Softball - 17  
 D1Softball - 13 | Softball America - 13



**HEAD COACH:** Mark Redbum  
**RECORD AT SEMO:** 299-243 (12th Year)  
**CAREER RECORD:** 392-426 (17th Year)  
**STREAK:** Won 2  
**LAST 10 GAMES:** 3-7  
**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
Mississippi State	.332	6.62	8.35	.580	.414	161	26-29	1.30	9.93	6.58	.153	.989
SE Missouri	.246	3.42	5.84	.326	.335	61	10-11	6.69	3.93	0.80	.347	.966

**TUESDAY, MARCH 10**  
**Southeast Missouri at Mississippi State | 3 p.m.**  
**TV:** SEC Network+  
 (Graham Doty and Cody Blaszczyk)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 10**  
**Southeast Missouri at Mississippi State | 5 p.m.**  
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**SERIES HISTORY**

**OVERALL:** 5-1 | **CURRENT STREAK:** Won 5 | **HOME:** 4-0 | **AWAY:** 0-0 | **NEUTRAL:** 1-1  
**LAST SERIES:** Mar. 7-8, 2020, MSU swept in Starkville, Miss. (G1: MSU, 2-0 | G2: MSU, 2-0)

**OPPONENT NOTABLES**

Southeast Missouri is coming off of a Monday doubleheader sweep at Western Illinois. The Redhawks' home series with Western Illinois saw Friday's game washed out and the series was moved to Marion, Illinois, on Monday to play the remaining games. They have yet to play a home game. Southeast Missouri won 4-3 and 14-2 on Monday. Madison Winkler has reached base safely in 26 games, dating back to 2025. She has a hit in 17 of the Redhawks' 19 games. Winkler and Kamden Hutton have combined for 36 percent of the team's hits this year. Winkler and Brooklyn Saysoff were All-OVC selections last spring.

**LEADING OFF**

**RECORD RANKINGS:** The Bulldogs are No. 9 in the first NCAA RPI release of the season. That is MSU's highest mark in the RPI in program history. Previously, State had climbed as high as No. 19 in the final selection rankings of 2008. State is No. 10 in the first KPI release of the year.

**COMMANDING NON-CONFERENCE:** State has the opportunity to post its best record entering conference play in program history this season. The Bulldogs are currently 24-2 (.923), which would be their best mark, but could open SEC play with a 26-2 (.929) record with two wins on Tuesday. The previous record was posted in 2014 when MSU was 19-2 (.905).

**SWING AND MISS:** Mississippi State leads the nation in strikeouts (237) and strikeouts looking (54). **Alyssa Faircloth** is a big reason why. She entered the season with one career double-digit strikeout game and now boasts four this year. Faircloth ranks second nationally in strikeouts per seven innings (12.69) and fourth in total strikeouts (107).

**KI IS KEY:** **Kiarra Sells** has an extra-base hit in 12 of the last 14 games with eight doubles and six homers in that span. She already boasts double-digit home runs for the second year in a row.

**OFFENSIVE PACE:** This year's current batting average (.332), slugging percentage (.580) and on-base percentage (.414) would all be school records. State is on pace for a school-record 98 doubles and 77 home runs in the regular season alone.

**GOING GRAND:** **Nadia Barbary** tied the MSU career grand slams record with her third against Samford on Saturday in Mobile.

**SACRIFICIAL SWINGS:** The Bulldogs have 17 sacrifice flies this year, already tied for third in program history. MSU hit a school-record 21 in each of the past two seasons.

**HOW YOU RESPOND:** MSU has returned the favor for its two losses, winning against the same squad the following days. The Bulldogs largest deficit so far this season was just three runs in the 3-0 loss at Clemson.

**DAWGS' DEPTH:** Depth is a hallmark of State this year. A dozen Bulldogs have hit a home run, and seven different players have rotated through the outfield. In the circle, MSU has used three different starters with no pitcher throwing more than 37 percent of the team's innings.

**PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP**

#	NAME	POS.	YR.	B/T	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	OBP
24	Morgan Stiles	SS	So.	R/R	.375	80	22	30	4	0	2	10	40	.500	.474
10	Nadia Barbary	3B	Sr.	R/R	.313	80	19	25	4	0	7	25	50	.625	.387
9	Kiarra Sells	RF	Sr.	R/R	.467	75	28	35	9	0	10	24	74	.987	.539
13	Morgan Bernardini	LF	Sr.	R/R	.328	64	7	21	5	1	2	20	34	.531	.366
23	Des Rivera	C	Sr.	R/R	.333	51	9	17	4	0	3	12	30	.588	.362
11	Abigail Stevens	DP	R-Fr.	R/R	.385	13	2	5	3	0	1	4	11	.846	.429
83	Xiane Romero	2B	So.	R/R	.185	27	7	5	2	1	1	4	12	.444	.290
22	Tatum Silva	CF	Jr.	L/L	.400	20	8	8	0	0	0	6	8	.400	.440
2	Abby Grace Richardson	1B	Sr.	R/R	.254	59	16	15	6	0	5	18	36	.610	.343

#	PITCHERS	R/L	YR.	ERA	W-L	G-S	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	B/AVG
17	Leila Ammon	RHP	So.	0.69	6-0	10-8	1	0	40.1	20	5	4	4	46	.145
3	Peja Gootd	RHP	Sr.	0.80	10-1	15-9	6	2	61.0	28	9	7	13	82	.133
4	Alyssa Faircloth	LHP	Jr.	1.90	7-1	15-9	4	3	59.0	33	16	16	13	107	.162

**LAST 10 GAMES (9-1)**

HITTING LEADERS	AVG	AB	R	H	XBH	RBI
<b>TEAM</b>	<b>.314</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>50</b>
Kiarra Sells	.516	31	10	16	9	10
Kinley Keller	.500	8	3	4	1	3
Tatum Silva	.417	12	4	5	0	3
Abigail Stevens	.400	10	1	4	3	3
Morgan Bernardini	.333	27	2	9	2	5
Gabby Schaeffer	.333	6	4	2	1	1
Nadia Barbary	.323	31	8	10	5	12
Des Rivera	.320	25	3	8	3	2

PITCHING LEADERS	ERA	IP	H	R	SO	BB
<b>TEAM</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>10</b>
Leila Ammon	0.40	17.1	12	2	19	0
Peja Gootd	1.11	25.1	15	4	34	3
Alyssa Faircloth	1.50	18.2	7	4	34	6

**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](http://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](http://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 204-82 in Nusz Park (.713).
- » 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
<b>2,299</b>	<b>May 28, 2022</b>	<b>Arizona</b>	<b>L, 1-7</b>
<b>2,209</b>	<b>May 27, 2022</b>	<b>Arizona</b>	<b>L, 2-3</b>
<b>1,903</b>	<b>March 8, 2025</b>	<b>Auburn</b>	<b>W, 5-4</b>
<b>1,870</b>	<b>May 3, 2025</b>	<b>Ole Miss</b>	<b>L, 4-6</b>
1,612	April 16, 2016	LSU	L, 2-5 (12)
1,577	April 12, 2014	Alabama	W, 4-2
<b>1,572</b>	<b>April 13, 2024</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>L, 1-6</b>
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
<b>1,439</b>	<b>April 14, 2024</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>L, 3-7</b>
1,427	April 15, 2023	Alabama	L, 0-6
1,413	April 8, 2017	South Carolina	W, 6-4

Bold denotes a ticketed game

**QUICK FACTS**

**UNIVERSITY**

Location	Starkville, Miss. (Pop. 25,342)
Founded	1878
Enrollment	23,563
Nickname	Bulldogs
Colors	Maroon and White
Mascot	Bully
Shortened	MSU or State
Conference	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	573-280 (.672)

**COACHING STAFF**

Head Coach	Samantha Ricketts
Alma Mater	Oklahoma, 2005
MSU Record	222-121 (7th Year, 12th at MSU)
MSU SEC Record	50-68 (7th Year)
Career Record	222-121 (7th Year)
Career SEC Record	50-68 (7th Year)
Associate Head Coach	Tyler Bratton (13th Year)
Assistant Coach	Taryne Mowatt-McKinney (3rd Year)
Assistant Coach	Zac Shaw (4th Year)
Player Development Coordinator	Alyssa Loza (5th Year)
Director of Operations	Jamie Desporte (5th Year)
Certified Athletic Trainer	Macy Simoneaux (8th Year)
Strength Coach	Marci Hoppa (3rd Year; 8th at MSU)
Athletic Academics Counselor	Lindsay Race
Sport Administrators	Maryann Baker / Maya Bulger

**TEAM INFORMATION**

2025 Record	39-19
2025 SEC Record / Finish	13-11 / 8th
Final Rankings (NFCA / USA / D1 / SA)	21 / 23 / 25 / 22
Letterwinners Returning / Lost	13 / 9
Position Starters Returning / Lost	4 / 5
Pitchers Returning / Lost	3 / 4
Newcomers	12

**PROGRAM HISTORY**

Program Years	1982-86, 1997-present
Overall Record (35th season)	1,086-798 (.576)
Overall SEC Record (30th season*)	307-434 (.414)
SEC Tournament Appearances	23
SEC Tournament Record	15-31 (.326)
NCAA Tournament Appearances	19
NCAA Tournament Record	25-39 (.391)
NFCA All-American Selections	18
Easton All-American Selections	7
D1 Softball All-American Selections	3
Softball America All-American Selections	4
NFCA All-Region Selections	59
All-SEC Selections	41
Freshman All-SEC / All-Newcomer Selections	15
SEC All-Defense Selections	3
NFCA All-America Scholar-Athletes	175
CoSIDA Academic All-American Selections	11



2026 BULLDOG ROSTER

NUMERICAL

#	NAME	POS.	B/T	HT.	YR.	EXP.	HOMETOWN / HS / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
1	Gretta Grassel	OF	L/R	5-7	So.	1L	Boscobel, Wis. / Boscobel HS
2	Abby Grace Richardson	UTL	R/R	5-9	Sr.	1L	Brookhaven, Miss. / Brookhaven Academy / Copiah-Lincoln CC
3	Peja Goold	P	R/R	5-7	Sr.	TR	Stockton, Calif. / Lincoln HS / Chattanooga
4	Alyssa Faircloth	P	L/L	6-0	Jr.	TR	Northport, Ala. / Tuscaloosa County HS / Troy
5	Ally Supan	UTL	R/R	5-4	Fr.	HS	Phenix City, Ala. / Central HS
6	Carson Smith	INF	R/R	5-0	Fr.	HS	Mendenhall, Miss. / Hartfield Academy
7	Gabby Schaeffer	INF	R/R	5-7	Fr.	HS	Monroe, N.Y. / Monroe-Woodbury HS
9	Kiarra Sells	OF	R/R	5-6	Sr.	3L	Jasper, Texas / Jasper HS
10	Nadia Barbary	INF	R/R	5-7	Sr.	3L	Douglasville, Ga. / Chapel Hill HS
11	Abigail Stevens	P	R/R	6-0	R-Fr.	RS	Braxton, Miss. / East Rankin Academy
12	Paige Ernestes	C/INF	R/R	5-6	So.	1L	New Palestine, Ind. / New Palestine HS
13	Morgan Bernardini	OF	R/R	5-6	Sr.	3L	Elkville, Ill. / Elverado HS
17	Leila Ammon	P	R/R	5-11	So.	TR	Gulf Breeze, Fla. / Gulf Breeze HS / Middle Tennessee
19	Anna Carder	C	L/R	5-5	Sr.	TR	Athens, Ala. / Athens HS / Southern Illinois
20	Sara Phillips	P	R/R	5-10	So.	1L	Trussville, Ala. / Hewitt-Trussville HS
21	Brinkley Moreton	P	R/R	5-7	Fr.	HS	Summers, Ark. / Lincoln HS
22	Tatum Silva	OF	L/L	5-6	Jr.	TR	Rescue, Calif. / Ponderosa HS / Utah State
23	Des Rivera	C	R/R	5-6	Sr.	TR	Chino, Calif. / Bishop Amat Memorial HS / Oregon State / Iowa
24	Morgan Stiles	INF	R/R	5-7	So.	1L	Athens, Ala. / Athens HS
31	Sydney Carroll	UTL	R/R	6-2	Fr.	HS	Chelsea, Ala. / Chelsea HS
33	Kinley Keller	OF	R/R	5-9	Fr.	HS	New Braunfels, Texas / Davenport HS
41	Taylor Troutman	INF	L/R	5-10	R-Fr.	RS	Henderson, Ky. / Henderson County HS
42	Kalani Sells	OF	R/R	5-4	So.	1L	Jasper, Texas / Jasper HS
48	Delainey Everett	P	L/L	5-5	Jr.	2L	Oakdale, Calif. / Oakdale HS
83	Xiane Romero	INF	R/R	5-4	So.	1L	Lake Elsinore, Calif. / Temescal Canyon HS

ALPHABETICAL

#	NAME	POS.	B/T	HT.	YR.	EXP.	HOMETOWN / HS / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
17	Leila Ammon	P	R/R	5-11	So.	TR	Gulf Breeze, Fla. / Gulf Breeze HS / Middle Tennessee
10	Nadia Barbary	INF	R/R	5-7	Sr.	3L	Douglasville, Ga. / Chapel Hill HS
13	Morgan Bernardini	OF	R/R	5-6	Sr.	3L	Elkville, Ill. / Elverado HS
19	Anna Carder	C	L/R	5-5	Sr.	TR	Athens, Ala. / Athens HS / Southern Illinois
31	Sydney Carroll	UTL	R/R	6-2	Fr.	HS	Chelsea, Ala. / Chelsea HS
12	Paige Ernestes	C/INF	R/R	5-6	So.	1L	New Palestine, Ind. / New Palestine HS
48	Delainey Everett	P	L/L	5-5	Jr.	2L	Oakdale, Calif. / Oakdale HS
4	Alyssa Faircloth	P	L/L	6-0	Jr.	TR	Northport, Ala. / Tuscaloosa County HS / Troy
3	Peja Goold	P	R/R	5-7	Sr.	TR	Stockton, Calif. / Lincoln HS / Chattanooga
1	Gretta Grassel	OF	L/R	5-7	So.	1L	Boscobel, Wis. / Boscobel HS
33	Kinley Keller	OF	R/R	5-9	Fr.	HS	New Braunfels, Texas / Davenport HS
21	Brinkley Moreton	P	R/R	5-7	Fr.	HS	Summers, Ark. / Lincoln HS
20	Sara Phillips	P	R/R	5-10	So.	1L	Trussville, Ala. / Hewitt-Trussville HS
2	Abby Grace Richardson	UTL	R/R	5-9	Sr.	1L	Brookhaven, Miss. / Brookhaven Academy / Copiah-Lincoln CC
23	Des Rivera	C	R/R	5-6	Sr.	TR	Chino, Calif. / Bishop Amat Memorial HS / Oregon State / Iowa
83	Xiane Romero	INF	R/R	5-4	So.	1L	Lake Elsinore, Calif. / Temescal Canyon HS
7	Gabby Schaeffer	INF	R/R	5-7	Fr.	HS	Monroe, N.Y. / Monroe-Woodbury HS
42	Kalani Sells	OF	R/R	5-4	So.	1L	Jasper, Texas / Jasper HS
9	Kiarra Sells	OF	R/R	5-6	Sr.	3L	Jasper, Texas / Jasper HS
22	Tatum Silva	OF	L/L	5-6	Jr.	TR	Rescue, Calif. / Ponderosa HS / Utah State
6	Carson Smith	INF	R/R	5-0	Fr.	HS	Mendenhall, Miss. / Hartfield Academy
11	Abigail Stevens	P	R/R	6-0	R-Fr.	RS	Braxton, Miss. / East Rankin Academy
24	Morgan Stiles	INF	R/R	5-7	So.	1L	Athens, Ala. / Athens HS
5	Ally Supan	UTL	R/R	5-4	Fr.	HS	Phenix City, Ala. / Central HS
41	Taylor Troutman	INF	L/R	5-10	R-Fr.	RS	Henderson, Ky. / Henderson County HS

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Samantha Ricketts, Seventh season (12th at MSU)  
 Associate Head Coach: Tyler Bratton, 13th season  
 Assistant Coach: Taryne Mowatt-McKinney, Third season  
 Assistant Coach: Zac Shaw, Fourth season  
 Director of Operations: Jamie Desporte, Fifth season  
 Player Development Coordinator: Alyssa Loza, Fifth season  
 Graduate Assistant: Matalasi Faapito, Second season  
 Graduate Manager: Sierra Sacco, First season  
 Graduate Manager: Lexi Sosa, First season

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

BY CLASS

Seniors (7): Nadia Barbary, Morgan Bernardini, Anna Carder, Peja Goold, Abby Grace Richardson, Des Rivera, Kiarra Sells  
 Juniors (3): Delainey Everett, Alyssa Faircloth, Tatum Silva  
 Sophomores (7): Leila Ammon, Paige Ernestes, Gretta Grassel, Sara Phillips, Xiane Romero, Kalani Sells, Morgan Stiles  
 RS Freshmen (2): Abigail Stevens, Taylor Troutman  
 Freshmen (6): Sydney Carroll, Kinley Keller, Brinkley Moreton, Gabby Schaeffer, Carson Smith, Ally Supan

RETURNERS (13)

Nadia Barbary, Morgan Bernardini, Paige Ernestes, Delainey Everett, Gretta Grassel, Sara Phillips, Abby Grace Richardson, Xiane Romero, Kalani Sells, Kiarra Sells, Abigail Stevens, Morgan Stiles, Taylor Troutman

NEWCOMERS (12)

Leila Ammon, Anna Carder, Sydney Carroll, Alyssa Faircloth, Peja Goold, Kinley Keller, Brinkley Moreton, Des Rivera, Gabby Schaeffer, Tatum Silva, Carson Smith, Ally Supan

BY HOME STATE

Alabama (6): Anna Carder, Sydney Carroll, Alyssa Faircloth, Sara Phillips, Morgan Stiles, Ally Supan  
 California (5): Delainey Everett, Peja Goold, Des Rivera, Xiane Romero  
 Mississippi (3): Abby Grace Richardson, Carson Smith, Abigail Stevens  
 Texas (3): Kinley Keller, Kiarra Sells, Kalani Sells, Tatum Silva  
 Arkansas (1): Brinkley Moreton  
 Florida (1): Leila Ammon  
 Georgia (1): Nadia Barbary  
 Illinois (1): Morgan Bernardini  
 Indiana (1): Paige Ernestes  
 Kentucky (1): Taylor Troutman  
 New York (1): Gabby Schaeffer  
 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

Leila Ammon ay-men (like Amos but end with N)  
 Nadia Barbary bar-buh-ree  
 Morgan Bernardini burn-uh-dee-nee  
 Paige Ernestes earn-stess  
 Delainey Everett de-lainey  
 Peja Goold p-Asia (Asia with a P in front of it) ghoul-d  
 Xiane Romero zie-ann (sigh with a Z)  
 Gabby Schaeffer shay-fur  
 Ally Supan soo-pan

Jamie Desporte des-sport  
 Matalasi Faapito mah-TAH-lah-see fah-AH-pee-toh  
 Taryne Mowatt-McKinney mow-it (like you mow your lawn)  
 Sierra Sacco sack-OH

**BULLDOGS BY THE NUMBERS**

**9**

**INITIAL RPI:** Mississippi State checked in at No. 9 in this season's first RPI released by the NCAA on March 9. That is State's highest mark in program history. Previously, MSU was No. 19 in 2008.

**237**

**DOWN ON STRIKES:** Mississippi State leads the nation with 237 strikeouts and 54 batters struck out lookin this season.

**5**

**MAGIC NUMBER:** The Bulldogs have scored five or more runs in 99 of State's 124 wins (79.8 percent) since 2023, and they are 169-20 under Samantha Ricketts when scoring at least five.

**TEAM NOTES**

**QUICK HITS**

- » Mississippi State's team batting average (.314), slugging percentage (.534) and on-base percentage (.407) ranked second in single-season school history, and all three were within 10 points of the existing record. This year's current marks would all break the program record.
- » **Nadia Barbary** ranks ninth in school history with 39 career doubles, which is tied for fifth among active SEC players.
- » State's .989 fielding percentage ranks second in the nation, and the Bulldogs are averaging 0.27 errors per game.

**PITCHING POINTS**

- » Mississippi State leads the nation in strikeouts (237), strikeouts looking (54) and strikeout-to-walk ratio (6.58).
- » Since the start of 2025, **Peja Goold** has struck out five or more batters in 34 appearances, earning the win in 30 in those games.
- » **Alyssa Faircloth's** 14 strikeouts vs. New Mexico (Feb. 7) and at South Alabama (Mar. 6) were a career high and fourth-most in a game in MSU history.
- » Faircloth entered the season with one career double-digit strikeout game and now boasts four this year. She ranks second nationally in strikeouts per seven innings (12.69), fourth in total strikeouts (107), fourth in whiff rate (42.7 percent) and leads the nation in called strike plus whiff rate with a strike on 41.9 percent of her pitches.
- » The Bulldogs are one of two teams with multiple pitchers among the top 10 nationally in fielding independent pitching. Faircloth and **Leila Ammon** are fourth (0.89) while Goold is sixth (0.90). Alabama has two.
- » As a team, State's whiff rate (37.0 percent) and called strike plus whiff rate (37.0 percent) lead the nation. MSU is second in fielding independent pitching (1.18) behind only Alabama.
- » The Bulldogs are one of four teams nationally allowing 1.40 runs per game or fewer along with No. 1/1 Tennessee, No. 2/2 Texas Tech and No. 4/6 Alabama.

**STRONG START**

- » State has the opportunity to post its best record entering conference play in program history this season. The Bulldogs are currently 24-2 (.923), which would be their best mark, but could open SEC play with a 26-2 (.929) record with two wins on Tuesday.
- » At worst, MSU will enter league play with an .857 winning percentage, which would be seventh in program history.
- » The Bulldogs' 18-2 start was tied with the 2006 season for the second-best 20-game start in school history. MSU was 19-1 in 2014.
- » MSU set a program record with 17 wins in the month of February.
- » The Bulldogs posted just the fifth season-opening 10-game win streak in school history. MSU won its first 11 games, and the program has just seven longer winning streaks at any point in its history.

**BEST RECORDS ENTERING SEC PLAY IN PROGRAM HISTORY**

WIN PCT.	RECORD	YEAR	FINISH	(SEC)
1. .923	24-2	2026	24-2	(0-0)
2. .905	19-2	2014	39-21	(10-14)
3. .893	25-3	2020	25-3	(0-0)*
4. .880	22-3	2018	38-23	(7-17)
5. .864	19-3	2025	39-13	(13-11)
.864	19-3	2017	36-22	(10-14)

**HIGH WATER MARK**

- » Mississippi State checked in at No. 12 in last week's NFCA Coaches' Poll, which is its highest ranking in that poll in program history. In Week 3, the team set a new record at No. 12 as well.
- » Prior to this year, the Bulldogs had climbed as high as No. 15 in 2008.
- » The Bulldogs also achieved their highest rank in the D1Softball poll last week at No. 13.
- » State's highest ranking in any poll was at No. 11 in the Softball America poll in 2024.
- » The Bulldogs are No. 9 in the first NCAA RPI release of the season. That is MSU's highest mark in the RPI in program history. Previously, State had climbed as high as No. 19 in the final selection rankings of 2008.
- » State is No. 10 in the first KPI release of the year.

**DOUBLE DAWGS**

- » MSU has hit a double in all but three games and already boasts 47.
- » The Bulldogs matched their season high with four two-baggers against Samford (Feb. 20) before breaking it with five against Delaware State (Feb. 21), which stands second in school history.
- » Last year, State broke the school record with 90 doubles in a season. This year, the Bulldogs are on pace for 98 in the regular season alone.

**TAKING DOWN TOP TEAMS**

- » **Samantha Ricketts** broke the program record for career ranked wins by a head coach in 2025. Twenty-six of her 46 ranked wins (56.5 percent) have come since the start of the 2024 season.
- » The Bulldogs defeated then-No. 1 Texas on March 28, their first win over a No. 1 since 2015 and only their third in program history.
- » State has 17 top-five wins in school history, and Ricketts has led the Bulldogs to five of those victories.

**MSU HEAD COACHES' CAREER NFCA-RANKED WINS**

	2020-p	46
1. <b>Samantha Ricketts</b>	2020-19	46
2. Vann Stuedeman	2012-19	44
3. Jay Miller	2003-11	35
4. Kathy Arendsen	1997-02	21

**BARBARY'S BAT**

- » **Nadia Barbary** earned her first career All-SEC honors on the Second Team last year and picked up All-Defensive Team recognition at third.
- » Barbary posted single-season career highs in hits (65), homers (11), RBIs (46) and total bases (113). Her slugging percentage was 147 points higher than it has been in any prior season of her career.
- » This year, she leads the team in RBIs (25) and two-out batting average (.450, 9-for-20), and she is third in two-out RBIs (6).

**IT STARTS WITH STILES**

- » **Morgan Stiles** has solidified the leadoff spot in the order, reaching base safely in all but one game this year.
- » She has reached to open the MSU half of the first inning in 17 of 24 games and in 21 of 34 total innings she's led off (61.8 percent).
- » Stiles has scored in the first inning 11 times this year, accounting for nearly a third of State's runs in that frame as the Bulldogs outscore opponents 35-4 in the first.

1ST INN. ONLY	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	AVG	SLG	OBP
Morgan Stiles	22	11	10	2	0	1	1	.455	.682	.571

**CALL THE BOMB SQUAD**

- » MSU has homered in 17 of 25 games this season and scored 69 of its 172 runs via the long ball (40.1 percent).
- » State scored 139 runs off homers in 2025. That amounted to 37.6 percent of State's scoring last season and 41.0 percent of its RBIs.
- » The Bulldogs broke the school record with six grand slams last spring.
- » Eight of nine regular starters hit a home run last year, and four players reached double-digits for the first time in school history.
- » A school-record 12 different players have already homered this season, and MSU has had at least 10 home run hitters in each of the last four seasons.

**THE #RICKETTSEFFECT**

- » Since Ricketts arrived in 2015, the Bulldogs have broken the school record for home runs five times, and each of the top seven marks in school history have come under her watch.
- » Last year's team again shattered the single-season record with 74 homers, and Ricketts has been on staff for all four 70-homer seasons in school history.
- » The Bulldogs are currently on pace for 77 home runs in the regular season alone this year.
- » Under Ricketts, State has homered in 56.2 percent of its games (354 of 630) and gone 263-90 in such contests.

**RUNNING IT UP**

- » State has 38 run-rule victories since the start of 2024, and the past two seasons rank first and second in program history for most in a year. MSU has nine run-rule wins so far this season.
- » The Bulldogs' 19-1 win over Delaware State (Feb. 21) saw them score the most runs since a 19-14 win at Middle Tennessee (Mar. 30, 2022).
- » The 18-run margin of victory is second only to a 23-0 win over Cal State Fullerton on Feb. 9, 2012, for the largest victory margin in school history.

**MSU SINGLE-SEASON RUN-RULE VICTORIES**

1.	15	2024
2.	14	2025
3.	13	2008

**DEVELOPING DAWGS**

- » **Morgan Bernardini** and **Kiarra Sells** had less than 25 career at-bats combined entering their junior year, but developed into key roles in 2025 with Sells earning all-region honors.
- » This season, **Abby Grace Richardson** has been the early breakout performer. A junior college transfer, Richardson had just six at-bats last year and collected one hit, a triple.
- » So far this year, she is third on the team in slugging percentage (.610) with 11 of her 15 hits going for extra bases. She is fourth on the team with 18 RBIs.

BERNARDINI	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	AVG	SLG	OBP
2023-24	13	5	2	0	0	0	0	.154	.154	.389
2025-26	214	33	65	14	1	6	53	.304	.463	.343

KI. SELLS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	AVG	SLG	OBP
2023-24	10	17	0	0	0	0	1	.000	.000	.353
2025-26	220	68	82	17	0	21	62	.373	.736	.484

RICHARDSON	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	AVG	SLG	OBP
2025	6	7	1	0	1	0	0	.167	.500	.375
2026	59	16	15	6	0	5	18	.246	.610	.343

**DEFENSIVE DETAILS**

- » MSU's .971 team fielding percentage in 2025 was its highest since 2014 (.976) and third-highest in program history.
- » This year, State boasts a .989 fielding percentage that ranks second nationally.
- » **Kiarra Sells** recorded five outfield assists in 2025, which was tied for the 10th-most in a season in MSU history, and she is tied for 11th in MSU career history (5).
- » Only seven players in program history have recorded double-digit outfield assists in their career.
- » Sells boasted the fifth-highest Wins Above Replacement (WAR) among SEC right fielders a year ago (3.64).
- » **Nadia Barbary** ranked third among SEC third basemen in Defensive Runs Saved last year (12.09). She was one of only 13 third basemen across the nation to post a DRS greater than 12.00.
- » Barbary is second in MSU career history among third basemen with at least 250 chances at the position with a .946 career fielding percentage and only 20 errors at the hot corner.
- » She was tabbed the No. 9 player in the nation at her position by both D1Softball and Softball America in their preseason rankings.
- » Barbary and **Morgan Stiles** were jointly named Softball America's Defender of the Week (Feb. 24).

**MSU THIRD BASEMAN CAREER FLD% (MIN. 250 CHANCES)**

NAME	YEARS	PO	A	E	DP	PCT.
1. Jessie Bailey	2007-10	207	423	25	25	.962
2. <b>Nadia Barbary</b>	2023-pr.	115	238	20	10	.946
3. Caroline Seitz	2014-17	229	461	41	24	.944
4. Tanelda McDonald	2002-05	131	328	30	10	.939
5. Montana Davidson	2017-22	121	179	28	11	.915

TEAM NOTES

DEEP DIVE BEHIND THE DISH

- » Bulldog catchers are back to controlling the running game in 2026.
- » Last year, MSU dominated opposing team's runners, combining to pick off a school-record and nation-leading eight runners. No other SEC team had more than three.
- » MSU has already picked one off this season.

2025 POWER FOUR PICKOFF LEADERS

1. Mississippi St. 8
2. Oregon 4  
Baylor 4
4. Northwestern 3

SHARING THE LOAD

- » Mississippi State's bullpen now features three arms that threw more than 120.0 innings last spring.
- » Last year, only Raelin Chaffin, who went on to a professional career in the AUSL, reached the 120.0-inning mark for State.
- » State's seven arms boast a combined 881.0 career innings and tossed 577.1 combined innings last year, which leads the SEC.

SEC TEAM LEADERS

CAREER IP ON 2026 ROSTER	2025 IP ON 2026 ROSTER
1. Florida 1,033.1	1. Mississippi State 577.1
2. Kentucky 994.1	2. Florida 510.2
3. South Carolina 962.0	3. Kentucky 454.2
4. Ole Miss 959.1	4. South Carolina 453.2
5. Mississippi State 881.0	5. Georgia 426.1

PHENOMENAL FIRSTS

- » Three Bulldogs have seen their first career hit leave the yard for their first career home run as well this season: **Taylor Troutman** (Feb. 6), **Kalani Sells** (Feb. 13) and **Abigail Stevens** (Feb. 21).
- » Additionally, three more players' first career hit went for extra bases as **Gabby Schaeffer** (Feb. 10), **Kinley Keller** (Feb. 13) and **Carson Smith** (Feb. 21) all doubled.
- » Keller and Schaeffer later joined the home run club as well.
- » **Gretta Grassel** (Feb. 21) is the only player this year whose first career hit was a single, but even she still drove in a run with hers.

THE TARYNE TREATMENT

- » In three seasons under pitching coach **Taryne Mowatt-McKinney**, the Bulldogs have thrown 55 complete games. State totaled 28 over the three seasons prior to her hiring (2021-23).
- » 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).
- » 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.

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 11 comeback victories after trailing by five or more runs, and Ricketts has led six of those.

SEC COACHES' 5+ RUN COMEBACK WINS AT CURRENT SCHOOL

1. Patty Gasso	Oklahoma	8
2. <b>Samantha Ricketts</b>	<b>Mississippi State</b>	<b>6</b>
Larissa Anderson	Missouri	6
4. Patrick Murphy	Alabama	5
Rachel Lawson	Kentucky	5
Jamie Trachsel	Ole Miss	5

HISTORIC SEC SEASON

- » Mississippi State finished above .500 in conference play (13-11) for the first time since 2001 (19-11).
- » The 13 wins were State's highest total since going 13-14 in 2008, and MSU won five series for the first time since 2007.
- » Last year marked the first time State finished with a .500 record in league play since going 14-14 in 2007, and the Bulldogs won three road series for the first time since the SEC switched to the current 24-game schedule in 2013.

DAWG DAYS OF DOUBLEHEADERS

- » Mississippi State played doubleheaders in five SEC series, which tied the SEC record for conference doubleheaders in a single season since the league switched to the current 8-series, 24-game schedule format in 2013.

MOST DOUBLEHEADERS IN SEC PLAY SINCE 2013

1. 5	Mississippi State	2025
5	LSU	2021
2. 4	Missouri	2023
4	Alabama	2015

SPREADING THE NUSZ

- » Since the start of 2024, the Bulldogs are 50-15 at home while outscoring opponents, 467-185, in those games.
- » In its 2025 SEC home opener, MSU set a regular-season attendance record with 1,903 fans in attendance for a victory over then-No. 18 Auburn.
- » State closed 2025 with the second-largest regular-season crowd on record with 1,870 fans on May 3 against then-No. 17 Ole Miss.

OUR STATE

- » The Bulldogs are 31-6 against teams from the state of Mississippi under **Samantha Ricketts**, while outscoring in-state foes, 266-84.
- » State has won three consecutive series with rival Ole Miss.
- » This year's meeting was the first time in series history that both teams were ranked in the NFCA poll when they meet on the field. State won the series with a walk-off homer in Game 1 and a shutout in Game 2.
- » 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.

BULLDOG BICENTENNIAL

- » **Samantha Ricketts** became the fastest Bulldog softball head coach to win 200 career games at State in the win over Northwestern State on Feb. 6, needing just 319 games.
- » She is just the 14th Mississippi State head coach in any team sport to win 200 career games in Maroon and White and the seventh-fastest.
- » Ricketts already was the fastest in MSU softball history to 100 wins, needing just 155 contests.

MSU COACHES' GAMES NEEDED TO WIN 200 (ALL SPORTS)

NAME	200TH WIN	YEARS	CAREER
1. Vic Schaeffer (WBK)	256	2012-20	221-62
2. Matt Roberts (MT)	281	2015-pr.	220-85
3. Ron Polk (BB)	288	1976-97, 02-08	1139-590-2
4. Andy Jackson (MT)	290	1988-00	220-106
5. Chris Lemonis (BB)	311	2019-25	268-158
Rick Stansbury (MBK)	311	1998-11	293-166
7. <b>Samantha Ricketts (SB)</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>2020-pr.</b>	<b>200-119</b>
8. C.R. "Dudy" Noble (BB)	331	1920-43, 46-47	263-200-9
9. Paul E. Gregory (BB)	333	1957-74	328-200-2
10. Vann Stuedeman (SB)	335	2012-19	276-189
11. Kathy Arendsen (SB)	339	1997-02	219-161
12. John Cohen (BB)	346	2009-16	284-203-1
13. Jay Miller (SB)	351	2003-11	295-253
14. Sharon Fanning-Otis (WBK)	558	1995-11	281-232

#STATETOTHESHOW

- » **Sierra Sacco** and Raelin Chaffin both received Golden Tickets into the 2025 AUSL College Draft. MSU was one of two teams nationally with multiple draftees.
- » They were teammates together on the Talons, winning the inaugural AUSL Championship. This season, Sacco was taken in the Expansion Draft by the Portland Cascade, and Bulldog legend Mia Davidson was chosen by the same franchise in the Allocation Draft as a free agent.
- » MSU now boasts 28 professional players in its history. Of those, 16 were coached by Ricketts for at least one season at MSU.
- » Nine Bulldogs have gone on to pro careers in the six years since she was named the program's head coach, and at least one player has signed a professional contract in each of the last five seasons.

AWARDS AND HONORS

SEC FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK

Kinley Keller - Feb. 16

SOFTBALL AMERICA STARS OF THE WEEK

Nadia Barbary & Morgan Stiles (Defender) - Feb. 24

D1SOFTBALL POSITION RANKINGS

Nadia Barbary - Third Base  
(No. 9 - Pre)

SOFTBALL AMERICA POSITION RANKINGS

Nadia Barbary - Third Base

(No. 9 - Pre)

Peja Goold - Pitcher

(No. 8 - March)

Kiarra Sells - Outfield

(No. 11 - March)

Morgan Stiles - Shortstop

(No. 10 - March)

D1SOFTBALL PRESEASON D100

Peja Goold (No. 98)

SOFTBALL AMERICA PRESEASON TOP 100

Peja Goold (No. 91)

D1SOFTBALL D100 FRESHMEN TO WATCH

Kinley Keller

SOFTBALL AMERICA FRESHMAN WATCH LIST

Kinley Keller

Brinkley Moreton

Gabby Schaeffer

TEAM USA MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM

Zac Shaw (assistant coach)

TEAM USA WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM

Sierra Sacco (student coach)

#STATETOTHELEAGUE

- » 28 Mississippi State student-athletes have gone on to play professionally. Of those, 15 have been selected in a professional draft.
- » Samantha Ricketts has coached 16 pros and nine draftees while at MSU.
- » Three former Bulldogs will be active in the professional ranks in the summer of 2026:  
Mia Davidson - Portland Cascade  
Sierra Sacco - Portland Cascade  
Chloe Malau'ulu - Olmecas de Tabasco (Liga Mexicana de Softbol)

NCAA ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS (TOP 50)

NADIA BARBARY	VALUE	RANK
At-Bats	552	32
Doubles	39	23

ANNA CARDER	VALUE	RANK
Walks	80	49

PEJA GOOLD	VALUE	RANK
Appearances	110	22
Games Started (Pitching)	67	37
Innings Pitched	485.0	17
Earned Run Avg.	2.09	13
Saves	7	36
Strikeouts	547	11
Strikeouts / 7 Inn.	7.89	10
Wins	56	7

KIARRA SELLS	VALUE	RANK
Hit-by-Pitches	24	24
Slugging Pct.	.704	46

## DAWG TALK - PROGRAM STORYLINES

## STARKVILLE SAMOANS



- » With head coach **Samantha Ricketts** set to serve as the head coach of the American Samoa Women's National Team, additional light has been shed on State's lineage of players with Samoan heritage.
- » The Bulldogs have seen at least one Samoan on the roster in every season of the past decade, and have boasted multiple players with Samoan heritage every year since 2019 with as many as four such players at the same time in 2023.
- » MSU's first Samoan player was **Sarai Niu** (2016-19), who was joined by **Chloe Malau'ulu** (2019-23) and **Fa Leilua** (2019-21) in her senior year. **Matalasi Faapito** (2022-24), **Leilani Pulemua** (2022-24), **Kiarra Sells** (2023-pr.) and **Kalani Sells** (2025-pr.) have all followed.
- » Ricketts herself traces her heritage to the island through her mother Carol, from the village of Leone.
- » The Bulldogs began holding Samoan Heritage Day at the ballpark as early as 2019, and this year it will be celebrated on **April 26** against LSU.

## NATIONAL TEAM NOTES



- » MSU has been well-represented on national teams recently.
- » Student coach and former MSU All-American **Sierra Sacco** (2024-25), played with the U.S. Women's National Team at the 2026 Team USA Down Under series in Brisbane, Australia, hitting two homers in four games.
- » **Peja Goold** pitched for Colombia at the 2025 Pan American Championships, throwing 37.0 innings and striking out 41 batters.
- » Assistant coach **Zac Shaw** captained the U.S. Men's National Team at the 2024 WBSC Men's World Cup Group Stage and 2025 WBSC World Cup Final Stage.
- » He has won two World Cup bronze medals with the Americans in 2023 (New Zealand) and 2025 (Canada).
- » Head coach **Samantha Ricketts** will serve as the head coach of the American Samoa Women's National Team in the lead up to the 2028 Olympic Games. State alum **Chloe Malau'ulu** (2019-23) won gold with American Samoa at the 2025 Pacific Mini Games, and **Kalani Sells** (2025-pr.), **Kiarra Sells** (2023-pr.), **Matalasi Faapito** (2022-24) and **Fa Leilua** (2019-21) would all be eligible for the team.
- » Former Bulldog **Mia Davidson** (2018-22) won a silver medal at the 2024 WBSC Women's World Cup Final. Davidson also played with the U.S. Women's National Team at the 2022 Pan American Championships (Guatemala), 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 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.

## PORTAL PICKUPS

- » Mississippi State's transfer class was ranked No. 3 in the nation by 6-4-3 Charts, which based its rankings on the total number of Wins Above Replacement (WAR) each school added. State's 17.43 WAR added was tied for the most in the SEC with Tennessee.
- » State made a big splash at both the pitcher and catcher positions.
- » Bulldog catchers finished with a combined 6.07 Defensive Runs Saved (DRS) in 2025. **Anna Carder** and **Des Rivera** combined for 10.42 DRS last season. That stands as the largest defensive upgrade (+4.35 DRS) at any position on the team this year, and it's the second-largest improvement by a catching unit in the SEC (Kentucky, +6.32).
- » MSU's bullpen saw its combined Wins Above Replacement total climb from 5.68 to 11.17 (+5.49) with the additions of **Peja Goold**, **Alyssa Faircloth** and **Leila Ammon**. That's the second-largest WAR improvement of any position group on any team in the SEC and the best by any SEC bullpen.
- » Five of the six transfers earned all-conference honors last spring.

## PLANTING THE FLAG



- » The Bulldogs wear the flags of their home states on the back of their batting helmets, a tribute started in 2025.
- » **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.
- » **Brinkley Moreton** (Arkansas), **Taylor Troutman** (Kentucky), **Gabby Schaeffer** (New York) and **Gretta Grassel** (Wisconsin) are all just the second players in school history from their states.

## PLANNED PROMOS



- » State's Salute to Service game on **March 13** means a little bit more to **Nadia Barbary**, whose parents both served in the Air Force. She was born on Lackland Air Force Base. **Leila Ammon**'s father is in the Marine Corps.
- » Mississippi State will hold its fifth annual First Responder Home Run Derby between the Starkville Fire and Starkville Police Departments on **March 15** following the Bulldogs' series finale with Tennessee. The firefighters have won all four prior years.
- » A number of players have first responders in their families including **Morgan Stiles** and **Delaine Everett**.
- » Everett's father passed away suddenly and unexpectedly two weeks before the start of the 2025 season. His badge number is embroidered on Everett's pitching towel.
- » The Bulldogs' Think Pink game is set for **April 10** against Arkansas.
- » State's annual Bark in the Park game is scheduled for **April 12** against Arkansas. Traditionally, each player's headshot on the video-board is replaced with their own submitted photos of their pets.
- » The final home weekend against LSU on **April 24-26** is packed with promos honoring State's senior class. On-field graduation ceremonies are scheduled for Friday night with Senior Day on Saturday. Samoan Heritage Day wraps up the home slate at Nusz Park, recognizing senior **Kiarra Sells** and her sister, sophomore **Kalani Sells**.

## 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 **April 11, 2026**.

## ALL ABOUT ATHLETE ENGINEERING



- » In the summer of 2024, former Bulldog 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 2025 and is 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.
- » Lindblade stepped away from softball following her sophomore year to pursue her career goals and serve more actively in her church community, while Barber graduated in May 2025.
- » More on the project from HailState.com » [MSU Athlete, Manager Design And Develop Innovative Force Plate Platform](#)

## RECRUITING ON THE RISE

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

## DAWG DIAGNOSES

- » **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.

## AROUND THE BALLPARK - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## PINK PONY



- » Fans and media will notice a stuffed unicorn hobby horse in the Bulldog dugout this season.
- » The unicorn originates from State's class talent show in the fall and was a prop used by the junior class. Afterwards, he ended up in **Ally Supan's** locker, and she has become the keeper of "Pink Pony."
- » Supan insists that he be correctly identified as a unicorn.
- » Pink Pony's nickname is just Pony.
- » Whenever a Bulldog scores, they ride Pink Pony down the dugout. The lone exception is **Morgan Stiles**, who just carries Pony in one hand while high-fiving her teammates.
- » Additionally, **Anna Carder**, who rode Pony in the talent show originally, uses Pink Pony Club as one of her walk-up songs.

## FINNEGAN AMMON



- » **Leila Ammon's** parents, Michelle and Charles, have brought the family dog, Finnegan, to every game - home and away - this season.
- » The Ammons have had the seven-year-old Frenchton (75 percent French bulldog, 25 percent Boston terrier) since 2019.
- » He has been caught on camera during TV broadcasts multiple times this season, and was picked up by the @NCAASoftball social accounts on March 6 during State's game at South Alabama.

## THE FEDORA



- » **Nadia Barbary's** parents have become fixtures in Nusz Park. They always sit on the first row behind home plate at the left end of the row from the broadcast camera's perspective.
- » Her father, Irving, has a trademark maroon fedora that he wears to each game, and he can often be heard prior to the first pitch of each Bulldog at-bat yelling his trademark "Come on Nadia!" along with the nicknames of each teammate for their turns at the plate.
- » Both of her parents served in the Air Force. Irving threw out the first pitch for MSU's 2025 military appreciation game, and her mother, Shannon, will do so in 2026.

## THE FIREFIGHTERS



- » On-duty firefighters from the Starkville Fire Department often attend MSU softball games, parking in right-center field and watching from the top of their ladder truck.
- » The firefighters began regularly attending games in 2024.
- » Starkville Fire has won the annual First Responder Home Run Derby every season that it has been held, going 4-0 against the Starkville Police Department and MSU campus police officers.
- » In appreciation of their continued support, members of the State softball team will visit Fire Station 1 on Wednesday, March 11, and participate in activities around the station to get a look inside the firefighters' daily routines.

**MSU RECORD WHEN**

	OVERALL	SEC
<b>BY GAME</b>		
Day games (Before 5 p.m.)	21-2	0-0
Night games (After 5 p.m.)	3-0	0-0
In Extra Innings	1-0	0-0
vs. Ranked opponents	1-1	0-0
vs. Top-10 opponents	0-0	0-0
<b>BY OPPOSING PITCHER</b>		
vs. Left-handed Starter	1-1	0-0
vs. Right-handed Starter	23-1	0-0
<b>BY MSU PITCHER</b>		
Starter receives decision	21-2	0-0
Reliever receives decision	3-0	0-0
Starter goes 5.0+ inn.	16-1	0-0
Starter goes less than 5.0 inn.	8-1	0-0
<b>BY SCORING / MARGIN</b>		
Scoring first	19-0	0-0
Trailing first	5-2	0-0
In one-run games	1-1	0-0
In two-run games	3-0	0-0
Scoring 0-2 runs	1-2	0-0
Scoring 3-5 runs	7-0	0-0
Scoring 6-9 runs	13-0	0-0
Scoring 10+ runs	3-0	0-0
Allowing 0-2 runs	21-1	0-0
Allowing 3-5 runs	3-1	0-0
Allowing 6-9 runs	0-0	0-0
Allowing 10+ runs	0-0	0-0
<b>BY THE STATS</b>		
Collecting 0-3 hits	0-1	0-0
Collecting 4-6 hits	3-1	0-0
Collecting 7-9 hits	13-0	0-0
Collecting 10+ hits	8-0	0-0
Out-hit opponent	23-1	0-0
Out-hit by opponent	0-1	0-0
Hits are equal	1-0	0-0
Without hitting a home run	6-2	0-0
Hitting a home run	18-0	0-0
Opponent doesn't hit a home run	17-2	0-0
Opponent hits a home run	7-0	0-0
Errorless	18-1	0-0
Committing one error	6-1	0-0
Committing 2+ errors	0-0	0-0
Opponent is errorless	9-2	0-0
<b>BY SCHEDULE</b>		
February	17-2	0-0
March	7-0	0-0
April	0-0	0-0
May	0-0	0-0
Sunday	3-0	0-0
Monday	0-0	0-0
Tuesday	1-0	0-0
Wednesday	3-0	0-0
Thursday	1-0	0-0
Friday	8-1	0-0
Saturday	8-1	0-0
Game 1 of Season Series	15-2	0-0
Game 2 of Season Series	8-0	0-0
Game 3 of Season Series	1-0	0-0

**BY CONFERENCE**

<b>SEC</b>	<b>0-0</b>
Arkansas	0-0
Florida	0-0
Georgia	0-0
LSU	0-0
Ole Miss	0-0
South Carolina	0-0
Tennessee	0-0
Texas A&M	0-0
<b>ACC</b>	<b>2-1</b>
Clemson	1-1
Georgia Tech	1-0
<b>AMERICAN</b>	<b>5-0</b>
Memphis	1-0
North Texas	2-0
UAB	1-0
Wichita State	1-0
<b>BIG 12</b>	<b>1-0</b>
Baylor	1-0
<b>BIG TEN</b>	<b>2-0</b>
Rutgers	2-0
<b>MEAC</b>	<b>1-0</b>
Delaware State	1-0
<b>MISSOURI VALLEY</b>	<b>2-1</b>
Belmont	1-1
Murray State	1-0
<b>MOUNTAIN WEST</b>	<b>3-0</b>
New Mexico	3-0
<b>OHIO VALLEY</b>	<b>0-0</b>
Southeast Missouri	0-0
UT Martin	0-0
<b>SOUTHERN</b>	<b>3-0</b>
Samford	2-0
Wofford	1-0
<b>SOUTHLAND</b>	<b>1-0</b>
Northwestern State	1-0
<b>SUN BELT</b>	<b>4-0</b>
Georgia Southern	1-0
South Alabama	2-0
Southern Miss	1-0

**LEADING AFTER**

INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6
W-L	13-0	16-0	20-0	20-0	16-0	14-0

**TRAILING AFTER**

INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6
W-L	1-1	2-1	0-1	1-1	1-1	0-2

**TIED AFTER**

INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6
W-L	10-1	6-1	4-1	3-1	1-1	1-0

**COME FROM BEHIND WINS**

DATE	OPPONENT	DEFICIT	FINAL
Feb. 6	vs. Wichita State	0-1 (Top 5)	W, 5-2 (8)
Feb. 14	North Texas	0-1 (Bot 3)	W, 3-1
Feb. 18	Memphis	0-1 (Bot 3)	W, 8-4
Feb. 20	Samford	0-1 (Bot 1)	W, 6-2
Mar. 8	at South Alabama	0-2 (Top 3)	W, 4-2

**LAST AT-BAT WINS**

DATE	OPPONENT	DEFICIT	FINAL
-- None --			

**WALK-OFF WINS**

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	FINAL
Feb. 13	Rutgers	W, 7-0 (Bot 6)	W, 8-0 (6)

**SCORE BY INNINGS**

INNING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	EXT	TOT
MSU	35	20	36	30	19	24	4	4	172
OPP	4	4	3	13	5	3	1	1	34

MISC. HITTING STATS

MULTI-HIT GAMES

PLAYER	2	3	4	5+	TOTAL
Kiarra Sells	8	3	--	--	11
Morgan Stiles	6	1	1	--	8
Nadia Barbary	5	--	1	--	6
Des Rivera	5	--	--	--	5
Morgan Bernardini	4	--	--	--	4
Abby Grace Richardson	3	--	--	--	3
Kinley Keller	2	1	--	--	3
Gabby Schaeffer	2	--	--	--	2
Taylor Troutman	2	--	--	--	2
Anna Carder	1	--	--	--	1
Tatum Silva	1	--	--	--	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>46</b>

MULTI-RBI GAMES

PLAYER	2	3	4	5+	TOTAL
Kiarra Sells	4	4	--	--	8
Nadia Barbary	3	--	3	--	6
Morgan Bernardini	4	1	1	--	6
Abby Grace Richardson	3	2	--	--	5
Des Rivera	1	2	--	--	3
Morgan Stiles	2	1	--	--	3
Kinley Keller	2	--	--	--	2
Anna Carder	1	--	--	--	1
Paige Ernstes	1	--	--	--	1
Gabby Schaeffer	1	--	--	--	1
Tatum Silva	1	--	--	--	1
Kalani Sells	--	1	--	--	1
Abigail Stevens	1	--	--	--	1
Carson Smith	1	--	--	--	1
Taylor Troutman	--	1	--	--	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>41</b>

HITTING STREAKS\*

PLAYER	CURRENT	2026	CAREER
Nadia Barbary	4	9*	9*
Morgan Bernardini	4	8	8
Morgan Stiles	2	12*	12*
Des Rivera <sup>§</sup>	2	7	8 <sup>§</sup>
Kiarra Sells	1	1	1
Carson Smith	1	1	1
Kinley Keller	--	5	5
Anna Carder <sup>§</sup>	--	4	12 <sup>§</sup>
Abigail Stevens	--	4	4
Taylor Troutman	--	4	4
Tatum Silva <sup>§</sup>	--	3	11 <sup>§</sup>
Gabby Schaeffer	--	3	3
Paige Ernstes	--	2	2
Abby Grace Richardson	--	2	2
Xiane Romero	--	2	2
Gretta Grassel	--	1	1
Kalani Sells	--	1	1

ON-BASE STREAKS\*

PLAYER	CURRENT	2026	CAREER
Nadia Barbary	7	11*	12
Kinley Keller	4	6	6
Morgan Bernardini	4	10	17
Des Rivera <sup>§</sup>	3	8	16* <sup>§</sup>
Morgan Stiles	2	15*	15*
Xiane Romero	2	4*	4*
Tatum Silva <sup>§</sup>	2	3	12* <sup>§</sup>
Kiarra Sells	1	12	16
Carson Smith	1	1	1
Anna Carder <sup>§</sup>	--	7	16 <sup>§</sup>
Abby Grace Richardson	--	6	6
Gabby Schaeffer	--	6	6
Taylor Troutman	--	6	6
Abigail Stevens	--	4	4
Paige Ernstes	--	2	3
Kalani Sells	--	2	2
Gretta Grassel	--	1	1

<sup>§</sup> 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	N. Barbary	at Baylor	Feb. 5	2	1	0	1-1	0-0	W, 10-0 (5)	32	72	237
2	A. Richardson	at Baylor	Feb. 5	1	2	0	2-1	2-0	W, 10-0 (5)	39	72	225
3	M. Stiles	at Baylor	Feb. 5	3	3	2	1-2	5-0	W, 10-0 (5)	35	69	222
4	Ki. Sells	at Baylor	Feb. 5	2	3	2	2-1	8-0	W, 10-0 (5)	--	--	--
5	T. Troutman	vs. Northwestern State	Feb. 6	1	2	0	0-1	3-0	W, 9-3	38	69	220
6	X. Romero	vs. Northwestern State	Feb. 6	1	2	0	0-0	4-0	W, 9-3	32	70	229
7	T. Troutman	vs. Northwestern State	Feb. 6	2	3	1	2-2	6-0	W, 9-3	--	--	--
8	N. Barbary	vs. Wichita State	Feb. 6	3	8	1	1-0	2-1	W, 5-2 (8)	40	73	233
9	M. Stiles	vs. New Mexico	Feb. 7	1	1	0	1-1	0-0	W, 8-1	--	--	--
10	D. Rivera	SOUTHERN MISS	Feb. 10	1	5	0	0-0	1-0	W, 5-0	30	72	227
11	Ki. Sells	RUTGERS	Feb. 13	2	4	2	1-1	3-0	W, 8 (6)	35	77	247
12	A. Richardson	RUTGERS	Feb. 14	2	6	1	0-0	2-2	W, 7-2	37	70	223
13	Ka. Sells	RUTGERS	Feb. 14	3	6	2	1-0	4-2	W, 7-2	38	72	234
14	Ki. Sells	NORTH TEXAS	Feb. 14	1	3	0	2-0	0-1	W, 3-1	42	76	242
15	Ki. Sells	MEMPHIS	Feb. 18	3	3	1	3-2	0-1	W, 8-4	23	76	232
16	M. Bernardini	MEMPHIS	Feb. 18	4	3	1	3-1	3-1	W, 8-4	42	72	227
17	D. Rivera	DELAWARE STATE	Feb. 20	2	1	1	3-0	3-0	W, 19-1 (5)	29	73	232
18	G. Schaeffer	DELAWARE STATE	Feb. 20	2	1	2	3-2	5-0	W, 19-1 (5)	32	72	235
19	A. Stevens	DELAWARE STATE	Feb. 20	1	4	0	0-0	13-0	W, 19-1 (5)	31	73	244
20	A. Richardson	DELAWARE STATE	Feb. 20	2	4	2	3-2	17-0	W, 19-1 (5)	30	74	247
21	D. Rivera	at Georgia Tech	Feb. 25	1	2	0	1-0	0-0	W, 8-3	34	67	206
22	N. Barbary	at Georgia Tech	Feb. 25	1	3	0	2-1	1-1	W, 8-3	34	74	236
23	Ki. Sells	at Georgia Tech	Feb. 25	1	7	2	0-1	4-2	W, 8-3	31	77	255
24	M. Bernardini	at Georgia Tech	Feb. 25	3	7	2	0-0	5-2	W, 8-3	36	71	231
25	A. Richardson	vs. Wofford	Feb. 27	1	4	1	2-2	2-0	W, 9-1 (6)	Inside the Park	--	--
26	Ki. Sells	vs. Georgia Southern	Feb. 28	3	3	1	1-1	0-0	W, 8-0 (5)	--	--	--
27	A. Richardson	vs. Georgia Southern	Feb. 28	2	4	0	2-2	3-0	W, 8-0 (5)	--	--	--
28	Ki. Sells	at Clemson	Mar. 1	1	3	1	1-1	1-0	W, 9-1 (6)	39	79	228
29	K. Keller	at Clemson	Mar. 1	2	6	1	0-0	7-1	W, 9-1 (6)	30	71	207
30	N. Barbary	at UAB	Mar. 4	1	1	1	2-2	0-0	W, 6-1	--	--	--
31	N. Barbary	at UAB	Mar. 4	3	5	2	3-2	1-1	W, 6-1	--	--	--
32	Ki. Sells	vs. New Mexico	Mar. 7	2	5	2	2-1	2-0	W, 4-0	--	--	--
33	N. Barbary	vs. Samford	Mar. 7	4	4	1	2-1	4-0	W, 9-1	--	--	--
34	G. Schaeffer	vs. Samford	Mar. 7	1	5	2	1-1	8-0	W, 9-1	--	--	--
35	N. Barbary	at South Alabama	Mar. 8	1	3	1	1-2	0-2	W, 4-2	--	--	--
36	Ki. Sells	at South Alabama	Mar. 8	1	3	1	3-2	1-2	W, 4-2	--	--	--
37	Ki. Sells	at South Alabama	Mar. 8	2	5	0	2-1	2-2	W, 4-2	--	--	--

\*Launch angle, exit velocity and estimated distance available only for games in Nusz Park and select stadiums.

HOME RUN BREAKDOWN

TOTAL	37	SEASON	SOLO	2R	3R	GS	TOTAL	CAREER	SOLO	2R	3R	GS	TOTAL
Home	11	Kiarra Sells	4	4	2	--	10	Nadia Barbary	11	7	5	3	26
Road	15	Nadia Barbary	3	1	2	1	7	Kiarra Sells	9	7	4	1	21
Neutral	11	Abby Grace Richardson	2	3	--	--	5	Anna Carder*	3	8	1	2	14
vs. LHP	3	Des Rivera	2	1	--	--	3	Morgan Stiles	5	2	2	--	9
vs. RHP	34	Morgan Bernardini	--	--	1	1	2	Morgan Bernardini	2	--	3	1	6
With 0 Outs	11	Gabby Schaeffer	1	1	--	--	2	Des Rivera*	3	2	1	--	6
With 1 Out	14	Morgan Stiles	1	--	1	--	2	Abby Grace Richardson	2	3	--	--	5
With 2 Outs	12	Taylor Troutman	1	1	--	--	2	Paige Ernstes	1	--	1	--	2
Soto	16	Kinley Keller	--	--	1	--	1	Gabby Schaeffer	1	1	--	--	2
Two-Run	12	Xiane Romero	1	--	--	--	1	Taylor Troutman	1	1	--	--	2
Three-Run	7	Kalani Sells	--	--	1	--	1	Kinley Keller	--	--	1	--	1
Grand Slam	2	Abigail Stevens	1	--	--	--	1	Xiane Romero	1	--	--	--	1
Back-to-Back	2							Tatum Silva*	1	--	--	--	1
Pinch-Hit	0							Kalani Sells	--	--	1	--	1
Walk-Off	0							Abigail Stevens	1	--	--	--	1
Consecutive Games with HR (Season Long)													
Consecutive Games without HR (Season Long)													

\*includes transfer stats

**SPECIALTY STATS**

**OFFENSE BREAKDOWN**

MONTH	GP	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBP	SB	ATT
February	19	.344	471	136	162	35	1	27	128	280	.594	73	12	60	8	.434	18	20
March	7	.301	183	36	55	12	1	10	33	99	.541	17	2	26	0	.359	8	9
April	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
May	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

LOCATION	GP	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBP	SB	ATT
Home	11	.359	259	79	93	25	0	11	74	151	.583	43	9	30	5	.455	9	11
Away	7	.318	192	40	61	8	1	15	39	116	.604	19	3	24	2	.381	6	7
Neutral	8	.310	203	53	63	14	1	11	48	112	.552	28	2	32	1	.391	11	11

SERIES	GP	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBP	SB	ATT
Gettnerman Classic	4	.318	110	32	35	5	0	9	29	67	.609	18	2	17	1	.417	4	4
The Snowman	4	.387	119	37	46	12	0	4	35	70	.588	22	3	11	0	.483	3	5
Bulldog Invitational	4	.370	92	29	34	11	0	4	26	57	.620	14	5	16	3	.461	5	5
Tiger Invitational	4	.370	100	26	37	6	2	5	25	62	.620	13	1	11	2	.432	7	7
Jaguar Invitational	5	.278	126	21	35	8	0	6	19	61	.484	10	1	23	0	.331	6	7
Tennessee	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Georgia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
South Carolina	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Florida	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Arkansas	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Texas A&M	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
LSU	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at 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
Morgan Bernardini	4	.455	11	1	5	1	0	0	3	6	.545	2	0	1	0	.538	0	0
Nadia Barbary	4	.333	12	4	4	0	0	2	5	10	.833	1	1	1	0	.429	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
Nadia Barbary	7	.333	21	6	7	0	0	4	10	19	.905	3	1	1	0	.440	0	0

**PITCHING BREAKDOWN**

MONTH	GP	ERA	W-L	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	B/AVG	WP	HP
February	19	1.50	17-2	8	4	3	121.0	62	28	26	31	175	10	1	8	.150	6	5
March	7	0.76	7-0	3	2	2	46.0	26	6	5	5	62	2	1	2	.159	4	3
April	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
May	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

LOCATION	GP	ERA	W-L	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	B/AVG	WP	HP
Home	11	1.40	10-1	5	2	2	70.0	34	15	14	13	105	4	1	6	.142	1	2
Away	7	1.56	6-1	2	1	2	45.0	29	11	10	12	61	6	1	3	.180	5	3
Neutral	8	0.94	8-0	4	3	1	52.0	25	8	7	11	71	2	0	1	.142	4	3

SERIES	GP	ERA	W-L	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	B/AVG	WP	HP
Gettnerman Classic	4	1.30	4-0	2	1	0	27.0	11	6	5	11	32	0	0	0	.126	3	3
The Snowman	5	1.40	5-0	4	1	0	30.0	11	6	6	4	46	0	0	2	.110	1	1
Bulldog Invitational	4	1.08	3-1	1	0	1	26.0	16	5	4	7	39	2	1	1	.176	0	1
Tiger Invitational	4	1.52	3-1	1	1	0	23.0	13	5	5	7	31	7	0	0	.163	2	1
Jaguar Invitational	5	0.85	5-0	3	2	2	33.0	19	4	4	3	49	0	0	2	.161	2	2
Tennessee	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Georgia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
South Carolina	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Florida	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Arkansas	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Texas A&M	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
LSU	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
at Ole Miss	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SEC Tournament	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

**PINCH HITTING**

2026	AVG	AB	H	FP*	XBH	RBI
<b>TEAM</b>	<b>.310</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
Abby Grace Richardson	1.000	1	1	0	1	3
Tatum Silva	1.000	1	1	0	0	0
Anna Carder	.500	2	1	0	0	0
Abigail Stevens	.429	7	3	0	2	3
Taylor Troutman	.375	8	3	1	1	1
Gretha Grassel	--	0	0	1	0	0
Paige Ernstes	.000	4	0	1	0	0
Des Rivera	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Xiane Romero	.000	2	0	1	0	0
Gabby Schaeffer	.000	2	0	0	0	0
Ally Supan	.000	1	0	0	0	0

CAREER	AVG	AB	H	FP*	XBH	RBI
<b>UNDER RICKETTS</b>	<b>.251</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>69</b>
Xiane Romero	1.000	3	1	4	0	1
Tatum Silva <sup>5</sup>	1.000	1	1	0	0	0
Anna Carder <sup>5</sup>	.500	4	2	0	0	0
Abigail Stevens	.429	7	3	0	2	3
Taylor Troutman	.375	8	3	1	1	1
Abby Grace Richardson	.286	7	2	1	2	3
Paige Ernstes	.281	32	9	5	8	
Morgan Bernardini	.167	6	1	2	0	0
Nadia Barbary	.000	2	0	0	0	0
Gretha Grassel	.000	1	0	2	0	0
Des Rivera <sup>5</sup>	.000	4	0	0	0	0
Gabby Schaeffer	.000	2	0	0	0	0
Kalani Sells	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Kiarra Sells	.000	5	0	4	0	0
Morgan Stiles	.000	2	0	0	0	0
Ally Supan	.000	1	0	0	0	0

<sup>^</sup> Free Passes include walks and hit-by-pitches

**SCORELESS INNINGS**

START TO FINISH INNINGS	2026	CAREER
Peja Goold <sup>5</sup>	59	380
Alyssa Faircloth <sup>5</sup>	47	201
Leila Ammon <sup>5</sup>	34	123
Delainey Everett	1	74
Brinkley Moreton	2	2
Abigail Stevens	2	2
Sara Phillips	0	7

STREAKS	ACTIVE	2026	CAREER
Alyssa Faircloth <sup>5</sup>	11.0	11.0	13.1 <sup>5</sup>
Leila Ammon <sup>5</sup>	8.2	8.2	11.1 <sup>5</sup>
Delainey Everett	3.0*	3.0*	15.0
Peja Goold <sup>5</sup>	2.1	14.2	24.0 <sup>5</sup>
Abigail Stevens	2.0	2.0	2.0
Brinkley Moreton	0.2	2.0	2.0
Sara Phillips	0.1*	0.1*	7.0

**INHERITED RUNNERS**

2026	PCT.	IR	RS
<b>TEAM</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>
Leila Ammon	0.0	1	0
Peja Goold	25.0	4	1
Alyssa Faircloth	33.3	3	1
Delainey Everett	--	0	0
Brinkley Moreton	--	0	0
Sara Phillips	--	0	0
Abigail Stevens	--	0	0

CAREER	PCT.	IR	RS
<b>UNDER MOWATT-MCKINNEY</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>33</b>
Sara Phillips	0.0	2	0
Leila Ammon <sup>5</sup>	37.5	8	3
Alyssa Faircloth <sup>5</sup>	38.9	18	7
Peja Goold <sup>5</sup>	41.3	46	19
Delainey Everett	63.2	19	12
Brinkley Moreton	--	0	0
Abigail Stevens	--	0	0

**ERRORLESS STREAKS**

STREAKS	ACTIVE	2026	CAREER
Anna Carder <sup>5</sup>	262* <sup>5</sup>	262* <sup>5</sup>	262* <sup>5</sup>
Des Rivera <sup>5</sup>	227*	227*	398 <sup>5</sup>
Tatum Silva <sup>5</sup>	71* <sup>5</sup>	71* <sup>5</sup>	71* <sup>5</sup>
Paige Ernstes	68	68	68
Abby Grace Richardson	54	54	54

THE SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE (THROUGH GAMES MARCH 8)



STANDINGS

	CONF	PCT.	GB	ALL	PCT.	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	VS. USA T25
Alabama	3-0	.000	---	23-0	1.000	11-0	7-0	5-0	2-0
Tennessee	3-0	1.000	---	23-0	1.000	9-0	1-0	13-0	9-0
Texas	3-0	1.000	---	22-1	.957	10-0	6-0	6-1	9-1
Florida	2-0	1.000	0.5	25-1	.962	14-0	3-0	8-1	0-1
Arkansas	2-1	.667	1.0	21-2	.913	13-1	2-0	6-1	3-1
Auburn	2-1	.667	1.0	19-7	.731	11-3	0-1	8-3	2-4
Kentucky	1-2	.333	2.0	19-6	.760	6-0	5-4	8-2	1-2
Georgia	1-2	.333	2.0	19-7	.731	13-4	1-2	5-1	3-6
Mississippi State	0-0	.000	1.5	24-2	.923	10-1	6-1	8-0	1-1
Oklahoma	0-0	.000	1.5	24-2	.923	10-0	6-1	8-1	4-1
Texas A&M	0-0	.000	1.5	17-8	.680	10-2	0-1	7-5	1-6
Missouri	0-2	.000	2.5	7-15	.318	2-2	0-5	5-8	3-4
LSU	0-3	.000	3.0	17-7	.708	15-0	1-3	1-4	1-6
Ole Miss	0-3	.000	3.0	18-8	.692	8-3	2-2	8-3	0-3
South Carolina	0-3	.000	3.0	15-9	.625	12-6	1-0	2-3	1-8

AROUND THE LEAGUE (ALL TIMES CT)

<b>#4/6 Alabama:</b>	3/10 vs. Samford, 7 p.m. (SECN)
<b>#7/9 Arkansas:</b>	3/9 at Missouri State, 5 p.m. (ESPN+)
<b>Auburn:</b>	3/13 at #6/4 Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m (SECN+); 3/14 at #6/4 Oklahoma, 2 p.m. (SECN+); 3/15 at #6/4 Oklahoma, 12 p.m. (SECN+)
<b>#5/8 Florida:</b>	3/9 vs. Missouri, 6 p.m. (SECN); 3/13 at Kentucky, 5:30 p.m. (SECN+); 3/14 at Kentucky, 11 a.m. (SECN); 3/15 at Kentucky, 12 p.m. (SECN+)
<b>#15/12 Georgia:</b>	3/10 vs. West Georgia, 5 p.m. (SECN+)
<b>Kentucky:</b>	3/13 vs. #5/8 Florida, 5:30 p.m. (SECN+); 3/14 vs. #5/8 Florida, 11 a.m. (SECN); 3/15 vs. #5/8 Florida, 12 p.m. (SECN+)
<b>#17/16 LSU:</b>	3/10 at Nicholls, 6 p.m. (ESPN+)
<b>Missouri:</b>	3/9 at #5/8 Florida, 6 p.m. (SECN); 3/11 vs. UT Martin, 3:30 p.m. (SECN+)
<b>#6/4 Oklahoma:</b>	3/11 vs. Tulsa, 6:30 p.m. (SECN+)
<b>Ole Miss:</b>	3/10 at North Alabama, 5 p.m. (ESPN+)
<b>#23/24 South Carolina:</b>	3/10 vs. Duke, 5 p.m. (SECN); 3/11 at Coastal Carolina, 5 p.m. (ESPN+)
<b>#1/1 Tennessee:</b>	3/10 at Austin Peay, 5:30 p.m.; 3/11 at Lipscomb, 5 p.m.
<b>#3/3 Texas:</b>	3/11 vs. East Texas A&M, 6 p.m. (SECN+)
<b>#14/15 Texas A&amp;M:</b>	3/14 at #17/16 LSU, 6 p.m. (SECN+); 3/15 at #17/16 LSU, 6 p.m. (SECN); 3/16 at #17/16 LSU, 6 p.m. (SECN)

MSU AROUND THE NATION (THROUGH GAMES MARCH 8)

TEAM STAT RANKINGS (TOP 50)	VALUE	RANK
Batting Average	.332	45
Doubles	47	20
Doubles / Game	1.81	40
Earned Run Average	1.30	3
Fielding Pct.	.989	2
Fielding Independent Pitching	1.18	2
Hits	217	30
Home Runs	37	20
Home Runs / Game	1.42	29
Runs	172	32
Runs Batted In	161	26
Runs Batted In / Game	6.19	47
Sacrifice Flies	17	4
Scoring Defense	1.31	4
Shutouts	6	9
Slugging Pct.	.580	21
Strikeouts (Pitching)	237	1
Strikeouts Looking (Pitching)	54	1
Strikeout-Walk Ratio	6.58	1
Strikeouts / 7 Inn.	9.93	2
Total Bases	379	17
Walks (Batting)	90	45
Walks (Pitching)	36	25
WHIP	0.74	3
Winning Pct.	.923	7

INDIVIDUAL STAT RANKINGS (TOP 50)	VALUE	RANK
<b>LEILA AMMON</b>		
Earned Run Avg.	0.69	5
Fielding Independent Pitching	0.89	4
Hits Allowed / 7 inn.	3.47	10
Strikeouts / 7 inn.	7.98	49
Strikeout-to-Walk Ratio	11.50	5
WHIP	0.60	3
Walks / 7 inn.	0.69	7
<b>ALYSSA FAIRCLOTH</b>		
Fielding Independent Pitching	0.89	4
Hits Allowed / 7 inn.	3.92	21
Saves	3	5
Strikeouts	84	4
Strikeouts / 7 inn.	12.69	2
Strikeout-to-Walk Ratio	8.23	8
WHIP	0.78	16
<b>PEJA GOOLD</b>		
Complete Games	6	20
Earned Run Avg.	0.80	7
Fielding Independent Pitching	0.90	6
Hits Allowed / 7 inn.	3.21	7
Saves	2	15
Shutouts	4	4
Strikeouts	61	24
Strikeouts / 7 inn.	9.41	18
Strikeout-to-Walk Ratio	6.31	20
WHIP	0.67	5
Wins	10	9
<b>DES RIVERA</b>		
Sacrifice Flies	3	23

TEAM STAT RANKINGS

CATEGORY	ALL GAMES	SEC GAMES
Batting Avg.	.332 11th	-- --
Slugging Pct.	.580 10th	-- --
On-Base Pct.	.414 12th	-- --
Hits	217 7th	-- --
Runs Scored	172 9th	-- --
Doubles	47 5th	-- --
Triples	2 9th	-- --
Home Runs	37 7th	-- --
Total Bases	379 7th	-- --
At Bats	654 6th	-- --
Walks	90 12th	-- --
Stolen Bases	26 9th	-- --
Earned Run Avg.	1.30 3rd	-- --
Opp. Batting Avg.	.153 3rd	-- --
Innings Pitched	167.0 2nd	-- --
Strikeouts	234 1st	-- --
Strikeouts Looking	54 1st	-- --
Walks Allowed	36 3rd	-- --
Hits Allowed	88 3rd	-- --
Runs Allowed	34 3rd	-- --
Fielding Pct.	.989 2nd	-- --

**MSU IN THE FINAL POLLS**

**NFCA COACHES' POLL (WEEK 4)**

TEAM	RECORD	PREV
1. Tennessee (30)	19-0	1
2. Texas Tech (1)	22-1	2
3. Texas	19-1	3
4. Alabama	20-0	5
5. Florida	23-1	4
6. Oklahoma	19-2	6
7. Arkansas	19-1	7
8. UCLA	18-3	8
9. Florida State	17-4	10
10. Nebraska	14-5	9
11. Virginia Tech	16-2	11
<b>12. Mississippi State</b>	<b>18-2</b>	<b>12</b>
13. Arizona	17-5	14
14. Texas A&M	15-7	13
15. Georgia	17-5	15
16. Virginia	19-1	18
17. LSU	17-4	17
18. Oregon	13-6	20
19. Oklahoma State	15-5	21
20. Grand Canyon	22-0	22
21. Stanford	11-6	16
22. Arizona State	19-3	24
23. South Carolina	15-6	19
24. UCF	20-4	RV
25. Clemson	13-7	25

**RECEIVING VOTES:** North Carolina (30), Ole Miss (25), Duke (24), Penn State (10), Belmont (8), Florida Atlantic (4), Auburn (3), Michigan (3), North Florida (1), Southeastern Louisiana (1).

**ESPN/USA SOFTBALL (WEEK 4)**

TEAM	RECORD	PREV
1. Tennessee (24)	19-0	1
2. Texas Tech	22-1	2
3. Texas (1)	19-1	3
4. Oklahoma	19-2	5
5. Nebraska	14-5	4
6. Alabama	20-0	7
7. UCLA	18-3	9
8. Florida	23-1	6
9. Arkansas	19-1	8
10. Florida State	17-4	10
11. Virginia Tech	16-2	12
T12. Georgia	17-5	11
T12. Oklahoma State	15-5	16
14. Arizona	17-5	14
15. Texas A&M	15-7	15
16. LSU	17-4	T17
<b>17. Mississippi State</b>	<b>18-2</b>	<b>19</b>
18. Oregon	13-6	T17
19. Stanford	11-6	13
20. Virginia	19-1	21
21. Arizona State	19-3	23
22. Washington	15-6	24
23. Grand Canyon	22-0	25
24. South Carolina	15-6	22
25. Duke	12-9	20

**RECEIVING VOTES:** UCF (33), Penn State (18), Clemson (17), North Carolina (12), Texas State (11), Belmont (9), Auburn (8), Ole Miss (7), Louisville (6), Boston U (4), Kentucky (4), Michigan (3), Cal State Fullerton (2), Indiana (1), Northwestern (1).

**DISOFTBALL.COM (WEEK 4)**

TEAM	RECORD	PREV
1. Tennessee	19-0	1
2. Texas	19-1	2
3. Texas Tech	22-1	3
4. Oklahoma	19-2	5
5. Alabama	20-0	8
6. Arkansas	19-1	7
7. Nebraska	14-5	6
8. UCLA	18-3	9
9. Florida	23-1	4
10. Florida State	17-4	10
11. Virginia Tech	16-2	12
12. Oklahoma State	15-5	15
<b>13. Mississippi State</b>	<b>18-2</b>	<b>14</b>
14. Arizona	17-5	16
15. Georgia	17-5	11
16. Virginia	19-1	20
17. Oregon	13-6	18
18. Texas A&M	15-7	17
19. LSU	17-4	19
20. Stanford	11-6	13
21. Arizona State	19-3	24
22. Grand Canyon	22-0	23
23. South Carolina	15-6	22
24. Penn State	16-4	25
25. UCF	20-4	NR

**SOFTBALL AMERICA**

TEAM	RECORD	PREV
1. Tennessee	23-0	1
2. Texas	22-1	2
3. Texas Tech	25-1	3
4. Alabama	23-0	4
5. Arkansas	21-2	5
6. Oklahoma	24-2	6
7. UCLA	21-3	7
8. Florida	25-1	8
9. Nebraska	18-5	9
10. Virginia Tech	21-2	11
11. Florida State	21-4	10
12. Virginia	22-2	15
<b>13. Mississippi State</b>	<b>24-2</b>	<b>17</b>
14. Georgia	19-7	12
15. UCF	22-5	23
16. Oklahoma State	17-7	13
17. Arizona	20-5	18
18. Oregon	18-7	14
19. LSU	17-7	16
20. Stanford	14-6	21
21. Grand Canyon	27-0	20
22. Texas A&M	17-8	19
23. Washington	19-6	25
24. Auburn	19-7	NR
25. Utah	21-5	NR

**MSU WEEK-BY-WEEK**

	NFCA	USA	D1	SA	DSR	RPI	RECORD
Preseason	22	24	23	21	--	--	0-0
Week 1	19	21	17	18	22	--	4-0
Week 2	14	18	14	13	12	--	10-0
Week 3	12	19	14	16	15	--	14-1
Week 4	12	17	13	17	15	--	18-2
Week 5				13	11	9	24-2
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. 28	Clemson	25	L, 0-3
Mar. 1	Clemson	25	W, 9-1 (6)

**RECORD: 1-1**

**ALL-TIME RECORD VS. RANKED OPPONENTS\***

RANKING	RECORD	RANKING	RECORD
1	3-17	14	7-21
2	2-20	15	4-25
3	5-26	16	4-16
4	6-34	17	11-20
5	1-19	18	9-11
6	3-11	19	8-9
7	9-28	20	8-11
8	4-12	21	8-19
9	4-13	22	10-8
10	9-33	23	6-7
11	6-15	24	6-12
12	1-16	25	8-7
13	5-17	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>147-427</b>

\*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
<b>Highest:</b> 12 (2x, last, Wk 4, 2026)	<b>Highest:</b> 15 (3x, last, Wk 10, 2025)	<b>Highest:</b> 13 (Week 4, 2026)	<b>Highest:</b> 11 (Week 9, 2024)
<b>First Top 5:</b> N/A	<b>First Top 5:</b> N/A	<b>First Top 5:</b> N/A	<b>First Top 5:</b> N/A
<b>First Top 10:</b> N/A	<b>First Top 10:</b> N/A	<b>First Top 10:</b> N/A	<b>First Top 10:</b> N/A
<b>First Top 25:</b> Week 3, 2000 (24)	<b>First Top 25:</b> Week 4, 2006 (24)	<b>First Top 25:</b> Preseason, 2021 (15)	<b>First Top 25:</b> Week 4, 2020 (25)
<b>Last Top 25:</b> Week 4, 2026 (12)	<b>Last Top 25:</b> Week 4, 2026 (17)	<b>Last Top 25:</b> Week 4, 2026 (13)	<b>Last Top 25:</b> Week 5, 2026 (13)

## RESULTS



**2026 Mississippi State Softball**  
**Game Results for Mississippi State (as of Mar 08, 2026)**  
**(All games)**



Date	Opponent	Score	Inns	Overall	SEC	Pitcher of record	Attend	Time
1 Feb 05, 2026	at Baylor	w 10-0	5	1-0-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 1-0)	1224	1:45
1 Feb 06, 2026	vs Northwestern State	w 9-3	7	2-0-0	0-0-0	A. Faircloth (W 1-0)	240	2:21
1 Feb 06, 2026	vs Wichita State	w 5-2	(8)	3-0-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 2-0)	840	2:24
1 Feb 07, 2026	vs New Mexico	w 8-1	7	4-0-0	0-0-0	A. Faircloth (W 2-0)	274	2:10
Feb 10, 2026	SOUTHERN MISS	w 5-0	7	5-0-0	0-0-0	L. Ammon (W 1-0)	485	1:37
2 Feb 13, 2026	MURRAY STATE	w 9-1	5	6-0-0	0-0-0	A. Faircloth (W 3-0)	615	1:40
2 Feb 13, 2026	RUTGERS	w 8-0	6	7-0-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 3-0)	615	1:44
2 Feb 14, 2026	RUTGERS	w 7-2	7	8-0-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 4-0)	729	2:05
2 Feb 14, 2026	NORTH TEXAS	w 3-1	7	9-0-0	0-0-0	L. Ammon (W 2-0)	729	1:37
2 Feb 15, 2026	NORTH TEXAS	w 10-2	5	10-0-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 5-0)	455	1:32
Feb 18, 2026	MEMPHIS	w 8-4	7	11-0-0	0-0-0	L. Ammon (W 3-0)	586	2:06
3 Feb 20, 2026	BELMONT	L 0-1	7	11-1-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (L 5-1)	629	1:46
3 Feb 20, 2026	SAMFORD	w 6-2	7	12-1-0	0-0-0	A. Faircloth (W 4-0)	629	1:48
3 Feb 21, 2026	BELMONT	w 4-1	7	13-1-0	0-0-0	A. Faircloth (W 4-0)	720	1:50
3 Feb 21, 2026	DELAWARE STATE	w 19-1	5	14-1-0	0-0-0	A. Stevens (W 1-0)	720	1:38
Feb 25, 2026	at Georgia Tech	w 8-3	7	15-1-0	0-0-0	A. Faircloth (W 6-0)	418	2:06
4 Feb 27, 2026	vs Wofford	w 9-1	6	16-1-0	0-0-0	L. Ammon (W 4-0)	356	1:50
4 Feb 28, 2026	vs Georgia Southern	w 8-0	5	17-1-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 6-1)	452	1:23
4 Feb 28, 2026	at #25 Clemson	L 0-3	7	17-2-0	0-0-0	A. Faircloth (L 6-1)	1923	1:34
4 Mar 1, 2026	at #25 Clemson	w 9-1	6	18-2-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 7-1)	1984	2:08
Mar 04, 2026	at UAB	w 6-1	7	19-2-0	0-0-0	L. Ammon (W 5-0)	397	1:49
5 Mar 06, 2026	vs New Mexico	w 1-0	7	20-2-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 8-1)	480	1:33
5 Mar 06, 2026	at South Alabama	w 3-1	7	21-2-0	0-0-0	A. Faircloth (W 7-1)	480	1:52
5 Mar 07, 2026	vs New Mexico	w 4-0	7	22-2-0	0-0-0	L. Ammon (W 6-0)	530	1:44
5 Mar 07, 2026	vs Samford	w 9-1	5	23-2-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 9-1)	530	1:15
5 Mar 08, 2026	at South Alabama	w 4-2	7	24-2-0	0-0-0	P. Goold (W 10-1)	464	2:01

1 = Getteman Classic (Waco, Texas)

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

3 = Bulldog Invitational (Starkville, Miss.)

4 = Tiger Invitational (Clemson, S.C.)

5 = Jaguar Invitational (Mobile, Ala.)

\* = Conference game

() extra inning game

## WINNING PLAY LOG

DATE	GM	RECORD	OPPONENT	FINAL	BATTER	INNING	OUTS	SCORE AT TIME	PLAY	WINNING RUN
Feb. 5	1	1-0	at Baylor	W, 10-0 (5)	Barbary	1	0	0-0	Two-run home run to CF	Stiles
Feb. 6	2	2-0	vs. Northwestern State	W, 9-3	Troutman	2	0	3-0	Solo home run to right-center	Troutman
Feb. 6	3	3-0	vs. Wichita State	W, 5-2 (8)	Barbary	8	1	2-1	Three-run home run to LF	Romero
Feb. 7	4	4-0	vs. New Mexico	W, 8-1	Carder	1	1	1-0	Sacrifice fly to LF	Barbary
Feb. 10	5	5-0	SOUTHERN MISS	W, 5-0	Barbary	3	1	0-0	Sacrifice fly to CF	Schaeffer
Feb. 13	6	6-0	MURRAY STATE	W, 9-1 (5)	Carder	1	0	1-0	RBI walk	Barbary
Feb. 13	7	7-0	RUTGERS	W, 8-0 (6)	Carder	1	1	0-0	RBI single to LF	Stiles
Feb. 14	8	8-0	RUTGERS	W, 7-2	Richardson	6	1	2-2	Pinch-hit two-run home run to LF	Rivera
Feb. 14	9	9-0	NORTH TEXAS	W, 3-1	Stiles	4	1	1-1	RBI ground out to second base	Keller
Feb. 15	10	10-0	NORTH TEXAS	W, 10-2 (5)	Barbary	2	1	2-0	Walk, Keller scores on wild pitch	Keller
Feb. 18	11	11-0	MEMPHIS	W, 8-4	Bernardini	3	1	3-1	Grand slam to LF	Richardson
Feb. 20	12	11-1	BELMONT	L, 0-1	--	--	--	--	--	--
Feb. 20	13	12-1	SAMFORD	W, 6-2	Keller	1	2	2-1	RBI double down LF line	Ki. Sells
Feb. 21	14	13-1	BELMONT	W, 4-1	Carder	1	1	1-0	RBI single through the right side	Ki. Sells
Feb. 21	15	14-1	DELAWARE STATE	W, 19-1 (5)	Carder	1	0	1-0	Line out to 1B, runner scores on error	Barbary
Feb. 25	16	15-1	at Georgia Tech	W, 8-3	Carder	5	1	3-1	Sacrifice fly to CF	Ki. Sells
Feb. 27	17	16-1	vs. Wofford	W, 9-1 (6)	Silva	2	2	1-0	RBI single up the middle	Bernardini
Feb. 28	18	17-1	vs. Georgia Southern	W, 8-0 (5)	Ki. Sells	3	1	0-0	Three-run home run to LC	Stiles
Feb. 28	19	17-2	at Clemson	L, 0-3	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mar. 1	20	18-2	at Clemson	W, 9-1 (6)	Ki. Sells	3	1	1-0	Solo home run to LF	Ki. Sells
Mar. 4	21	19-2	at UAB	W, 6-1	Barbary	5	2	1-1	Three-run home run to RF	T. Silva
Mar. 6	22	20-2	vs. New Mexico	W, 1-0	Richardson	3	2	0-0	RBI doubled to LC	Ki. Sells
Mar. 6	23	21-2	at South Alabama	W, 3-1	Rivera	1	1	1-0	Sacrifice fly to LF (foul); 7-5-4 double play	Barbary
Mar. 7	24	22-2	vs. New Mexico	W, 4-0	Bernardini	1	2	0-0	Two-run double to RC	Barbary
Mar. 7	25	23-2	vs. Samford	W, 9-1 (5)	Silva	2	1	1-0	Runner scores on wild pitch	Rivera
Mar. 8	26	24-2	at South Alabama	W, 4-2	Ki. Sells	5	0	2-2	Two-run homer to LC	Barbary
Mar. 10	27		SOUTHEAST MISSOURI							
Mar. 10	28		SOUTHEAST MISSOURI							
Mar. 13	29		TENNESSEE*							
Mar. 14	30		TENNESSEE*							
Mar. 15	31		TENNESSEE*							
Mar. 18	32		UAB							
Mar. 20	33		at Georgia*							
Mar. 21	34		at Georgia*							
Mar. 22	35		at Georgia*							
Mar. 25	36		UT MARTIN							
Mar. 28	37		SOUTH CAROLINA*							
Mar. 29	38		SOUTH CAROLINA*							
Mar. 30	39		SOUTH CAROLINA*							
Apr. 3	40		at Florida*							
Apr. 4	41		at Florida*							
Apr. 5	42		at Florida*							
Apr. 10	43		ARKANSAS*							
Apr. 11	44		ARKANSAS*							
Apr. 12	45		ARKANSAS*							
Apr. 17	46		at Texas A&M*							
Apr. 18	47		at Texas A&M*							
Apr. 19	48		at Texas A&M*							
Apr. 24	49		LSU*							
Apr. 25	50		LSU*							
Apr. 26	51		LSU*							
Apr. 30	52		at Ole Miss*							
May 1	53		at Ole Miss*							
May 2	54		at Ole Miss*							

**GAME-WINNING RBI:** Carder (6), Barbary (4), Ki. Sells (3), No RBI (3), Bernardini (2), Richardson (2), Keller (1), Rivera (1), Silva (1), Stiles (1), Troutman (1)  
**GAME-WINNING RUN:** Barbary (6), Ki. Sells (5), Stiles (3), Keller (2), Rivera (2), Bernardini (1), Richardson (1), Romero (1), Schaeffer (1), Silva (1), Troutman (1)

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

GAME-CHANGING PLAY LOG

\*Data courtesy of 643 Charts

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	INNING	OUTS	BASES	WIN% PRIOR	WIN% AFTER	CHANGE	PLAY	FINAL
Feb. 5	at Baylor	0-0	1	0	1st	48.70	73.80	25.10	Barbary two-run home run to CF	W, 10-0 (5 inn.)
Feb. 6	vs. Northwestern State	0-0	1	2	2nd & 3rd	66.55	82.02	15.47	Carder reached on E4; two runs score	W, 9-3
Feb. 6	vs. Wichita State	1-1	8	1	3rd	55.19	79.50	24.31	Romero reached on RBI FC to pitcher	W, 5-2 (8 inn.)
Feb. 7	vs. New Mexico	0-0	1	0	Empty	45.43	64.69	19.26	Stiles solo home run to RF	W, 8-1
Feb. 10	SOUTHERN MISS	0-0	1	2	3rd	57.94	68.06	10.12	Ammon strikes batter out looking	W, 5-0
Feb. 13	MURRAY STATE	0-0	1	0	1st	74.08	81.49	7.41	Barbary walked	W, 9-1 (5 inn.)
Feb. 13	RUTGERS	0-0	1	1	1st & 2nd	71.93	82.84	10.91	Carder RBI double to LF	W, 8-0 (6 inn.)
Feb. 14	RUTGERS	2-2	6	1	1st	63.88	94.36	30.48	Richardson pinch-hit two-run home run to LF	W, 7-2
Feb. 14	NORTH TEXAS	0-1	3	0	Empty	49.71	67.38	17.67	Ki. Sells solo home run to LF	W, 3-1
Feb. 15	NORTH TEXAS	1-0	2	0	Empty	84.63	92.25	7.62	Richardson doubled to LC	W, 10-2 (5 inn.)
Feb. 18	MEMPHIS	0-1	3	1	1st & 3rd	65.64	91.23	25.59	Ki. Sells three-run home run to RC	W, 8-4
Feb. 20	BELMONT	0-0	2	2	1st & 2nd	59.20	63.98	7.78	Goold strikes batter out swinging	L, 0-1
Feb. 20	SAMFORD	0-1	1	0	2nd & 3rd	75.73	94.93	19.20	Ki. Sells two-run double down LF line	W, 6-2
Feb. 21	BELMONT	0-0	1	0	Empty	70.68	82.02	11.34	Stiles doubled to CF	W, 4-1
Feb. 21	DELAWARE STATE	0-0	1	0	Empty	78.19	89.45	11.26	Stiles doubled to RF	W, 19-1 (5 inn.)
Feb. 25	at Georgia Tech	4-2	6	1	1st & 3rd	66.35	92.60	26.25	Barbary starts 5-3-2 double play	W, 8-3
Feb. 27	vs. Wofford	0-0	2	0	1st	55.77	85.90	30.13	Bernardini RBI triple to RC	W, 9-1 (6)
Feb. 28	vs. Georgia Southern	0-0	3	1	1st & 2nd	74.53	97.51	22.98	Ki. Sells three-run home run to LC	W, 8-0 (5)
Feb. 28	at Clemson	0-2	4	0	Empty	22.88	34.31	11.43	Ki. Sells doubled to RF	L, 0-3
Mar. 1	at Clemson	1-0	3	1	Empty	65.20	87.93	12.73	Ki. Sells solo home run to LF	W, 9-1 (6)
Mar. 4	at UAB	1-1	5	2	2nd & 3rd	56.98	93.57	36.59	Barbary three-run home run to RF	W, 6-1
Mar. 6	vs. New Mexico	0-0	2	2	1st	78.71	94.61	15.90	Romero doubled to CF	W, 1-0
Mar. 6	at South Alabama	1-0	6	2	2nd	67.43	85.84	18.41	Faircloth strikes out batter looking	W, 3-1
Mar. 7	vs. New Mexico	0-0	1	1	2nd & 3rd	90.98	99.90	8.92	Bernardini two-run double to RC	W, 4-0
Mar. 7	vs. Samford	0-0	2	1	2nd & 3rd	74.57	90.48	15.91	Romero reached on E5; Bernardini scores	W, 9-1 (5)
Mar. 8	at South Alabama	2-2	5	0	1st	63.58	90.69	27.11	Ki. Sells two-run home run to LC	W, 4-2
Mar. 10	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI									
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Mar. 13	TENNESSEE*									
Mar. 14	TENNESSEE*									
Mar. 15	TENNESSEE*									
Mar. 18	UAB									
Mar. 20	at Georgia*									
Mar. 21	at Georgia*									
Mar. 22	at Georgia*									
Mar. 25	UT MARTIN									
Mar. 28	SOUTH CAROLINA*									
Mar. 29	SOUTH CAROLINA*									
Mar. 30	SOUTH CAROLINA*									
Apr. 3	at Florida*									
Apr. 4	at Florida*									
Apr. 5	at Florida*									
Apr. 10	ARKANSAS*									
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Apr. 12	ARKANSAS*									
Apr. 17	at Texas A&M*									
Apr. 18	at Texas A&M*									
Apr. 19	at Texas A&M*									
Apr. 24	LSU*									
Apr. 25	LSU*									
Apr. 26	LSU*									
Apr. 30	at Ole Miss*									
May 1	at Ole Miss*									
May 2	at Ole Miss*									

**OFFENSIVE GAME-CHANGING PLAYS:** Ki. Sells (7), Barbary (3), Romero (3), Stiles (3), Bernardini (2), Carder (2), Richardson (2)  
**DEFENSIVE GAME-CHANGING PLAYS:** Ammon (1), Barbary (1), Faircloth (1), Goold (1)

STATE'S LARGEST GAME CHANGING PLAYS OF THE SEASON

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	INNING	OUTS	BASES	WIN% PRIOR	WIN% AFTER	CHANGE	PLAY	FINAL
Mar. 4	at UAB	1-1	5	2	2nd & 3rd	56.98	93.57	36.59	Barbary three-run home run to RF	W, 6-1
Feb. 14	RUTGERS	2-2	6	1	1st	63.88	94.36	30.48	Richardson pinch-hit two-run home run to LF	W, 7-2
Feb. 27	vs. Wofford	0-0	2	0	1st	55.77	85.90	30.13	Bernardini RBI triple to RC	W, 9-1 (6)
Mar. 8	at South Alabama	2-2	5	0	1st	63.58	90.69	27.11	Ki. Sells two-run home run to LC	W, 4-2
Feb. 25	at Georgia Tech	4-2	6	1	1st & 3rd	66.35	92.60	26.25	Barbary starts 5-3-2 double play	W, 8-3
Feb. 18	MEMPHIS	0-1	3	1	1st & 3rd	65.64	91.23	25.59	Ki. Sells three-run home run to RC	W, 8-4
Feb. 5	at Baylor	0-0	1	0	1st	48.70	73.80	25.10	Barbary two-run home run to CF	W, 10-0 (5 inn.)
Feb. 6	vs. Wichita State	1-1	8	1	3rd	55.19	79.50	24.31	Romero reached on FC to pitcher; T. Silva scored	W, 5-2 (8 inn.)

## GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS (BATTING ORDER)

DATE	NO.	RECORD	OPPONENT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Feb. 5	1	1-0	at Baylor	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Ernstes	Carder	Bernardini	Rivera	Richardson	Romero
Feb. 6	2	1-0	vs. Northwestern State	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Ernstes	Carder	Richardson	Bernardini	Troutman	Romero
Feb. 6	3	1-0	vs. Wichita State	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Troutman	Richardson	Ernstes	Bernardini	Rivera	Romero
Feb. 7	4	1-0	vs. New Mexico	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Troutman	Richardson	Carder	Ernstes	Bernardini	Schaeffer
Feb. 10	5	1-0	SOUTHERN MISS	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Troutman	Bernardini	Ernstes	Rivera	Richardson	Schaeffer
Feb. 13	6	1-0	MURRAY STATE	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Troutman	Carder	Richardson	Ernstes	Bernardini	Schaeffer
Feb. 13	7	1-0	RUTGERS	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Ernstes	Rivera	Keller	Richardson	Schaeffer
Feb. 14	8	1-0	RUTGERS	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Ernstes	Bernardini	Rivera	Keller	Schaeffer
Feb. 14	9	1-0	NORTH TEXAS	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Bernardini	Troutman	Richardson	Keller	Schaeffer
Feb. 15	9	2-0	NORTH TEXAS	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Bernardini	Troutman	Richardson	Keller	Schaeffer
Feb. 18	10	1-0	MEMPHIS	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Richardson	Keller	Bernardini	Rivera	Schaeffer
Feb. 20	11	0-1	BELMONT	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Richardson	Troutman	Bernardini	Keller	Schaeffer
Feb. 20	12	1-0	SAMFORD	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Rivera	Keller	Bernardini	Richardson	Schaeffer
Feb. 21	13	1-0	BELMONT	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Bernardini	Rivera	Keller	Richardson	Schaeffer
Feb. 21	14	1-0	DELAWARE STATE	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Bernardini	Rivera	Ernstes	Keller	Schaeffer
Feb. 22	--	--	DELAWARE STATE	-- CANCELED --								
Feb. 25	15	1-0	at Georgia Tech	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Rivera	Bernardini	Richardson	Keller	Schaeffer
Feb. 27	16	1-0	vs. Wofford	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Rivera	Bernardini	Richardson	Schaeffer	Silva
Feb. 28	16	2-0	vs. Georgia Southern	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Rivera	Bernardini	Richardson	Schaeffer	Silva
Feb. 28	15	1-1	at Clemson	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Carder	Rivera	Bernardini	Richardson	Keller	Schaeffer
Mar. 1	17	1-0	at Clemson	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Bernardini	Rivera	Richardson	Troutman	Ernstes	Romero
Mar. 4	18	1-0	at UAB	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Bernardini	Rivera	Richardson	Carder	Romero	Silva
Mar. 6	19	1-0	vs. New Mexico	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Bernardini	Carder	Richardson	Troutman	Romero	Silva
Mar. 6	20	1-0	at South Alabama	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Bernardini	Rivera	Richardson	Troutman	Romero	Keller
Mar. 7	21	1-0	vs. New Mexico	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Bernardini	Rivera	Keller	Carder	Romero	Richardson
Mar. 7	22	1-0	vs. Samford	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Bernardini	Rivera	Stevens	Romero	Silva	Richardson
Mar. 8	22	2-0	at South Alabama	Stiles	Barbary	Ki. Sells	Bernardini	Rivera	Stevens	Romero	Silva	Richardson
Mar. 10			SOUTHEAST MISSOURI									
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Apr. 12			ARKANSAS*									
Apr. 17			at Texas A&M*									
Apr. 18			at Texas A&M*									
Apr. 19			at Texas A&M*									
Apr. 24			LSU*									
Apr. 25			LSU*									
Apr. 26			LSU*									
Apr. 30			at Ole Miss*									
May 1			at Ole Miss*									
May 2			at Ole Miss*									

**LEADOFF:** Stiles (26)**2ND:** Barbary (26)**3RD:** Ki. Sells (26)**CLEANUP:** Carder (13), Bernardini (7), Troutman (4), Ernstes (2)**5TH:** Rivera (11), Bernardini (5), Carder (4), Richardson (4), Ernstes (2)**6TH:** Bernardini (6), Richardson (6), Keller (3), Rivera (3), Troutman (3), Ernstes (2), Stevens (2), Carder (1)**7TH:** Richardson (6), Bernardini (5), Ernstes (3), Rivera (3), Troutman (3), Carder (2), Keller (2), Romero (2)**8TH:** Keller (7), Richardson (5), Romero (4), Bernardini (2), Rivera (2), Schaeffer (2), Silva (2), Ernstes (1), Troutman (1)**9TH:** Schaeffer (14), Romero (4), Silva (4), Richardson (3), Keller (1)

## GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS (DEFENSIVE POSITIONS)

DATE	NO.	RECORD	OPPONENT	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DP
Feb. 5	1	1-0	at Baylor	Rivera	Ernstes	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Richardson	Ki. Sells	Carder
Feb. 6	2	1-0	vs. Northwestern State	Carder	Ernstes	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Richardson	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Feb. 6	3	1-0	vs. Wichita State	Rivera	Ernstes	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Richardson	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Feb. 7	4	1-0	vs. New Mexico	Carder	Ernstes	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Richardson	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Feb. 10	5	1-0	SOUTHERN MISS	Rivera	Ernstes	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Richardson	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Feb. 13	4	2-0	MURRAY STATE	Carder	Ernstes	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Richardson	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Feb. 13	6	1-0	RUTGERS	Rivera	Ernstes	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Richardson	Keller	Ki. Sells	Carder
Feb. 14	7	1-0	RUTGERS	Rivera	Ernstes	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Carder
Feb. 14	8	1-0	NORTH TEXAS	Carder	Richardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Feb. 15	8	2-0	NORTH TEXAS	Carder	Richardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Feb. 18	9	1-0	MEMPHIS	Rivera	Richardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Carder
Feb. 20	8	2-1	BELMONT	Carder	Richardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Feb. 20	9	2-0	SAMFORD	Rivera	Richardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Carder
Feb. 21	9	3-0	BELMONT	Rivera	Richardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Carder
Feb. 21	10	1-0	DELAWARE STATE	Carder	Ernstes	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Rivera
Feb. 22	--	--	DELAWARE STATE	-- CANCELED --								
Feb. 25	9	4-0	at Georgia Tech	Rivera	Richardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Carder
Feb. 27	11	1-0	vs. Wofford	Rivera	Rchardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Silva	Ki. Sells	Carder
Feb. 28	12	1-0	vs. Georgia Southern	Carder	Richardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Silva	Ki. Sells	Rivera
Feb. 28	9	4-1	at Clemson	Rivera	Richardson	Schaeffer	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Carder
Mar. 1	3	2-0	at Clemson	Rivera	Ernstes	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Richardson	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Mar. 4	13	1-0	at UAB	Rivera	Richardson	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Silva	Ki. Sells	Carder
Mar. 6	14	1-0	vs. New Mexico	Carder	Richardson	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Silva	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Mar. 6	15	1-0	at South Alabama	Rivera	Richardson	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Troutman
Mar. 7	16	1-0	vs. New Mexico	Carder	Richardson	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Keller	Ki. Sells	Rivera
Mar. 7	17	1-0	vs. Samford	Rivera	Richardson	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Silva	Ki. Sells	Stevens
Mar. 8	17	2-0	at South Alabama	Rivera	Richardson	Romero	Barbary	Stiles	Bernardini	Silva	Ki. Sells	Stevens
Mar. 10			SOUTHEAST MISSOURI									
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Mar. 15			TENNESSEE*									
Mar. 18			UAB									
Mar. 20			at Georgia*									
Mar. 21			at Georgia*									
Mar. 22			at Georgia*									
Mar. 25			UT MARTIN									
Mar. 28			SOUTH CAROLINA*									
Mar. 29			SOUTH CAROLINA*									
Mar. 30			SOUTH CAROLINA*									
Apr. 3			at Florida*									
Apr. 4			at Florida*									
Apr. 5			at Florida*									
Apr. 10			ARKANSAS*									
Apr. 11			ARKANSAS*									
Apr. 12			ARKANSAS*									
Apr. 17			at Texas A&M*									
Apr. 18			at Texas A&M*									
Apr. 19			at Texas A&M*									
Apr. 24			LSU*									
Apr. 25			LSU*									
Apr. 26			LSU*									
Apr. 30			at Ole Miss*									
May 1			at Ole Miss*									
May 2			at Ole Miss*									

**P:** Faircloth (9), Goold (9), Ammon (8)  
**C:** Rivera (16), Carder (10)  
**1B:** Richardson (16), Ernstes (10)  
**2B:** Schaeffer (16), Romero (10)  
**3B:** Barbary (26)  
**SS:** Stiles (26)  
**LF:** Bernardini (25), Richardson (1)  
**CF:** Keller (13), Richardson (7), Silva (6)  
**RF:** Ki. Sells (26)  
**DP:** Troutman (11), Carder (10), Rivera (3), Stevens (2)

## THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

## MISSISSIPPI STATE

## TEAM OFFENSE

Had 10+ hits	10 vs. Samford	Mar. 7, 2026
Had 15+ hits	15 vs. Washington	May 17, 2025
Scored 5+ runs	9 vs. Samford	Mar. 7, 2026
Scored 10+ runs	19 vs. Delaware State	Feb. 21, 2026
Scored 15+ runs	19 vs. Delaware State	Feb. 21, 2026
Hit 2+ home runs	2 at South Alabama	Mar. 8, 2026
Hit 3+ home runs	4 at Georgia Tech	Feb. 25, 2026
Stole 4+ bases	4 vs. Clemson	Mar. 1, 2026
Left 10 runners on base	10 vs. Ole Miss	May 2, 2025

## INDIVIDUAL OFFENSE

Had 3+ hits	Kiarra Sells (3)	at Clemson, Mar. 1, 2026
Had 4+ hits	Nadia Barbary (4)	vs. Samford, Feb. 20, 2026
Hit for the cycle	Never	
Scored 3+ runs	Kiarra Sells (3)	vs. Samford, Feb. 20, 2026
Scored 4+ runs	Sierra Sacco (4)	at Northwestern, Mar. 21, 2025
Drove in 3+ RBIs	Kiarra Sells (3)	at South Alabama, Mar. 8, 2026
Drove in 4+ RBIs	Nadia Barbary (4)	vs. Samford, Mar. 7, 2026
Drove in 5+ RBIs	Jessie Blaine (5)	vs. Washington, May 17, 2025
Drove in 6+ RBIs	Madisyn Kennedy (7)	vs. ULM, Mar. 13, 2024
Hit 2+ doubles	Des Rivera (2)	at Clemson, Mar. 1, 2026
Hit a triple	Xiane Romero	at Clemson, Mar. 1, 2026
Hit 2+ triples	Kat Moore (2)	vs. Tennessee, Apr. 5, 2018
Hit 2+ home runs	Kiarra Sells (2)	at South Alabama, Mar. 8, 2026
Hit a walk-off, game-winning HR	Jessie Blaine	vs. Ole Miss, May 1, 2025
Hit a grand slam	Nadia Barbary	vs. Samford, Mar. 7, 2026
Led off 1st inn. with HR	Morgan Stiles	vs. New Mexico, Feb. 7, 2026
Stole 3+ bases	Seirra Sacco (3)	vs. Tennessee, Apr. 12, 2024
Stole home	Kylee Edwards (3rd inn.)	vs. Louisiana Tech, Feb. 22, 2025
Drew 3+ walks	Nadia Barbary (3)	vs. Ole Miss, May 1, 2025
Drew 4+ walks	Jessie Blaine (4)	at Kentucky (G2), Apr. 26, 2025

## TEAM PITCHING

Threw a no-hitter	at Ole Miss	Mar. 9, 2024
Threw a shutout	vs. New Mexico	Mar. 7, 2026
Recorded 10+ strikeouts	11 vs. Samford	Mar. 7, 2026
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	Peja Goold	vs. New Mexico, Mar. 6, 2026
Recorded 10+ strikeouts	Peja Goold (11)	vs. Samford, Mar. 7, 2026
Recorded 15+ strikeouts	Annie Willis (19)	vs. Mississippi Valley State, Mar. 6, 2020
Gave up 10+ hits	Raelin Chaffin (14)	at Texas Tech, May 18, 2028
Walked 5+ batters	Raelin Chaffin (7)	vs. Auburn, Mar. 8, 2025
Struck out the side	Peja Goold	vs. Samford, (1st & 2nd inn.), Mar. 7, 2026

## TEAM DEFENSE

Did not commit an error	at South Alabama	Mar. 8, 2026
Committed 2+ errors	2 at Oklahoma (G1)	Apr. 20, 2025
Committed 4+ errors	4 at Auburn	May 6, 2023
Turned a double play	vs. Wofford	Feb. 27, 2026
Turned a triple play	vs. Auburn	May 4, 1997
Threw a runner out at the plate	vs. Wofford (Bot 4, 3-1)	Feb. 27, 2026

## INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE

Recorded 10+ putouts	Des Rivera (10)	vs. Samford, Mar. 7, 2026
Recorded 15+ putouts	Des Rivera (15)	vs. Belmont, Feb. 21, 2026
Recorded 5+ assists	Kylee Edwards (5)	vs. Northwestern State, Mar. 2, 2025
Committed 2+ errors	Morgan Stiles (2)	at Northwestern (G1), Mar. 22, 2025

## MISCELLANEOUS

Won in extra innings	5-2 (8 inn.) vs. Wichita State	Feb. 6, 2026
Won by 8-run rule	9-1 (5 inn.) vs. Samford	Mar. 7, 2026
Scored 8+ runs in an inning	8 (1st inn.) at Tennessee (G1)	Apr. 5, 2025
Had 7+ hits in an inning	9 (4th inn.) at Northwestern	Mar. 21, 2025
Hit back-to-back home runs	2nd inning vs. Northwestern State	Feb. 6, 2026
Drew 4+ walks in an inning	5 (4th inn.) vs. Alabama State	Feb. 28, 2024

## OPPONENT

## TEAM OFFENSE

Had 10+ hits	14 at Texas Tech	May 18, 2025
Had 15+ hits	16 at Kentucky (G2)	Apr. 26, 2025
Scored 5+ runs	9 at Texas Tech	May 18, 2025
Scored 10+ runs	14 at Kentucky (G2)	Apr. 26, 2025
Scored 15+ runs	21 vs. Ole Miss	Apr. 19, 2019
Hit 2+ home runs	2 at Georgia Tech	Feb. 25, 2026
Hit 3+ home runs	3 vs. Memphis	Feb. 19, 2026
Stole 4+ bases	5 at Auburn	May 5, 2023
Left 10 runners on base	11 vs. Ole Miss	May 3, 2025

## INDIVIDUAL OFFENSE

Had 3+ hits	Alyssa Willer (3)	at Georgia Tech, Feb. 25, 2026
Had 4+ hits	Karissa Hamilton (4)	at Kentucky (G2), Apr. 26, 2025
Hit for the cycle	Never	
Scored 3+ runs	Hailey Toney (3)	at Texas Tech, May 18, 2025
Scored 4+ runs	Koko Wooley (4)	vs. Texas A&M (G2), Mar. 16, 2024
Drove in 3+ RBIs	Lauren Allred (3)	at Texas Tech, May 18, 2025
Drove in 4+ RBIs	Alycia Flores (5)	vs. Washington, May 17, 2025
Drove in 5+ RBIs	Alycia Flores (5)	vs. Washington, May 17, 2025
Drove in 6+ RBIs	Karissa Hamilton (6)	at Kentucky (G2), Apr. 26, 2025
Hit 2+ doubles	Bailey Lindemuth (2)	at Texas Tech, May 18, 2025
Hit a triple	Hannah Miles	at UAB, Mar. 4, 2026
Hit 2+ triples	Rachel Anderson (2)	vs. SE Missouri, Mar. 8, 2020
Hit 2+ home runs	Hailey Toney (2)	at Texas Tech, May 18, 2025
Hit a walk-off, game-winning HR	Lexie Brady	at Ole Miss, Mar. 10, 2024
Hit a grand slam	Alycia Flores	vs. Washington, May 17, 2025
Led off 1st inn. with HR	Kasidi Pickering	at Oklahoma (G1), Apr. 20, 2025
Stole 3+ bases	Koko Wooley (3)	vs. Texas A&M (G2), Mar. 16, 2024
Stole home	Shelby Kunkel (1st inn.)	vs. Miami (Ohio), Feb. 23, 2025
Drew 3+ walks	Lair Beatae (3)	vs. Tennessee, May 12, 2022
Drew 4+ walks	Bailey Castro (4)	vs. Florida, Mar. 29, 2015

## TEAM PITCHING

Threw a no-hitter	at Georgia	Mar. 25, 2023
Threw a shutout	at Clemson	Feb. 28, 2026
Recorded 10+ strikeouts	13 vs. Belmont	Feb. 20, 2026
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	Sierra Maness	at Clemson, Feb. 28, 2026
Recorded 10+ strikeouts	Maya Johnson (13)	vs. Belmont, Feb. 20, 2026
Recorded 15+ strikeouts	Montana Fouts (16)	at Alabama, Mar. 3, 2021
Gave up 10+ hits	Brandy Phillips (11)	vs. Samford, Feb. 20, 2026
Walked 5+ batters	Miali Guachino (5)	vs. Ole Miss, May 2, 2025
Struck out the side	Ryley Harrison	at South Alabama (2nd inn.), Mar. 6, 2026

## TEAM DEFENSE

Did not commit an error	at South Alabama	Mar. 8, 2026
Committed 2+ errors	2 at Georgia Tech	Feb. 25, 2026
Committed 4+ errors	4 vs. Memphis	Feb. 19, 2026
Turned a double play	at South Alabama	Mar. 6, 2026
Turned a triple play	vs. Troy	Mar. 3, 2024
Threw a runner out at the plate	at South Alabama (Top 5, 4-2)	Mar. 8, 2026

## INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE

Recorded 10+ putouts	Julia Knowler (11)	at Clemson, Feb. 28, 2026
Recorded 15+ putouts	Jen Cummings (16)	vs. South Carolina, Mar. 17, 2023
Recorded 5+ assists	Sarah Breaux (5)	at Clemson, Feb. 28, 2026
Committed 2+ errors	Emma Simon (2)	at Georgia Tech, Feb. 25, 2026

## MISCELLANEOUS

Won in extra innings	3-7 (8 inn.) vs. Texas	Mar. 30, 2025
Won by 8-run rule	1-10 (6 inn.) at Texas Tech	May 18, 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	2nd inning at Tennessee (G2)	Apr. 5, 2025
Drew 4+ walks in an inning	5 (1st inn.) vs. Southern Illinois	Feb. 13, 2025

## LATEST MSU COMEBACK VICTORIES

2+ run deficit	at South Alabama	Mar. 8, 2026	Trailed 0-2 in Top 3rd	Won, 4-2	Winning play: Kiarra Sells two-run home run (MSU leads 4-2 in Top 5th)
3+ run deficit	Auburn	Mar. 10, 2025	Trailed 0-4 in Bottom 4th	Won, 7-4	Winning play: Nadia Barbary grand slam (MSU leads 7-4 in Bottom 4th)
4+ run deficit	Auburn	Mar. 10, 2025	Trailed 0-4 in Bottom 4th	Won, 7-4	Winning play: Nadia Barbary grand slam (MSU leads 7-4 in Bottom 4th)
5+ run deficit	vs. Miami (Ohio)	Feb. 23, 2025	Trailed 1-6 in Bottom 2nd	Won 11-7	Winning play: Error by 2B, runner scores from second (MSU leads 8-6 in Bottom 2nd)
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)

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

16	#StateToTheShow Future Professionals at MSU
16	All-America Honors
43	All-Region Honors
28	All-Conference Honors
2	Conference Players of the Year
1	Conference Freshman of the Year
3	Conference All-Defensive Team Selections
1	Conference Tournament MVP
7	Conference Tournament Team Selections
9	National Players of the Week
30	Conference Players of the Week
1	CoSIDA/CSC Academic All-American
16	CoSIDA/CSC Academic All-District Selections
115	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	39-19	.672
2026	Mississippi State	24-2	.923
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>222-121</b>	<b>.647</b>

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	13-11	.542
2026	Mississippi State	0-0	--
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>50-68</b>	<b>.424</b>

MAROON AND WHITE

- » Named the sixth head softball coach in program history on July 22, 2019.
- » Has coached 16 Bulldogs who went on to professional careers, nine of whom were selected in a professional draft. Five of her proteges are currently playing professionally (Raelin Chaffin, Mia Davidson, Chloe Malau'ulu, Sierra Sacco and Aspen Wesley).
- » Has coached multiple players to All-Region honors in each of the last seven seasons, including a school-record six players in the 2025 campaign.
- » Broke the school record in 2025 with her 45th coaching victory against an NFCA-ranked opponent.
- » The Bulldogs have finished SEC play better than predicted by the Preseason Coaches' Poll in four of five full seasons under her guidance.
- » In 2025, MSU finished above .500 in conference play (13-11) for the first time since 2001 (19-11) and won five series for the first time since 2007. Along with 2024 (12-12), the Bulldogs posted their first back-to-back years with at least a .500 record since 1998-99. The prior year, she guided State to its highest SEC finish since the shift to a 24-game SEC schedule.
- » 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) at that time.
- » Earned first career coaching victory in first career game on Feb. 7, 2020, against Missouri State (5-0) 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.
- » 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.
- » 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.
- » Has been a part of one Women's College World Series appearance, eight NCAA Regional berths and two NCAA Super Regional appearances during her coaching career.
- » Served as an assistant coach from 2015-18 focusing on hitting and recruiting before being promoted to associate head coach.
- » Since her arrival, MSU has hit at least one home run in 55.5 percent of its games (336 of 605) and gone 246-90 in those games through 2025.
- » The top six single-season home run totals in program history have all come under her watch, and she has coached eight of the top 11 players in MSU history in career home runs along with seven of the top 10 individual season totals on record.
- » In 2019, MSU was one of two teams in the nation (Arizona) to boast multiple hitters with 20 or more home runs.
- » For the first time since 2008, State produced multiple NFCA All-Americans in 2019 (Fa Leilua and Mia Davidson).
- » Davidson went on to break Rafael Palmeiro's mark for the most home runs in a career by a Bulldog baseball or softball player along with shattering the SEC softball career record.
- » 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	8
NFCA All-South Region Selections	32
First Team All-SEC Selections	8
SEC All-Defensive Team Selections	3
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
Top 25 Finalist for USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year	2025
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 at Oklahoma from 2010-11.
- » 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 BIDS)



**BULLDOG BITES: OFF THE FIELD PROFILES****LEILA AMMON** WALKUP SONG: Layla (Derek and the Dominos)

Father is a 20-year veteran in the Marine Corps ... has lived in five different states ... broke her high school's strikeout record ... has same tattoo on her wrist as both parents ... loves to bake sourdough ... enjoys spending time on the beach at sunset ... majoring in communication and media studies

**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 ... earned her pink glove after winning SEC All-Defensive Team honors at third base ... born at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas ... both parents served in the Air Force ... also competed in gymnastics as a child ... majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

**MORGAN BERNARDINI** WALKUP SONG: God I'm Just Grateful (Elevation Worship)

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.

**ANNA CARDER** WALKUP SONG: Tusk (Fleetwood Mac)

Goes thrift shopping for the majority of her clothes ... handmakes home decor ... loves swimming ... team describes her backup career as a stand-up comedian ... high school teammates with Morgan Stiles ... played against MSU in Starkville at The Snowman in 2025 while at Southern Illinois ... majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

**SYDNEY CARROLL** WALKUP SONG: TGIF (GloRilla)

Mother played softball at Troy alongside her identical twin, Adria Montgomery-Klein, from 1994-96, leading the Trojans to their first conference title and NCAA regional ... mother remains fifth in Trojan history with 13 career triples ... favorite food is pasta ... has a golden retriever named Rosie ... majoring in animal and dairy sciences.

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

Third player in program history from the state of Indiana ... grew up with fellow Bulldog Sara Phillips ... favorite food is chicken ... family has a retired police K-9 officer for a pet ... grandfather, Jan Ernstes, played football at the University of Indianapolis ... majoring in kinesiology.

**DELAINEY EVERETT** WALKUP SONG: Danger Zone (Kenny Loggins)

Wears No. 48 as a nod to her uncle, Josh Parry, who played football at San Jose State before playing three NFL seasons ... has two dogs, Goose and Maverick, named after Top Gun ... has three younger sisters ... loves boating and family time ... father passed away two weeks prior to the 2025 season, and now wears his California Highway Patrol badge number on her pitching towel and facemask ... majoring in kinesiology.

**ALYSSA FAIRCLOTH** WALKUP SONG: Circus (Britney Spears)

Aunt, Lauren Rosengrant Bickerstaff, played softball at Georgia Gwinnett College ... rescues kittens off the street and keeps them as pets ... favorite food is Conecuh sausage ... enjoys hunting ... foot is too large for women's sizes in shoes ... majoring in kinesiology.

**PEJA GOOLD** WALKUP SONG: Immigrant Song (Led Zeppelin)

Pitched for Colombia at the 2025 Pan American Championships ... played volleyball in high school ... father played volleyball in college ... named after Peja Stojakovic, who played for the Sacramento Kings in the NBA, and has met him twice ... enjoys bass fishing, reading and going to country music concerts ... majoring in marketing.

**GRETTA GRASSEL** WALKUP SONG: Could You Be Loved (Bob Marley)

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.

**KINLEY KELLER** WALKUP SONG: The Sweet Escape (Gwen Stefani)

Aunt, Kristin Pinter, played softball at Minot State ... cousin, Jaron Pinter, played baseball at Dickinson State ... likes to play pickleball ... favorite artist is Toby Keith ... majoring in kinesiology.

**BRINKLEY MORETON** WALKUP SONG: Lights Come On (Jason Aldean)

Second player in program history from the state of Arkansas ... father played baseball at Arkansas Tech ... family owns a cattle farm that she grew up working on ... good painter ... majoring in biological sciences with a pre-dental concentration.

**SARA PHILLIPS** WALKUP SONG: Fancy (Reba McEntire)

Family owns a farm with 30 head of cattle ... likes to deer hunt and cook ... father played baseball and basketball at Southern Union Community College ... mother was a professional horse trainer and barrel racer ... three of five siblings 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: Man! I Feel Like a Woman (Shania Twain)

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.

**DES RIVERA** WALKUP SONG: EoO (Bad Bunny)

Played in the 2022 Women's College World Series while at Oregon State, collecting hits in both games ... has two sisters and a brother ... enjoys cooking and making lattes ... loves to watch Marvel movies ... wants to be an occupational therapist ... majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

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

Is the middle child of five ... does lashes for some of her teammates ... 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.

**GABBY SCHAEFFER** WALKUP SONG: Keep Their Heads Ringing (Dr. Dre)

Second player in program history from the state of New York ... loves late night walks and stargazing ... favorite food is penna alla vodka ... likes to bingewatch Netflix ... majoring in business economics.

**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 whose names all start with K ... along with older sister, Kiarra, is part of ninth pair of sisters in MSU history ... brother, Kaleb, plays football at New Mexico Highlands ... continued MSU's run of 11 straight seasons with a player with Samoan heritage and would be eligible for the American Samoa national team ... majoring in psychology.

**KIARRA SELLS** WALKUP SONG: Otonoke (Creepy Nuts)

Along with younger sister, Kalani, is part of ninth pair of sisters in MSU history ... one of five children whose names all start with K ... oldest sibling along with her twin brother ... brother, Kaleb, plays football at New Mexico Highlands ... wears hearing aids and hopes to break stigma around them for athletes ... favorite food is pizza rolls ... eligible for the American Samoa national team ... majoring in psychology.

**TATUM SILVA** WALKUP SONG: One More Chance / Stay With Me (Remix) (The Notorious B.I.G.)

Has a brother that's six and a half years older than her that she considers her best friend ... favorite food is sushi ... wanted to play middle infield but she was left handed ... loves to dance ... wants to become an ultrasound technician or a coach ... majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

**CARSON SMITH** WALKUP SONG: God I'm Just Grateful (Elevation Worship)

Her and her sister's names both start with C ... enjoys walking her dog, Beau ... favorite food is steak and potatoes ... volunteers coaching and on mission trips ... majoring in kinesiology.

**ABIGAIL STEVENS** WALKUP SONG: Bandit (Don Toliver)

Father played baseball at MSU under legendary coach Ron Polk and uncle played football at State ... was high school valedictorian ... grew up on a cattle farm ... also played basketball and once scored 39 points in a basketball game ... father nicknamed her "Gina" in tee ball when he would yell at her to pay attention but didn't want others to know who he was talking to ... majoring in microbiology with a pre-med concentration.

**MORGAN STILES** WALKUP SONG: Unstoppable God (Elevation Worship)

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.

**ALLY SUPAN** WALKUP SONG: I Got 5 On It (Luniz)

Can juggle ... played flag football in high school and won the school's first state championship in any sport in 2023 ... also won the following year and climbed to a No. 1 national ranking ... plays pickleball almost every day ... knows sign language ... loves to cook ... wants to write a book one day ... great grandfather, George Socha, played minor league baseball in the Cleveland Guardians organization ... majoring in kinesiology.

**TAYLOR TROUTMAN** WALKUP SONG: Just That Good (Cross Point Music)

Second-ever player in program history from Kentucky ... wears No. 41 in honor of her father's badge number ... father played baseball and mother ran cross country at Oakland City University ... father coached her high school team ... sister, Jordan, played volleyball at Southern Indiana ... can juggle ... had never had coffee, tea or caffeine before college ... loves to read ... majoring in elementary education.

OVERALL STATS



**2026 Mississippi State Softball**  
**Overall Statistics for Mississippi State (as of Mar 08, 2026)**  
**(All games Sorted by Batting avg)**



Record: 24-2 Home: 10-1 Away: 6-1 Neutral: 8-0 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%
9 Kiarra Sells	.467	26-26	75	28	35	9	0	10	24	74	.987	11	2	9	1	.539	1	0	7-8	5	1	0	1.000
24 Morgan Stiles	.375	26-26	80	22	30	4	0	2	10	40	.500	13	2	6	1	.474	0	1	0-0	23	31	1	.982
13 Morgan Bernardini	.328	25-25	64	7	21	5	1	2	20	34	.531	4	1	4	1	.366	2	0	0-0	18	0	0	1.000
10 Nadia Barbary	.313	26-26	80	19	25	4	0	7	25	50	.625	10	1	9	1	.387	2	0	1-1	11	35	1	.979
2 Abby G. Richardson	.254	26-24	59	16	15	6	0	5	18	36	.610	9	0	17	0	.343	2	0	3-3	90	4	2	.979
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6 Carson Smith	.500	2-0	2	1	1	1	0	0	2	2	1.000	0	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0-0	1	1	0	1.000
33 Kinley Keller	.438	26-13	32	12	14	5	0	1	8	22	.688	3	0	2	0	.472	1	1	2-2	13	0	0	1.000
22 Tatum Silva	.400	25-6	20	8	8	0	0	0	6	8	.400	2	1	2	0	.440	2	1	2-2	9	1	0	1.000
42 Kalani Sells	.400	26-0	5	3	2	0	0	1	3	5	1.000	1	0	1	0	.500	0	0	1-1	4	0	0	1.000
11 Abigail Stevens	.385	10-2	13	2	5	3	0	1	4	11	.846	1	0	4	0	.429	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
7 Gabby Schaeffer	.355	22-16	31	14	11	2	0	2	6	19	.613	4	4	7	0	.487	0	2	4-5	11	14	0	1.000
23 Des Rivera	.333	23-19	51	9	17	4	0	3	12	30	.588	4	0	0	2	.362	3	2	1-1	159	13	0	1.000
1 Gretta Grassel	.333	16-0	3	4	1	0	0	0	1	1	.333	2	0	1	0	.600	0	0	2-2	1	0	0	1.000
41 Taylor Troutman	.314	20-11	35	4	11	1	0	2	5	18	.514	5	0	7	0	.400	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
19 Anna Carder	.262	22-20	42	4	11	0	0	0	8	11	.262	13	0	11	2	.421	2	0	0-0	73	3	0	1.000
83 Xiane Romero	.185	13-10	27	7	5	2	1	1	4	12	.444	4	0	4	0	.290	0	1	2-3	15	16	1	.969
12 Paige Ernestes	.152	23-10	33	2	5	1	0	0	5	6	.182	4	3	2	0	.286	2	0	0-0	64	4	0	1.000
5 Ally Supan	.000	18-0	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-1	1	1	0	1.000
Totals	.332	26	654	172	217	47	2	37	161	379	.580	90	14	86	8	.414	17	8	26-29	501	146	7	.989
Opponents	.153	26	577	34	88	12	2	10	31	134	.232	36	8	237	3	.212	2	1	12-15	465	162	26	.960

LOB - Team (147), Opp (90). DPs turned - Team (4), Opp (9).

**(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
17 Leila Ammon	0.69	6-0	10	8	1	0/2	0	40.1	20	5	4	4	46	5	1	1	.145	2	0	0	0	1
3 Peja Goold	0.80	10-1	15	9	6	4/0	2	61.0	28	9	7	13	82	2	0	2	.133	3	1	0	0	0
4 Alyssa Faircloth	1.90	7-1	15	9	4	0/2	3	59.0	33	16	16	13	107	4	1	5	.162	5	6	0	2	0
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11 Abigail Stevens	0.00	1-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	2.0	1	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	.200	0	0	0	0	0
48 Delainey Everett	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	.333	0	0	0	0	0
21 Brinkley Moreton	9.33	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	4	4	4	2	0	1	0	2	.308	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	1.30	24-2	26	26	11	6/2	5	167.0	88	34	31	36	237	12	2	10	.153	10	8	0	2	1
Opponents	7.00	2-24	26	26	4	2/0	0	155.0	217	172	155	90	86	47	2	37	.332	19	14	0	17	8

PB - Team (1), D. Rivera 1, Opp (3). Pickoffs - Team (1), D. Rivera 1. SBA/ATT - D. Rivera (7-9), A. Faircloth (6-7), A. Carder (5-6), A. Stevens (2-3), P. Goold (3-3), L. Ammon (1-2).



1

**GRETTA GRASSEL**

SO. | OF | L/R | 5-7  
BOSCOBEL, WIS.



2

**ABBY GRACE RICHARDSON**

SR. | UTL | R/R | 5-9  
BROOKHAVEN, MISS.



3

**PEJA GOOLD**

SR. | P | R/R | 5-7  
STOCKTON, CALIF.



4

**ALYSSA FAIRCLOTH**

JR. | P | L/L | 6-0  
NORTHPORT, ALA.



5

**ALLY SUPAN**

FR. | UTL | R/R | 5-4  
PHENIX CITY, ALA.



6

**CARSON SMITH**

FR. | INF | R/R | 5-0  
MENDENHALL, MISS.



7

**GABBY SCHAEFFER**

FR. | INF | R/R | 5-7  
MONROE, N.Y.



9

**KIARRA SELLS**

SR. | OF | R/R | 5-6  
JASPER, TEXAS



10

**NADIA BARBARY**

SR. | INF | R/R | 5-7  
DOUGLASVILLE, GA.



11

**ABIGAIL STEVENS**

R-FR. | P | R/R | 6-0  
BRAXTON, MISS.



12

**PAIGE ERNESTES**

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



13

**MORGAN BERNARDINI**

SR. | OF | R/R | 5-6  
ELKVILLE, ILL.



17

**LEILA AMMON**

SO. | P | R/R | 5-11  
GULF BREEZE, FLA.



19

**ANNA CARDER**

SR. | C | L/R | 5-5  
ATHENS, ALA.



20

**SARA PHILLIPS**

SO. | P | R/R | 5-10  
TRUSSVILLE, ALA.



21

**BRINKLEY MORETON**

FR. | P | R/R | 5-7  
SUMMERS, ARK.



22

**TATUM SILVA**

JR. | OF | L/R | 5-6  
RESCUE, CALIF.



23

**DES RIVERA**

SR. | C | R/R | 5-6  
CHINO, CALIF.



24

**MORGAN STILES**

SO. | INF | R/R | 5-7  
ATHENS, ALA.



31

**SYDNEY CARROLL**

FR. | UTL | R/R | 6-2  
CHELSEA, ALA.



33

**KINLEY KELLER**

FR. | OF | R/R | 5-9  
NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS



41

**TAYLOR TROUTMAN**

R-FR. | INF | L/R | 5-10  
HENDERSON, KY.



42

**KALANI SELLS**

SO. | OF | R/R | 5-4  
JASPER, TEXAS



48

**DELAINEY EVERETT**

JR. | P | L/L | 5-5  
OAKDALE, CALIF.



83

**XIANE ROMERO**

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



HC

**SAMANTHA RICKETTS**

HEAD COACH | IN DUGOUT  
7TH SEASON (12TH AT MSU)



AC

**TYLER BRATTON**

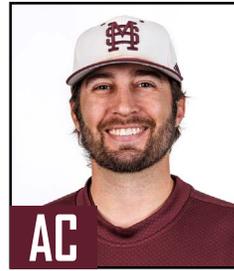
ASSOC. HEAD COACH | THIRD BASE  
13TH SEASON



AC

**TARYNE MOWATT-MCKINNEY**

ASST. COACH | CALLS PITCHES  
3RD SEASON



AC

**ZAC SHAW**

ASST. COACH | 1ST BASE  
4TH SEASON



PD

**ALYSSA LOZA**

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT COORD.  
5TH SEASON